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Meeting Update: December 5th, 2012, The Annual, World Famous White Elephant and Holiday Party!

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The meeting will start off in a festive mood with some great holiday food organized by Larry Skorepa. Everyone has his or her choice of bringing a covered side dish or donating \$5 per person in attendance. The meeting is open to all members and their immediate families. Please contact Larry at **(636) 675-6470** and let him know what you are bringing. Then we will begin the Ring 1 Annual White Elephant Gift Exchange hosted by Terry Richison. You don't have to take part in the White Elephant exchange if you don't feel like it, just come and have some fun with the rest of Ring One!

NEW MEETING AGENDA

- 6:30 Magic 101
Quiet Please if you are not involved with Magic 101.
- 7:00 Refreshments/ Socialize and Jamming sessions
- 7:30 Holiday Festivities Begin

Following the meeting- Workshop and Fellowship till 10PM

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The World Famous White Elephant Gift Exchange Rules

Traditionally, a "White Elephant" is something lying around the house that you don't want (some horribly 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:

There is no requirement to come to the meeting that you have to participate in the White Elephant exchange. 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.

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White Elephant Rules Continued

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. Once a present is selected from the pile of gifts, the trick is unwrapped for all to see. The next person may choose from the wrapped pile of gift or may "take" the present from one that has been selected by another. The person that lost the gift may choose to select a gift from the unopened pile, or may take a present from another person. A single gift can only be stolen a total of 3 times. 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 and New to boot! You might be the lucky one!

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

We would like to get a rough number of people that are coming we will have people call or email Terry Richison at 314-791-9108 or TerryRich@charter.net.

January Meeting Update: New Years POST APOCALYPSE PARTY Special Date January 9th (Not January 2nd)

Assuming the world has not suffered the wrath of the predicted 12/21/2012 fateful end, the IBM ring 1 shall present and open what we are calling the VAULT. The vault contains 10 commercial and non commercial MAGIC effects that a special convened group felt should never be allowed to go away. The vault is an ultra protected vessel from fire and all other devastations so that future life as we know or don't know it would still have these gems. These are the believed to be the "Never Go Away List of Effects of our time." Make sure to save the date now as this will surely be a sellout, mostly because the meeting is free but will sure be a full house and most anticipated meeting. Hope to see you there as this will only be presented one time and it would also mean 12/21/2012 predictions were only a mere thought.

Do You Have Something To Sell Or Trade?

All members in good standing can advertise your item free. Just include a picture and description of your item along with your contact info to. steve@magiconthemenue.com

Interested in::

I am looking for an Okito box and Boston box and any other similar coin boxes. Would like in dollar size, but would be interested in any size. Willing to buy or trade.

Selling:

I have a "Gecko" vanishing device. All items complete with original instructions, dvd, and in original packaging. Like Brand NEW! Asking just \$35.

You can contact me at brotherjeffrey@yahoo.com

Be Amazing!

Jeff Copeland

Ring Report: November 2012

By Sandy Weis sweis@psdr3.org

Mike Hindrichs volunteers each meeting to lead Magic 101. This month he taught the group two card tricks. He called the first trick "Ghost Card." The spectator chooses a card in the deck and then mysteriously it disappears from the deck. It is then found somewhere else. The next trick was called a "Business Card Prediction." The spectator puts a business card in the deck randomly. The magician writes a prediction and the business card somehow ends up between the two prediction cards. Magic 101 participants seem to be growing each month, mainly because of Mike's ability to choose the tricks he teaches and also his ability to teach the tricks. The Ring appreciates the time and effort he dedicates to making Magic 101 a very worthwhile event.

The business meeting, led by President Terry Richison, was very brief. The members were reminded about the Holiday Party on December 5, and to bring a "white elephant" gift for the gift exchange. SAM Assembly 8 members thanked the Ring for inviting them to attend the lecture on the 5th, free of charge.

Danny Fleshman then presented a lecture for the group. There were many "new" people who attended just to hear this lecture. Danny is originally from St. Louis and was a member of the Ring when he was younger. He began learning magic at the age of 15. During his lecture, he gave credit to several members who helped him throughout the years, and who helped him become the excellent magician he is today. Of the 37 years Danny has performed magic, he has performed as a professional for 20 years. Since June of 2009 he has performed at the Chop House Restaurants in Beaver Creek and Vail, Colorado six nights a week with his friend, Danny Archer. Danny Fleshman has lectured throughout the United States and also in Europe, Japan, and Canada.

