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## Upcoming Events

**Monthly Meetings** are on the first Wednesday of each month at the Maryland Heights Community Center, 2344 McKelvey Rd in Maryland Heights, MO 63043 Youth meeting at 5:30pm, Magic 101 at 6:30PM and Regular meeting at 7:30PM.

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

- **May 7 - Close Up Contest - Nipher Middle School, 700 S Kirkwood Rd, Kirkwood, Mo 63122 - 7:00PM - Contact Ted Schnarre to enter.**
- **May 14 - Rick Maue Lecture - Quality Inn (formally Best Western) 7:00pm in the Auditorium. See article**
- **June 4 - Grab Bag Magic**
- **July 21-28, 2008 - I.B.M./SAM Combine Convention - Louisville, KY**
- **Midwest Magic Jubilee - Aug 7-9 . St. Louis Airport Hilton**

## Ring 1 Annual Close-Up Contest May 7

### Maryland Heights Community Center

On May 7, Ring 1 will hold their annual close-up contest. Originally it was to be held at the Nipper School on Kirkwood Road but the location has changed to our regular meeting place, Maryland Heights Community Center, 2344 McKelvey Rd in Maryland Heights, MO 63043. This will prove to be an exciting evening of some great magic! We have several performers lined up to perform. One skilled magician will be given the title of 2008 Close-up Champion. Please get there early to get a good seat and help support those in the contest. It is always better to play to a full house so we hope to see you there! Contest starts at 7:00pm. The youth meeting will still be held at 5:30PM with a break before the contest.

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## Theatrical Deceptions

An Instructional Session By

**Rick Maue**

**May 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00PM**

The Rick Maue lecture will be at the Quality Inn (formally the Best



Western Westport Inn) at 2434 Old Dorsett Road, Maryland Heights, MO 63043-2415. Rick is flying in from Pittsburgh just to lecture to Ring 1. We had Rick scheduled last year but due to unforeseen circumstances, he had to cancel. But now he is back!



**The time to register is now!  
Free spouse registration until  
June!  
[www.MMJubilee.com](http://www.MMJubilee.com)**

Rick Maue has been creating deception for almost four decades. He is the founder of Deceptions Unlimited & the author of *The Book Of Haunted Magick*; *Theatrical Deception*; *PsiWave*; *The Book Of Spirits Séance*; *The Final Picture*; and the upcoming *Occam's Magic*.

Rick's current lecture contains items from just about all of his releases. Routines range from mentalism, to standard magical effects, to haunted items. In addition, a number of utility moves and techniques are demonstrated.

**Other topics that are covered include:**

- How To Create Magical Routines
- Making Your Magic More Personal
- How To Develop A Bond With Your Audience ...and more.

The lecture runs over two hours, and it is structured very much like Rick's books in the fact that the emphasis is on presentation. This means that he will discuss not only "how", but also "why" the routines are designed in the manner that they are. But do not fear, each point is illustrated with effects that are technically very easy to do, and they do not require special gimmicks or equipment.

This promises to be one of the best lectures of the year!

## 2008 Central Illinois Magic Get-Together



Review

By Alan Zibits

For those of us in St. Louis that ventured up to Springfield, Il for the Central Illinois Magic Get-Together, we were not disappointed. Part of the attraction, at least for me, this year was the strong lineup of performers/lecturers, especially for a one day get together. Troy Hoosier, Tony Chapek and David and Dania were some of the more notable names, however **David and Dania** had to cancel due to a



Terry Richison



Dave Cox

close the show. We were pleasantly surprised by some of the lesser know



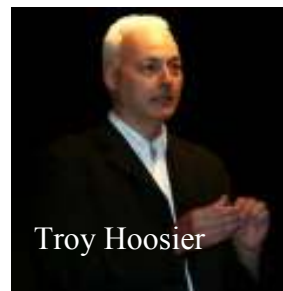
Brian Pankey

from the Springfield area that now resides in LA), did a lecture that was as entertaining as it was funny and insightful.



J.R. Thomas

advantage over the competition when booking shows. **Troy Hoosier** was the last lecturer and did a fine job demonstrating his technical skills.



