



I.B.M. MAGRUM-KIEFER RING No. 11
QUAD CITIES MAGIC CLUB
AUGUST 2011 NEWSLETTER

AUGUST MEETING

August 11, 2011
7:00 PM
Riverside Garden Room
34th Street and 5th Avenue
Moline, IL

ASSIGNMENTS

MC: Mike Finney

Theme: Classics of Magic

Drinks: Laura Anderson

Snacks: Chuck Hansen

Teach-A-Trick:

Easy — Brad Wheeler
Difficult — Mike Dyer

Media Rpt: Brad Wheeler

SEPTEMBER MEETING

Theme: Auction

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The meeting theme is classics of magic. Here's your chance to present one or more of your best routines. We never see enough zombies, linking rings or cups and balls.

If you don't want to present a classic; that's fine. Bring something else you have been working on. Who knows it may become a classic.

We are meeting the second Thursday this month because of the conflict with Abbott's Get-together. We're back at the Garden Center and we'll start the meeting at 7 PM.

ABBOTT'S GET-TOGETHER

As usual we had a good showing of members at Abbott's. After all it is the Magic Capital of the World.

The shows were terrific, the lecturers were not as good and the dealers were there showing their wares. The street vendors had some real deals and real steals.

The magicians attending the convention helped the renowned John Calvert and his wife, Tammy, celebrate John's 100th birthday on August 5th. John was on the evening show and he performed Casper, the dancing handkerchief.

Saturday morning John took the stage again to talk about his career in magic. John was friends with a lot of Hollywood's rich and famous. He told a number of stories about Cary Grant, Marilyn Monroe, Red Skelton, Howard Hughes and other celebrities.

John was asked what you should do to live to be 100. His response was, "Once you hit 99 be real careful for the next 12 months".

The weather was perfect and except for the lack of air condi-

tioning in the Colon High School Gym on Saturday night it was a great convention. Hope you can make it next year.

JULY MEETING

July is when we hold our annual club picnic. Todd Herbst lined up the catering crew and made sure there was more than enough food for everyone. Thanks to all the folks that brought desserts. They were the icing on the cake of a yummy dinner.

More than forty folks showed up for the occasion. After dinner Todd Herbst announced the contest winners. In close-up first place went to David Casas, second was Luke VanCleve and third was Eric Dany. In the stage contest Eric Dany placed first, Jesus Rios second and Ken Cooper was third.

The evenings show was MC'd by none other than the remarkable, Chuck Hanson. Chuck was in fine form and kept everyone in stitches. Todd Herbst showed an original effect where a vanished silk reappeared in the pocket of his costumed assistant. Ken Cooper befriended a spectator and dressed him as a rabbit. Ken then got in touch and read his new found friend's mind by correctly identifying a selected card.

Luke VanCleve performed a very smooth signed card in the mouth routine. Sir Richard cried over his red hankie vanish and then magically produced a selected card. Joe Dobson kept us laughing with a monkey-see, monkey-do effect.

Eric Dany showed how his father vanished a coke bottle and then he smashed a spectator's watch, which re-appeared in a locked box. Rick Brammer presented his version of cards across and Brandon Lipkowitz revealed a selected card not caring if his spectator lied or not.

Justin Galbraith's mind reading ended up with the production of a selected card from his pants pocket. Jesus Rios took us to magician's contest where per performed a winning ring-on-rope routine. It was a very enjoyable evening.

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

September—Auction

October—Halloween Magic

November—Illusions & Stage

December—Birthday & Children's