International Brotherhood of Magicians

Ring 6



The Apparition



Election of Officers in November

At the November 13th meeting we will be holding our yearly elections for next year's officers. We have a great slate of candidates that were nominated last month. As a member of Ring 6, you are also free to nominate any additional candidates that night, prior to the election. Please come and vote

for who will lead the Ring through 2007. I have not been informed as to the nature of the rest of the program for the evening, but we always have a good time and it is always fun sharing magic and stories. Speaking of stories, this month starts a new column by none other than our own Forrest Chapman. It is a

great column on humorous events that have happened to him while on the road with his magic. I am sure that many of us will be able to relate to Forrest's plights. Check out his article on Page 2. And thank you Forrest for contributing to the content of the newsletter. It is always welcome.



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Pictures from the Magic Cavalcade





Meeting Times:

November 13, 2006

7:00 PM Doors Open7:17 PM Dealers and Social

8:00 PM Business Meeting

8:30 PM Evening Program

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Miscellaneous Musings, Mishaps and Madness...by Forrest Chapman

Miscellaneous musings, mishaps, madness, and mystery from the life of a working magician that range from the mundane to the insane:

It seems as if every week, something wild, weird, frustrating, or fantastic happens in one of my shows. So much so that other magicians and agents were telling me, "Only you, Forrest, only you." I thought it may be entertaining for other magicians to read about these occurrences. Other performers can smile with me and shake their heads as if to say, "I know exactly how that feels," while hobbyists and enthusiasts can simply laugh at my calamity.

I would like to begin the first column of "Miscellaneous Musings" with a "don't you hate it when ..." list.

Don't you hate it when ...

1) You spend two hours on the road to your next show. You have had to use the bathroom since you left

and by the time you arrive your teeth are swimming and your eyes are so yellow you look as if you have hepatitis. The hostess greets you at the door and she hears you holler "Where's the bathroom?!" as you brush past her in a frantic search for the lavatory.

- 2) You are in between shows and you decide to go get some lunch. No matter how much you wrap yourself in napkins and no matter how large a bib you wear, you ALWAYS spill something on your suit. Now you have a dilemma: should I try to clean the spot? You can either go into your next show with a large, crusty food stain on your suit, or you can perform your next show with a large wet spot in a very conspicuous area.
- 3) You are just arriving at a kid's show. Your hair is perfect. Your shoes are shined. Your suit is clean and pressed. You are wearing a gold tie tack and a tall, immaculate top hat. You feel as if you are getting your professional on and when the hostess greets you at the door, she

yells behind her to the party, "The CLOWN is here! Hey guys, the CLOWN is here!" (And this is the lady who hired you to be a MAGI-CIAN!) All the children begin to scramble around yelling, "The CLOWN is here! Yeah! The CLOWN is here." Now I know I have wild hair, big feet, rosy cheeks and I look funny, but a "clown"????

4) You are doing your elegant manipulation act. You are doing splitfan card manipulations, magician frying billiard ball moves, and knucklebusting 5-coin stars and some kid yells out, "That's easy. I can do that!" I train my fingers daily, I ponder the best way to produce an effect, and I practice for countless hours to hear a 6-year-old declare to the entire audience how easy my manipulations are. Ah, the life of a working magician!

Next issue ...

"Who invited him?"

Magic Cavalcade Wrap-up

INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF MAGICIANS

RING #6 PERFORMERS

Master of Ceromonies: Fred Siegel

ACT 1

magic

ED & KIMBERLY Classic magic & appearances

GEORGE HAMPLE Spooky & funny NORM KLAR Just funny magic! DAVE KELLY With Gwendolyn ED SCHMITT Fast, funny, & floaty ACT 2

THE AMAZING POLY Laugh a minute (3 pm show)

or

FORREST CHAPMAN Magic to Music (7 pm show)

AL ANGELO Juggling & magic STEVE BLACK You won't believe your eyes

DICK GUSTAFFSON Master Magician ED & KIMBERLY A classic finish

Close up Performers

Jim Capobianco, Ralph Armstrong, KL Chan, Norm Klar and Mike Scanzello. We had about 180 paid for the shows, and I expect that we will clear about \$700 for club activities for the coming year.

Thank you all for your help and participation.

David Kelly.

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Not Just Routine "Calendar Prediction"

This is a great prediction that you can do anytime there is a calendar near by. With the advent of personal digital assistants and cell phones that keep track of your schedule, there seems to always be some sort of calendar close to you.

Well this is how it starts. Have your victim...sorry audience participant select three consecutive days in the calendar. If you have a printed calendar available, it helps if they circle the dates so the remainder of the audience can see what they have chosen.

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7	8	9	10	11	12	13
	15					
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31	1	2	3
d	5	6	7	8	9	10

It is important that the dates be consecutive and not just random dates on the calendar.

Next have them add the three dates together in their head. Because of this addition, it may not be a good idea to have a very young child do this. Someone who is comfortable adding up to two digit numbers will be best.

Once they have the number of the totaled dates, have them tell you that number. Seeing as you are such a talented magician and you possess skills beyond their wildest imagination, you will be able to tell them the three dates they chose.

In our example the dates of 16,17 and 18 are circled. We will use these dates to show how to accomplish this mental miracle.

All the magician has to do is take the number given to them by the spectator and divide it by 3. That will give the magician the middle date of the three. Then all the magician has to do is tell the participant that their dates are the numbers one less than that, the middle number and the number one more than that.

For example. 16+17+18=51. So the audience member has told you the number "51". Now all you have to do is divide 51 by 3 and you get 17. That is the middle number in the date range. So you know to tell the spectator that the dates that they chose were the 16th, 17th and 18th.

They will really like that and it is easy to do without any props really necessary.

Have fun with that one.



Don't Forget:
Bob Little's Super
Sunday is coming.

November 19th 10 am to 10 pm Holiday Inn Street Road Bensalem, PA

Presenting
Arthur Trace
FISM Winner

Still only \$30 for the whole day.



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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.

