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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).

September Theme: Halloween magic

September 2016

Presidents Corner

Hello Fellow Magicians!

The new year is getting better each meeting! I hope that you will put the first Thursday of each month on your calendar of things to do. Our next meeting is September 1st at Big Baptist. Our mini-lecture will be brought by Dane Dover, who will be sharing his skills with Linking Rings. Bring your rings and let's have some fun! For the magic portion of the meeting, we are going to focus on Halloween magic. Halloween is right around the corner and you may learn some new tricks to add to your Halloween magic show.

Please remember our lecture on Monday, September 19th. Garrett Thomas will be our lecturer.

Kozmo will be here on Monday, October 10th.

I want to thank Jon Bucher for his great lecturer on how to be a "great emcee." We had a good learning experience and Jon has a plethora of props that he shared with us. Mike Curtis served as our emcee for the magic portion of the meeting. He did a great job! Thanks, Mike!

See you at the September meeting!

Magically yours,

Jo

Upcoming Magic Themes

September-Halloween magic
October-brown bag magic(bring small easy magic trick)
November-Teach-in
December-holiday party
January-Christmas party
February- Thumb tip/cups and balls magic/sanada sponge balls magic
March-Birthday magic
April-?
May-close-up
June-stage
July-instillation



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Important News

Due to the cost of mailing hard copies we will be cutting out sending hard copies, unless you send in your address to re-subscribe. Send address to Col. James Kinsey jamesk39@swbell.net (501-834-7456).

We will vote on this issue in the September meeting. If we quit sending the paper copy could save enough money for a lecture. Ask James how to join the yahoo group to be on the mailing list for the digital copy of the newsletter.

Also, just a Reminder The Ring Close-up and Stage competitions will be held again next year and we are already anticipating strong competition. Now is the time to start formulating that "germ of an idea" that you can use to develop that award winning act.

Using Ring 29 Email Group

Post message: ring29report@yahoogroups.com

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★Aug 26:	NEW! The Carbonaro Effect: multiple episodes on TRUETV.	
★Aug 26:	America's Most Badass: Living On The Edge on AHC.	
★Aug 26:	Wanted: Dead Or Alive: Vanishing Act on ENCORE.	
★Aug 27:	NEW! The Carbonaro Effect: multiple episodes on TRUETV.	
★Aug 27:	Brain Games: Seeing Is Believing on NGC.	
★Aug 28:	NEW! Masters Of Illusion: Extreme Levitations on CW.	
★Aug 28:	NEW! Masters Of Illusion: Altered States on CW.	
★Aug 28:	NEW! Penn & Teller Fool Us: Juggle, Juggle, Penn's In Trouble on CW.	
★Aug 28:	Tanked: Saved By The Spell on ANIMAL.	
★Aug 29:	The Cake Boss: Hocus Pocus on DKIDS.	
★Aug 29:	Tanked: Bill Engvall; Here's Your Tank! on ANIMAL.	
★Aug 30:	Kojak: 60 Miles To Hell on METV.	
★Aug 31:	Castle: Poof! You're Dead! on TNT.	
★Aug 31:	NEW! Penn & Teller Fool Us: Here's Moxie! on CW.	
★Aug 31:	Now You See Me on SPIKE.	
★Aug 31:	NEW! The Carbonaro Effect: multiple episodes on TRUETV.	
★Aug 31:	House: You Don't Want To Know on TNT.	
★Aug 31:	MTV Cribs: Criss Angel on VH1CL.	
★Sep 1:	Mysteries At The Museum: Doyle & Houdini on TRAVEL.	
★Sep 1:	Diagnosis Murder: Sleight-Of-Hand on HALLMARK.	
★Sep 1:	The Cake Boss: Abracadabra on DFAM.	
★Sep 1:	The Chica Show: The Amazing Chicadini on SPROUT.	
★Sep 2:	NEW! Masters Of Illusion: Money Matters on CW.	
★Sep 2:	NEW! Masters Of Illusion: Techno Magic on CW.	
★Sep 2:	NEW! Penn & Teller Fool Us: Here's Moxie! on CW.	
★Sep 2:	NEW! The Carbonaro Effect: multiple episodes on TRUETV.	
★Sep 2:	Law & Order: Criminal Intent: Vanishing Act on USA.	
★Sep 3:	Matlock: The Magician on HALLMARK.	

