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A MONTHLY NEWSLETTER FOR THE MEMBERS OF
LITTLE ROCK MAGIC RING 29

INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF MAGICIANS



Ring 29 meets at 6:45 on first Thursday of the month at Baptist Hospital.
Call Mr. Magic or a Ring 29 Officer for changes (see back page).

April Theme: Close-up Competition

April 2016

Presidents Corner

Hello everybody, March is over and spring showers is upon us. If you missed the auction this past month then you missed a really good time, we had a lot of great stuff and people ended up with some great deals. This months meeting is on April 7 it will be at baptist hospital downstairs in rooms 10 and 12. This months meeting is our Annual close-up competition put your finish touches on your act and bring it. Also on May 11th we will have Carl Andrews he will be here to lecture meeting place TBA. Remember that the close up competition is about the experience not if you win so come out and WOW us with your routine. We also have booked Garret Thomas on September 19th, & Kozmo on October 10th, all three of these lectures will be great.

Aaron Acosta

IMPORTANT!!!

Our meeting location at Baptist has changed for the next few months. April will be downstairs in rooms 10 and 12. May thru July will be room 22. These rooms are off the Cafeteria area. Also we might mention that people can show up early and eat before the meetings. We have a deal with Baptist that we will spend \$50 every time we use the room so whoever can come early, visit and eat.

Upcoming Magic Themes

April: Close up competition
May: Teach in.
June: Stage competition
July: Installation banquet

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Special Announcement!

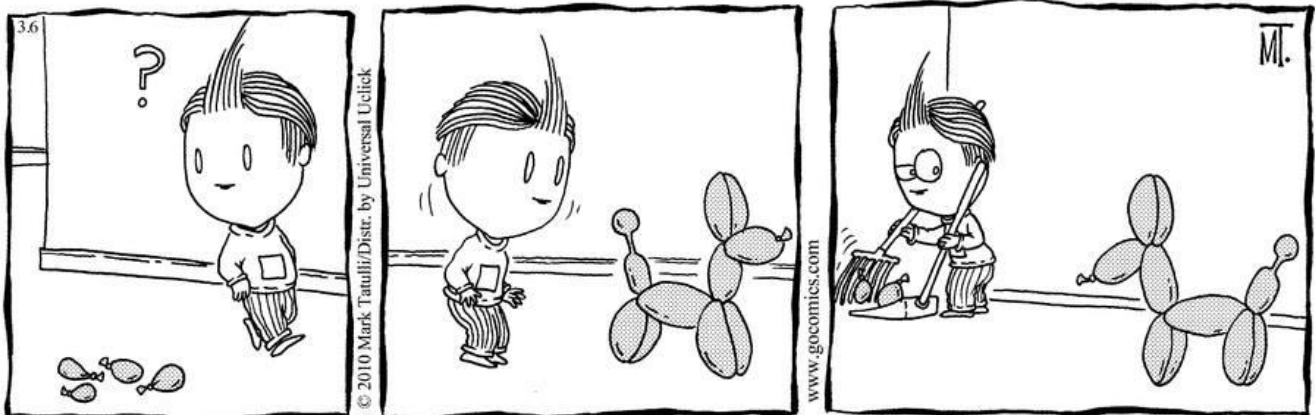
Jimmy Rhodes to host Close-Up Competition! And he will be giving away some of his personal signed magic memorabilia! Yes, you read that right. There will be some very awesome prizes at the close up competition this year!

Also, on June 11th for those adventurous types, there is going to be a river float trip. Contact Jimmy Rhodes for more details on the float. jimmyrhodes@hotmail.com The Outfitter of chose is Wild Bills Outfitter. www.wildbillsoutfitter.com/ You can also contact Wild Bill for pricing of canoes.

Here is the address and phone number to our current meeting place!

Address: 9601 Baptist Health Dr, Little Rock, AR 72205

Phone: [\(501\) 202-2000](tel:5012022000)



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Carl Andrews

Author of "Magic from Maui", "Making a Living Performing Close-Up Magic", "No Jacket Required", "The Strolling Magician", and "Table Hopping Cups and Balls" books and DVD's, **Carl Andrews** has been performing full-time since 1980. His start was restaurant magic which led to trade shows, corporate events, and later to stand-up comedy magic at colleges, and cruise ships since 1994. Carl has worked almost every major magic convention as well as lectured around the world. His books and DVD's have been on restaurant magic, how to get the gig, how to



work the room and some strong routines. He also writes a tech review column in *Vanish Magazine* and will demonstrate some of his favorite tech magic on the iPhone. With years of experience, he will answer questions about cruise ship work.

This will be a very unique lecture with truly something for everybody. The lecture is filled with some powerful information, App demos, routines and ideas.

Here is what the pros say:

"The advice is excellent, and is the kind of information that can only be obtained through experience. If your desire is to do restaurant magic, this information is invaluable. In fact, Carl offers one suggestion that was new to me, and which I have immediately incorporated." — Michael Close

"A must for those wanting to learn practical material and the ins and outs of restaurant magic" — John Carney

"Very good. One can really see you are a worker, the practicality is obvious." — Tommy Wonder



Carl Andrews has written a couple dozen apps for the iPhone/iPad including the most popular "Show Cues" music app for entertainers.

