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RING #29

MAGIC MUSINGS

International Brotherhood of Magicians, Ring #29

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November 1995

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



Get spooky for November 2 meeting.

NEXT MEETINGS:

✓ Thurs., Nov. 2Regular time & place7:30 pm. CARTI

● THIS & THAT ●

● **Don Baer** conducted a clown workshop in Russellville October 21, with 40 people attending. Nice job, Don.

● **Andy Stirnam** ("Fate"), will perform at the Market Street Festival in November.

● **Joe Farrar** performed October 14 at the West Little Rock Books-a-Million store. Check them out for magic books.

● **Paul Carlon** will perform a magic show October 31 -- Halloween -- at the Arkansas Children's Museum.

● A number of our Ring members performed at **Boo at the Zoo** Oct. 25 and 26. Thanks for representing our Ring.

● **The Amazing Kreskin** will be back at **Murry's Dinner Playhouse** November 13-19. We understand that the Friday, Saturday and Sunday performances are already sold out. He uses lots of magic in his act.

● Newsletter editor **Dennis Schick** bought a half-dozen more magic books in used bookstores in West Virginia during a recent trip. He also found two old magic tricks in an antique store in Maryland.

Visiting magician to lecture at December 7 meeting.

Magician **Damon Reinbold** will be our special lecturer at our December 7 meeting. He has been recuperating from surgery in Cabot..

He lectures on mentalism. He's been on such television shows as 20-20 and Regis & Kathy Lee. He's an author of Perception Therapy tapes. He is putting together a new show and will be practicing it on us.

He has graciously agreed to come demonstrate some of his skills and talents for us. Mark your calendars now and plan to attend!

Hey! Since our regular November meeting is next Thursday, November 2 -- only two days after Halloween, let's extend that special day with a Halloween Theme of our own.

Yes, bring your favorite Halloween Trick, whether it's spooky, involves cats and witches, has a skeleton or whatever.

(Of course we ask EVERYONE to bring at least one trick to perform, whether it

☞ **Magic on TV**

As we've observed several times in recent months, magic is getting more and more attention on television. We understand that every time there's a television magic special, sales of magic tricks shoots upward.

Get out your calendars and mark these:

● The **Penn & Teller Special** could be aired on Halloween, but we won't know until the television logs come out this weekend. It's called "Phobophilia." Check it out.

● **"The World's Greatest Magic 2"** will be televised on NBC November 22 at 7 pm. Featured will be Lance Burton, Paul Gertner, The Amazing Jonathon, Melinda and others. Alan Thicke will be the host.

● Speaking of **Lance Burton**, he is supposed to have his own special in February so keep watch for it. Also, he is scheduled to be on a "Lifestyles of the Rich and Famous" segment any day. Spread the word if you hear something on this.

SHORT STUFF

✓ There's a rumor that **David Copperfield** may be coming back to Little Rock in January. Jim Henson is checking on this and we'll let everyone know as soon as we know anything. If he does come, we'll try to get a block of tickets for our members.

✓ Speaking of Copperfield, the current issue of *Forbes* says he is the 6th highest paid entertainer in the entire world, having made something like \$83 million last year.

And **Siegfried and Roy** came in at 16th. Also we understand that **Lance Burton** has just signed a multi-million dollar contract with his casino hotel in Las Vegas.

Who says magic doesn't pay?

involves the theme or not.)

The meeting will begin at **7:30** at our regular location, the **CARTI auditorium**, east side of St. Vincent Infirmary Medical Center.

Come and bring a prospective member. And be sure to plan to participate.

Two lectures were fun.

California magician **Dick Barry's** lecture October 7 drew a relatively small but appreciate audience. It isn't always easy to get our folks out on a Saturday night. But those who came learned some entertaining, new magic.

In fact, those who didn't see Dick's **Six Straw Repeat** should come to the November meeting and **James Kinsey** will teach it to you. Everyone bring six regular drinking straws.

Also, **David Risley** lectured on a Saturday, two weeks later, and was equally entertaining. We urge as many members, potential members and their guests as possible, to attend these special occasions.

Christmas party already?

It isn't even Halloween yet and we're already talking about planning the Ring Christmas Party. But we do need to reserve the space, get on people's calendars, etc.

So mark January 13, the tentative date for the annual affair. We'll start planning it at the November meeting so please volunteer to help.

Where's your news?

Many of you tell Dennis how much you enjoy this newsletter and all the news in it. But he and Jim Henson have to really scramble most months to dig out what goes in it.

Just think how much easier it would be to call either one of them (Dennis at 374-1500 and Jim at 455-6242) and tell them what's going on!

THE RING 29 LENDING LIBRARY

The following are videotapes and books owned by IBM Ring #29 and are available for lending to club members. The rules for borrowing them are simply the rules of common courtesy: (1) Don't keep them too long (no more than 30 days); (2) Treat them as if they were your own, namely be gentle with them; (3) rewind tapes before returning; and (4) get them back when promised and in good condition.

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● VIDEOTAPE LIBRARY

- () Frank Garcia: "Stars of Magic"
- () Michael Ammar: "Magic castle lecture"
 "Stars of Magic"
 "Topit tapes"
- () Paul Harris: "Adventures in close-up"
 "Stars of Magic"
- () Eugene Berger: "Goes Bizzare"
 "Spirit Theater"
 "Art of Close-up"
- () George Sands: "Sandsational"
- () John Bannon: "Impossibilia"
- () Harry Allen: "It's Magic"
- () Eric DeCamps
- () Petrick
- () Karrell Fox
- () Beat a Cheat
- () Ring 29 performances at Frank Caple's
 house
- () Al Houpt's Appreciation Dinner
- () Christmas Party

● BOOK LIBRARY:

- () "Greater Magic" J. Northern Hilliard
- () "Greater Magic, Vol 5" J. Northern Hilliard
- () "My Best" J. Thompson
- () "Tarbell Course Vo. 2" Harlan Tarbell
- () "Amateur Magicians Handbook" Henry Hay
- () "Later Magic" Professor Hoffman
- () "200 More Tricks you can do" Howard Thurston
- () "Willard the Wizard" Bev Bergeron

PLUS:

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- () Genii
- () Magical Manuscripts
- () MUM
- () Linking Ring
- () Various magic catalogs