Garrett Thomas: Master Magician



Garrett Thomas is a close-up magician based out of the WNY who performs at public and private events across the United States. As a magician, Garrett is known for being an innovator as well as one of the top card, coin, and ring manipulators. His original effects, extreme technical skills, and keen understanding of human psychology culminate in highly visual, entertaining, and often enlightening routines.

Garrett's commitment to the art of magic manifests not only in his performances, but also in his strong commitment to teaching the science and psychology of magic to other magicians. Garrett has produced several instructional books and videos on the subjects of coin, card and ring manipulation, creating magical moments, and on the secret to becoming a “real” magician.

It is this combination of imagination and skill that has led Garrett Thomas to become a sought after speaker at international magic conventions, a regular contributor to the bi-monthly video magazine *Reel Magic Magazine* and a columnist for the *Society of American Magicians*. He is also a personal instructor / consultant to many other world class magicians such as David Blaine, and Marco. Most recently he was declared to be Howie Mandel's favorite magician on *Live! with Kelly*.

* *Real Men Wear Pink!*

Reminder

Kids are back in school, the forecast is for cooler weather and Halloween is around the corner. What happened to the summer we were anxious to have such a short time ago? Christmas will be here before you know it. With time flying by, it's a good time to start planning for the close-up and stage competitions for 2017. They too will be here before you know it.

Ring History

This month's report takes us back only 20 years (only seems like yesterday) to the September, 1996 meeting of the Ring. It was a busy month. The President that year was James Kinsey and the Secretary was Bill Fulton. The Ring met in room 20 of the Baptist Medical Center.

"Ring 29 held several events during the month of September. The Annual Statewide Meeting of Arkansas Magicians was held on September 15th in Russellville. The Magicians exchanged ideas, tips, and performed for each other, and families.

Ring 29 held its Annual Picnic in a woodland park near Little Rock. **Bill Fulton** performed Colombini's Red & White Slipping Knots followed by the Magic Cow by Fred Hartman. **Theron Nunley** showed us the Eclipse Card Case. **Jim Henson** performed several tricks with cards and money, followed by **James Kinsey's** Two Straws trick. **Don Baer** demonstrated some excellent children's magic. **Don Thompson** performed an escape, and **Damon Reinbold** finished the evening with his mental magic.

Damon Reinbold has been appearing at a local bookstore to promote one of his recent books. Damon will be appearing at the "Theater of Magic" owned by Maxwell Blade in Hot Springs, Arkansas. The Ring is discussing, holding one of our monthly meetings, at the "Theater of Magic" soon. Ring member **Sean Westbrook** is also performing at the theater. The theater is one of the best shows in Hot Springs.

Fred Hartman of Hot Springs was our star lecturer for the September meeting. Fred performed some exceptional effects at last month's meeting, and he did not disappoint us with his humor and magic this month. Written words cannot convey Fred's expressions or comic movements that tickle your funny bone. Fred started off the evening by floating a ball. Somehow, his pants were bulging with some kind of hidden support for the ball.

Fred is a little older than the rest of us, and he is from Hot Springs, the retirement capitol of the U.S. Fred says, "Hot Springs is where all the old people live with their parents." He also says that all the speed traps are designed for wheel chairs.

Fred entitled his lecture "Trash Can Nonsense." He showed us a non returning boomerang; also, called a stick. Crazy antics always follow Fred everywhere he goes. Five was the magic number for the evening, and every time Fred let a spectator make a selection, it ended up having something to do with the number five. Fred finished the evening with a drawing of something that changed into a grandmother bent over showing her girdle. You had to have been there.

Our "Mr. Magic," Jim Henson followed Fred by turning the audience into small children to whom he performed Little Miss Muffett's Spider Beside Her. Jim performed Bashful Bunny, The Clown's Magic Hat, Genii and the Lamp, and A Card on a Button. Theron Nunley showed his version of Pentro Card by causing a pinned card to separate from the remaining cards in a spectator's hands. Bill Webb told some funny stories and performed a Ring on the Rubberband trick.

