

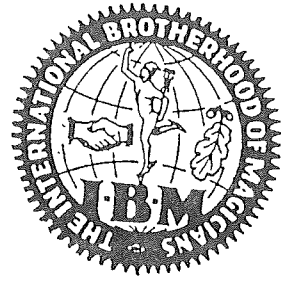


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# Newsletter



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Notice is hereby given that the next stated meeting of the Delaware Valley Conjurers Club will be held on Monday, June 9, 1997, at 7:30 post meridiem. This Monday evening we will have a Special Lecture - somehow we've managed to get Tom Mullica here to impart his wisdom (?) and share his talents. I just wonder if, in these Politically Correct times, he still does that stunt where he puts all those cigarettes on his mouth. I suppose he could use those little pencils you get at miniature golf, but I'm not sure it would have the same impact.

Not too late (I hope): Bob Little's Super Sunday. June 8. \$20. The Warrington (4 miles North on 611 from the Willow Grove exit of the turnpike).

MAES Convention: September 4, 5, & 6, Lancaster Host Resort. Details to follow.

Well, you no doubt all saw the David Blaine "special" - what'd you think? Is this the future of magic on television, as one ABC network executive said? Or is it just some guy with some talent and a tremendous agent? Member Tom Flatley sent me a copy of a newspaper article that presented both sides. One interviewed magician stated: "For \$30 at the magic shop around the corner, you could do his act, too." Sour grapes? Perhaps. But for all of his "I'm just a guy doing tricks" attitude, this Blaine character apparently has some MAJOR connections - Woody Allen, and I forget who else (where IS that article?). Let's see if he develops the same staying power for magic specials as Copperfield has.

Speaking of Copperfield: As if he doesn't have enough Fame/Publicity/Money/etc. I just returned from Disney World, and there is a big billboard at the entrance to the MGM park, reading: "Coming in the fall of 1998: Copperfield's Magic Underground". Now there's a perfect match - Disney's marketing skills with a magic-themed attraction. And isn't Copperfield involved in some magic-related restaurant venture? Where does it end? How soon until there's a Copperfield Candy Bar ("Melts in your mouth; Disappears like Magic").

Next month: July. Magic Trivia Night. Or maybe a rescheduled Book Night. Or maybe both.

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