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# MAGIC MUSINGS

International Brotherhood of Magicians, Ring #29

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Meeting 1st Thursday of every month, Baptist Medical Center



## January meeting to be party Jan. 13.

### NEXT MEETING:

✓ **Sat., Jan 13, 7 pm****Salem Methodist Church  
Highway 5, North of Benton**

### New meeting place for Ring 29 beginning February is Baptist MC

We will no longer meet at CARTL. Their new policy says no outside groups can use the facility. We do appreciate their hospitality over the years.

Now we're moving to the Baptist Medical Center, (I-630) Conference Room 20, beginning in February. Many members will come early and eat dinner there. Go through the cafeteria line and take your tray to the meeting room for some pre-meeting socializing, including any guest speakers or lecturers we have.

### ● THIS & THAT ●

● Speaking of February, the meeting next month will be our annual auction. So look around for some tricks you don't use any more. You can make some money on them and also help the club since the club keeps 10% of the selling price. More on this in the next newsletter. The date is our normal First Thursday -- **February 1!** We always have a great turnout for our auctions.

● The Northeast Arkansas Magic Club meets the last Sunday of each month at 2 pm in Newport at the offices of attorney Sam Boyce. **As always, you are invited.**

● Randal Eller conducted a Magic Workshop for teachers in Oakland, California in mid-December. It was a "train-the-trainer" event. How about giving it to our ring sometime, Randal?

Randal is also working on some new ideas for his acts. Encourage him to try some of them out on us!

● The touring show -- "The World's Greatest Magicians" -- canceled out of Little Rock January 3, as well as David Copperfield on January 8 (boo on both of them!). But Copperfield will be in Memphis January 8 if you want to see him live!

Hey! You thought you were through with Christmas and New Year's parties, didn't you? But it has been a long tradition that Ring #29 hold an annual Christmas party in -- yes -- **JANUARY!**

So the January meeting will not be on the regular First Thursday of the month. Instead, it will be the Christmas Party (and Magic Show), on **Saturday, January 13**. (As Pogo observed, "Friday the 13th done fell on Saturday this month!")

Anyway, program chairman Don Baer has arranged for the party to be at his church, Salem First United Methodist. It is located north of Benton off Highway 5. We'll plan to eat at **7 pm** with performances to begin about 7:45 or so. A map is enclosed.

### What we need from you!

If you plan to attend the always-popular Christmas Party, we need you to:

- ✓ Call Summer Henson at 455-6242 and tell her how many you are bringing;
- ✓ Find out what and how much food you are

## SHORT STUFF

✓ Tom Burgoon has offered to lecture to our ring on **Sunday, January 21st at 2 pm**. The comedy magician will be performing the week of January 15-21 at the Comedy House, and thus can only do it that day. The ring executive Committee will be making the decision and we'll get the word to you. Call Mr. Magic to confirm the details.

✓ Dates have been set for Bill Pitts' annual "Cavalcade of Magic" at the Inn of the Ozarks in Eureka Springs. They are **March 28-30**. Mark your calendars and watch for more information (as well as an ad in The Linking Ring).

✓ At their recent annual convention, the Arkansas Chapter of Associated General Contractors imported a magician (Stephen Bargatze from the east coast) to perform at their banquet. He had been recommended by a sister chapter in another state. Our Ring should do a better job of promoting our own in-state magicians. How about a Directory of all magicians in the state and what they do?

to bring; and

✓ Tell her if you will perform

Yes, we're looking for performers that evening, preferably your best trick or something new we haven't seen before. We're not just looking for something to fill time. It should be performance quality since we'll have a mixed audience of 100 or more people.

The club will furnish the meat, and the potluck goodies which everyone else brings are always popular. Yum!

Spouses, family member and guests are invited and urged to attend to make the evening even more special. We especially would like to see some potential Ring members attend. You need to bring enough food to match the number of people you bring. Summer will explain. Let's party!

### Good meeting last month!

Special guest Damon Reinbold tried out some new routines on us in December, much to the delight of the over two dozen folks who attended.

As you recall, Damon is a professional magician and perception therapist who has been recuperating from surgery in Cabot. He has grown to like Arkansas and Arkansans so much he is even thinking of making this his permanent base. What a good idea!

### What's new with you?

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!

Just do it!