



Upcoming Events

Monthly Meetings are the first Wednesday of each month at the Webster Groves Recreational Complex, located at 33 Glendale, at 7:30PM. Directions: Take the Elm Street exit off of I-44 and go south to Glendale.

Monthly Ring 1 Board Meetings are open to all members and are held the 3rd Monday of each month at 825 Norwich Dr, St. Charles, MO 63301. Meetings begin at 7PM.!

Oct 21-23, 28-30
Haunted Hayloft at the Nestle /Purina Farms. Your chance to give back to the club!

Nov. 2 – Teach-in/Poker Run
5 Stations No waiting! Your chance to win some **big prizes!**

Dec. 7 – Magic Auction at the Viking Hotel with the S.A.M. Assy
8. Contact Steve Bender to reserve your space to sell!

Jan. 4 – Gambling Magic

Feb.1 – Ropes & Strings, Comedy Magic Night

Feb 18 – Spring Parade of Magic - Kirkwood Community Theatre

Mar. 1 – Lecture Bruce Kalver

Happy Thanksgiving



3 WAYS TO WIN!



November's meeting will be a teach-in. There will be 5 stations, with 5 different instructors teaching 5 different things. The audience will move from station to station, receiving playing cards that will be used at the end of the evening to win some valuable prizes. It is shaping up to be a fun and informative evening.



Review by

Terry Richison

Impromptu Magic night last month was a great night of examples and learning. Tim Shegitz and Chuck Levy did a great job of putting together the evening. Tim demonstrated lots of "impromptu" magic for magicians that are ready to present at a moment's notice. Encompassing many different situations that one might be in, it was a delight to see, what seemingly was unprepared, some great magical ideas. During the break, we all took the time to devour two 4 foot sub sandwiches that Tim had brought in. Chuck continued on teaching several of his favorite totally impromptu effects that he uses during his strolling and restaurant jobs.

The reviews and comments from everyone were nothing more than "a fantastic meeting". A trend we want to definitely continue!



Upcoming Events continued

April 5 – Lecture (TBD)

April 7 – Stage Contest –Kirkwood Community Theatre

May 3 – Close up Contest – Nipher Middle School – Kirkwood

June 7 – Mentalism Night

Who is Performing Where?

Steve Bender will be lecturing on Nov. 4th & 5th in Lexington, Ky at the Unconventional Convention.

Laurence NUMS Levy Tues. 5:30PM-8:00PM- Kreigers-15662 Manchester Road, Ellisville,MO 636-527-6060. Kids eat free.

Wed 5:30PM-7:30PM Johnny Rocket's 140 S. Kirkwood Rd. Kirkwood,MO 314-822-7100

Tim Shegitz – Saturday evening show, Nov 19, Ruiz Mexican Restaurant, N. Lindbergh, Florissant: close-up at 7:00 - Parlor show at 8:30.

Glen Bishop – Oct 28 at Galleger's in Waterloo.

Haunted Hayloft Oct 28-30

At the Nestle /Purina Farms. Here is the Schedule

Oct 28 – Ted Schnarre, Dave Snetsinger

Oct 29 – Larry Skorepa, Don Burgan, Keith Smith

Oct 30 – Ray Belz

Shows at :5:30, 6:30, 7:30 & 8:45

Theatre Superstitions

By
Ted Schnarre

Exactly what are theatre superstitions? I ask that question, and looked it up. There are pages and pages of superstitions and pages and pages of where they really originated. So what I have decided to do is list a few of them each month in the spirit. This is just for fun, but interesting enough, a lot of the superstitions of long ago are still practiced in the theatre today. So if you have heard a different reason or cause of why something might happen or not, that's OK. What I have done is researched the possibilities and pick the ones that seem like that would have a possibility of where it might have come from. I invite you to send me (tschnarr@charter.net) any you may know of, or you know a different origin than what I reported.

You may or may not know I am a Head Usher and Tour Guide with the Fox Theatre here in St. Louis and Believe It or Knot, I ask questions along the way about superstitions, and other theatre related questions along the way, and I really get some good and unbelievable answers.

Sooooo, is it good luck or bad luck to wish a performer good luck before going on stage?

It's **BAD LUCK!!!**

It has been written. That back in the Roman Gladiators days the crowd did not applaud as the do today, they would stomp there feet. The more they enjoyed what they saw the harder they would stomp. In fact they would stomp so hard they would break a leg. There for it is good luck to tell a performer to" **BREAK A LEG**" before they go on stage.

Project Magic

Shriner's Hospital
Show starts at 6:45 PM

Thanks to last month's performers:

Harry Monti, Jerry Novak, Ron Perez & Don Rataj

Schedule of Performers

Nov. 16 – Jerry Christenson, Henry Schaper Sr.,
Ted Schnarre & Mike Sheehan

Dec. 21 – Mike Sirota, Larry Skorepa, Keith Smith
& Dave Snetsinger

Going - Once - Twice - SOLD

Wednesday, December 7, At the Viking Hotel, at the corner of Watson and Lindberg, is the night of the annual auction. This year's event will be an IBM/SAM event. The event is open to EVERYONE so bring some friends. There is no fee to buy. Only PAID MEMBERS will be allowed to sell. Membership cards will be checked at the door. If you foresee a problem, I would suggest you contact the appropriate club secretary and get the problem squared away now, as there will be NO exceptions.

Schedule:

Preview of all items starts at 6pm. The silent auction starts at 6:30 and closes at 7:10. Live auction starts at 7:30PM.

Silent Auction

As a seller, you will be allowed to sell up to 10 LOTS. A LOT may consist of several items. You may demonstrate items in your lots if you would like. Buyers will be able to sign and bid on a bid form in front of the lot. Highest bidders will win.



