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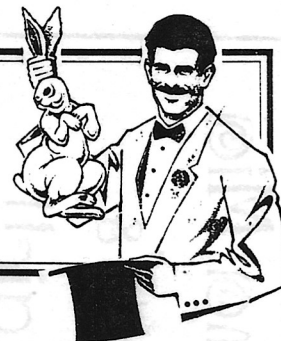
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MAGIC MUSINGS

International Brotherhood of Magicians, Ring #29

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Meeting 1st Thursday of every month, Baptist Medical Center



Colombini to lecture August 7 at Baptist. Be there!

AUGUST MEETING:

● Thursday, Aug. 7, 7 pm

Colombini lecture

Baptist Memorial Hospital

Last month...

...we had 28 people come hear our own **Scott Davis** and **Derrick Rose** talk to us about the wonderful world of restaurant magic. Thanks fellows, and to all the rest of you who came and supported them.

Bits & Pieces

✓ Hey! How about going to the big convention of the Texas Association of Magicians August 29 through September 1? **Scott Davis** is going and sure would like to ride with someone. Why not get up a carload of three or four? If interested, call Scott at 360-2717 right away. The convention will be at the Fort Worth Radisson.

✓ Remember the three other magic clubs in our state. Go visit them:

- The Northeast Arkansas Magic Club at **Newport** meets the last Sunday monthly at 2 pm. at 307 Main, the Boyce Law Firm.

- **Ring 308** in **Searcy**, the Searcy Magic Society, which meets the first Monday of each month.

- **Ring 75** in **Fort Smith** meets the 2nd Sunday each month at the Fort Smith Library.

- **Sam Boyce** was featured in the Three Rivers edition of the *Arkansas Democrat-Gazette* recently.

- **John Bucher** and **Jim Patterson** of the Searcy club have been performing individually and together throughout the area, and even out of state.

- **Bob Escher**, the new site selection chairman for IBM will be in Little Rock the week of August 11, for some medical treatments.

- New membership cards will be issued at the August meeting for people who have paid their dues.

You won't want to miss the regular meeting of Ring 29 next month (next week). A well-known name in magic -- **Aldo Colombini** -- is coming to Little Rock to give a special lecture.

This likely will be one of the best lectures we've wver had. You who have been missing recently should make a special effort to come. Just read the flyer on the back, mark your calendar and make a effort to be there!

It's now official! Little Rock to host 1999 IBM national convention!

We hoped. We dreamed. We wished. Now it's reality. IBM Ring 29 and the city of Little Rock will host the 1999 national convention of the International Brotherhood of Magicians.

What an honor. What an opportunity. What a great idea.

Right now we need to start our planning. We need to form committees. We need to get up a group who plans to go to next year's convention in Los Angeles. **Bill Fulton** plans to go. **Jim Henson** is seriously thinking about it. Who else can we count on?

Let's don't blow this opportunity. Let's make the 1999 convention the best one IBM has ever had. What a great way to ride out the 20th Century!

Club members **Bill Fulton** and **John Quint** went to this year's national convention. Enclosed is the first installment of a two-part report on it.

Have you ever heard of magic on the radio? You have now.

How can you have magic on the radio? Ask **Scott Davis**. He has appeared on K-DUCK 100 a couple of time already and has more to come. It's a neat idea, mixed with his special brand of comedy. Ask Scott to tell you about it the next time you see him.

Where? Our regular meeting place -- a meeting room in the basement of Baptist Medical Center on I-630. The room is behind the cafeteria. Why not come early, go through the line and take your tray into our room to eat with fellow magicians?

In fact we urge you to eat there (you have to eat anyway), because the hospital is letting us use the room as long as we generate some income for them from the cafeteria. Save your tickets so we can collect them to show the hospital our people are eating.

Back to the program next Thursday. It will be at our regular time: 7 pm. Are Colombini's lectures any good? How about the fact that he has been nominated as Lecturer of the Year at Hollywood's Magic Castle for the past three years? Not bad!

