



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

### QUAD CITIES MAGIC CLUB

### OCTOBER 2010 NEWSLETTER

#### **OCTOBER MEETING**

October 7, 2010  
7:00 PM  
Riverside Garden Room  
34th Street and 5th Avenue  
Moline, IL

#### **ASSIGNMENTS**

**MC:** Jeremy Hawk

**Theme:** Halloween

**Drinks:** Steve Dulaney

**Snacks:** Chuck Hanson

**Teachers:** Joe Dobson  
Kim Meacham

**Media Rpt:** N/A

#### **NOVEMBER MEETING**

**Theme:** Round-Robin  
Teach-in

#### **DELMAR KIEFER**

Our club members were saddened by the sudden and unexpected passing of our member and good friend, Del Kiefer on September 7th.

After Del's visitation services, Chuck Hanson capably performed the Magic Wand Ceremony. Many members joined in the ceremony by reminiscing about the wonderful times they shared with Del.

Del was a inspiration to each of us and he will be remembered for bringing fun, laughter and enjoyment to many audiences throughout his lifetime.

We miss you Del!



#### **LECTURES**

We have rescheduled the Alan Sands lecture. It will be held Tuesday, November 9th at the Garden Room.

#### **OCTOBER MEETING**

It's that time of year again. The October meeting theme is Halloween. Please bring a spooky Halloween effect to perform at the meeting.

In addition to our regular meeting we are holding a silent auction to sell Del Kiefer's numerous props and books. We have been asked about a list of the props, books, etc., but there are simply too many items to list.

Here's how the silent auction will work. The props and books will be spread out on tables. They have a paper auction sheet attached. If you want to bid on the item you simply write down your name, or bid number and the amount of your bid. The item is marked with the opening bid and the minimum bid raise.

For example, the auction sheet is marked with a \$5.00 opening bid and \$1.00 min raise. The lowest acceptable first bid is \$6.00 and the next acceptable bid is \$7.00. However, if you are really interested in the item you can bid higher than the min raise. You could up the bid to \$15.00. Any future bids would require the \$1.00 raise, or \$16.00, etc. Bidding will continue until the meeting starts and then it will resume at break. After the break no more bids may be made. The highest bidder wins the item.

When the meeting is over you will gather your winning bid props/books, bring them to a checkout person (we'll have several) who will total your purchases from the auction sheets and accept your payment (cash, or check).

There will also be a \$1.00 table filled with lecture notes, books, pamphlets, etc. These are cash and carry. Pick what you want and pay for them at the table.

The first auction of Del's props and books will be at the October meeting. We will be setting up early and the doors at the Garden Center will open at 6:30...If the interest in the auction merits, we will not start the meeting until 7:15 PM. Additional items will be auctioned at the November meeting.

## **SEPTEMBER MEETING**

Our regular business meeting was cut very short this evening since one of our premier events took center stage, the annual auction!

In the pre-meeting dusk, an assortment of videos and other items were offered for sale in straight transactions by members. Some wheeling and dealing took place, which only served to chum the waters for the auction itself. By the time the first magical treasure was offered for sale by Auctioneer #1, Jerry Phillips, the roomful of magicians was at frenzy level. Let the bidding begin!!!

All things magical passed in front of the Club, and some things which were not quite magical but related. Images, novelties, and miscellanea peeked their way among the props, tricks, and 'curious devices'. Several lots labeled "Miscellaneous" piqued magicians' interests, providing an adventure hunt that the winning bidders were most likely to delve into for hours after taking their treasures home.

The line-up of auction lots was so large, Jerry handed off auctioneering duties to Auctioneer #2, Joe Dobson. This tag-team of verbosity kept the bidding going, the items displayed, and called on some veteran magicians in the room to explain the occasional

antiquish prop. Some items were not needing explanation as to their identity, although perhaps an explanation as to why they were invented might have been interesting. Case in point, the Remote Controlled Fart Machine which was auctioned off. Turns out the winning bidder already had one at home, and wanted a spare. Go figure.

All in all much magic changed hands, and we expect to see some of it performed in upcoming meetings. As always, a portion of the money exchanged went to the Club's coffers.

Make sure to come out next year; the auction clearly is one of our annual highlights!

### **FUTURE MEETING THEMES**

November - Round Robin Teach In

Nomination of Officers for 2012

December - Birthday & Kids Magic