



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

Next Meeting:



2019

January 9th

Magic 101 6:30

Chad Jacobs will be hosting
Paddles

Meeting: Theme is rope & coin magic
7:00PM

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

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**DON'T FORGET TO
PAY YOUR DUES**

Ring Report

Ring 1's annual Christmas Party was held on December 5th during the regularly scheduled monthly meeting. Terry Richison did a great job organizing the activities for the evening. The Ring donated the sandwiches and the members all brought side dishes or donated \$5. There was plenty of food for the members and their guests. After dinner the members participated in the Annual White Elephant Gift Exchange. Members were encouraged to bring a wrapped, complete magic effect, including directions if needed, worth at least \$5. Members were given half of a card (the other half was put in a hat) and, as their card was picked, they could pick a gift off the table or "steal" one from someone else. Gifts could only be stolen three times. The gift that everyone wanted this year was a certificate for two to attend the IBM President's Banquet free (worth at least \$60). There were also three \$25 merchandise certificates for Ickle Pickle Products. Most of the members liked their present; however, many will bring them back next year as their White Elephant Gift. The funniest part of the evening was when Henry Schaper's friend, who was sitting next to him, picked his card out of the hat, not once but twice! Everyone seemed to have had a great time!

Schedule of Events 2019

Deadline for February Spirit:

January 21st Email your submissions to:
jennyjonesmk@gmail.com

2019

January 9th Rope & Coin Magic

February

March

Save the date. Jan. 21st. Eric Stevens
Lecture in Springfield, IL

On December 9th, the Ring sponsored the annual Veterans & First Responders Magical Holiday Show. Veterans and First Responders, including their families, were invited to the show, free of charge. This year several businesses helped to fund the show--Scott Credit Union, Sligo Steel, OsteoStrong (Johnny Harper's business) and Texas Roadhouse. Pasta House donated coupons for everyone worth \$5 off a \$20 purchase. Several businesses in Kirkwood also donated gift certificates. Everyone filled out a slip of paper when they entered the theatre and there was a drawing for these certificates. The winners seemed excited when their names were called. Employees from Scott Credit Union donated their time and gave each guest a bottle of water and Cracker Jacks when they entered the theatre. Thanks to Johnny Harper and Steve Finkelstein for recruiting these generous sponsors. The show was held at the Kirkwood Community Theatre at 3:00. The stage performers included Steve Queen, Marty Kopp, Steve Finkelstein, and Christian Misner (Amazing Christian). Terry Richison served as the MC. In the lobby, the following magicians performed close-up effects for the guests-- D. Jay Lenz, John Davit, Dan Todd, and Larry Minth. Hal Scharf and Dave Goldfarb volunteered as ushers. Sandy Weis volunteered at the Box Office. The show could not have happened without the other members who worked behind the scenes, which included Chuck Peterson (Backstage), Alan Zibits (Audio Engineer), and Terry Walthall (Technical Director). The Ring really appreciates the time the members donate so the Ring can offer events such as this show.

The Ring always welcomes guests to its meetings and events.

Sandy Weis

Notes from Magic 101 in November

Jack, The Bounty Hunter

Go through the deck and remove one of the Jacks and set it aside.

Have spectator deal two piles of cards, each containing fifteen cards. One pile will be the spectator's stack and the other the performer's pile. Spectator can shuffle each of the piles. The spectator then begins to cut the cards in his pile, placing the cards next to the remainder. He can then do the same with the performer's pile. The Spectator then removes one card from the remainder of the deck, looks and remembers it. The spectator then places the remembered card, face down, on top of either of his piles. The spectator then places either one of the performer's piles over the selected card. He then places Jack, face up, on top of the performer's remaining pile. The performer then places the spectator's remaining pile on top of his remaining pile and places all of the cards on top of the last remaining pile. Performer then deals the cards into two stacks, until all are dealt. The Performer places the pile without Jack aside and again deals the cards into two piles. Again, he removes the pile without Jack. This continues until only two cards are left. Upon turning over the face down card, the criminal is caught.

To see this on YouTube, go to [Youtube.com](https://www.youtube.com) and look for "Jack, the Bounty Hunter "

President's Message:

Happy Holidays and Happy New Year to all IBM Ring 1 Members and your families! It's been a wonderful year and I want to thank each and every one of you for your support and involvement in the Ring. You are the reason we do what we do each month, so thank you for being a big part of our little part of sharing art and fun of magic. I especially want to thank our Officers, Board Members, and all the volunteers who support the club. Let's have a wonderful 2019!

