



September Spirit 2009

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Upcoming Meetings

IBM Ring 1 Meetings are held on the first Wednesday of each month (except July.)

Youth Meeting	6:00—6:30 P.M.
Magic 101 Meeting	6:30—7:15
	7:30—8:45

September 2	Members Perform and Mini-Lectures
October 7	Halloween Themed Magic

All meetings will be at the Maryland Heights Community Center 2344 McKelvey Rd in Maryland Heights, MO 63043 (unless noted in the schedule.)

For driving directions, check out the Ring 1 web site at www.ibmring1.com.

Members Perform and Mini Lectures at September Meeting

At our September Meeting (September 2), come prepared to entertain, to be entertained, and to learn!

After the Youth Meeting (6-6:30) and Magic 101 (6:30-7:15), members will be invited to perform for the Ring.

At 8:00, three mini-lectures will be offered:

- Close-Up—Terry Richison
- Kid's Magic—Josh Routh
- Stage Magic—Marty Kopp

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Jubilee Recap

This year's Jubilee was another smashing success. This year's event featured the likes of:

Arian Black, Arthur Trace, Murray, John Mendoza, Hide, Jimmy "Cards" Molinari, David Regal, Eric Jones, Aldo and Rachael Colombini, Ted Schnarre, Marty Kopp, Josh Routh, Alexa Richison, Mr. Bones, Steven Bender, Tom Burgoon, Terry Elton, Maria Ibanez and Bruce Hetzler.

Thursday was check-in with the evening show starting at 7:30 followed by TWO lectures and the Dealer's room.

Dealers that displayed this year were Steven Bener, David Regal, Eric Jones, Tony Miller, Mike Lair, I.B.M, Blackbird Magic, Mama Mia Magic, John Greget, Mark Mason, Tom Burgoon and Terry Elton. Lots of cool stuff. Maybe we should have a meeting where everybody brings an effect purchased at the Jubilee?

Friday and Saturday were jam packed with magic from 8:30 AM to 11:30 PM!

While we have reports of "weak" shows, we did cut the budget this year as we were competing against L.V.M.I, Magic Live and Kidabra. All and all the shows were outstanding, and there was a good audience response from everybody. We had a good "MIX" of talent with everybody bringing something a little different to the convention. Definitely a good flavor!

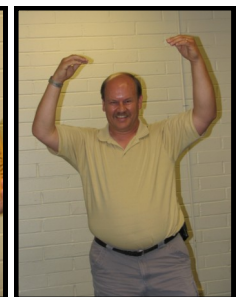
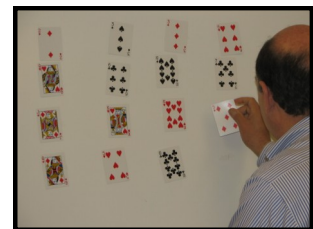
Talking to Steven Bender it appears that all the dealers were very happy and ALL wanted to come back next year if possible. It is getting harder and harder to find dealers.

Next year's Jubilee will be the BEST ever! Mark your calendars and get your registrations in early!

(Story contributed by Steve Zuehlke.)

Photo File

Pictures from the August Ice Cream Social





A Word of THANKS!

Another successful Jubilee is behind us with a wrap up meeting slated for the end of September. We need time to tally the cash and make some last minute payments.

First off what more can be said than THANK YOU.

Thanks to all who worked their & %#@es off again this year to make for another GREAT JUBILEE. The jubilee committee and help did an OUTSTANDING JOB!

Thanks to Terry W and Troy Roark for sound and lights, Terry R for three outstanding shows/chairing/publicity/seating charts/badges etc. etc., John A and Joe H for their thankless efforts backstage, Steve B for holding down the dealers room and another GREAT lecture), Brian B and Steve B for all their trips to and from the airport, Dave S, Larry S and Sheree (ticket sales, raffle baskets, signage and all around GO-PHER), Jerry C, Josh R for all their help

with registration (don't forget.....these guys miss half the events because they are stuck in the registration room), Tom W for all the stage help and the unloading of all the equipment, Ron Perez and Heather for the building of the stage and hosting, Ted S for his great performance, ushering, registration, staging, seating, handing out the money etc., Marty K, Alexa R, Josh R, Jimmy Cards! and John M for their outstanding shows, Blake D for all his help making everyone feel welcome (and introducing us to Eric Jones) and arranging talent in the lobby for all three evening shows, John R for the screen and staging, Larry M for all the backstage help and selling those DAM raffle tickets, Chuck L for taking for of all the lectures/hosting and staging, Don and Barb Burgan for the EXTRA social activities, Sindee Richison for another great IBM table, Charlie M and Jaye, Ron Richison, Mike H and Gloria W for all the help in the theater and Al Z for all the contest work (getting up EARLY for two days in a row at a MAGIC CONVENTION goes above and beyond the call of duty!

I grabbed the names off the roster so if I forgot anybody I am truly sorry but truly THANKFUL!

This was one of the SMOOTHEST cons (con=convention) ever. Teamwork is the key. Lots of people and the job(s) gets

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done very fast. Terry W commented that this was one the quickest set ups and quickest tear downs he had ever seen (and he's been around a theater or two in his lifetime).

Past IBM International President Jack Greenburg commented that this was of the best conventions he ever attended! For those who were attendees only, thanks for supporting the Jubilee. Make sure you acknowledge the above mentioned people the next time you bump into them. They'll appreciate the gesture.

These conventions are a growing process/learning curve. Each year we ALL get a little more educated on HOW TO RUN A CONVENTION. I think we all do a pretty good job! :)

Thanks to EVERYBODY and I hope I didn't miss anyone. You guys (and gals) should really be proud of yourselves. We defiantly have put St. Louis back on the map! You all deserve a BIG round of applause. Take your bows ladies and gentlemen.

Midwest Magic Jubilee Committee
Steve Z
Terry R
Ted S

Register Now for the President's Banquet

It's almost time for the President's Banquet, so mark your calendars for September 25 and plan to attend!

At this year's President's Banquet, you'll have plenty of food, an open bar, and...a mystery entertainer!!!

Who might the mystery entertainer be? Make reservations for the President's Banquet and find out.

Here's a run-down of important information for the banquet:

- What:** President's Banquet
(Food, Open Bar, Mystery Entertainer)
- When:** September 25
- Where:** Orlando Gardens Banquet Center
8352 Watson Rd.
- Cost:** \$ 22 / person
- How:** Call Larry Skorepa to place reservations, which are required, or for more information. Call Larry at 636-394-2968. Reservations and payment are required by September 18. Mail payment to 446 Bush Dr., Ballwin, MO 63021.