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RING #29

MAGIC MUSINGS



SEPTEMBER 1994

International Brotherhood of Magicians, Ring #29
1917 N. Grant, Little Rock, Arkansas 72207 • (501) 666-8735
Meeting 1st Thursday of every month, CARTI, St. Vincent's Hospital

Summer Picnic reset for September 10

**SEPTEMBER
RING #29 MEETING:
Saturday, September 10**

- ✓ 6:30 picnic
- ✓ Burns Park Pavilion #9
- ✓ Bring family, trick and food

● BITS & PIECES ●

● Have you been following the new promotion campaign by the city of Little Rock? Using a series of people to say why they like Little Rock, one of them is **Don "Patches" Baer**, featured both in television and newspaper ads -- in full clown make-up. He says Little Rock is "A great place; with a bunch of great people."

● **Kirby Van Burch**, the illusionist performing in Branson at the Five Star Theatre, has been running a regular series of quarter-page ads in the Arkansas Democrat Gazette. The ad is reproduced on the back.

- ✓ Must RSVP to 666-8735
- ✓ Bring a trick and some goodies

Remember the Summer Picnic scheduled in June? It was rained out by a monsoon. But since our members like to get together with spouses and families, the all-family picnic has been rescheduled for the September meeting.

It will be held **at 6:30 pm Saturday, September 10** at Pavilion #9 in Burns Park.

Everyone should bring a trick to perform as well as a food item which you'll be assigned. You must **call Jim Henson at 666-8735** to say you are coming, to tell how many people you are bringing, to say whether you'll perform a trick, and to find out what

Local proposals being considered

✓ It has been proposed that there be a local **membership card** for Ring #29 and it is being designed and produced even as we report this.

✓ Members will vote to purchase more videos to be used by members only.

food you are to bring. The Ring will buy the meat, as always.

So how do you get to Pavilion #9? We assume you're coming from I-40. After you turn onto Burns Park Road, go to the third exit and turn left, past the softball fields and the Pavillion is just past the Tennis Center, on the left.

Pack up the family, dust off a favorite picnic trick and say a little prayer for good weather. See you on the 10th.

Nearly two dozen members have paid 1994-5 dues.

Twenty-three people have paid the local \$10 dues to date. Since dues were due **July 1**, you who have not paid are nearly **two months delinquent**.

You aren't doing your part to help underwrite some of the costs of running the club but are freeloading on others.

But the thought just occurs to us that you can't be reading this because you were supposed to be cut from the mailing list. Oh well. Sorry to see you go.

August meeting review

A great crowd of about 30 showed up at the August ring meeting for an auction of unwanted magic tricks. President Danny McDorman led the way and lots of folks got some real bargains.

The ring got a small commission on all sales, and some members even donated the entire amount of the winning bids. The club made \$73 for the evening.

In addition to the great auction, new member **Nathan Ironside** gave his Club Acceptance Performance, and was immediately approved for membership.

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● **What's your magic news?** ●

● **We want to know.** ●

● If you have news, call Jim or Dennis ●
● and we'll include it in this newsletter. ●

● **Call Dennis Schick at 374-1500 or mail** ●
● **to: 1701 Broadway, Little Rock 72206** ●
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Profile: new president Danny McDorman ready to hit the road.

New Ring #29 president **Danny McDorman** has been training to be a professional entertainer all his young life and is getting ready to go on the road. He will turn 21 the 29th of September, so the timing seems right.

A graduate of Bryant High School, he has been involved in magic since he was 12. He was voted Most Humorous all three years of High School so it is natural that his goal in life is "To make people laugh."

And he's been doing just that recently as he emcees and performs at The Comedy Club one week each month, and has been performing all summer at the Music Mountain Jamboree in Hot Springs. He also performs magic whenever and wherever he is asked (and paid).

He writes some material for radio DJ Craig O'Neal and taught David Copperfield everything he knows. (In

fact, we understand he has been dating Claudia Schiffer behind David's back.)

Not satisfied with just his natural talent, Danny has taken tap dancing, guitar and acting lessons. He is a quadruple threat: Comedian, Magician, Dancer and Juggler.

Recently Lance Burton called to ask Danny to open his show, but Danny was too busy in training to accept.

He describes his ideal career goal as television sitcom writer. To show Danny's widespread fame, Doug Henning -- while not performing magic anymore -- still calls him now and then for advice.

Danny will spend the fall traveling throughout the Mid-South, performing and polishing in St. Louis, Memphis, Kansas City and Fayetteville.

The comedy circuit is not easy, but we're betting on the talent and determination of our own Danny McDorman.

● **REMEMBER: No meeting Sept. 1. Sept. 10 is the September meeting.**

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