January 9th Membership Meeting / Magic 101

Chad Jacob's will be hosting Magic 101 and he'll be teaching with paddles, so bring your paddles and hotrods with you. Magic 101 begins promptly at 6:30. Well it's been a year since we've looked at rope magic, so January's theme is rope magic, and we're adding coins as well. We'll have two break-out sessions teaching coins and ropes, so bring ropes and coins with you! **Please invite a friend or someone you know might be interested in learning about magic!**

A great big thank you to all our performers and volunteers at our Tribute to Veterans and First Responders Show!

Thank you, thank you, thank you! I want to thank all of those who performed and volunteered to make this show a success! We have over 250 attendees this year! I very special thanks goes to Terry Richison, who not only performed, but produced and directed this show. Terry, I can't thank you enough for the dedication and time you give to the Ring! Also, a big thanks to Steve Finkelstein, who performed and attracted a title sponsor for the show! Scott Credit Union who is very involved in Veteran supported events was our title sponsor. This is a first for the Ring. Scott Credit Union was thrilled with the show and tribute and we look forward to having their support and involvement next year. Thank you again to all who helped make this happen!

IBM Board Meeting / Midwest Jubilee Board Meeting

Our next board meeting is scheduled for January 23rd. The IBM portion begins promptly at 6:30 and the Jubilee meeting begins at 7:30. The meeting is held at OsteoStrong in Creve Coeur at 12333 Olive Blvd.

As always, thank you all for your support, involvement, and passion for the art of MAGIC!

Johnny Harper

December 18th, DJ and Dan entertained at Shriners Hospital and it was well received. As you can see, DJ "Fooled" them all.



FOUR SHOWS – FOUR DIFFERENT GROUPS - FOUR DIFFERENT RESULTS

I had the pleasure of doing four different parties in one week this last month. Three Christmas parties and one retirement party. All of these were strolling/walk-around type shows. I did the exact same set(s) for each party. Each venue was different. One venue at a hotel, two were at private country clubs and one was at a bowling alley. Needless to say, different people/social classes react differently to different things.

SHOW #1 – Hotel/Banquet: This was a party for architects and engineers. Some of the brightest minds in the construction industry. Well educated and easily fooled. Everyone seemed to enjoy themselves and kept asking for more. I was very surprised as I thought this would be the hardest group to entertain.

SHOW #2 – Bowling Alley: Although a bit loud and crowded with tight working conditions, this was a great event. I was strolling on the upper portion above the bowling lanes doing table magic. A good crowd, casual dress, blue collar workers and everyone was very appreciative.

SHOW #3: The Country Club Christmas Party This is a show I do every year. This is the groups largest event of the year and always draws the biggest crowd. They are a loud drinking crowd. Since most of them know me and know that I do magic, I set up a small close-up table in the back of the room and let the crowd come to me. I was amazed to see how many people think my close-up pad is a drink coaster! Since I do this show every year and know almost everybody on a first name basis, I took the opportunity to customize a few standards with people's names, companies, etc. This did not disappoint. The last group of people I performed for, got the "WOW" effect. I will explain this in the next Spirit. The last effect had their jaws on the floor. They begged me to stay and perform but as the saying goes, "Always leave them wanting more!"

SHOW #4 – Retirement Party at the Country Club The retiree was a HUGE magic fan and requested my presence. A very sophisticated crowd with most of them being members of the country club. A very quiet crowd and very few had ever seen a magician. Everyone enjoyed themselves but nowhere near the reaction of the above-mentioned shows.

And the moral of the story? You can pick your tricks, but you can't pick your audience!

Until next month,

Steve Z



Thank you all for a great show!!



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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

HELP NEEDED *Project Magic*

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 must 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"

Jan. 15 John David + 1, Feb. 19 D. Jay & Henry and Ben Schaper, March 19 need 2, April 16 John Davit +1, May 21 D. Jay +1, June 18 need 2, July 16 need 2

CONVENTION CORNER

- Science of Magic Conference Chicago July 14 to 16, 2019

Jill Schmidt, Amanda Lindsey, Josh Weidner, and Zi Wang are planning on attending. If you are interested in carpooling or sharing their two-bedroom hotel suite located two blocks from the conference, contact Jill at 314-968-8597 or jill@sillyjilly.com.

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