

I.B.M. Ring 29

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MAGIC MUSINGS

International Brotherhood of Magicians, Ring #29

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Meets 1st Thursday of every month, Baptist Medical Center



March 7 is regular meeting: "My favorite trick!"

The regular monthly meeting for Ring 29 for March will be another popular theme: "**My Favorite Trick.**"

We'll be back at our regular time (7 pm) and our regular place (Baptist Medical Center) in our regular room (20), on March 7.

Here's the premise: all magicians at every level have one favorite trick. It's your favorite for one or several reasons: You do it particularly well. It was the first trick you ever learned. It was the first trick you ever saw performed on a stage. Your grandfather taught you the trick. Whatever.

The rest of us would like to see your favorite trick, would like to hear why it is your favorite, and then to have you explain

BITS & PIECES

● LAST MONTH the Annual Ring 29 Magic Auction attracted 40 members for a fast-paced evening and the sale of some 242 items. If you missed it, you need to go ahead and shoot yourself in the foot (because you already shot yourself in the other foot by missing a fun evening)!

Auctioneer Gerry Bailey did a terrific job of keeping the bids moving, sucking out the highest bids he could. The club made a fantastic \$300 (they get 10% of all sales) from the auction, lots of people got rid of some unused and unwanted magic and made some money to buy more tricks; and lots of folks got some great bargains.

A special thanks to Christy Henson, Dan Hecke, James Kinsey and Jim Henson for helping the auction go so smoothly.

● ALSO LAST MONTH, the Berry Richardson lecture drew 31 members. He said our club was the best one he had lectured to. Some members said it was the best lecture they had ever attended. When you miss these lectures, you're passing up an opportunity to improve your magic.

● COLIN CHEESEMAN will perform "Crimes of the Heart" at the Little Rock Garden Center Theater this weekend. Cost is only \$10 per person. For more information call Colin at 847-5948.

● DON'T FORGET, the Magic Collectors Weekend is set for May 16-18 in Fort Worth. Call Jim for information.

how it is done.

You might bring a second trick in case we have time for some people to share another one with us.

We urge every member to participate in this fun evening. Let's all help each other by sharing good tricks which just might become favorites for other people.

Why not come early, go through the cafeteria and bring your tray to the meeting room to eat with fellow magicians?

NEXT MEETING:

- Thursday, March 7, 7 pm
Baptist Medical Center

● DAMON LECTURED at the Searcy Club recently, and will do so in Memphis soon, then he'll take his show on the road.

● MAXWELL BLADE'S Theater of Magic will open Tuesdays through Saturdays, March 8-31. Then it will reopen at the end of May. Put his show on your list of things to do this Spring and Summer.

● TONY EADY is looking for someone to work The Pizza Hut in Maumelle on Tuesday nights, doing magic and/or balloons. Contact him if you are interested.

Tony himself is working Monday nights at Mazzio's Pizza in Benton; Tuesday nights at the Golden Corral in North Little Rock; Wednesday nights at Western Sizzler in Benton; and Saturday nights at TGI Fridays in North Little Rock. Stop by and see him in action and say hello.

● DR. HENRY JOHNSON, lifetime member, had surgery in January, but is recovering nicely. Keep him in your prayers.

● IF YOU HEAR what magic will be in Branson this year, please call Mr. Magic so we can pass on the information.

● RANDALL will perform again at Music Mountain Jamboree in Hot Springs beginning in April. Watch for details.

● BILL PALMER is being scheduled to lecture at Ring 29 the end of March or early April. We'll get the word out as soon as details are finalized.

● MONTY (rose, ropes & string) will be scheduled to lecture the end of April or in early May. Details to come.

Cavalcade of Magic is March 21-23 in Eureka

Yes, there is a magic convention right here in Arkansas, and it is this month, March 21-23. It will be back in Eureka Springs, at the all-new Inn of the Ozarks convention center.

To register, call Bill Pitts in Fort Smith, at (479) 484-7512. See Bill's ad in *The Linking Ring* for more details.

Junior Magicians looking for a time and place to perform

The Junior Magicians Program is looking for a time and place to perform. The March of Dimes program at the Zoo has been mentioned. If you have any idea about this, or would like to be a part of and help, please call Kyle or Jim and volunteer.

We had 18 youth at the last meeting, confirming a strong interest at this level. And we have some talented youth magicians already, with lots of desire. They just need a push and some support.

Mark October 5-6 for Ring 29's first magic convention

For several years Ring 29 members have talked about hosting our own magic convention. Apparently this is the year.

The Ring Board and others have pinned the date down to October 5th and 6th (Saturday and Sunday), and the place probably will be Hot Springs. Watch for more details in coming months. Contact any Board member for more information, to ask questions and to volunteer to help. Reserve the dates.

Carlons produce new magician

Paul and Lisa Carlon are the proud parents of Caleb, born Jan. 31. He weighed in at 8 lb. 9 oz. Even though he had a few minor medical problems to start his life, he's doing great. Congrats to Paul and Lisa for producing one of life's true miracles, and to sister McKenzie, for accepting a new brother into the family.