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This is the new format of the Ring 6 Update. The new newsletter, "The Apparition" is compiled and edited by one of our new members, David Hale. This new newsletter is for all of the members of Ring 6 and

all article contributions are very welcome. It is difficult for David to create all of the content by himself. This publication will contain meeting information, tricks, Ring 6 business items and also what is happening in

magic around the area. Any submissions of articles or information is greatly appreciated. There will also be a section on Members in the News. Please feel free to submit information on yourself as well.

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It's Time to Pay your Ring 6 Dues

Well, not only is it a start to a new year for Ring 6, it is time again to pay your assembly dues. Let's get the bad news out of the way first. The dues for Ring 6 are \$20.00 for the year. That is quite a bargain for all of the fun and friendship that you get. Remember, you have to be a fully paid member of the National IBM prior to assembly membership. So ensure that you are also up to date with your National dues as well. When you pay your dues, you will receive a membership card to Ring 6. This will serve as your reminder that you have already paid and of course the fact

that you have paid your dues will be duly recorded by your Treasurer. Ring 6 needs these financial resources to be able to offer you a great year, and the sooner you pay them, the better for the club as a whole.

Your dues should be paid promptly. It is easiest to pay at the meetings and we accept both cash and checks. If you would like to mail your payment to the treasurer, he will be happy to provide his address to you at the

next meeting. Remember that our meetings are always the second Monday of the month, so mark your calendar.



February Schedule at a Glance

February 2nd SAM 181

No Card Trick Night. 7:30 PM

First United Methodist Church
187 Stockton St.
Hightstown, NJ

February 13th IBM Ring 6

Brad Ross Lecture 7:00 PM

C.C. Hancock Memorial United
Methodist Church
542 Wesley Rd.
Springfield, PA 19064

February 16th SAM 4

Video Night 7:00 PM

Polish American Home Association
9150 Academy Rd.
Philadelphia, PA

Members in the News

Seeing that this is the first issue of "The Apparition", I have no specific information of any of our Ring members in the news. I will therefore tell you about my recent experience of performing on the Cruise Ship Queen Elizabeth II.

My wife and I were taking a leg of the world cruise from New York to Los Angeles via the Panama Canal. It

was a great experience, and I was able to perform on the ship as well. I was not a paid performer, but was involved in the passenger talent show. Once I was finished, they said that they enjoyed my performance more than the Magic act that they hired for that leg of the cruise. Maybe I will get out of computers and concentrate on magic full time... maybe not



Not Just Routine

The Slip-the-Loop Trick

The Trick

1. Lay a short rope on the table and form a figure eight with it.
2. Take the longer end of the ropes and make a circle around the eight with it. The ends of the rope should both be coming toward you.
3. Have a volunteer put his finger in the center of the top of the eight while you pull the ends of the rope.
4. Notice that his finger has two loops tightened around it now.

5. Put your own finger in the same loop, and the rope comes free ' no loops for you!

How It's Done

1. The trick is in the way the rope is laid out.
2. Make the figure eight so that the short end of the rope ends up on the left. This means that the long end will cross the short end as it completes the eight. The long end is then taken to the left and around the top of the eight, ending up coming back down to lie parallel to the short end.

3. Lay the short end over the rope if you want to trap the finger.

4. Put the short end so it crosses under the rope if you want it to pull free.



Magic Clinic

What is the best sound system to use for a small venue? Why do I flash the coin every time I do a French Drop? How do I deal with hecklers? What is a good fee to charge for charity shows?

These questions and hundreds of others plague us all from time to time. With the wealth of knowledge that we have within our talented Ring, it should be easy to find the answers. That is the purpose of the Magic

Clinic. Many times our quandaries wander away from the technical aspects of the magic effects that we perform and we need to know more about the business of magic. We can all either pose some thought provoking questions, or provide some answers to those questions.

It may be that someone is having trouble with their French Drop or they just want to know what an Elmsley Count really is. The Magic

Clinic can help with those questions as well. The Magic Clinic idea is to promote both learning and fraternity (or sorority) within the Ring. Let's all work together to better our ability to succeed in magic. There are so many layers to a successful magician, and Ring 6 has some of the most talented individuals in magic today.

So start thinking of your questions. You can voice them at the meetings, or email them to this newsletter

Last Month's Auction

Last month we conducted our annual member auction. Many of the members supplied lots of magic to choose from. The entire event went very well and the Ring even made some money.

The auction went into the late night and several buyers were very happy with the items they bought. The sellers seemed to be pleased with their

sales as well. All in all a good time was had by all.

The Assembly made a profit and that amount will be announced at the February Meeting. So come out on Feb. 13th and find out how the Ring did. And thank you all for participating and remember there will be another one next year.



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Submit Articles to “The Apparition”

The Apparition is your newsletter as much as it is any other member's of Ring 6. We encourage you to submit your ideas, articles, tricks and anything else that you may think of to make it better for all. It is a big job to create the entire newsletter all alone every month. I am happy to do it, but all of your voices will make it more enjoyable to the membership. Feel free to bring your articles to any Ring 6 meeting and I will include them in the next issue. You can also email your content to me at :

dshale@ccn1.com.

The newsletters are going to be published two weeks prior to each meeting. This will allow time for the post office to deliver them to the recipi-

ents that receive them through the mail. That means that the deadline for any contributions from the members is the last Monday of the month. Articles that are submitted after that date will be placed in the following issue.

It may take a village to raise a child, but it takes an entire Ring to produce a great newsletter.

David S. Hale—Newsletter.

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