



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

QUAD CITIES MAGIC CLUB

MAY 2011 NEWSLETTER

MEETING

May 5, 2011

7:00 PM

Riverside Garden Room
34th Street and 5th Avenue
Moline, IL

ASSIGNMENTS

MC: Jerry Philips

Theme: Round Robin
Participation

Drinks: Mike Dyer

Snacks: Mike Dyer

Teach-A-Trick: N/A

Media Rpt: Laura Anderson

JUNE MEETING

Theme: People's Choice
Contest

MAY MEETING

The theme of our next meeting is a "round robin" session. For those of you that haven't participated in this event before here's what happens. Everyone is asked to bring a close-up trick and perform it to a small group. You don't have to get up in front of everyone, you just show it to two others and then move to another group and perform it again. After showing your effect several times you will have it down pat and benefit from the experience. If you really don't want to participate, that's ok, but we encourage everyone to bring something to share

NOTE FROM CHUCK HANSON

If you purchased the Bohleno Visible Block Penetration that came from Del Kiefer's estate, please contact Chuck Hanson at 309 797-5996. He has a packet of instructions and performance tips for it. The effect of the trick is a 4" wooden block sliding down a square chimney and penetrating two plastic slides in the center of the chimney...then emerging from the bottom.

APRIL MEETING

Our President, Todd Herbst, called to order with a blast from his horn. He woke most of us up and it was time for business. Sergeant of Arms, Mike Dyer introduced our guests and new members Ian Meisch and Ken Cooper—Welcome!

Treasurer, Jerry Phillips indicated we had some money in the bank. Jerry then read the rolls of dues paying members. Our members receive reduced prices at lecturers and club events. Glad to see almost everyone has paid their dues!

Rick Brammer has several club shows lined up. We'll be in Dixon

on April 9, then to Galesburg on June 4 for a large area wide scouting show. The very next day we'll be traveling to Iowa City for a whole day of walk-around, balloons and several stage shows.

Chuck Hanson reported the Del Kiefer committee received Moline City Park approval to place a memorial in Prospect Park, where we have our annual Spooktacular show. We purchased a rock and are finishing the design. The memorial should be in place by our next meeting.

We're having David Regal for a lecture on April 27 at our usual meeting place, the Garden Center. The lecture committee has contacted Aldo and hopefully he'll be in our area in September.

The membership has struggled with naming the club's annual award for the member that contributes the most to the club. It has previously been called the "Magician of the Year" and the "Golden Wand Award". Eric Dany suggested we name the award the "Del Keifer Award". The club will consider the suggestion and others at the next meeting.

Toto Johnson asked the club and members to make a donation to a family that lost everything in an apartment fire last month. Toto passed the hat and collected a sizable amount for the family!

With David Regal coming to lecture later in the month Chuck Hanson gave a book report on David's Approaching Magic. The book contains 95% magic tricks, over 60 in all, and 5% other material. Chuck's one word summary was "excellent".

Laura Anderson taught us a novel way to do the jumping rubber bands. She suggested using 260 balloons tied in a loop. They are colorful, you can see them at a distance and they work great. Laura also showed us her version of "multiplying balls" – they talk and you had to be there to appreciate her performance. Next up Joe Dobson taught us a super matching card effect. It's a great trick and easy to perform. Thanks Laura and Joe.

Jerry Phillips handled the MC duties for the evening. Jerry is a barrel of laughs and so were the performers for the evening especially considering the theme was mentalism and comedy. Todd Herbst and his volunteer from the audience, Bradley Wheeler, performed an interesting bill serial number reading effect. We don't know how Brad and Todd pulled it off, but it was terrific.

Next up was the dynamic duo of Chuck Hanson and Eric Dany. Chuck introduced El Bunko (Eric), who was draped in a ladies robe and wearing a turban, to the audience as a seer from the Sears down the street. Things pretty much went downhill from then even though El Bunko correctly identified multiple personal objects from the audience and accu-

rately predicted past and future events. El was right on with one premonition; the future holds new writers for these two and their mindless comedy routine!

Joe Dobson set up his stage and introduced Barney and his girls, Miss April, May and June. The girls were scantily clad and didn't stick around long in our family oriented show. They were escorted offstage by the ever helpful "stagehand" and replaced with the Amazing Duck. Barney and crew had a spectator select a card which was magically divined by the Amazing Duck. It was truly amazing when his nose lit up and he pounced on the correct card.

Sir Richard mystified the group by vanishing a ring from a rope, only to reappear back on his finger. He followed up by having Ian Meisch select a card and then look in the deck for it. Ian couldn't find the card until he stood up and discovered he was sitting on his card.

Next up Bob Dalquist took us on a wild and funny excursion to a bizarre magic mentalism flea market. Along the way Bob had Joe Dobson summon the demons and select a card. After a mystic magic ritual that included satanic artifacts, repetitive words and actions; Joe's card was revealed from the writings on an ancient satanic scroll.

Jerry Phillips talked about people's obsession with celebrities and showed us what it means to be a celebrity psychic. After having a spectator select a celebrity card from a deck Jerry revealed his prediction. It was not quite what we expected, but in the end Jerry was proven to be an expert celebrity psychic.

Levi Samuelson can do almost anything with a pack of cards and tonight he showed us his powers of "mind imaging". After having a spectator select a card and showing all he proceeded to lose the card in the deck with several dexterous shuffles and cuts. Claiming to find the card through he was disappointed to find out it wasn't the selected card. But after applying a little heat the card changed its pips to the correct card!

Chuck Hanson returned with an amazing prediction involving several pairs of mismatched socks and a glove. With the help of Bradley Wheeler his predictions matched up the pairs of socks and the gloves.

Wow, a really fun evening of magic and mystery. If you are in the area, please join us for our weekly Saturday brunch--11AM at the Windmill Restaurant in East Moline, IL.

FUTURE MEETING THEMES

June—People Choice Contest

July—Picnic Anything Goes

August—Classic Magic

September—Auction

October—Halloween Magic

November—Illusions & Stage

December—Birthday & Children's

UPCOMING CONVENTIONS

Central Illinois Magic Convention

IBM Ring 239

April 16th Springfield IL—Performers—Jade, Doc Eason, Chris Camp, Tony Dowell, Rick Fisher, Tom Burgoon, James "Cards" Molinari, Nathan Kranzo

For more information— www.centralillinoismagic.info

Abra-CORN-dabra

May 20-22 Des Moines IA—Performers—Jade, Oscar Munoz, Tom Burgoon, Christian & Katalina, Patrick K Ben & Margaret Ulin, Kyle Jarrard and more.

For more information — Abracorndabra.com

74th Abbott Get Together

August 3-6 Colon MI—Performers—James Dimmare, Araon Radatz, Bill Blagg, Ken Mate, Rich Marotta & Twila Zone, Nathan Kepner, Nels Ross, Mark Holstein, Las Arnold & Dazzle, Tim Hill, Kerry Pollock, Jeanette Andrews, Dan Stapleton, John Calvert (Celebrating his 100th Birthday on August 5th), Ron Jaxon, Joseph Young Yumi, John Sturk, John Luka, Kevin Heller, Eli Portala, Shim Jisum, Reuben Moreland and Gordon Miller.

For more information — Magicgettogether.com