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IN THE NEWS

Cavalcade of Magic 2019

It's time to start preparing to go to the Cavalcade of Magic, March 28-30, 2019. We have some great talent coming this year and plans are shaping up nicely. *David Sandy, Randall Eller, and Duane Laflin* are among our lecturers for this year. We will have our annual auction on Thursday night and will include some items from Marvin Long's collection.

In keeping with the last couple of years, any and all who pre-register will be placed in a drawing for a Free Registration for the next Cavalcade. You can register and pay on PayPal to **ibmring75@att.net**. Please leave your name and send as a friend. The price is still a low \$75 for the entire family.

You can reserve your rooms at the Best Western, Inn of the Ozarks online or at **800-552-3785**. There are special room rates until the end of February, so reserve your room before then if you can. Be sure and mention IBM Ring 75 Magicians to get the rates. (more info on page 5)

A LITTLE BLAST FROM PAST



CONVENTION CONTEST WINNERS were all smiles when the awards were announced at the banquet in Little Rock during the 1975 convention. From the left, Paul Driscoll [Tennage], John Bucher, [Close-up]; Becky Blaney [Adult]; and David Fee [Junior].

Rick Bamman photo

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Jo Jones baffling Mike Curtis with a little card ballet

President's Corner

by Jo Jones, Ring 29 President

Hello Magician Friends!

It is already time for the March meeting of Ring 29. The months are already rapidly passing by. We are currently planning on having the Stage Competition, but unless we get 6+ members to participate, we will postpone it to a later date. Please watch for an email from James Kinsey or read your newsletter to know exactly what will take place at the meeting on March 7. Unless notified differently, it will be in Classroom #1 at Baptist. Participants in all Ring 29 competitions must have a current dues cards from IBM.

Thanks to Marty Haughn for a great lecture on Storytelling! It was well planned, executed and very informative for all. Thanks also goes to Adrian Steelman for being the emcee for the evening.

I would also like to say a big thank you to Jim Henson, who is recovering from knee surgery, for all he has done for the club. He brings give away items to almost every meeting, he volunteers to help in any way that he can, and he is always ready to help with mini-lectures and full-blown lectures any time he is asked. When you see Jim, I hope you will say thank you, give him a hug and/or a pat on the back. He is truly a giant asset to our club! Thanks, Jim!

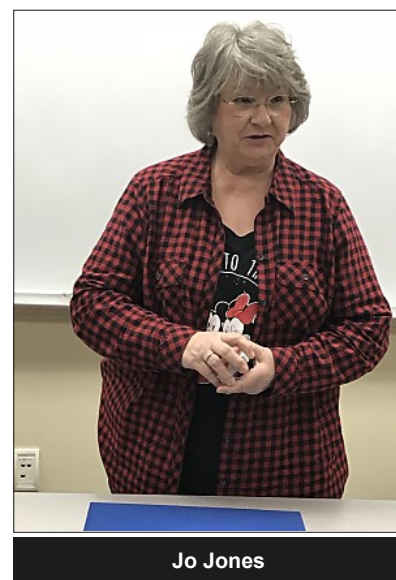
We have a lecture coming up in March. Bernardo Sedlacek will be here. Please make plans to attend. It will be at Baptist.

The Cavalcade of Magic will be the last weekend in March. It is a fun time to fellowship with other magicians, learn some new magic, buy some new magic, share you own skills or watch others, and hear some good lecturers. Try to plan a trip to Eureka Springs for a great time of magic.

I hope to see you at our March meeting on the 7th.

Magically yours,

Jo



Jo Jones



Dan Hecke taking us to South America telling a story of the "Crystal Skull"

Ring 29 Report

by Gary Fambrough, Ring 29 Secretary

Fellow Magi, it is a brand new year for our club and monthly meetings. We had a great Christmas show and dinner in the place of our January meeting so February starts off our meetings back at Baptist Hospital in classroom #1. That said, Ring 29 met Thursday, February 7th at 6:45 pm at Baptist Hospital in Little Rock, Arkansas. Despite our small attendance of 14 members and guests, the meeting was informative and a lot of fun.

