

The **PERFORMER**



Little Rock Magic Ring 29 *Newsletter*

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LITTLE ROCK MAGIC RING 29

It's all about the Magic...

In the News:

February 25th, Nathan Kranzo will be lecturing in Little Rock.

The Cavalcade of Magic will return to Eureka Springs on March 26-27.

IBM Ring 29's 2026 Magic Show will perform May 1st. If you are interested in performing or emceeing, notify Marty by the March meeting.

If you have any news for future newsletters, email them to markmulkerin@yahoo.com.

Meeting Information

March 7th

1:00 p.m.

First Community Bank Community
Room

17820 Chenal Parkway, Little Rock

*"In truth, the only restrictions on our
capacity to astonish ourselves and
each other are imposed by our own
minds."*

David Blaine



President's Report

Marty Haughn

In a most anticipated meeting, our February gathering of Ring 29 members met at the Stagecoach Club.

It has taken several months in preparation, design requests, member selection and actual manufacturing, it was my pleasure and privilege to have presented Ring 29 challenge coins to current members.

The winning design, provided by Dan Hecke, consisted of a tuxedo clad magician sporting a top hat. Three linking rings being handled all on a bright gold finish.

The smallest of detail was easily visible. The magician wears a red bow tie presenting a nod to our dear friend and life member, the late Jon Bucher. The obverse has a detailed IBM Logo.

The meeting went very well with several performances along with young Joseph showing us his skills. In a surprise performance, Marty (Me), ACTUALLY had a trick go right for a change, even if it had a rough start.

We are near the end of February but the action is not over yet. We are hosting a lecture by Nathan Kranzo. I hope to see a lot of members at this lecture. This should prove to be a good one.

See you all next month.



Secretary's Report

Mark Mulkerin

Little Rock Magic Ring 29 met Saturday, February 7, 2026 at the Stage Coach Clubhouse. President Marty Haughn presided.

The meeting began shortly after 1pm with Marty explaining the use and etiquette of challenge coins as he awarded Ring 29 challenge coins to members who were paid up and present. Dan Hecke, who had designed the Ring 29 logo used on the coin, was first to receive a coin.

Marty continued on to other business including the need for two more performers for the annual show and the plans to restart a Junior Ring. He went on to discuss inviting reporters from local papers to do a profile on the Ring as one hadn't been done in some time and it would help with visibility and awareness.

Marty then offered a more detailed account of the history and use of challenge coins before wrapping up with a reminder of Nathan Kranzo's upcoming lecture on February 25.

Performances began with Jim Stripling presenting then eliciting feedback on a number-based mentalism trick that he is developing. Shawn Miller was first to perform with a card chosen and signed by Joseph Sentany transported into Shawn's mint case.

Melvin Brown offered a series of tricks with a predicted drink, the comedic reveal of a chosen card, and a riff on cut and restored ropes. David Duggie then used his special origami skills to magically link a torn red card with a torn blue card.

Dan magically revealed the color of a disk chosen from a collection of six disks. Sid Salmans mused on the annoyances of travel while demonstrating transporter technology using a silk to appear elsewhere. Derrick Rose made a coin appear and then disappear with the aid of a lighter.

Mark Mulkerin performed next having a card chosen from a blue deck which is revealed to be red backed before having the deck all transform to red backed. Bob Bullock then presented a series of impressive effects using a rope, knots, and a ring.

Joseph offered a series of tricks with his take on Professor's Nightmare, Out of this World, and a ring hopping on a rubber band. Marty concluded the performances with chosen number cards adding up to his prediction with a magic kicker revealed when the cards are turned over.

Last up, the always generous Jim Henson demonstrated and gave away many tricks and magic resources from karate coins to split flowers. The meeting concluded at about 3:15pm.

Blast from the Past

Bob Bullock

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Ring 29 Officers (February 2010)

- President: Marty Haughn
- Vice-President: Tyler Vodehnal
- Secretary: Kylan Mann
- Treasurer: Col. James Kinsey
- Sergeant-at-Arms: Jon Bucher
- Historian: Mike Curtis
- Webmaster: Bob Bullock

Winter Wonders and Lifetime Achievements

Looking back sixteen years to February 2010, Ring 29 was braving a cold winter with a hot lineup of magic and milestones. One of the most significant moments of the month was the recognition of Dr. Mary Ann Campbell, who was elected as a Life Member of Ring 29. At the same time, the club honored Aaron Acosta as the 2009 Magician of the Year, celebrating a year of exceptional performance.

Club Highlights & Local Performers

The February meeting featured our annual Magic Auction, where members swapped secrets and gear. Even sixteen years ago, our "Blast from the Past" tradition was alive, looking back at:

February 2000: Ten years prior, President Damon Reinbold was leading the charge on a regional Magic Convention and Auction right here in Little Rock.

January 1950: Sixty years prior, the "Necromancers" were led by President L.D. Boyer, with the legendary Logan Pritchett as Secretary.

Our local members were also making a name for themselves in the broader community:

Derrick Rose was becoming a local celebrity, appearing on "Breakfast with Tom" on Today's THV and filming new commercials as "Big D the Magic Man".

Paul Prater was gaining national recognition in the "Bizarre Magic" world, being featured in Mystic Menagerie and preparing for the release of his book, Maleficium.

The Magic Community at Large

In February 2010, the global magic community was looking ahead to the World Magic Seminar in Las Vegas. Meanwhile, many of our members were discussing the latest literature, specifically praising the trick "Extreme Burn" by Richard Sanders and Bob Bullock's recommendation of the book Sleights of Mind, which explored the neuroscience of magic.

It is truly special to see that while sixteen years have passed, the camaraderie and passion for performance in Ring 29 haven't aged a day.

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Schedule of Events

2026

Date	Meeting Location	Theme	Lecturer	Host/Emcee
January 3	1:00 p.m. First Community Bank Community Room 17820 Chenal Parkway, Little Rock		N/A	
February 7	1:00 p.m. First Community Bank Community Room 17820 Chenal Parkway, Little Rock		N/A	
March 7	1:00 p.m. First Community Bank Community Room 17820 Chenal Parkway, Little Rock		N/A	
TBD	Location to be announced		N/A	
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- The clubhouse address: 100 Stagecoach Village, Little Rock, Arkansas.
- First Community Bank Address: 17820 Chenal Parkway, Little Rock, Arkansas

These are our normal meeting gatherings. Any additional activity throughout the year will be listed.

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All members of Ring 29 must first be a member of the International Brotherhood of Magicians. I.B.M. Applications can be obtained from http://www.magician.org/membership_application.pdf.

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*.

www.littlerockmagic.net or www.littlerockmagic.org

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.

Using Ring 29 Email Group

To be added to our email group, contact James Kinsey or Marty Haughn

We now use GOOGLE GROUPS for our email service.

Ring 29 is proud to endorse and support Little Rock's world class Magic Vendor, "Mr. Magic"
Mr. Magic is owned and operated by retired Fire Chief Jim Henson and is a primary contact for Ring 29.

Mr. Magic (Jim Henson)

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