



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

Meeting Update: January 9th, 2013, New Year Post Apocalypse Party with Keith Smith

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Thank goodness we did not suffer 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 be there 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.

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 New Year Post Apocalypse Party

Following the meeting- Workshop and Fellowship till 10PM

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Attention All Members: IBMRing1.com Unavailable

Unfortunately, our website has become the victim of hackers. Someone used our domain name to send malicious emails. DotEasy our web host shut down our site to stop the hackers from sending emails. We are doing our best to fix the problem and get the website back online. It doesn't make any sense but this is the kind of thing that happens. Sorry for the inconvenience. We are working on it.

It's Time To Pay Your Dues

Ring 1,

It's that time of year again to pay dues for the 2013 calendar year. Local dues remain at only \$15 per year!!! Please make sure you are current on your International Dues. You have several options to pay:

- 1) Log on to <http://ibmring1.com/dues/> and click the "buy now" button. That will take you to Paypal, but you DO NOT need a paypal account to pay this way. Click the "Don't have a paypal account?" button and enter your credit card info. **(Obviously this is not going to work right now due to the website outage)**
- 2) Or, you can mail a check to our Treasurer, Sandy Weis at:

Sandy Weis
1755 Elkins, St Louis, MO 63136
Phone: (314) 524-7859 (314) 213-8293 (314) 378-4403

- 3) Or, bring a check or cash to the and give it to Sandy.

If you have already paid your dues for 2013, you may disregard this message.

Thank You!

Alan

Fred Quick Says Hello!!

Hello Everyone:

Everything is going fine here. I just got ("officially") accepted into the Raleigh Magic Club (IBM Ring 199) last night. In order to become a member of this club, one has to do two (non-consecutive) routines. The routines cannot be performed in the same meeting. After I finished my routine, I was "escorted" out of the room by the club president (Joe Schmelzer) while the rest of the club took a vote on whether they had accepted me or not. It was a weird feeling. I felt as if I was being escorted down "The Walk of Shame". As it turns out, the "two routine" requirement is to encourage participation. When I was brought back into the room, I was informed that I had been "brought into the fold". It was a good feeling to be accepted by members of the magic community.

Please stay in touch.

Take care.

Fred

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

Ring Report: December 2012

By Sandy Weis sweis@psdr3.org

Ring 1 members always look forward to the December meeting. It was held on December 5. Magic 101 was cancelled since the "Annual, World Famous White Elephant and Holiday Party" started at 7:00. The Ring really appreciates the organizers of this party--Larry Skorepa and his wife. Larry and his wife always have volunteered to take charge of this event. Each Ring member participating either brings a side dish or pays \$5. Larry coordinates and buys all the items still needed for the dinner. He and his wife come early to set up the buffet and even stay late to clean up. All the members present enjoyed the dinner that was provided.

After the dinner, the "White Elephant Gift Exchange" took place. Members brought a "white elephant" that they had lying around the house. Each gift had to be wrapped and be worth at least \$5. Additional gifts were purchased from Ickle Pickle but were really not white elephant gifts since these were the gifts everyone wanted. Each member participating was given a number. Duplicate numbers were put in a hat. Then numbers were picked out of the hat and this is the order the members chose their gifts. John Reider brought his three daughters and they took turns picking numbers out of the hat. The members could either pick a wrapped gift or steal an opened gift from one of the other members. However, gifts could only be stolen a total of 3 times. The members who did not bring a gift were given the option to pick one of the extra gifts if they wanted to. As usual, the Ickle Pickle gifts were the best gifts. The members found many of the gifts humorous and also something they did not need. Now the members have to remember where they put their "white elephants" so they can wrap them and bring them to the 2013 Holiday Party. Many of these gifts have been coming back to the holiday parties for many years. It is always nice to see members who come annually to this event but are unable to attend the monthly meetings.

The Ring is excited about the events that are already planned for the 2013 year. Lectures are being booked for the year. Magic shows are already planned for the spring, which will be held at the Florissant and Kirkwood Civic Center Theatres. Members were also encouraged to pay their dues for the 2013 year.

If any IBM members and/or visitors are in St. Louis, we welcome them to attend our meetings!

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

What In The World Has Larry Skorepa Been Up To!

Thought you might like to see my 16 Foot Christmas project this year. It took 6 sheets of plywood, 2 gallons of paint, 11 hours of labor and only 4 people and 3 hours to set up. Oh yeah and sometimes I'm Santa's Helper.



Ring 1 History Moment

Don Rataj, IBM Ring 1 Historian donrataj@rkai.net

Take a look at your IBM member pin and this one. This is what they looked like in the 1940's when they were manufactured here in St. Louis, at the St. Louis button and Pin Company.



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 *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.

This Just In...

<p>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</p> <p>11 Great Lectures 3 Outstanding Evening Shows Close-up & Stage contests International Magicians</p> <p>Pre-Registration Special Thru Jan. 31, 2013 Adult - \$145.00 each -Plus- Free Spouse Registration Youth (ages 16 & under) - \$75.00 each</p>	 <p>The Midwest Magic Jubilee Organizational Meeting</p> <p>Open to All IBM & SAM Members!!! We want your help!!!</p> <p>If you would like to be apart of one of the Nations Finest Magic Conventions, Now is your chance! Get involved! The monthly meetings will be the third Weds. of the month at 6:30PM at The St. Louis Airport Hilton Hotel</p> <p>Call 314-791-9108 for more info www.mmjubilee.com</p>
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