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RING #29

MAGIC MUSINGS

International Brotherhood of Magicians, Ring #29

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Meeting 1st Thursday of every month, Baptist Medical Center



September 1996

Hartman to lecture Sept. 5; picnic on 7th

SEPTEMBER MEETINGS:

✓ **Thurs., Sept 5, 7 pm**
Regular monthly meeting
Meeting room 22, Cafeteria
LECTURE: Fred Hartman

✓ **Sat., Sept. 7, 4:30 pm**
Ring Magic Picnic
Maumelle Pavillion #1

✓ **Sun., Sept. 15, 2 pm**
2nd Annual Statewide
Gathering of Magicians
Russellville Bonanza

Bits & Pieces

✓ **LOOKING AHEAD:** We understand that we may have California magician **Daryl** back with us for a meeting in October. It's tentative, though.

But we do have a commitment from **Don Harlan** to come in November. We'll let you know the date as soon as we get it.

✓ Member **Damon Reinbold** will be at **Books-a-Million** in Little Rock on **September 9** appearing with Ann Rice, author of "Interview with a Vampire," autographing books, and performing.

He also is there on Fridays from 7-closing, using magic to promote and demonstrate his books and tapes.

Damon is talking about appearing at the **Theater of Magic** in Hot Springs on Wednesdays, with his act "Miracles of the Mind." More details as they develop.

He's been busy, as you can tell, and his new book is due out in September: "One Minute Secrets to Feeling Great."

✓ Don't forget, the **Northeast Arkansas Magic Club** at Newport invites our ring members to attend their regular meeting on the last Sunday of each month, at 2 pm.

✓ **LAST CALL!** Ring membership dues were due **June 30**. They're now way overdue. Bring \$10 to the September meeting so you won't be dropped from the mailing list and made to disappear.

Wow! It's a triple-header for September. So take a deep breath and plan to attend all three magic meetings this month.

● One of our own -- **Fred Hartman** of Hot Springs -- will provide the program next **Thursday, September 5**, for our regular

Theater of Magic opens in Hot Springs

The long-awaited opening of **Maxwell Blade's "Theater of Magic"** in Hot Springs has arrived, and you have to go. **Jim Henson**, who tends to be a real stickler and insists on quality, went last weekend and says it is really good. He was pleasantly pleased at the high quality of the illusions and tricks, the sound and lighting and the overall show.

The theater has 8 pm shows on Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays, and a 2 pm show on Sunday afternoon. Ring member **Sean Westbrook** is in the show, and others will appear from time to time.

It's a good, family-oriented show and you'll have a great time in the old Malco theater on Central Avenue.

Since the show will be expanding and changing all the time, you should plan to go back again and again. We all need to support this effort. How about having a ring meeting there some Thursday, then stay for the show? Let's talk about it next Thursday.

✓ "The Magic of Sebastian" show was sponsored by the Booneville Lions Club August 16. Did anyone know about this in advance and could have told the rest of us about it? Please keep that in mind. Some of our ring members may have attended.

Sebastian is **Dean Ponton** from Lubbock, Texas. He performs some 30 shows a year.

✓ We also noticed that **James Randi**, from Fort Lauderdale, Florida, lectured at the Arkansas Governor's School in Conway. Here's another appearance we would like to have known about in advance. For these visits, some of us might like to meet with the magicians before or after their presentations. Please look for and pass on the information ASAP about such appearances in the state.

monthly meeting. It will begin at our usual time at our usual place (7 pm at Baptist Medical Center). We'd bet that Fred will bring some of his beloved doves (not pigeons). And there's simply no truth to the rumor that he has switched from doves to seagulls.

Hey! Also bring a guest and a new trick (or one of your favorite ones) to show us. Let's all perform for each other to learn new tricks and to improve techniques:

● Then only two days later -- Saturday, September 7 -- our Ring will hold its annual **Magic Picnic**. It will be at **Maumelle Park Pavillion 1** from 4:30 to 9. You must RSVP to Jim Henson to (1) find out what to bring and (2) to tell him if you are going to perform one or more magic tricks. See enclosed map.

● Finally, we will have our second annual statewide magic gathering on **Sunday, Sept. 15**. See the separate box below.

There's **Fall and Magic in the air**. Come join us for some magical experiences!

Statewide gathering of magicians set Sept. 15

We're ready for another statewide get-together of magicians and friends for the **2nd Annual Gathering of Magicians**.

On **Sunday afternoon, September 15**, as many magicians as possible will gather at the Bonanza restaurant in Russellville to exchange ideas, tips and to perform for each other and their families. It will all begin at **2 pm** and will be followed by people eating together who can stay.

Mark your calendars right now and plan to be a part of the biggest gathering of magicians in Arkansas!

So what's your news?

A newsletter is simply not one without any news. We always welcome ANY tidbit about you and about magic.

Just call Dennis at 374-1500 or Jim at 455-6242 and tell them what's going on! We really do want to know.

Your name _____
Mailing Address _____
City _____ Zip _____
Telephones: Work _____ Home _____

● IBM RING 29 MAGIC INTEREST SURVEY ●

Several members of IBM Ring #29 have expressed interest in getting together over lunch or even for a few hours on the weekend from time to time, to talk magic, exchange tips, learn a new trick, polish and perfect a technique, etc. Please express your interest in this idea, as well as tell us about your general and specific interests. Give us your comments after each item, too:

() Yes, I would be interested in participating in an occasional lunch get-together at a convenient location.
COMMENTS:

() Yes, I would be willing to get together for a 2-3-hour training session on one topic on the weekend.
COMMENTS:

TOPICS OF INTEREST TO ME (with comments underneath each): Check all which apply.

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| () Books on magic | () Illusions |
| () Cards | () Linking rings |
| () Children's magic | () Mental magic |
| () Close-up | () Magic technique |
| () Coins | () Patter |
| () Comedy magic | () Sponge balls |
| () Cups and balls | () Silks |
| () Doves & rabbits | () Stage magic |
| () History of magic | () Other _____ |

PLEASE MAIL or FAX this filled-out page, or bring it to the July meeting

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