



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

Next Meeting:

HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!

January 3rd Meeting

Magic 101: 6:30 PM

Terry Richison will teach

Meeting 7:00 PM:

Members Perform come prepared with your best trick.

**Dielmann Recreation Center
11400 Olde Cabin Road
Creve Coeur, MO 63141**

President's Message

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Our next meeting is Wednesday January 3, 2018, Magic 101 will start at 6:30 pm and Terry Richison will be teaching the class. The theme for the evening is Members Perform. This is your opportunity to show off your new magic effects, work on a new effect, and get feedback from the club. So please come prepared to perform for the club.

Ring 1 has an exciting 2018 planned. On Saturday February 24, 2018 we are going to have the "Spring Parade of Magic" at the Kirkwood Theatre. If you would like to help with this event, please let me know. We need everyone to help sell tickets for both shows. This is a fund-raising event for our club, so please help make it a success.

MAGIC HUMOR:



Schedule of Events 2017-2018

Deadline for February Spirit:

January 19th

Email your submissions to:

jennyjonesmk@gmail.com

2018

January 3rd Members Perform

February 7th TBA

February 24

2018 Spring Parade of Magic

March 7th TBA

April 4th Close Up Contest

May 2nd Club Elections

June 6th TBA

July No Meeting

August 1st Ice Cream Social



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!



Larry Corona 1st
Steven Epner 1st
Robert Hutcheson Jr 1st
Martin Jones 1st
David Klachko 1st
Andrew Kochan 1st
Larry Skorepa 1st
James Svaglic 1st
G. Howard Vanderbeck 1st
Todd Ziegler 1st
Stephen Zuehlke 1st
Laurence Levy 5th
Barbara Rosenfeld 12th
Edward Kercher 18th
Paul Rygelski 23rd
Hal Scharf 23rd
William Macher 27th
Ray Belz 29th
Lester Krenning 30th

Ring Report

The Annual Holiday Extravaganza took place during the regularly scheduled December meeting. Everyone brought a side dish or donated \$5 to the Ring. The Ring supplied sandwiches for the members. Everyone seemed to enjoy the food. Then the members enjoyed the annual “White Elephant” gift exchange. A “White Elephant” is usually something that is lying around someone’s house that they no longer want or need. However, the Ring defines a “White Elephant” as something to do with magic. If it is new, then it was supposed to be worth \$5 or more. Also, this year, slightly used magic tricks needed to be presentable and in working shape. Each gift was supposed to be wrapped so no one would know what was in each package. As the members arrived, each member was given half of a playing card. The other half was placed in a container. As the cards were picked, the members could pick a gift off the table or “steal” from another member. Gifts could only be stolen three times and then the member who had the gift could keep this gift. The most popular gifts were envelopes with \$25 Ickle Pickle gift certificates. These were wrapped in large boxes that contained rocks. Therefore, the members had no idea that these big boxes contained certificates (thanks to Terry Richison for “tricking” the members with his gift wrapping). There also was one envelope which contained 2 free tickets to the annual IBM Banquet which was worth at least \$50. Everyone went home with a gift since Terry brought extra gifts to share. Terry always does an excellent job organizing the gift exchange.

The Ring sponsored its annual “Veterans & First Responders Tribute—Magical Holiday Show on December 10th at the Kirkwood Community Theatre which is located in Kirkwood, MO. This show was free for all Veterans, First Responders, and also for their families. There was a huge turnout this year and the attendees really seemed to enjoy the show. This show could not have been as successful without the help of the Ring members. Before the show, the following members performed magic effects in the lobby—Steve Finkelstein, D. Jay Lenz, John Davit, Johnny Harper, and John Skarin. The stage performers were as follows—Terry Richison, Ted Schnarre, Marty Kopp, Steve Queen, Mike Niehaus, and Chad Jacobs. Steve Zuehlke acted as the emcee. Also, several of the members assisted with the following duties—Front of house-Jenny Jones and Sandy Weis, Lighting Director-Terry Walthall, Sound Engineer-Alan Zibits, and Stage Manager-Chuck Peterson.

The Ring always welcomes members to its meetings and events. The Ring has already planned activities and themes for its upcoming meetings.

Sandy Weis

Members can pay on-line at “IBMRING1.com”. Or, send a check to Sandy Weis at [1429 Midland Blvd. St. Louis, Mo. 63130](http://1429MidlandBlvdStLouisMo63130). Ring 1 dues remain at \$15 for the year.

**Please pay your
DUES!**

**DUES DUES DUES!!!
ARE DUE!! \$15.00**

PAY YOUR DUES

ROOMMATE WANTED!!

Are you attending MagiFest Convention in Columbus the end of January? Steve Bolland is looking for a roommate. His contact information is below:

MAGIFEST
January 2018
Roommate Wanted
Call Steve Bolland
[636-579-1028](tel:636-579-1028)

For Sale:

5ft Unicycle that just needs a little oil, and maybe a new tube.

Substitution trunk along with the hoop and curtain.

