



The SPIRIT | Official Newsletter of I.B.M. Ring 1

## Next Meeting:

### Magic 101 6:30 PM

Henry Schaper Sr. will be hosting Magic 101 with card magic. bring your own deck of cards

### Meeting 7:00 PM Liquid & Food Magic

Dielmann Recreation Center  
11400 Olde Cabin Road  
Creve Coeur, MO 63141

**International Brotherhood of Magicians**

Presents a

## **Veteran & First Responders Tribute Magical Holiday Show**

(<http://www.ibmring1.com/HolidayShow.html>) on Sunday December 9th, 2018 at the Kirkwood Community Theatre 111 South Geyer Road Kirkwood, MO 63122. Show Time is 3:00 p.m. **Tickets are FREE for all Veterans, First Responders, and their families.** Call 314 669 6650 for tickets, or click this link: [https://ibmring1.yapsody.com/event/index/175436?disc\\_coupon=Hero](https://ibmring1.yapsody.com/event/index/175436?disc_coupon=Hero)

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**DON'T FORGET TO  
PAY YOUR DUES**

## Ring Report

The Presidents' Banquet took place on September 28<sup>th</sup> at Orlando Gardens in Maryland Heights, MO. It was a joint banquet—IBM Ring 1 and S.A.M. Assembly 8. Officers of both clubs were installed by Doug Clark, who always attends the banquet. He lives in Columbia, MO and makes the trip every year. The members really appreciate his dedication and time he gives to the clubs. After dinner, Max Krause performed for the members. He combines magic and mentalism in his family friendly comedy act. He moved from Albuquerque, NM to Oklahoma City, OK in September of 2017. He opened Max's Magic Shop and Max's Magic Theatre in Oklahoma City. He still finds time to travel to other cities to perform. According to his website, he has been practicing magic for over 36 years and has traveled to 49 of the 50 states to perform magic.

Steve Finkelstein volunteered to lead Magic 101 before the regularly scheduled October meeting. Approximately 20 members participated. The topic was "sponge balls." He brought a handout entitled "Magic 101 – Sponge Balls," which included colored pictures which he created. He even brought sponge balls for the members to practice with. He taught basic vanishes/slights which included retentions and thumb palms. Next, he taught the Famous 10 Count and the 2 in the Hand and 1 in the Pocket. He even offered to teach Magic 201 after the regular meeting to those who wanted to learn more advanced effects using sponge balls. The Ring appreciates everything he does for the Ring.

Johnny Harper introduced a visitor, Bob Beardsley, who was in town for a dog show at Ralston Purina. He is from Dubuque, Iowa (Ring 93). The Ring always encourages members from other Rings to attend Ring 1's meetings and activities when they visit St. Louis. Johnny informed the members that Ring members would not be performing at the Haunted Hayloft event in Gray Summit, MO this year. Johnny reminded the members that the "Veterans' & First Responders' Tribute Magical Holiday Show" is scheduled for December 9<sup>th</sup> at the Kirkwood Community Theatre. Johnny shared that one of the members, Chad Jacobs (Chef Bananas) was recently featured on a segment of the television show "Show Me St. Louis." Jill Schmidt (Silly Jilly the Clown) is performing at Eckert's in Belleville. She does magic shows there and also, if there is time, she makes balloons for the children. D. Jay Lenz reminded the members that he still needs volunteers to perform magic for Project Magic. The Ring visits Shriners Hospital on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month and entertains the children and their families. On Saturdays several Ring members meet at 1:00 PM at the Schnuck's Grocery Store located at 12332 Manchester Road. Members have been meeting for this get-together called "The Round Table" for many years. Members share and talk "magic."

The theme for the evening was "Bizarre and Scary Magic." Steve Finkelstein told a believable story about a magician who lived in Japan during the 1800's. He then had a movable, scary "hand" that magically was able to find the chosen card. What a wonderful storyteller! Every time he tells a story, the members tend to believe it—is it fact or fiction? Also, the props he uses are so original and creative. Johnny Harper then performed a card routine. He also is an excellent storyteller. He told the members that a ghost was in the room; however, no one could see the ghost. When the volunteer tried to pick up the cards, he couldn't—the ghost was holding them, so they couldn't be picked up. However, Johnny was able to tell the ghost to let go of the cards and was able to pick up the cards. How did he do it—only the ghost knows for sure! Johnny then did an effect using dice. He had squares of paper with numbers on them. The volunteer rolled the dice and it landed on 4. He pulled 4 of the papers off which all said "kill." However, the one that was left did not say "kill." Bob Beardsley then performed a clever routine using 3 different sizes of yellow rope. He explained that each one was a golden retriever that he had purchased. One was a male, one a female, and the other a pup. They were all moving so fast he didn't know which was which. He then picked up a dog toy and they all sat still. He then knew who was who or which was which. What a clever routine just using three ropes!