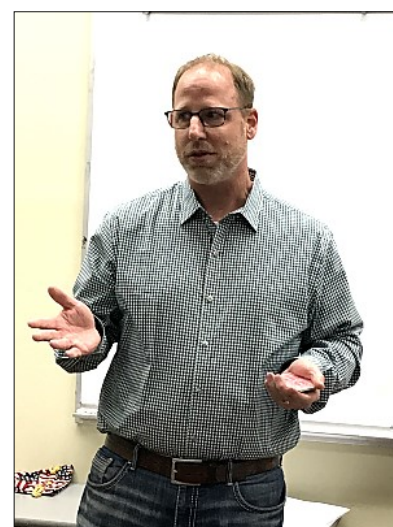
Jo Jones presided over the meeting and announced great news that she and Mike finally sold their house. I know they are excited...especially since they have already bought and moved to another house!

Lecture dates were then announced with March 19th being Bernardo Sedlacek. On April 26, we will be hosting Scott Alexander. Dan Fleshman is a possible lecturer for June with another lecture by our very own Paul Prater on the heels of all these. Right now, these are slated to be in our usual meeting room location.

Jim Henson has proposed a "game night" at his place where everyone attending would be given the opportunity to perform a card trick. The prize for those performing is sure to be something special. Incidentally, we missed Jim at the meeting due to some surgery recovery that is keeping him house bound at the moment. Wishing you a speedy recovery, Jim.

Other announcements included magicians on TV right now like Shin Lim and Justin Flom. Additionally, the Cavalcade of Magic is just around the corner and is being held in Eureka Springs at the end of March. This is a great opportunity to meet some talented folks and share ideas. Derrick Rose will be at Oaklawn on the infield performing in Hot Springs this horse racing season. You don't want to miss him. He'll be there a total of 8 weeks this year!

Gerry Bailey has agreed to take over the newsletter if and when Marty moves later this year. Really appreciate that Gerry! Last but not least, Adrian Steelman was spotlighted in a Hot Spring magazine with an entire article.



Gary Fambrough



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With these announcements, the business portion of our meeting adjourned.



Next up with our mini lecture of the evening was Marty Haughn. Marty had some great information about storytelling and kept everyone captivated. Weaving a story entitled "The Fly" throughout his lecture, we were all guessing at the ending. There was even a little "math" equation/puzzle the audience was teased with to solve. We apparently all have a higher opinion of our sleuthing skills than we were actually able to demonstrate.

After Marty, Adrian Steelman took to the floor as our emcee of the evening. His introductions, especially jokes about light bulbs and magicians, went over well. Jo Jones was our first performer and was assisted by Mike Curtis. Jo and Mike together took 9 court cards and thoroughly mixed them using a variety of techniques. When all was said and done, the cards were paired back with their respective suits in stacks of three. WOW!

Following Jo was Dan Hecke and a fantastic story about his Crystal Skull and the amazon jungle. The skull apparently possesses magical powers as it seemingly restored a signed and torn card. Spooky!!!

Gerry Bailey was up next with an almost unbelievable story about squirrels and catfish. I won't attempt to retell it here but you should ask him about it. He then went on to perform his variation on the classic torn and restored newspaper. I'd say his performance was certainly 'newsworthy'.

Our next performer was 'in the pocket' with his version of card to pocket. Dane Dover had Jo Jones assist him as she selected a card and replaced it in the deck. Dane then produced a "magic eye" that he placed into his pocket along with the card deck. One card was separated from the pack and withdrawn from Dane's coat pocket by Jo. Low and behold, it was her selected card!

Following Dane was Ralph Felder with his unassuming rope. As it turns out, if you talk softly to this rope and ask nicely, it can do tricks. One such trick is becoming rigid so that you can hold it parallel to the ground by one end. Loud noises, of course, cause it to lose concentration and return to its natural droopy characteristics.

Last but not least was Adrian Steelman. Adrian recently collected some hotel key cards while on a trip to the magic castle last year. At one hotel, Adrian and his family needed to stay several more nights. Based on that, he showed us how the hotel key magically extends in length to provide you with an "extended" stay. <Ba dum bump>

That concludes all the nights events. Looking forward to seeing everyone March 7th in Shuffield Auditorium (at Baptist Hospital) for our stage competition!



Greetings and Salutations to You All,

Wow!!! We are only five weeks away from the Cavalcade! In this update, I am attaching a schedule of events. Not on the attachment is our "Night Before Get Together" at 6:30 on Thursday and the annual Open Auction at 9pm. If you want to bring some items to sell, please do. We always have some great deals and fun bidding wars, so bring some cash. All proceeds go to the seller, so this is a good auction to participate.

You will notice that we have rearranged some events on the schedule this year. We hope it will make things run smoother. We still have lots of time to visit the dealers which will include Duane Laflin, Bob Sanders, RNR Magic, Richard Knoll, Mike Jones, and possibly more.