Contact John Grimsley [217-381-7842](tel:217-381-7842)

This is a Showtime Magic Lefler Table. It is the large size rolling magic table. It has the upgraded 4-inch casters and comes with cover. Inside has a light. Asking \$450. Please contact Brian if interested. [314-662-1585](tel:314-662-1585)
bpclown007@yahoo.com



1. **GRANTS CHAIR SUSPENSION MAGIC ILLUSION—\$125.00** 2 Wooden chairs, Flat board, Covering, In suitcase box with handles. Girl suspended on board supported by one and one chair. **SALE**
2. **YOGANO STOOL SUSPENSION MAGIC ILLUSION—\$150.00**: Includes stool, platform and plastic poles. Girl stands on stool, poles put next to both arms for support, stool removed, then one pole, then the second pole---girl is suspended---poles and stool then replaced, girl steps off stool.
3. **BOW SAW THROUGH SPECTATOR MAGIC ILLUSION \$150.00**: Includes bow saw, stocks and flat board. Spectator lays on board, stocks put across midsection, pieces of wood put through openings in stocks, bow saw is then used to cut through wood and spectator, stocks are removed, spectator sits up and bow saw is then removed from around spectator.
4. **STEINMEYER---THE LADY IN THE PUZZLE MAGIC ILLUSION—\$500.00**: Six large puzzle pieces fit into a 24 inch square frame. The frame is not very deep. The puzzle pieces are placed into the frame, and rearranged several times to make different pictures. Finally, when all pieces are removed, an assistant makes her appearance. Other variations include placing the assistant into the frame and then the six puzzle pieces are added. They are rearranged, at one point even with the front door of the frame open. There is apparently no place for the assistant to hide. Finally after the third rearrangement of the puzzle pieces, they are removed and the lady reappears.
5. **ABBOTT'S TEMPLE OF BENARES MAGIC ILLUSION—\$400.00**: The temple is shown, the top is opened and assistant steps inside and top is closed, many swords are put through the temple, the front is opened and the temple is shown with the swords in it but the assistant has vanished, the temple is turned around completely to show no assistant, the front is then closed, the swords removed, the top is opened and girl reappears.
6. **MAGICIAN/ASSISTANT ESCAPES FROM BEING TIED TO A WOOD POST—\$125.00**: Includes wooden post and platform. Magician/Assistant stands on platform against post, ropes are wrapped around the magician/assistant and tied with multiple knots trapping the magician/assistant, a curtain is raised and lowered and instantly the magician/assistant is free with the ropes on the floor---no curtain supplied.
7. **SIEGFRIED & ROY MAGIC STAGE DECORATION—\$50.00** Decorative umbrella with stand. Certificate of authenticity.

**Contact Ray J. Belz 2-8 above
(314) 680-9757**

For Sale cont:

HAND PUPPETS (SET OF 8)

Set of 8 hand puppets never used and most not even opened. Some are full hand and some are smaller to fit palm and fingers. Included are Bear, Elephant, Moose, Dog, Lion, Duck/Coo Coo Bird, Alligator, Macaw Bird. \$45



CHILDS COLLAR AND HAT

Childs collar and hat to use at kids show to turn kid in your vent figure. Clean and good shape. \$25



LARGE PINK RABBIT - 36 INCH

Large pink Rabbit Ventriloquist Puppet to sit on your lap. About 36 inches in height. \$75



JERRY MAHONEY VENT FIGURE. \$90



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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 Dielmann Recreation Center 11400 Olde Cabin Rd Creve Coeur, MO 63141.

Meeting Agenda

6:30 Magic 101

7:00 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 St Louis Lambert Airport:

Take I-70 West to I-270 South, Take the MO-340 E. EXIT 14, Turn slight left onto MO-340/Olive Blvd, Turn right onto Old Ballas Rd, Turn left onto Olde Cabin Rd Dielmann Recreation Ctr, 11400 OLDE CABIN RD is on the right

From I-64(Hwy 40), I-44 or I-55

Take I-64(Hwy 40), I-44 or I-55 West to I-270 and go north. Merge onto Olive Blvd/MO 340 E. Exit 14, Turn right onto Old Ballas Rd, Turn left onto Olde Cabin Rd Dielmann Recreation Ctr, 11400 OLDE CABIN is on the right

Project Magic

HELP NEEDED

Darryl "D. Jay" is still in need of magicians for Project Magic. The Ring 1 commitment to Shriner's is now on THE 3RD TUESDAY OF THE MONTH. Please see D. Jay if you are available to help. His email is djay1000@yahoo.com

Shriner's has changed their time from 6:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. and we must be out by 7:15 p.m. The best way, if coming from downtown or IL, is to take 64 and exit north on Boyle St. and turn left onto Clayton St. If coming from West County, head east on 64 and go North on Boyle and then left on Clayton St.

We have to go to the front desk and we show a photo ID. The room is on the 3rd floor. Take a left after getting off the elevator and towards the area where there is a sitting area with large flat screen TV. It will be a small room (smaller than or meeting room). The new address is 4400 Clayton Avenue St. Louis, MO 63110

If you have any questions, please call me.

Thank you,

Darryl "D. Jay"

January Darryl Lenz & John Davit, **February** Darrell Peplow & Chad Jacobs, **March** Darryl Lenz & Ted Schnarre, **April** need 2 volunteers, **May** John Davit + 1 volunteer, **June** need 2 volunteers, **July** need 2 volunteers, **August** need 2 volunteers, **September** need 2 volunteers, **October** Darryl Lenz + 1 volunteer, **November** need 2 volunteers, **December** Darryl Lenz + 1 volunteer.

CONVENTION CORNER

- IBM 2018 Annual Convention Grand Rapids, MI July 4 – 7, 2018

**Round Table Meets informally Saturdays at 1 PM Schnuck's balcony lounge
12332 Manchester Road St. Louis MO 6313**