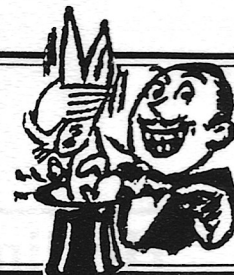


**I.B.M.**  
RING #29

**JULY 1993**

# MAGIC MUSINGS

International Brotherhood of Magicians, Ring #29  
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Meeting 1st Thursday of every month, CARTI, St. Vincent's Hospital



## July meeting to be two days early -- Tues., June 29

### BRIEFS

#### Searcy Club meets on Sunday

The Searcy Magic Club meets the last Sunday of each month. For details about when and where, call Jim Henson. Also, if anyone is interested in carpooling to one of the meetings, please let Jim know.

#### Mark your calendars for these

June 29 -- Regular July meeting.

July 1 -- Annual dues (\$10) are due.

August 5 -- Regular meeting

September 18 -- Summer picnic

(Call Andy Stirman if you have any ideas about where to hold it.)

#### Great turnout at June meeting

At the June meeting of Ring #29 we had a great turnout -- 31 folks! Randall Eller taught everyone the Linking Card trick which got him interested in magic when he saw David Copperfield do it.

We also saw several tricks by members which used numbers and math.

#### Magic seems to be everywhere lately!

We received a report the other day that Republican Lt. Gov. candidate Mike Huckabee used magic during his opening when he talked at Governor's School recently. And Democratic candidate Sam Boyce was shown in one commercial performing magic tricks. See the article on the back of this page for more on Boyce.

### No more Mr. Nice Guy

We beg, we plead, we ask for you to let us know about your magic news. You like to read about other peoples' news. But you don't give any.

But we'll beg no more. We'll just make the number available and if you want to let the world (or at least those who read this newsletter) know about your magic accomplishments, call it in. Otherwise forever hold your peace!

Call Dennis at 374-1500 or mail to:  
1701 Broadway, Little Rock 72206

- ✓ **Special guest from England**
- ✓ **Randall to show a new illusion**

The July meeting of I.B.M. #29 will be two days early in order to take advantage of a visit by English magician **Bob Hayden**.

So mark your calendars and reprogram your brains right now and plan on being at

#### JULY RING #29 MEETING:

- ✓ Thursday, June 29th  
7:30 pm -- CARTI

#### (1) Guest Bob Hayden

- ✓ Several tricks

- ✓ Report from England

#### (2) New Illusion:

Bend Over Backwards  
By Randall Eller.

#### (3) Election of officers for 1993-94

### Where is your data form?

Who will be the first person to complain if they are left out of the new Ring #29 Directory? Of course! Those who didn't turn in a form!

Newsletter editor Dennis Schick has volunteered to take the data and compile a Ring Directory for each member. That way we can get to know each other better, can communicate with each other easier, can form car pools, refer performance opportunities, etc.

Please bring your form to the meeting or mail it to Dennis ASAP. We'll have additional copies at the meeting, too.

People who have returned the forms so far include:

Ben Bradley	Danny McDorman
Melvin Brown	Ray Neal
Mike Curtis	Jeremy Newton
Trivedi Deepakkumar	Theron Nunley, Jr.
Fred Hartman	Mike Pridemore
Henry Johnson	Dennis Schick
Mike Jones	Andrew Stirman
Christy Kinsey	Daniel Veazey
James Kinsey	Sean Westbrook
Tom Leggett	

We really do need YOUR data form!

CARTI at 7:30, Tuesday, June 29, instead of our usual first Thursday of the month.

Bob Hayden is from South Hampton, England and is head of the I.B.M. in Great Britain. He'll show us some magic and talk about the status of magic in England.

A special treat during the evening will be the debut of a new illusion by **Randall Eller**. His new stage illusion is called "Bend Over Backwards."

Finally, we'll induct new officers (see the next item).

### Officers to be elected June 29

New Ring #29 officers for 1993-94 were elected at the June meeting, and will be inducted at the July meeting (June 29).

New officers will be:

President:	Andy Stirman
Vice president:	Ray Neal
Secretary:	Theron Nunley
Programs:	Sean Westbrook
Treasurer:	Mary Ann Campbell
Asst. Treasurer:	Lisa Bolen
Historian:	Mike Curtis

### Ring dues are due by July 1

Annual ring dues are due July 1 each year. That means you should bring your \$10 to the July meeting (June 29). Don't be a delinquent. Pay up! Remember, you must be a national I.B.M. member first.

### Copperfield & McDorman magic seen in TV reruns recently

Yep! It's Summer and that means television reruns. Three weeks ago our own **Danny McDorman** was shown again on America's Funniest People. Then last Thursday David Copperfield's special in which he "flies," was reshowed.

### PERFORMANCES

✓ **Sean Westbrook** is appearing in Hot Springs during June and July. His wife, Teresa, says: "Hire Sean. He's good!"

✓ Congratulations to **John Bucher**, Searcy, who was married May 30 to Susan, a music teacher who also has been his magic assistant.

# Hotline

Newport Daily Independent

By HARRYETTE HODGES  
Newport Daily Independent

APR 06 1993



There is magic in a magic room right here in Newport.

Sam Boyce has converted the conference room upstairs in his law office on Main Street into a wonderful world of magic, magic being Sam's hobby since he was a boy.

On a tour of the law office recently I was so captured by the magic room I asked for a return visit, I spent a delightful two hours visiting with Sam.

Most of the equipment in the room Sam has owned 40 to 50 years.

His passion for magic began for Sam Boyce when he was an 11 year old boy, living in Tuckerman and was given a Mysto Magic Set for his birthday.

Shows right away, I asked?

"On the front porch only at first," replied Sam, "but that summer Reagen Bowman, Morris' cousin, came to Newport to visit, he was two years older than I and he did magic really well and I became hooked on learning all about magic.

"Throughout high school we had a split term in Tuckerman, we

were out in September and part of October and five of us would take our magic show to assemblies in schools that were not out.

"The other students were Jestine Gray, J.T. Layton and Keith and Kern Kennedy, twins, all from Tuckerman. Twins are a valuable asset in a magic show.

"We sold our tickets for five and 10 cents and made a little money.

"I can do a show by myself, but it is better with a helper.

It was John Allen Magee, a professional magician who toured northeast Arkansas, who got Sam interested in belonging to the Internal Brotherhood of Magicians.

"I have always said that John's best trick was when he built up his father's business in Corning and sold it for several million dollars," laughed Sam.

"John had been a professional magician for 15 years when his dad died and John had to take over the family furniture business in

Corning.

"As a sideline he started a picture framing business, he and his brother took the business to Pocahontas where they sold it for several million.

"Before John died he admitted that was his best trick, his widow still lives."

Sam's hobby lay dormant in his college years, but in 1954-55, when Sam was in the army in Germany, he saw some really good magicians perform, met some European magicians and bought a lot of good equipment he still has.

When Sam came home from the army he entered law school at Fayetteville.

"I did a few fraternity shows, but after my graduation I moved to Washington and worked for Wilbur Mills and stored all my magic equipment at my mother's home in Tuckerman."

I hope you will continue with Sam and me tomorrow.



SAM BOYCE



Sam Boyce's magic room.