What does he do? Read the flyer and see for yourself. The point is he does a little of everything and all of it is good.

Cost will be only \$8 for dues-paying IBM Ring 29 paid members; \$12 for non-members.

Anyway, we've had some great lectures this year and we know that Colombini's surely will be right up there with the best.

Dues are now past due

Where are your 1997-98 dues? They are now past due and if you haven't paid you are delinquent. In fact, you will be a non-member at the August meeting, and will have to pay the non-member dues (\$12).

So be sure to either pay at the beginning of the meeting, or drop it in the mail today.

Anyone interested in a Halloween Show?

There has been talk about the magic clubs in the state combining to put on the biggest statewide magic show the state has ever seen. Along with that has been talk of doing something around Halloween, since it so closely tied with magic and Houdini.

If you are interested in this concept and want to help plan it, please contact our president or all-around-good-guy **Jim Henson**. We may have a few minutes to discuss it next Thursday.



♣ Aldo Colombini hails from Italy and has performed for over 24 years as a professional magician and comedian all over the world. He has appeared in both nightclubs and on television in Italy and has lectured in every European country, the United States and Canada. He relocated to the United States in 1993 and is now able to share his unique combination of comedy and magic with American audiences as well.

♥ He is a F.I.S.M. prize winner and worked often on Italian TV (RAI 1). He also performed on television shows in Portugal and Sweden.

♠ Aldo is a renowned lecturer on Magic and has been nominated by The Academy of Magic Arts at the famous Magic Castle in Hollywood, California as lecturer of the year in 1994, 1995 and 1996. He is well known for his philosophy that "you don't have to break your fingers to wow an audience." His lectures, for the professional magician as well as the beginner, have been praised the world over and he is very much in demand.

♦ He is a prolific writer having published several books in many languages, including Spanish and German. His newest

book, What's Up Deck? was recently published by his company, Mamma Mia Magic, located in California. He is also the creator and manufacturer of many magic tricks sold in magic shops all over the world.

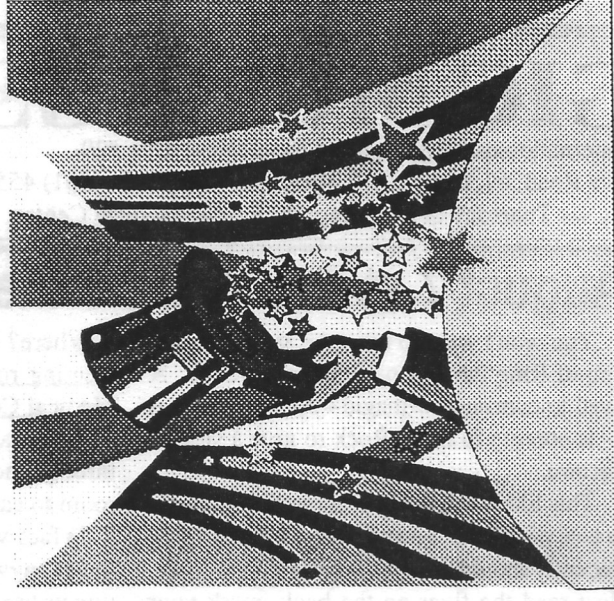
♥ Aldo speaks Italian, Spanish and French as well as English and can lecture in all four languages.

♠ Aldo has written articles and columns for over 30 magazines in a number of countries and has contributed two Parades to the Linking Ring Magazine and was featured on the cover in 1986. He currently writes a monthly column in Genii Magazine and appeared on the cover of Genii in January 1993.

♦ Aldo was nominated Parlour Magician of the Year by the Magic Castle Academy of Magical Arts in 1995 and 1996. His magic combines comedy and professional skills for lots of fun and bewildering moments. When you combine these with his warmth and humor, you are in for a memorable experience.



Mamma Mia That's Magic!!



The Magic of Aldo Colombini