



I.B.M. MAGRUM-KIEFER RING No. 11

QUAD CITIES MAGIC CLUB

JULY 2010 NEWSLETTER

JULY MEETING

July 1, 2010

6:00 PM

Picnic shelter next to
Riverside Garden Room
34th Street and 5th Avenue
Moline, IL

ASSIGNMENTS

MC: Chuck Hanson

Theme: Summer Picnic

Drinks: BYO

Snacks: Club Furnished

Teachers: N/A

Media Rpt: N/A

AUGUST MEETING

Theme: Classics of Magic

ANNUAL CLUB PICNIC

It's time for the Club Picnic, which will be held on July 1st! The location is the same as last year—right next to our usual meeting place in the adjacent picnic shelter. Dinner starts at 6 PM and the cost is only \$5.00 per person.

Reservations are required. Please advise Todd Herbst (309-764-6886, or Jerry Phillips (563-332-7513) by Monday evening June 28 if you plan to come and haven't already made your reservation.

We hope you can come. Family and friends are invited. We're having a super meal including: butterfly pork chops, chicken, burgers and brats along with three side dishes.

Please bring your own drinks and a desert to share!

Also bring some magic to entertain the group! We hope to see you there!

JUNE MEETING

President Todd Herbst opened the June meeting and explained the rules for the evening's event—Close-up and Stage Contests.

The Club tried something new. Both our Annual Stage Contest and Annual Close-Up Contest took place the same evening—there was plenty of magic for all! Also, instead of using judges as we have for the past few years, voting was done by People's Choice. Everyone attending voted for their favorite!

CLOSE-UP CONTEST

The Close-Up Contest had seven entrants.

First up was the Wizard himself, Kim Meacham. He displayed an assortment of skills using rubber bands, coins, and a jigger cup and ball routine.

Next up was Josh Talal. Josh performed a torn and restored tissue paper routine, then showed a finger ring that floated, bobbed, and weaved on its own. A very nice effect.

Jeremy Haak was next, performing a true close up routine, Sam the Bellhop.

The next contestant was Sir Richard, who used a scarf, a hat, and some coins to perform a very entertaining routine.

Jesus Rio was up fifth, and he performed a very professional burnt bill routine. His magic and his personality thoroughly entertained the entire room.

Next was Luke Van Cleve, our youngest entrant. Luke did a great job with his sponge ball routine and his selected card to mouth. Nice going, Luke!

Our final Close Up performer was Levi Samuelson. Levi started off with an ice cube routine, then moved into his true area of expertise, cards.

STAGE CONTEST

The Stage Contest had six entrants this year. First up was David Casas, who performed a flawless manipulation act, highlighted by his production of multiple doves. Excellent, excellent, excellent!

Our next contestant was Jerry Phillips, who performed some comedy bits, closing with a very funny multiplying bottles routine.

Then came Jeremy Haak, who demonstrated how to cut vegetables without chopping off someone's head in the process (although the head he found in the basket from a previous performance was not too encouraging for the spectator assisting him!).

Our fourth entrant was Sir Richard, who performed a tribute to Cellini via a cups and balls routine.

Then Josh Talal brought up four volunteers and was able to demonstrate his skills

in a hypnosis routine. Very impressive when you consider he only had ten minutes performance time.

Our final contestant for the evening was Laura Anderson, who showed us how easily she could transform us into a roomful of kids, then had us eating out of the palm of her hand with some funny bits!

CONTEST WINNERS

The votes were tabulated...the contestants were all brought up for a final round of appreciative applause...then the results were announced:

Close Up – 1st Place: Jesus Rio; 2nd Place: Luke Van Cleve; 3rd Place: Jeremy Haak.

Stage – 1st Place: David Casas; 2nd Place Jerry Phillips; 3rd Place: Josh Talal.

Congratulations to all the winners! Trophies (with names engraved) will be presented at our next meeting, which is our annual Club picnic.

TOP QCMC CONTRIBUTIORS

Magician of the Year (or whatever title we are going to use):

As of June 13th, here are the top ten contenders for this award:

Jerry Phillips	26 points
Jeremy Haak	23 points
Jason Hamilton	19 points
Chuck Hanson	19 points
David Casas	18 points
Todd Herbst	18 points
Ricky Szewczyk	18 points
Joe Dobson	17 points
Bradley Wheeler	14 points
Levi Samuelson	13 points

FUTURE MEETING THEMES

August—Classics of Magic

September - Auction

October - Halloween

November - Round Robin Teach In

December - Birthday & Kids Magic