Several of the members stayed after the regular meeting to learn more effects using sponge balls.

Members can pay on-line at "IBMRING1.com" OR, send a check to:

Sandy Weis  
1755 Elkins Dr. St. Louis, MO 63136  
phone 314-378-4403  
email [sweis50@yahoo.com](mailto:sweis50@yahoo.com)  
Ring 1 dues remain at \$15 for the year.

## Schedule of Events 2018-2019

### **Deadline for December Spirit:**

November 23<sup>rd</sup> Email your submissions to:

[jennyjonesmk@gmail.com](mailto:jennyjonesmk@gmail.com)

## **2018**

**November 7<sup>th</sup>** Liquid & Food Magic

**December 5<sup>th</sup>** Holiday Party

**December 9<sup>th</sup>** Veteran & First Responders Tribute Magical Holiday Show



## President's Message:

Fall Greetings to all IBM Ring 1 Members! Many thanks to all those who attended the President's Banquet at the end of September, we had over 70 attendees, and even had some past members attend as well as some wonderful dignitaries with the IBM. All enjoyed the magic of Max Krause and all of our officers were duly inducted. Special thanks to all of those involved in the planning and execution of this event, your time and energy are truly appreciated. During our October membership meeting the theme was bizarre or scary magic; thank you to all who performed, and a big hats off to Steve Finkelstein for his Magic 101 with sponge balls. If you have an idea for Magic 101, or would like to teach, please let us know, we'd love to have you share your skills and help teach magic to our members.

### **Midwest Magic Jubilee Elections**

Elections for the Midwest Magic Jubilee Chairman, Vice Chairman or Treasurer will be held November 14, 2018. If you would like to run for one of these positions, please contact Ted Schnarre at [t.schnarre@att.net](mailto:t.schnarre@att.net). To be eligible, you must be a member, in good standing, of I.B.M. Ring 1 and/or SAM Assembly 8. The deadline for submitting your name is October 31, 2018. Should you decide to run for one of these positions, please be prepared to share with your peers, on election night, why you want to run and your plan details for running the Jubilee. Please note that these three positions are for a four-year term. If an election is needed, the date, time and place will be announced.

### **November 7<sup>th</sup> Membership Meeting**

Theme for November is Liquid & Food magic, so bring your lota bowls, milk pitchers, and your bitten and restored oreos and come prepared to perform for all in attendance. Henry Schaper Sr. will be hosting Magic 101 with card magic, so show up at 6:30 and bring your own deck of cards to learn a new effect!

**Looking for Performers and Volunteers**  
**for our Tribute to Veterans and First Responders Show**

We're looking for performers and and volunteers for our December 9<sup>th</sup> Show in Kirkwood. You will be able to go order tickets from the IBM Ring 1 Website. (we'll let you know when they're available) If you're interested in performing, please send a video of your performance so we can build the show line-up and know timing of your routine. If you'd like to perform close-up magic in the lobby, volunteer as an usher, work lights and sound, marketing, or ticket sales, please send an email to Terry Richison [terryrich@charter.net](mailto:terryrich@charter.net) / 314-791-9108 or Johnny Harper [Johnnyharpermagic@gmail.com](mailto:Johnnyharpermagic@gmail.com) / 505-977-8768

**IBM Board Meeting / Midwest Jubilee Board Meeting**

Our next board meeting is tentatively scheduled for November 21<sup>st</sup>, but with hit being so close to Thanksgiving, it could be rescheduled, but we'll keep you posted. Should I not see you before then, please have a wonderful Thanksgiving surrounded by those you love.

**December Membership Meeting will be our Christmas Party**

December Membership meeting will be our Christmas Party with our traditional and ever so loved, White Elephant gift exchange. So, come share some good food, company, and magic as we celebrate the Holidays! More info on this in the Spirit!

As always, thank you all for your support, involvement, and passion for the art of MAGIC!

As always, believe in your magic!

Johnny Harper

We are gearing up for this year's Ring 1 Holiday Party. Below is the info on the entire evening. We need to know if you are coming and how many in your party. Also let Steve Queen know what side dish you would like to bring. All the details and Steve's contact information is below.

## I.B.M. Ring 1 Holiday Party is Dec 5th

The I.B.M. Ring 1 Holiday meeting is coming up on December 5<sup>th</sup>. This is a meeting where members are encouraged to bring their immediate family members to take part in the festivities. Yes, we will again be having the ever popular "White Elephant" gift exchange. Everyone who brings a gift will be eligible to participate. Rules are later in this email.

But the reason for this email is the food portion of the meeting. As part of the meeting will be lots of food for everyone to enjoy. Ring 1 will be taking care of the meats and condiments, but we need our members to bring Salads, Soda, Ice, Side Dishes and Desserts. If you don't want to bring a side dish you can donate \$5 per adult in your party.

