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RING #29

# MAGIC MUSINGS

International Brotherhood of Magicians, Ring #29

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September 1997

Meeting 1st Thursday of every month, Baptist Medical Center



## September meeting next Thursday features Kid Biz

### NEXT MEETING:

• **Thursday, Sept. 4, 7 pm**

### ***Balloon Magic***

Baptist Memorial Hospital

## Last month...

What a great meeting last month. We had 42 people come to the special Columbini lecture and everyone had a good time. We saw lots of card tricks, he was funny and we were entertained for 2 1/2 hours.

A special thanks to member Bill Fulton for hosting Aldo and Mrs. Columbini for the time they were here.

## Bits & Pieces

✓ Penn & Teller will be performing in Memphis October 16 at the Germantown Performing Arts Center. To order tickets - at a nifty \$40 each -- call (901) 757-7257.

✓ On Sunday, August 24th Damon conducted a murder mystery dinner theater, "Who Killed the Cook?" at Saint Gabriel's restaurant in Sherwood. Some 84 people attended. It was so successful that he is going to do it again in December. The cost is only \$24.95. Watch for more details.

✓ Club members are still buzzing about street magician David Blaine's levitations in his current special.

✓ Bob Escher, the new site selection chairmain for IBM, was in Little Rock the middle of August. He said that IBM is determined to make the Little Rock IBM convention in 1999 the best one they've ever had. Jim says we're already getting some telephone calls about the meeting.

✓ 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.

The regular Ring #29 meeting for September will be at Baptist Medical Center at 7 pm, but in a different room, #20 (across the hall).

The theme for the month is Kid Biz. That means everyone should bring his or her best bit of children's magic. Let's help each other out to improve our children's tricks. It's a lot more fun when everyone performs at least one trick. Come be part of the club performing team!

## Annual Statewide Magic meeting set for October 19 in Russellville

While it is still tentative, mark your calendars now for October 19. That is when we hope to have the annual statewide get-together of magicians. It will be 2-5 pm at a location to be announced soon, in Russellville..

This year part of the meeting will be a Silent Auction. Items will be displayed throughout the afternoon, so check your bid to make sure it is still the highest one. We hope that everyone will bring at least one good item for the auction.

We'll also have magicians performing during the afternoon. If you'd like to perform, please let Jim Henson know.

## Watch for magic on TV

Sometimes by the time we hear about a television special on magic, it is too late to tell you. So you need to scan the TV log each week to find them on your own. But here are some we have heard about:

• The World's Greatest Magic IV will be aired Nov. 26, the day before Thanksgiving. Our own Nathan Burton will be performing on the program again.

• The Lance Burton special will rerun on September 10 on NBC. He's working on his third special, to be broadcast next Spring.

• Did you see the TGIF Magic Special last Sunday night? Not bad. Jim Henson forgot to set his VCR to tape it, so if you taped it, please loan your tape to Jim to make a copy.

## 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. Please pay at the September meeting.

## More Bits & Pieces

• David Copperfield is the latest celebrity who has lent his face to the milk people to put a milk mustache on. If you haven't seen it, ask Jim to see it at his store.

• We know many of you are performing, but we can't tell people about it if you don't tell us. Please call Dennis or Jim or drop one of them a note.

For instance Maxwell Blade is still performing at his theater in Hot Springs every Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights.

And Jim tells me that Nathan Burton is performing again.

Who else is doing what?

• A clip from the LaVilla newspaper in Hot Springs Village told about Villager (since 1993) Grant Ludder, who performed last weekend on the annual (catch this title) "Bits 'n Pieces" show in the village. He performs as "Magic by Golly."

• We noticed that at the Summer Leadership Conference of the 10th District of the American Advertising Federation, August 22 that Andy L. Hickman was a featured presenter. His performance was titled: "The Magic of the Future is You." He has been a professional speaker and magician for seven years. Anyone know him?

• Bill Fulton is looking for magicians who will join him in performing at the Arkansas Children's Hospital. If you will, call him at work: 682-4471.

• Decisions about our October picnic will be discussed and approved next week.

• Mr. Magic will be open on Mondays. Resident magician Bob Owen will manage the downtown store,

• Derrick will perform for the Humnoke Schools Sept. 11, and at the King Bisquit Blues Festival, Oct. 10-11. He also will emcee the children's stage show.

• John Reynolds has returned to school in Florida. See Jim for contact information.