"Carl has designed the BEST, SIMPLEST sound cue device ever! We use it to run ALL our sound needs, at the theatre and beyond. I LOVE the fact that you don't need to be near a sound board, tech booth, or tech person!" — Joe Givan

"Great app! Love it! Wow, this should be an app for every professional entertainer. If I ever get to meet you in person a most definite hug is in order a kiss on the cheek if you're French." — Oscar Munoz

"Just started using the great app. For my one man show it's perfect!" — Wayne Rogers



Ring History

This month we will only go back 20 years to take a look at the April, 1996 meeting of the Ring. Hold on to your hats, there was a lot to talk about. The President that year was James Kinsey and the Secretary was Joe Farrer. The Ring met monthly at the Baptist Medical Center, room 20.

"**Dan Fleshman** entertained and lectured the Ring in April. Several of our magicians were still practicing the "ring on the string" lesson at our May meeting. Bill Spooner, Past President of I.B.M., will lecture to the Ring in July.

Ring 29 is working with the state's Rings to plan our annual state meeting. This meeting is important to Arkansas in helping us organize for the National Convention in 1999. We are also working to develop a Ring 29 Home Page that will give information about our proposals, advertise our working magicians and local magic shop "Mr. Magic."

The Ring is developing a "Member of the Year" award to recognize outstanding members as a means of saying thanks for the hard work members give our club. The award will be presented at the annual Christmas Party.

The Ring heard a report by **Dan Bloch** on the Louisiana Magic Weekend in Morgan City, Louisiana. He said the entire weekend would have been beneficial to all our Ring members. Dan was most impressed with Peter White's silk routine and lecture. He said that Peter gave the attendees some real insight into the handling and care of silks.

Derrick Rose gave his acceptance performance for the Ring. He did a variety of techniques from cards to Houdini's Razor Blades on a String and did it all with great humor. The Ring accepted him into the fold with enthusiasm.

The April meeting centered on Bizarre Magic. **Bill Fulton** performed David Roth's Stonehenge Coin Matrix and personalized the patter to bizarre local events. **Damon Reinbold** gave us a seated seance presentation in which he did the Ritual of Royalty and Mickey's Ghost. He used an Old Maid's Deck for a new twist with the Car Buggy Trick. Dan Bloch followed with a rope routine with a single rope turning into three and back to one with knots that appeared and disappeared. Dan tied up his act by introducing the Great Pierre Cardaoux (**Fred Hartman**) the French Sculptor. Fred worked his magic with our imagination as he acted out the sculpting of a young lady.

Timothy Lee, the Ring's Home Page Wizard, who just returned to Little Rock, showed us the German "Goes-into-it" Boxes in which he pulled a smaller box out of a large box, and then placed the larger box into the smaller one. **Bob Owen** did Larry West's Passing the Buck. We all agreed that we did not want Bob to work in our bank.

Don Baer took us to the world of witches and princes when he performed the Prince and Pumpkin by Edwin. It was all delivered with great humor and showed why children love his performances.

Greg Collett showed us the world of gypsies with his story of how he used a small fortune-teller's hand to discover freely chosen cards using Bob Owen's Voodoo Hand. **Chase Goforth** demonstrated Bob Neal's Sole Survivor from the book *Magic and Meaning*. His use of Tarot cards enhanced the story.

Theron Nunley showed us his invisible dog, and although we liked the dog, many of us knew that his dog was not housebroken. After an accident-free performance, Theron showed us a vanishing/rising card trick that even his dog liked. **Ed Scheurich** finished the evening with the Needle Through the Arm and Tongue, \$1 to \$100, and an ingenious Cups and Balls using a backpacking mattress as a close-up pad, three large buckets, and three inch sponge balls."

What an evening it was! A great time packed with magical friends and magical presentations. It doesn't get much better than that. In addition to some great magic, attention was paid to planning for the I.B.M. Convention, developing a Home Page and Member of the Year award and the Ring welcomed a new member to the fraternity. A lot to cover in one evening! We are looking forward to another one of those memorable meetings this month as we have our annual close-up competition. It's definitely one meeting you won't want to miss.

Until next time, remember, the past holds those memories that that are always there to brighten our future. Your humble historian, Mike Curtis.



Upcoming **MAGIC**

Carl Andrews Lecture
May 11th

Garret Thomas
September 19th

Kozmo
October 10th

If you know of any upcoming shows or magic events please contact the editor

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April 13th



Theme Details

Close up Contest

Membership

All members of Ring 29 must first be a member of the International Brotherhood of Magicians. I.B.M. Applications can be picked up at Mr. Magic or from http://www.magician.org/membership_application.pdf. Contact Mr. Magic or any Ring 29 Officer for information on joining the IBM or Ring 29.

Mailing Lists

In addition to this newsletter Members can receive last minute email information on meetings, events, and lectures. If you wish to be added to our email list, please contact Treasurer **Col. James Kinsey**.

LittleRockMagic.net

Our new website has been filled with a wealth of information to assist our members (and potential members). New features are being added daily. Check out the Ring 29 Highlights video, the Magicians for Hire page, or the Ring 29 Event Calendar.



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