**We need two things.** Please notify Johnny Harper and Steve Queen of your answers to the questions below even if you are not able to come.

- 1) Let Johnny know if you will be attending and how many people you will be bringing.
- 2) Let Steve know what food you would like to bring from the list above.

Email, Text or call Johnny or Steve with your answers at [Johnnyharpermagic@gmail.com](mailto:Johnnyharpermagic@gmail.com) / 505-977-8768 or [stevequeen85@gmail.com](mailto:stevequeen85@gmail.com) / 314-651-9162 as soon as possible so we has time to get the correct amount of food ordered.

**Please let us know as soon as possible so we can make this a Great Cheerful Event!**

## White Elephant Gift Exchange

Traditionally, a "White Elephant" is something lying around the house that you don't want (some horridly ugly item that someone gave you as a gift.) For our meeting we are asking you to bring a magic item for our white elephant get together.

Here are the rules:

1. There is no requirement that you have to participate in the White Elephant. You can just come to the meeting and just enjoy the evening. Each person wanting to participate in the Gift exchange must bring a WRAPPED, COMPLETE MAGIC effect, INCLUDING INSTRUCTIONS if needed. The effect does not have to be new, but it must be in presentable and working shape and no less than \$5 in value if new. Participants will sit in a circle with the packages in a pile in the middle. Each person participating will draw a number out of a hat. The lowest number goes first and selects a present from the pile.
2. New this year- Once a present is selected from the pile of gifts, the trick is NOT unwrapped for all to see. It will remain a mystery. So wrap your gifts up nicely so they will be appealing to the eye!
3. The next person may choose from the wrapped pile of gifts or may "take" someone else's gift that they had already selected. The person that lost the gift may choose to select a gift from the unopened pile, or may take a present from another person.
4. A single gift can only be stolen a total of 3 times.
5. This is continued until all of the presents are exhausted or everyone has a gift. As an added bonus, it is a known fact that there will be at least one gift that will be worth over \$50! You might be the lucky one!

The meeting will be open to immediate family members. Anyone who brings a gift can participate in the White Elephant.

**We would like to get a rough number of people that are coming we will have people Text, Email or call Johnny Harper at [Johnnyharpermagic@gmail.com](mailto:Johnnyharpermagic@gmail.com) or 505-977-8768. And don't forget to let Steve Queen know what food item you will be bringing.**

# Bring A Friend To A Meeting

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**International Brotherhood of Magicians**

**St. Louis Ring 1**

Meetings are held the first Wednesday of each month at 6:30pm. (Except July) at the Dielmann Recreation Center 11400 Olde Cabin Rd Creve Coeur, MO 63141.

**Meeting Agenda**

6:30 Magic 101

7:00 Meeting Theme

9pm Workshop / Social Time

**Board Meetings** held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month. If you have something for the good of the club, please contact one of the officers. All are welcome at the board meetings.

**Directions**

**From St Louis Lambert Airport:**

Take I-70 West to I-270 South, Take the MO-340 E. EXIT 14, Turn slight left onto MO-340/Olive Blvd, turn right onto Old Ballas Rd, Turn left onto Olde Cabin Rd Dielmann Recreation Ctr, 11400 OLDE CABIN RD is on the right

**From I-64(Hwy 40), I-44 or I-55**

Take I-64(Hwy 40), I-44 or I-55 West to I-270 and go north. Merge onto Olive Blvd/MO 340 E. Exit 14, Turn right onto Old Ballas Rd, turn left onto Olde Cabin Rd Dielmann Recreation Ctr, 11400 OLDE CABIN is on the right



## Project Magic HELP NEEDED

Darryl "D. Jay" is still in need of magicians for Project Magic. The Ring 1 commitment to Shriner's is now on THE 3RD TUESDAY OF THE MONTH. Please see D. Jay if you are available to help. His email is [djay1000@yahoo.com](mailto:djay1000@yahoo.com)

Shriner's has changed their time from 6:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. and we must be out by 7:15 p.m. The best way, if coming from downtown or IL, is to take 64 and exit north on Boyle St. and turn left onto Clayton St. If coming from West County, head east on 64 and go North on Boyle and then left on Clayton St.

We have to go to the front desk and we show a photo ID. The room is on the 3rd floor. Take a left after getting off the elevator and towards the area where there is a sitting area with large flat screen TV. It will be a small room (smaller than or meeting room). The new address is 4400 Clayton Avenue St. Louis, MO 63110

If you have any questions, please call me.

Thank you,

Darryl "D. Jay"

**November** Jason Stack and Dan Todd, **December** D. Jay and Dan Todd

**Thank You for all those who have helped with performing for Shriners. I am looking for volunteers for next year. Please consider lending a helping hand for a great cause.**

### CONVENTION CORNER

\*\*Round Table Meets informally Saturdays at 1 PM Schnuck's balcony lounge 12332 Manchester Road St. Louis MO 6313\*\*