You are sure to pick up something new or revised at the lectures, which will include a Panel Discussion on the future of Conventions, i.e. IBM, SAM, FCM, etc. One of our panelist, is a member of the IBM, Board of Directors, so if you have questions or suggestions, be ready.

There will be extra-curricular activities as well; at least one workshop, maybe two. And there is always a lot of discussion, visiting, and one-upmanship going on throughout the weekend.

It's not too late to preregister and get in the drawing for FREE registration next year!

The last thing I will mention is that we are considering moving the dates for future Cavalcades one week earlier. We have done that from time to time due to Easter, but want to know what you think and how it would affect everyone. We will bring it up for discussion during the cavalcade itself.

Hoping to see you all in FIVE weeks,

Ron Ingram

Cavalcade of Magic Committee

48th Annual Cavalcade of Magic

March 29-30, 2019

Friday

8:30 AM

Registration (Dealers Open)

9:00 AM

Lecture - Alan Burdick - Classics that Pack Small, Play Big

10:30 AM

Lecture - Randall Eller

12:00 - 1:00

LUNCH

1:00 PM

Free Time - Dealers Open

1:30 PM

Lecture - Clyde Hayre - Collecting Magic

3:00 PM

Dealers Show

4:00 PM

Open Mic - Favorite Effect, Prop, or Book

5:30 - 7:30

DINNER

7:30 PM

Evening Magic Show (MC:)

10:00 PM

Monty's Workshop (extra Fee)

Note: Dealers are open between all events. Please wear your badges at all times.

48th Annual Cavalcade of Magic

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Saturday

8:30 AM

Registration (Dealers Open)

9:00 AM

Panel Discussion - Future of Convention - Duane/David/Randall/Lance

10:30 AM

Lecture - David Sandy - Andre Kole's Creativity and Inventions

12:00 - 1:00

LUNCH

1:00 PM

Free Time - Dealers Open

1:30 PM

Matinee Show (MC: Jody Birchfield)

3:00 PM

Close-Up Show (MC: Clyde Hayre)

4:30 PM

Magic Game Show

5:30 - 7:30

DINNER

7:30 PM

Evening Magic Show (MC: Jimmy Rhodes)

After Show Get Together

Note: Dealers are open between all events. Please wear your badges at all times.



Gerry Bailey getting ready to tear into a newspaper...Tear and Restore

Blast from the Past

by Mike Curtis, Ring 29 Historian

This month we will look back 60 years to the March, 1959 meeting of the Ring. The President at that time was Logan Pritchett and the Secretary was Albert D. Houpt. The Ring met monthly at the Albert Pike Hotel.

"Leon List of Miami, Oklahoma, newest member, opened the show with bouquet to cane. Joe Ball of North Little Rock senior high school did a card location using a book of matches, name of the card appearing on the match head after it was burned. Also a glass of water was vanished from a handkerchief and appeared in a hat on a chair.

Byron Huddleston presented a coin routine. Member of the IBM 20 years ago, we are glad his interest has again been stimulated. Guest George Engel of Ring 123, Long Branch, N. J., gave an interesting and instructive impromptu lecture on card routines. He did Out of This Universe, a mental card location, and his version of Do As I Do. Frank Caple, emcee, did a burned match routine with the burned match returning, attached, to the book of matches.

Logan Pritchett, Mr. Zuko, displayed silks, the monkey silk, and the silk of the man in the foreign car. He also found his picture in Look magazine and did Ray Don's Hypnotic. February 20 a number of us journeyed to Cabot, Ark., to catch the Ken Griffin show. He was assisted by his wife, and Jack and Betty DeHolt, and our old friend, Bob McDowell, who was formerly with the Lee Grable show. Ken has a good show and everything moved with no lost motion.

Highlight of the show was the presentation of the Floating Lady. He passed a large "hypnotized" Mrs. Griffin and placed her on a couch. Following Ken's gestures she floated up to about the height of his waist. Ken then walked from behind the floating lady to the front of the stage, received the ring and turned and looked at the subject. He then returned to his original position and passed the ring over the floating lady, and at his command and gesture she floated down to her original

THE ZOMBIE BALL



The zombie ball is a classic magic trick first introduced by Joe Karson in the 1940s. It remains a staple of many shows to this day. Magic's Biggest Secrets called it one of the most popular tricks in the world.