During the lecture, Danny performed routines involving several magic tricks. After he completed the routine, he shared the technique of performing each trick. The first routine involved Professor's Nightmare, the Chinese Linking Rings, a pen with a point at each end, and also a key that has notches that move. Many of the members knew the individual tricks; however, Danny individualized each trick to make it his own. His stories that go with the tricks captivated the audience. Then he performed a routine with three cups that used olives, corks, and a lime. This routine was flawless, even the most experienced magician did not know where the olives were (under a cup, in his pocket, or on top of a cup). Then he shared that he uses the little sponge rabbits in the multiplying bunnies routine regularly. Even though magicians do not think it is a great trick, the lay audience loves the multiplying bunnies. He buys thousands of rabbits at a time since he always leaves rabbits with his audience. They always remember him the next time they see him and tell him they still have the rabbit they received the last time. Another trick he feels the audience loves is the "fire" wallet. This is another trick that doesn't seem like much to magicians but the lay audience loves it. After the break, he shared several card tricks. He performed his version of "Now Look Here" by Chad Long and also an ace cutting sequence routine. He concluded his presentation with a three cup routine using tiny baseballs that eventually changed to large balls. The audience thought this lecture was one of the best lectures they have seen. Even those who have seen one of Danny's lectures in the past left learning new things. He is interesting to watch and listen to. The Ring always welcomes Danny whenever he is in St. Louis.

Schedule of Events 2012 - 2013

September 5
Poker Run

September 21
Jon Armstrong Lecture
Airport Hilton

September 28
President's Banquet

October 3
Halloween and Spooky
Magic

October 7
JDRF in Forest Park

October 19-21 and 26-28
Purina Farms
Haunted Hayloft

November 7
Danny Fleshman lecture
Maryland Heights
Community Center

December 5
Holiday Party
White Elephant

January 9 (Special date)
Keith Smith's New Years
Post Apocalypse Party

February 6
Ring 1 Close-up Contest

March 6
TBA

March 16
Ring 1 Spring show
Kirkwood Comm. Theatre

April 3
TBA

April 27
Ring 1 Spring show
Florissant Civic Theatre

May 1
TBA

June 5
TBA

July
No Meeting

August 7
Ring 1 Ice Cream Social

August 17
Midwest Magic Jubilee

Wayne Houchin Severely Injured In The Dominican Republic

Courtesy of Traveler Today

Wayne Houchin, a magician from the U.S. was badly burned on his face after a TV host threw Aqua de Florida cologne that was on fire to his face. Houchin has suffered burns to his face, neck and hands after the cologne was thrown in his face in the Dominican Republic during a tv appearance. He said on his Facebook page that "This was not a stunt or part of an act. This was a criminal attack," reported Las Vegas Weekly.



The cologne is used in cleansing and healing rituals in shamans. Houchin's crew rushed to his side at the show to put out the flames. Houchin who the host of the show " Breaking Magic" on the Discovery channel, was rushed to the hospital after the event.

Sky News reported that he was in the Dominican Republic promoting his Curisodiades show. He added on his Facebook page, "The fast actions of the rest of our Curisodiades team saved my life. The fire was put out and I was rushed to the emergency room. I have bad burns on my head, face, neck and right hand. I am in pain, but am recovering. I will update you on the situation when I can."

He has extended his stay due to the incident and remains in the hospital for treatment.

David Copperfield wrote on Twitter to Houchin, ""Wayne is a hugely respected creator and performer of magic, and an inspiration to thousands of young magicians around the world. The incident this week was shocking, and the magic community was quick to respond with widespread support for Wayne. Magicians around the world were outraged by what occurred and are still in disbelief that something like this could happen."



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St. Louis Ring 1

Meetings are held the first Wednesday of each month at 6:30pm. (Except July) at the *Maryland Heights Community Center 2344 McKelvey Rd in Maryland Heights, MO 63043*. Unless noted in the schedule.

Meeting Agenda

6:30 Magic 101

7pm Announcements

7:15 Break

7:30 Meeting Theme

9pm Workshop / Social Time

Board Meetings held the 3rd 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 the St Louis Airport:

Take I-70 West to I-270 South, Take the Dorsett Exit, Turn Right onto Dorsett, Turn Right onto McKelvey Hill Rd (McKelvey Hill turns into McKelvey Rd) Go ½ of a mile and the Maryland Heights Community Center is on the right.

From I-64(Hiway 40), I-44 or I-55:

Take I-64(Hiway 40), I-44 or I-55 West to I-270 and go north.

Take the Dorsett Exit, Turn Left onto Dorsett

Turn Right onto McKelvey Hill Rd (McKelvey Hill turns into McKelvey Rd)

Go ½ of a mile and the Maryland Heights Community Center is on the right.

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This Just In...

Special Announcement!!!

It's not too early to register!

Call 314-791-9108

The Midwest Magic Jubilee

August 15 - 17, 2013

at the Airport Hilton Hotel

St. Louis, MO

11 Great Lectures 3 Outstanding Evening Shows
Close-up & Stage contests International Magicians

Pre-Registration Special

Thru Jan. 31, 2013

Adult - \$145.00 each

-Plus-

Free Spouse Registration

Youth (ages 16 & under) - \$75.00 each



The Midwest Magic Jubilee Organizational Meeting

Open to All IBM & SAM Members!!!

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The monthly meetings will be the third Weds. of the month at

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