

October 1997

MAGIC MUSINGS

International Brotherhood of Magicians, Ring #29
8912 Stagecoach Road, #7, Little Rock, ARkansas 72209 ● (501) 455-6242
Meeting 1st Thursday of every month, Baptist Medical Center

No regular October meeting; picnic Sat., Oct. 4

NEXT MEETING:

● Saturday, October 4

Annual Picnic

Jim & Brenda Henson home

Last month...

We had 20 people come to last month's Ring meeting. We hope all of you will make a special effort to come to our meetings. The more people who come the more fun we have because more people perform and share their magical skills.

Bits & Pieces

- ✓ Next Friday evening, Oct. 3, the husband-wife team, "The Spencers," will perform at 7 pm in the Benton Auditorium on the Harding University campus in Searcy. Who wants to go?
- ✓ Penn & Teller will be performing in Memphis October 16 at the Germantown Performing Arts Center. To order tickets at \$40 each -- call (901) 757-7257.
- ✓ On November 17 at ASU, Beebe, Kevin King will perform. Tickets will be available at the door.
- ✓ On November 22nd, the 4th Annual Holiday of Lights will be held in the Searcy High School Auditorium. Magicians in the Searcy IBM Ring will perform the 90-minute show. Cost is only \$5. We'll have more information next month, but mark the date on your calendars now. Let's go support this annual event.

For Sale: Footlights

How about all those times that you have complained about the lousy lighting where you are performing? Well, here's the solution: buy your own footlights!

Frank Caple in Benton has a set of these lights which he has used for years. They are self-contained in a case and include six floods. Folds out to three feet and can be separated. For more information, contact Jim Henson. This is a great opportunity to shine (pun intended)!

There will be no regular monthly meeting of Ring #29 in October. <u>Instead</u>, we'll have our annual picnic two days later, on <u>Saturday</u>, October 4.

The picnic will be at the home of Jim and Brenda Henson in Southwest Little Rock. See the back of this page for more information, including a map about how to get to the Henson House of Magic.

You need to call Jim Henson at Mr. Magic

Mary Ann Campbell to be on KATV, Ch. 7, each Saturday

Ring member Mary Ann Campbell has joined the Saturday Daybreak team on KATV, Channel 7. She will do a live, three-minute segment each Saturday morning at 8:10 am. It will be called Money Magic, the same as the name of her financial management company. She will perform a magic trick as an object lesson at least once a month.

Scott Davis is Mary Ann's Magic Director and has been on the set with her for the past two weeks. Mary Ann says she welcomes any ideas and suggestions. Please contact her, Scott or Jim Henson.

Get up on Saturday morning to see her, or at least set your VCR and tape her.

Annual Statewide Magic meeting set for October 19 in Russellville

Sunday afternoon, October 19, is the date for the next statewide gathering of Arkansas magicians. We know it will be from 2-5 pm and that there will be a Silent Auction. But that's about all we are going to tell you.

The reason for the lack of information is to get you to <u>call Jim Henson if you plan on attending</u>. He will urge you to contribute one or more items to the auction, to volunteer to perform, and to reserve a place at the event.

Here's a great opportunity to meet and watch magicians from all over the state. Get up a carload and come have fun.

(455-6242) to reserve a place. We need performers for the picnic, so tell Jim if you are willing to share one or more tricks..

This picnic is for the <u>entire family</u>, so plan on bringing them for a fun time. It all will begin at <u>6:30</u> pm. Be there!

More Bits & Pieces

- <u>Damon</u> will host another murder mystery, this time at St. Gabriel's Restaurant in Sherwood, on Highway 67/167. It will be called "The Case of the Haunted Restaurant Mystery." The evening, which includes a buffet dinner, will cost only \$19.95. For more information, call Jim Henson.
- 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.
- <u>Bill Fulton</u> 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.
- <u>Derrick</u> will perform at the King Bisquit Blues Festival, Oct. 10-11. He also will emcee the children's stage show.
- The club is updating its membership list. The main mailing list has disappeared and we're trying to recreate it. Please fill out the pass-around form.
- We will have another great lecture, on November 6, by **David Roper**. He'll either give a comedy lecture or a gospel lecture. Tell any Board member which you prefer. We'll have more information next month.
- Mark Maverick will be at Sanford's Comedy House from September 30 through October 5. He is a hypnotist and illusionist and we understand he is great. Call 228-555 to make your reservations.

Board makes dues changes for 1998

Recently, the Ring 29 Board of Directors decided that dues will be due August 1st and will be \$20. But if you pay them BEFORE August 1st, you will receive a \$5 discount, making them only \$15. So there is a good incentive to pay dues by the deadline instead of dragging it out.

