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RING #29

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MAGIC MUSINGS

International Brotherhood of Magicians, Ring #29

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Meeting 1st Thursday of every month, CARTI, St. Vincent's Hospital



June meeting moved to 10th for Ammar lecture.

COMING MEETING:

✓ **Saturday, June 10**
7 pm, CARTI
(probable, but tentative)

● BITS & PIECES ●

● Ring #308 at Searcy will host **Ron London** for a lecture June 12. He lectured for our club three years ago. The lecture will be at their regular meeting, 7 pm at the First Presbyterian Church. Admission is only \$10.

● Go to the Children's Museum June 16 and watch **Joe Farrer** perform at 7 and 8 pm.

● The Little Rock Illusion Symposium has been postponed until July from its original June dates. Tentatively the dates will be July 8-9. Call **Randal Eller** at 851-4417 for more information and if you plan to attend.

● The **Northeast Arkansas Magic Club** will meet at 2 pm this coming Sunday, May 28th in Newport. Call Jim Henson immediately if you would like to attend. Since it is a holiday weekend they may decide to postpone the meeting and you need to know the latest poop.

● Hey: are you watching your television log for magic specials? If you were, you would have seen:

- ✓ **David Copperfield's** latest special
- ✓ **The Rudy Colby Show** last Sunday
- ✓ **"Houdini: Unlocking the Secrets"** this past Wednesday.

Wow! Nothing like three big magic shows so close together.

Election and installation July 6

The annual ring election of officers and their installation will take place at the July 6 meeting. If you would be willing to serve as a member of the Board of Directors in some capacity, please call any officer or Jim Henson. We need volunteer leadership and ask you to seriously consider this responsibility.

Not on first Thursday

Pay attention, boys and girls! We are not meeting the first Thursday of the month in June (next Thursday). Instead, we'll meet a week later -- on June 10th -- in order to have a lecture by one of the hottest magicians on the circuit today -- **Michael Ammar!**

Jim Henson says we have been trying to get him back to Little Rock to lecture ever since he was here last. Since then he has gained world-wide attention, and his latest three videos add to that lustre! Jim says they are three of the best tapes on money magic on the market! (Say THAT quickly, three times!)

At press time we had not been given confirmation on the location. We think it will be at our regular location, but call Jim Henson to confirm the location.

Cost for the lecture is only **\$8 for**

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● **Hey! What's your news?** ●
● **We can't tell if you don't.** ●
● Inquiring minds 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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members and \$12 for non-members, a real bargain for a lecturer of Mike's quality!

Question of the month: Will Michael Ammar put another playing card in the ceiling at CARTI? The last time it stayed up there for several years. Let's get him to do it again!

Latest meetings were great!

The two latest meetings of Ring #29 were the sorts of events which make us all continue to rejoin and be IBM members: lots of good magic and fellowship.

The joint meeting of Fort Smith, Searcy and Little Rock rings in Russellville had 14 people from our chapter and a total of 35 in all.

Jim says it was a fine meeting, well worth the time and effort to drive to Russellville. A deep bow to Fort Smith ring member Ken Zelnick for making the arrangements.

Then the regular meeting last month found Don Baer teaching lots of good animal balloon-making. About 20 people had a great time, and each received a special balloon book from Don. Thanks for the great instruction and leadership, Don!

● More bits and pieces ●

● July 1 is the official beginning of our new year, and thus **dues is (are) due**. You can pay at any time so bring your \$10.

● **Dennis Schick** stopped at the new Books-a-Million bookstore in North Little Rock a couple of weeks ago just after it first opened, and found a dozen magic books available. You've got to work at it a little to find them. Check out the "Games" section, including on the sale table. Several of the books are from England.

● **Mary Ann Campbell** spoke at the St. Louis Business Womens Association recently, using her magic. On May 5 she went to Los Angeles to perform her "Leadership Magic" for their Chamber.

In June Mary Ann will be in Washington and plans to attend the annual World Magic Summit there. Give us a report, Mary Ann, and plan now to give us a "Using magic in business and presentations" soon.

● **Chris Hendrix** is home from Washington University in St. Louis for the summer.]

● We were saddened to learn that the **Harry Houdini Museum** in Niagra Falls, New York burned to the ground recently. We didn't even know there was such a museum, and now it is gone, along with many original mementos of his.

● According to a flyer I saw about the Grand Casino in Biloxi, MS., magician **Kevin James** is playing there.