Effect

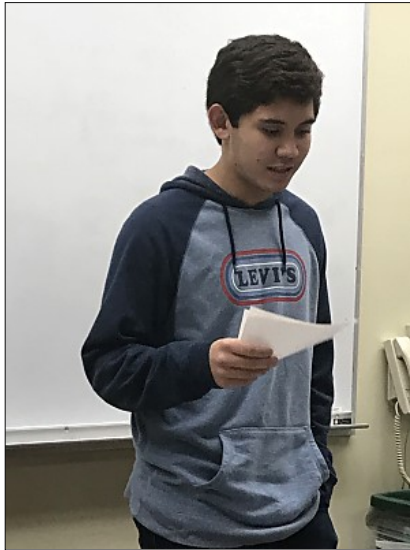
The magician places a large metal ball on a small pedestal on a table. The ball is then covered with a large silk cloth which the magician holds above the ball. The ball then begins to lift into the air and move about under the cloth, before appearing out from under cloth to roll along the upper edge of the stretched-out cloth, or along the magician's arms. The ball may also disappear and re-appear as it moves about. The ball is finally coaxed to return to its pedestal and the cloth is removed.



position and passed the ring over the floating lady, and at his command and gesture she floated down to her original position, the trance was broken and she and Ken acknowledged a wonderful applause. It was beautiful."

This was another glimpse into the type of magic that was popular 60 years ago. Older effects like these may have many variations and modifications made over the years but the fundamentals remain the same. It's interesting to note that good magic is timeless and many of the effects described in this report still entertain and amaze audiences today as much as they did then.

Until next time, remember the effects you first learned and how exciting they were. They can still be just as exciting today.



Treasurer's Report

January and February 2019

Beginning Balance Checking	2348.80	Expenses	
Dues Collected	725.00	Room for Christmas Party	500.00
Christmas Party	842.00	Corkey's	512.10
Total Balance Checking	3915.80	Drinks and Supplies	164.52
Total Balance Savings	970.33	Ending Balance Checking	2739.18
		Ending Balance Savings	970.33

Christmas party had a loss of -334.62

29 members have paid dues.

16 members from last year are past due.

If you are not sure about your membership status email me at:

jamesk39@gmail.com



"We are gathered here today to bid farewell to the best assistant any magician could ask for."

Upcoming Lecturers

Bernardo Sedlacek *March 19, 2019*



Bernardo Sedlacek is known by his strong card magic, creativity, style, and extreme card skills. He began in magic at the age of nine. Considered one of the best card magicians in Brazil, he has performed in many countries including USA, Australia, Italy, Spain, Mexico, Argentina, Uruguay and a few others, acting side by side and fooling the most known and brilliant minds in magic, such as Michael Vincent, Alex Pandrea, Woody Aragon, Bill Malone, Lennart Green and many others.

Twitter Post:

"I highly recommend this extremely skilled, talented and personable young man. Bernardo Sedlacek gave an outstanding lecture to IBM Ring 117 in West Palm Beach. He is a current and future superstar! Any club or venue would be wowed and proud to have him perform."

Dr. David Boltson
IBM Ring 117
West Palm Beach, FL



Scott Alexander *April 26, 2019*

Scott Alexander is funny, likeable, and his charm appeals to a wide range of people. His amazing magic reached millions on this season of NBC's America's Got Talent where he advanced all the way with his large stage illusions.

With articles in People Magazine and Nations Business Magazine, the Oprah Show took notice and Scott was invited by Oprah Winfrey to make guest appearance on her popular TV program.

Scott had the honor of headlining on the Las Vegas Strip at Caesars Palace for over seven years and four thousand performances of large grand illusions mixed with light-hearted stand-up comedy magic.

Alexander's groundbreaking creativity caught the eye of Norwegian Cruise Lines and they commissioned Scott to create, direct the magic, and star in "Elements," a million dollar stage spectacular. It is currently their most popular show and is in production on five ships.

Scott's magic has been featured on The SiFi Channel, Discovery Channel, NBC, Showtime, He has opened for comedians like Dennis Miller and as a creator and innovator of illusions, his ideas are utilized in performances by other magical luminaries, most notably Penn & Teller.

July 5, 2019

Back to the Basics –

A Lecture (with secrets) by

Dameon



Dameon, to most magicians, is a recently discovered prestidigitator, yet he is an accomplished entertainer specializing in manipulative magic. He creates visually captivating presentations working silently to the universal language of music. Dameon has performed for over 35 years and has appeared in numerous shows and revues around the globe. Featured at the 2018 S.A.M. National Convention in Orlando as a stage performer, lecturer and card throwing contest sponsor, and a recent recipient of the "Bill Baird/Neil Foster Award for excellence in manipulative magic at the 78th Abbott's Magic Get Together, Dameon brings his unique, fast paced, fun-filled, interactive lecture to your group! He covers numerous topics in a lecture which has been designed to fit your club's time schedule. Plus, as you enter the lecture "space" you receive several free items to follow along and take home with you at the conclusion.