Dan Hecke performed several card tricks including Twisting the Aces and an invention of his own entitled Camelot. **Derrick Rose** finished the evening with his rendition of the 3-D Bunnies. Derrick is now performing at Shorty Small's restaurant on Mondays. Derrick claims that he gets his greatest resonance from this effect.

The meeting adjourned with more food and magic at a local restaurant."

Another magic packed evening was had at that meeting with several performances. It can serve as an inspiration for the rest of us to continue contributing our unique talent and performing abilities to make our meetings more enjoyable and entertaining. See you at the next meeting and remember to bring a trick.

Until next time, don't forget the past . . . embrace it.

Your humble historian, Mike Curtis.



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Upcoming MAGIC

Garret Thomas
September 19th

The Workshop(Memphis)
October 5-8

Kozmo
October 10th

If you know of any upcoming shows or magic events please contact the editor Cedric Morley at morleyfamilymagic@gmail.com and it will be added to the list.

Ralph Felder Book in progress:

‘Mapping Miracles: Workable Ways Meaningful Magic’

Please help by answering this question. Your ideas are for the book (your names are not required although welcomed). Consideration of previous experience with failures and mistakes and the inclusion of contingencies for dealing with them is what we need.

Contingency Survey:

- Think about specific failure occurrences you’ve experienced performing magic.
- What was the incident?
- How was it handled (recovery)?
- What adjustments did you (if any) make because of the problem?
- What did you learn from the experience?
- What methods do you use to evaluate your success in entertaining your audiences?

Examples;

What do you do if you drop the coin?

What do you do if you lose track of the card count?

What do you do if the spectator completes the cut when he’s not supposed to?

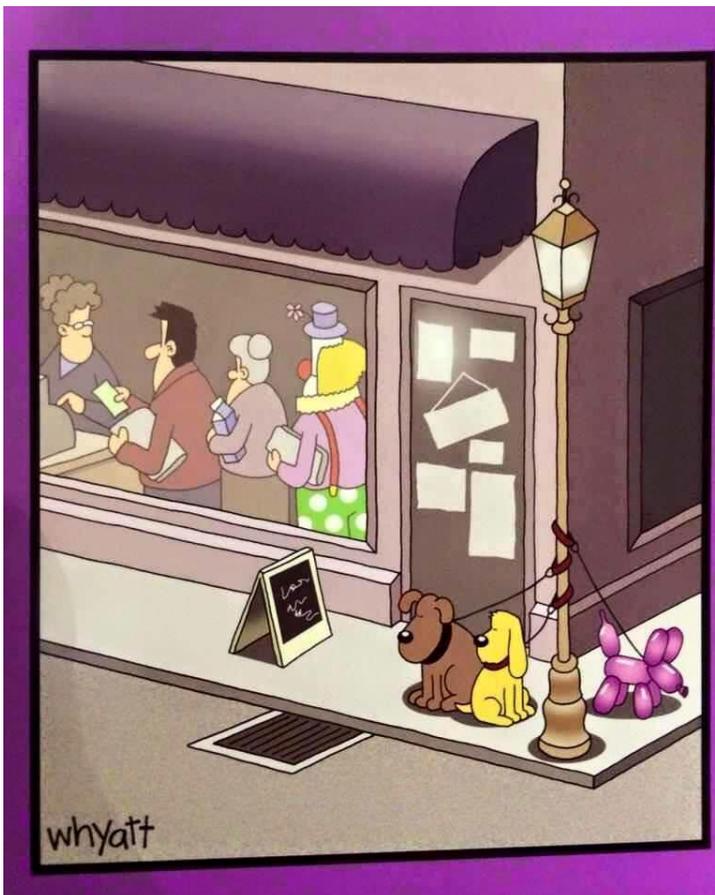
What do you do if the spectator forgets their chosen card?

What do you do if one of your birds dies in the middle of producing him?

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Trick Question

I have been cleaning my office and came across some packet tricks I have no idea what are. Can anyone email me and tell me?

So I have three cards all blue back bicycle cards.

- 2 of Clubs
- Ace of Hearts with a 3 of Clubs pip on one corner
- Three of clubs with an Ace of Hearts on one corner

Any info on what trick this is and how to do it will be appreciated! Send any replies to

morleyfamilymagic@gmail.com

Thank you.

Cedric

Theme Details

Halloween/Spooky Magic!

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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