

Magic Musings

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May 5th Meeting "I Bought This... Now What?"

This is the meeting that we have all been waiting for. You bought a "trick" from a world famous lecturer that floored you and when you got home and tried to do it yourself you realized that you don't remember that special move or direction. Maybe you got a trick from the local magic shop and you just can't get the handling down, this is for you.

We will all try to put our collective heads together and find the answer to these baffling questions.

News from the Ring

We were honored to have Mark Wilson and Nani Darnell Wilson here on April 16th to hold a workshop for us. It was a great day of magic and history behind two of the living legends of our time. As Mark told me "if you are going to be a legend, being a living legend is the best kind".

A good time was had by all in attendance and we had people from Louisiana, Tennessee, Texas and of course Arkansas. A special thank you to Elson Bihm and Chris Westfall for their help in putting this once in a lifetime experience together.

*If you are interested in running for officer in Ring 29 it is that time of year again. You have until May 14th to get your name of the ballot. Contact anyone of the board members. Ballots will be mailed out in the June newsletter with installation of officers in July.

Dr. Henry Johnson Remembered

Henry Johnson was a classy magician, and a ton of fun. His late wife, Lucille, was often at his side attending magic celebrations, dinners, and social events. Dr. Chief Langston (deceased) and his lovely wife, Carlyn, came together as couples with the Johnsons. Whether CARTI or Baptist Hospital, between Dr. Henry Johnson and Dr. Chief Langston, Ring 29 always had excellent facilities for our meetings.

It was always fun to see Henry and Chief go into their ashes in the hand routine or their entertaining "Mr. Wizard" telephone ESP trick. My husband, Guy, and I always enjoyed their company. Henry often entertained at medical social events. What I remember about both Henry and Chief is that they would both get as big a kick out of their fun style of magic as their audiences.

Henry had a beautiful smile, a big heart, a caring manner, and was simply full of delightful magic. He will be missed.

Mary Ann Campbell

I met Dr. Johnson in 1974 when I attended my first Ring 29 meeting. I remember him because he treated me like a long lost brother. He was always an inspiration to each and every member of the club. He taught me the very first sleight of hand trick I learned which was 4 coins thru table. I have used his method to teach many of my students. I will miss him. He was an outstanding woodworker and he was always making me boxes (I love boxes) to us with my magic. I have treasured all of them. Ring 29 is a little less of a group because of this demise.

Jim Henson