This lecture invites you to participate. In addition. If you have time and the interest, he

also offers a two-hour master class (with a maximum of 5 participants), or private sessions, The following day for those who would like personal attention/in-depth details on several of the lecture topics or your own routine, act, or show!

Here are the categories covered in the lecture. He demos and explain each of the items within the category.

Cards -

- 1) Rising cards ... make your own ... or purchase
- 2) A real fooler manip move ... a difficult flourish
- 3) A shooting card - stupid but fun
- 4) Spinning card from fan - stupid but fun ... too
- 5) A twist on a D&D flourish - that I use all the time
- 6) A NEW CARD MANIPULATION ROUTINE ... **A SECRET**

Balls -

- 1) A quick basic roll and flourish sequence
- 2) Several color changes
- 3) Vanishes and reappearances
- 4) Palming

Rope -

- 1) Simple Overhand Vanishing Knot (a killer effect)
- 2) Shoe lace - you should know it
- 3) Threading the needle - you should know this too (as in also)
- 4) Over the shoulder knot - Irv Tannen
- 5) JUMBO ring and rope

Thimbles -

- 1) A few simple moves
- 2) The jumping thimble - Buckingham
- 3) A NEW routine ... **A SECRET**

4) A quick thanks to Joe Mogar

Doves

- 1) The clear tails - pockets and more pockets
- 2) The Chest piece ... **A SECRET**
- 3) The BUTTON
- 4) Dove Harnesses
- 5) Single Tail Vanish
- 6) The Cressey Throwstreamer Packet (mine)
- 7) A NEW Van BC idea ... **A SECRET**

The Entire Manipulation ACT set-up

- 1) Cases
- 2) Cue Sheets
- 3) Containers
- 4) Necessary Items- Tape, Thread, Markers, Fanning Powder, Bags, Rubber Bands, Clips, Scissors, Ribbon, Kleenex, Towels, Music CD's ... etc.

Extras:

- 1) A new quick and easy to make Dove Cage
- 2) A card Castle built into a Tray - Specs
- 3) The Skyliner



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Ring 29 Meetings 2018-2019

Date	Meeting	Location	Theme	Lecturer	Emcee
Aug 1, 2018	Regular	Baptist Classroom #1	Invisible Deck	Jim Henson	No Emcee Needed
Sep 6, 2018	Regular	Baptist Classroom #1	Jim-Card Cube Tear & Restore	Jim Henson	Jo Jones
Oct 4, 2018	Regular	Baptist Classroom #1	Book Tests Halloween	Dan Hecke	Mike Jones
Nov 1, 2018	Regular	Baptist Classroom #1	Emceeing Effectively	Jon Bucher	Jim Henson
Dec 6, 2018	Regular	Baptist Classroom #1	Impromptu Magic	Dane Dover	Jon Bucher
Jan 12, 2019	Christmas Show	Jacksonville Community Center	Walk-Around Stage Magic	N/A	Derrick Rose
Feb 7, 2019	Regular	Baptist Classroom #1	Storytelling	Marty Haughn	Adrian Steelman Carlos Yang
Mar 7, 2019	Stage Competition	Baptist Sheffield Auditorium	Stage Magic **	Blayk Puckett	Blayk Puckett
Apr 4, 2019	Auction	Baptist Sheffield Auditorium	Auction	Dan Hecke Auctioneer	Dan Hecke
May 2, 2019	Close-Up Competition	Baptist Sheffield Auditorium	Close-Up Magic **	Cedric Morely	Cedric Morely
Jun or ? 2019	Installation	TBA	Officers will	Larry Bean, TVP	Larry Bean

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Contact Mr. Magic or any Ring 29 Officer for information on joining the IBM or Ring 29.

Mailing Lists

In addition to this newsletter Members can receive last minute email information on meetings, events, and lectures. If you wish to be added to our email list, please contact *Treasurer Col. James Kinsey*.

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Our website has been filled with a wealth of information to assist our members and potential members. New features are being added daily. Check out the Ring 29 Highlights video, the Magicians for Hire page, or the Ring 29 Event Calendar.



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