

Magic Musings

International Brotherhood of Magicians, Ring 29
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May 2006

May 4th Meeting at ACRC Building will be "Rope Magic"

Rope Magic in May!

Mark your calendar for May 4th. Our next magic meeting will be all about Ropes! After a brief business meeting at **6:45 p.m.**, we will begin with a teaching session on Professor's Nitemare by Derrick Rose. So be sure to bring your Professor's Nitemare to share with us your routine or to learn a new one. We will continue the evening with rope routines. We already have a great list lined up to perform rope tricks so come and bring a rope trick.

Notice the change of meeting place for this month: We will be meeting at UAMS. Go to the ACRC building and right inside the door are the elevators, go up to the 10th floor and we will be in one of the smaller meeting rooms. If you don't have it from past meetings look for the map for directions to the meeting place.

Pavel Lecture May 19th

Speaking of ropes, because of a cancellation in his tour schedule Pavel will be able to

stop in Little Rock with his new lecture, "How to invent a new trick". We look forward to having this great magician here. We will have more information about him at the meeting Thursday. Also we are working on the location and will let you know as soon as a place is located. Cost will be \$8.00 for members and \$12.00 for non-members.

Member News:

*From Dennis Schick

1. When you are in the cereal section of your favorite grocery store, you should look at all the box fronts to see if any of them feature magic, since they do from time to time. The latest example is Kroger's. Dennis Schick's wife brought home boxes of two of their brand cereals, each featuring two magic tricks. Cards are shown on the back of the boxes, describing the effects. The explanations are printed on the backs of the cards, which have to be cut out. On the Cocoa Crispy Rice box are "Your card is..." and "On your mark." On the Cocoa Crunchies box is "Floating cup" and "Link up." The boxes say these are two of

three "series," collect all three. You can go to www.marvinsmagic.com to see all the tricks and for more information. It's nice that magic is available in many different places, helping to spread our hobby.

2. Scan the TV guides when they come each week, to find magic shows on television. And since the one in Sunday's Arkansas Democrat-Gazette does not list all the channels which Comcast carries, look in the daily logs each day to see other channels (such as the Travel Channel, Hallmark, etc.). The History Channel ran "Houdini: Unlocking the Mystery" Sunday April 23. It featured Lance Burton as the host and he showed many Houdini possessions. The A&E Channel was running the Chris Angel Mindfreak shows for several weeks, but not in recent weeks. If you let other people know that you are interested in magic on television, they will call you when a magician is getting ready to appear on Letterman or Leno (like one did last week), or when they see any other magic show on TV.

*Dennis Schick attended two weekend performances by Christian magician Greg Davidson recently. At the Levy Baptist church one week he got the idea to interview Greg for a possible article in either or both magic and Christian magazines. So he arranged with Greg to interview him the following week, when Greg came back, this time to the Life Line Baptist Church in Little Rock. Dennis had lunch with Greg both Friday and Saturday, took lots of photos, and even helped Greg with a hotel key number illusion during one of the shows. Dennis also brought Greg by the magic store and introduced him to Jim Henson and others in the store. Greg said he appreciated Jim having such a great store, and that he planned to start buying some magic from Mr. Magic by mail.

Magic Conventions:

* The International Brotherhood of Magicians Convention will be held in Miami, Florida on June 27th through July 1. If you have never attended an international convention, this will be a great first one. Keep an eye in the *Linking Ring* and the Ring 29 newsletter for more details including performers, lecturers, and dealers. There will be plenty to do for the non magicians in your family. Spouse events will be available at the convention, and Miami Beach is nearby along with many shopping areas. Check out www.Magician.org
Just a few of the dealers so far: Spider Backdrops, Dancing

Spring Magic, Joker Magic, Joshua Jay Productions, Mogar's Magic Stars Studio, Wild Magic, etc.

* The Magic Show Conference will be held in Branson, Missouri on May 4-6, 2006. This conference is oriented towards those who work with "family audiences". It will deal with putting programs together for stage shows, outdoor shows, church shows, etc. Lectures will focus on constructing a show, audience psychology, handling problems, and other information. Featured guests will be Fukai from Japan. And Joe Fairchild, who toured fairs with his illusion show and worked in Las Vegas. Also Arthur Stead who is a musician and magician. He scored the Steven Spielberg movie "Goonies", worked on the score for the "Muppet" movie and much more. More information can be found at dazzlingmagic.com - You can also pick up a registration form at Mr. Magic.

Miscellaneous:

*Jim Henson is still working on an article about Ring 29's mascot, Rabbit E. Lee. This is an important part to Ring 29's history. Please help us by submitting the information about your time with Rabbit E. Lee. If you at any time during the past 16 years have been the keeper of Rabbit E. Lee, please contact Jim at mrmagiclr@aol.com or Christy at cih0914@aol.com. Jim needs to know the year(s) that you kept Rabbit and the

addition you made to him. Please contact Jim or Christy as soon as possible.

* See pictures for Ring 29 meetings and parties! Check out the following website: <http://www.littlerockmagic.org/copper/>

David Copperfield get robbed.

David Copperfield has magically escaped getting robbed. The 49 year old illusionist was walking with two female assistants to their tour bus after his show Sunday at a performing arts center when four teens pulled up in a black car, a West Beach, FL police report said. Two armed robbers reportedly got out of the car and demanded the group's belongings. One woman handed over \$400 from her pockets and the other gave up her purse with 200 Euros, \$100, her passport, plane tickets and a cell phone. Copperfield refused to empty his pockets, the report said. He said he turned his pockets inside out to show nothing in them, even though he was carrying his passport, wallet and cell phone. "Call it reverse pick pocketing", Copperfield told the Palm Beach Post for Wednesday's editions. Copperfield read the license plate number of the car to an assistant while she called 911, the report said. Four teenagers were arrested and charged with armed robbery. They were held without bond, police said. The women's property was recovered.

For Questions Call Mr. Magic

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Meeting will be on the 10th Floor of the ACRC Building

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MAIN HOSPITAL

ACRC BLDG. 10TH FLOOR

PARKING Deck

ENTRANCE

WALK WAY FROM 2ND FLOOR

FAIR PARK BLVD

UNIVERSITY AVE.

MISSISSIPPI RD

BARROW RD

CAPITOL (5TH)

FLASHING LIGHT

ONE WAY ←

ONE WAY →

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