Live Auction

As for the live auction.....a seller will be allowed to sell up to three LOTS. Once again, a LOT could consist of several items. All LOTS must be accompanied by an 8 1/2 x 11 piece of paper (preferably typed written) with name of effect, whether directions are included or not, and the minimum bid (the lowest price you are willing to accept for the item). All bidding will be in increments of a dollar.

We are going to try something new this year as part of the LIVE portion of the auction. Two out of the three items you are selling will be conducted in the traditional auction fashion (high bid wins). For the seller's third item, we are going to have a "DUTCH" auction. The seller will have to specify on your paper which of the items you want to be "DUTCH" auctioned. The auction works like this ...You have a minimum bid of \$40.00 on your item...the auctioneer may start the bidding at \$60.00. If no one raises his or her bid card, the auctioneer may lower the price to \$58.00.....if someone raises his or her bid card, the item is sold for \$58.00. If no one should bid at \$58.00, he may drop the price to \$55.00 and so on. If a tie should arise, we will stop and then resume in the regular auction fashion with ONLY the people who tied. So basically, the first person to bid is the winner. This should be interesting, let alone some great fun. The clubs are taking NO auction fees, as this will be free event to all sponsored by both clubs.

Remember, ONLY paid up members are allowed to sell. Anyone can attend, even if you are not a member of either club. If planning to sell, you MUST notify Steve Zuehlke or Larry Skorepa ONE week prior to the auction (no later than Nov. 30). NO WALK-IN auction items will be accepted! All buyers will be must pay by cash or check. An agreement must be signed by anyone writing a check, accepting all responsibilities for returned checks, bank fees, collection fees etc. All sellers will be paid via check for their items. Sorry **NO CREDIT CARDS** will be accepted. Seller's listing sheet can be found on the last page of the *Spirit*.

For Sale

Netherland Dwarf Rabbits

Larry Skorepa Has Netherland Dwarf Rabbits for sale
\$10 636-394-2968



Society of American Magicians Fall Show

Review

By Steve Buesking

The local SAM Assembly held their annual Fall Show at the Florissant Civic Center. Steve Corbitt, a man with unlimited talent and humor, emceed the Friday and Saturday evening shows, as well as performing his own act Friday evening. Steve is gracious as he is talented, and each evening's audience were treated to one of our best showman.

Opening the bill on Friday night was John Apperson, John is the first magician I've seen do children's magic (i.e. Fraidy Cat Rabbit) from a large stage. John pulled it off, with the children screaming. Dave Snetsinger's "Chicken Act" was absolutely charming; this was the first time I have seen Dave do his "Chicken Act". If we do not insist he perform this at the IBM Spring Show, there is something wrong with us.

The Saturday show featured Ted Schnarre, Roger Linden and Harry Monti with Steve Corbitt emceeding again. Ted Schnarre opened the Saturday evening show with well timed 15 minutes of his Believe It or Knot Magic. There is one phrase to describe Ted's set: consistently entertaining. What more needs to be said? Roger Linden was next, Unfortunately Roger became ill during his performance but continued on like the trooper he is. Roger's set was well received, and the audience appreciated his final production –the proverbial live rabbit from the hat. The never-ending act of Harry Monti surpassed all of our expectations.

The two main stays in both Friday and Saturday night's shows were the outstanding performances given by Al Stanger and Terry Richison. Al Stanger continues to amaze me with his feats of juggling. Al has revived an old idea with the creation of a rectangular boomerang, which was quite entertaining to the audience, and those that were allowed to play with them backstage. Al offered something different the second night, and the audience loved him. What more could you ask?

Terry Richison was asked to close the show with 25 minutes of his outstanding magic from his grand illusion show. Terry performed several feats of mental magic, his floating rose, and closing with the beautiful levitation of his daughter. Expecting nothing less from a true professional, Terry sent the audiences home with a smile on their face and magic on their minds.

It is a show experience I will long remember for the kindness of those who offered their time to help the SAM, the performers who gave of themselves to help the Assembly, and those small moments when things did not go exactly according to plan but the performance continued in good humor.

Remember When?

THE HISTORY OF RING ONE

Steve Zuehlke has agreed to help Roger Linden in updating the Ring's scrapbooks. Hopefully all the members have had a chance to see this great wealth of information that Roger has been compiling for the last several years. These scrapbooks are one of the only methods we have to preserve the history of the Ring and magic in St. Louis. Please do your part and help us continue add to these great pieces of history. If you have any old business cards, newspaper clippings, press related items, pictures, flyers, programs, etc., your donations would be greatly appreciated. These items could be about you, a fellow Ring member, a fellow magician, etc. Please bring your items to any of the Ring members and give them to an officer and we will see to it that they get into the right hands and into the scrapbook.

Thank You,
Steve Zuehlke and Roger Linden

Cavalcade of Magic

Presented by Oklahoma City Magic Club IBM Ring 46
November 5th and 6th, 2005
Cox Convention Center
Downtown Oklahoma city, OK

Magic legend Mark Wilson
IBM International President, Roger Miller Martin Gardner, David Hira, David Thomas, I.B.M.
International President, Roger Miller. Featuring
Lectures by: Mark Wilson Diamond Jim Tyler Brian Nordstrom Julian Franklin
Check out the web site for more info:
www.cavalcadeofmagic.com
or call 405-495-7000 Toll Free, 800-778-2812



New member Michael Long



Welcome



Gloria Wilkinson welcomed back from Florida by Roger Linden



Potential New Member Jeffery Friedman and Tim



New Member Larry Melton And John Davit



New Member Jeff Aldrich And Sister Michael Theresa



Former member Carl Fyhrie visits from Florida



New Member John Carr and Ram Suntha

SELLERS REGISTRATION LIST
(List All Items Being Auctioned)

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