

# Magic Musings

International Brotherhood of Magicians, Ring 29  
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## June 1<sup>st</sup> Meeting at Mr. Magic will be Gospel Magic

Ring 29 June Magic meeting will be held on Thursday, June 1. There is a change of place and theme. The meeting will be held at Mr. Magic at 6:45 pm. The theme is Gospel Magic. Bring a Gospel routine or if you want some ideas for a Gospel routine with a regular magic trick, bring it and we will work together to come up with some ideas. Mr. Magic will provide refreshments.

The History of Magic Meeting will be held at the July meeting. Ring 29 historian, Mike Curtis, is working hard to make this July meeting informative and entertaining. Mark your calendars for July 6. More information will be given in the July newsletter.

\* Thirty-four people attended the May meeting including several guests. It was all about ropes. Chris Westfall, laughing, stated at the end of the night, "If I saw one more Professor's Nitemare, I was going to take a rope and hang myself." Yes, there were lots of Professor's Nitemare's, Cut and Restored Ropes, Pet Ropes, some David

Williamson Routines, Daryl's Jumping Knot of Pakistan, Tabary routines, Pavel routines and many others. But all were unique not necessarily because of the trick but because of the person. You know what they say "Magic is 10% trick and 90% presentation" and we saw some great presentations! Performers included the following: **Derrick Rose** who did the teaching session on Professor's Nitemare, **Don Baer, Mike Curtis, James Kinsey, Pam Medrez, Jon Bucher, Alex Lyon, Chris Westfall, Jim Henson, Jesse McKinney, Gerry Bailey, Michael Wilkinson, Melvin Brown, and Christy Henson**

\* Ring 29 has new officers for 2006-2007. The committee's nominations were uncontested so the officers were elected without ballots. Ring 29 officers are as follows: President Christy Henson, Vice-President Chris Westfall, Co-Secretary Gerry Bailey, Co-Secretary Tyler Vodehnal, Treasurer James Kinsey, and Mike Curtis who serves in the permanent position of Historian. There will be an

installation Banquet in July. Look for more information in upcoming newsletters.

### **Member News:**

\* **Derrick Rose** performed the May 5<sup>th</sup> weekend at Toad Suck daze in Conway. He had a busy weekend because he also performed at the Arts Festival on Petit Jean.

\* Pam Medrez- During the month of May I performed at Brady Elementary, Fulbright Elementary, and Mabelvale Elementary. AARP hired me to do a patriotic program, so of course I performed as Patriotic Pamy and Annie. Most of all, I have just loved doing singing telegrams. So far this year Stanley has proposed marriage to a guy's girlfriend and laid the engagement ring instead of an egg; sang "You Must Have Been a Beautiful Baby" to a 90 year old woman; and serenaded a couple of teachers for Teacher Appreciation Day. Mostly, I have been doing birthday parties every weekend.

\* New Ring 29 member **Scott Hill** performed May 9<sup>th</sup> at the Olive Garden benefiting Multiple Sclerosis.

\* If you have magic news, please email Christy at [cih0914@aol.com](mailto:cih0914@aol.com) or James at [jamesk39@swbell.net](mailto:jamesk39@swbell.net)

### Advice from performers

If you are scheduled to perform at a show, birthday party, etc., you are advised to sign a contract and get the money or at least a large deposit before the show. Unfortunately some performers have been "burned" by performing at shows and then not getting paid for the performance. A couple of our magicians have been contacted recently on the day of a "supposed" show in which the person told them that they had agreed to do the show and that the money had been sent to them. Neither magician scheduled the show nor received a check for it, and it seems that the person was trying to get a free show by making the magician feel they had made a mistake in scheduling. This again is a great reason for always signing a contract when you schedule a show. If you do receive a phone call from someone that claims you have missed a show, please get their name and phone number and contact Jim at Mr. Magic so we can have a record of it.

\* Polly Pritchett, wife of Logan Pritchett, died recently. Logan Pritchett is Ring 29's namesake as we are called "Logan Pritchett Ring 29".



### Miscellaneous:

Anyone taking a trip to Branson this summer? There's plenty of magic in the city. Scheduled to be in theaters there this season are: Darren Romeo, Hamners, Bart Rocket, Kirby Van Birch, and with the Branson Belle- Chris Greenyer. If you make a trip and see one of these performers, please send us a brief write up of your thoughts.

### Conventions:

\* International Brotherhood of Magicians Convention is just

around the corner and it is not too late to register. It will be in Miami, Florida from June 28- July 1. The Close-up competitions and Stage Competitions is where you will see some of the best "up and coming" magicians. There is a large Dealer's room with dozens of dealers from around the world. The evening Stage Shows will be filled with magic and entertainment. Several from Arkansas are planning to attend. Come to Miami and join magicians from around the world in magic's largest convention. More information can be found at [magician.org](http://magician.org) or contact Christy Henson at [cih0914@aol.com](mailto:cih0914@aol.com)

\* Mark your calendars now for TAOM. It will be held Labor Day weekend in Dallas. There will be a group from Ring 29 that will be going.

**Membership Dues are due June 30<sup>th</sup>, \$15.00 before 8/1 \$20.00 after. Preaddressed envelope enclosed for your convenience.**

### Calendar:

June 1- History of Magic presentation at Baptist Hospital  
June 28- July 1- I.B.M. Convention in Miami, Florida  
July 6- Magic Meeting  
July- TBA- Installation of Officers Banquet  
August 3 Magic Meeting  
September- Labor Day Weekend- TAOM Convention  
September- TBA - Ring 29 Annual Picnic