Troy Hoosier

**Thomas**. Also in the line up was **David Cox** and **Ken Scott**, from Atlanta, who had an act that was as

recent car accident. Our own **Terry Richison** was asked to step in their place and



Troy Roark

names. In particular, **David Cox** (originally



Ken Scott

**Troy Roark** lectured on the business end of magic and held nothing back. He also gave a lot of great tips to give you the

The evening show was emceed by funny man, **JR**



Alan Zibits



Tony Chapek

smooth, polished, professional and entertaining as anyone on the show, a

very skilled young juggler **Brian Pankey**, **Tony Chapek**, and **Terry Richison**. Tony and Terry did an outstanding job as they normally do and each got a standing ovation!

The convention could have stood just a tad of improvement. The first thing on the schedule was a dealer's show that started 40 minutes late. Turns out the dealers spent only about 10 minutes showing a few things anyway. Speaking of dealer's, there were just 4, one of which was our own Tom Westerheide who had more on the table than the other dealers combined.



Alan Zibits and Terry Richison

That said, the lack of dealers didn't detract from the overall enjoyment of the convention. The close up show was very good, there was plenty to learn from the lectures, and the evening show was one of the best I've seen at this convention. With that and the friendliness and camaraderie of the members of Ring 239, this one day convention is turning into one of the great values in magic.

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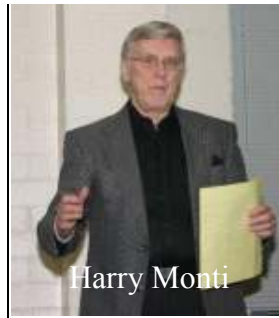
## Stage Presence

### Last Month's Meeting

Last months meeting covered a large area of information for performing in the parlor or Stage settings. Ted Schnarre and Harry Monti, provided a



Ted Schnarre



Harry Monti

great deal of information on the do's and don'ts. This is stuff we all know but may not practice. It is important to keep all those little things in the forefront of your minds to help make your shows better. The best thing was that it was a reminder of what we need or

should do while performing. Hopefully we all gave it some thought.

# Project Magic

**Alan Zibits** was our "lone magician" this past April 16th at Shriners Hospital. Alan wowed the crowd and was able to teach them all a little magic before the evening ended. Thanks a lot to Alan!!!!

On Deck Next Month May 21st:

**John Davit**

**Harry Monti**

**Charlie Myers**

Next show is on May 21st at 6:45pm



## Election Update 2009

We did not have anyone want to oppose any of the people who offered to be an officer or on the Ring 1 Board of Directors. With that being said, we wont need to have an actual election. The 2009 Ring 1 Officers and Board members will be as follows: Ted Schnarre will be returning as President, Josh Routh will be stepping up as Vice President. Remaining as Secretary will be Jerry Collins and Treasurer will be Larry Skorepa. A new Sgt of Arms will be Blake Douglas. On the Board will be Terry Richison, Harry Monti, Marty Kopp, Ken Domash and Steve Finklestein. Congratulations to all the incoming officers and board members.



## Ring One Officers 2007/2008

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## Stage Contest To Be Held In June

By Ted Schnarre

Coming in June will be the Annual Ring 1 Stage contest. One way to find out if you are good as you think you are, or maybe you don't want to know the real answer. The best reason to enter, would be to have people critic your act. Yes I have been there and done that, and I thought I had the angles, story lines, and moves down to a science, what could go wrong? Pick one of the above or add your own, it happens to all of us. The best lesson you will walk out of there with is the critique sheet you will receive from the judges, and the applause from the audience, for all your efforts. The critique sheet will help you improve your magic whether it is slowing it down, blocking your audience views, improving a move or angle of a move. This information is given to not to put you down but to help you become a better magician. Yes, none of us like to be told what we have worked on needs to be improved, and those who use this information will become better magicians and those who choose not to will just be doing tricks!

So put your eight to ten minute act together and call Ken Domash at (314) 503-3682 or email him at [ken@domash.com](mailto:ken@domash.com). Exact date and place TBA.

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