

Silent Mora Ring 122 Sept. 2011

THE SILENT Messenger

Mini-Lecture Night



Photo above: Ray Goulet enjoys a laugh while President Jim Canaday passes his crown to this year's president, Andrew Inglis.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, September 27, 2011

Photo right: Jim Canaday shows Bob Filene, Pat Farenga, and Bruce Fenton his card effect. David Sheehan, a visitor from Ireland, is barely visible on the right., Three of Ring 122's members gave minilectures on June 28, 2011. It was a nice way to learn some new moves and tricks, as well as see some original thinking and patter by our own members. Each of the presenters provided wellthought-out presentations, props, and references, as well as the give and take that can only occur when you are face-to-face with someone. It was a smoothly run, fun evening. Presenters had a half hour to lecture and work with their audience. We



also had the pleasure of hosting a visiting magician at our meeting: David Sheehan from Cork, Ireland.

Our outgoing (in the senses of personable and departing) president, Jim Canaday, showed us a routine he created that uses regular playing cards that he named Brainwave Oil and Water. Jim not only performed and explained its workings to us, he also provided us with written instructions and cards to use.



Dan Bybell (photo above) performed a card routine he devised that enlisted intuition, psychology, and math. The three card tricks Dan showed were chosen because when each trick ended, it automatically provided the setup for the next trick. One of the tricks came from a book by Wilfred Johnson, and another came from the

Outgoing president Jim Canaday smiles while incoming president Andrew Inglis gets his crown.

Royal Road to Card Magic; I believe the last one is from . . . This was a very instructive demonstration of the power of using key cards.



Our incoming president (in the senses of arriving and watch out!), Andrew Inglis (photo above) taught us a charming effect with a paper napkin: Starcle by Dan Harlan. With just a few folds and a tear you create a circle and a star out of a napkin. Andrew didn't realize that Harlan marketed this effect as a download, so he urged us all to pay the small fee and learn it directly from the master: www.danharlanmagic.com.



New This Year

- Before every meeting, beginning at 7 PM, bring short routines or tricks you are working on to the front of the room and try them out on your compeers for quick, friendly and informal feedback. Jerry will facilitate.
- For at least the first few meetings, we will wear name badges and sign in. Our goal this year is for everybody to know everybody else's name and to be able to pronounce it. OK, Jerry? We also want to bring our website up to date, with a list of our members.
- Instead of scheduling one of our regular meetings at the Mystery Lounge this year, we will schedule a non-meeting Tuesday evening for a visit. We hope to find a show that will include our own Joel Acevedo, and perhaps we can meet for dinner beforehand somewhere in Harvard Square.
- Some members have expressed an interest in meeting on weekend afternoons from time to time to work on all aspects of performing. We will discuss this and other performance-related activities in upcoming meetings.

From Our President

Greetings IBMers:

I hope your summer has been a happy and healthy one!

In mid-July, I went to the SAM Convention in Pittsburgh. Our brother (sister?) organization put on a nice event, with some excellent lectures, competitions and shows. During the final evening show, which featured Shawn Farquhar as MC, together with performances by Davide Sousa, An Ha Lim, Soma, David Kaplan, Michael Grasso and David and Dania, I found myself wishing that my friends and family were there with me. They would have been amazed, enchanted and mystified, and they would have hurt from laughing. And they would have truly understood the power of Magic, this fascinating member of the performing arts in which we Ring 122ers find ourselves.

We may not be of the same caliber as the performers in Pittsburgh, but every one of us has the potential to amaze, enchant, mystify and amuse in our performances. This year, I hope that we will give ourselves the chance to work on and improve those performances, through practice, observation, discussion and gentle critiques.

I will have more about this in upcoming issues. For now, I am really looking forward to our first meeting. I am deciding what to wear, and I have Robert's Rules of Order almost memorized.

Cheers, Andrew

June Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 by our president, Jim Canaday. The secretary's and treasurer's reports were accepted by the members. The business meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM.

—Debbie O'Carrol

2011–2012 MEETINGS (as of September, 2011)

SEPTEMBER 27, 2011 (Lecture, Presentation)

Ray Goulet Night: This evening will feature Ray Goulet and the amazing building in which we have our meetings. Ray will take us on a tour, answer questions, hopefully demonstrate some stuff, nd send us home with our heads spinning, in a good way. (This was suggested by Bob Filene, see Events, p. 6.)

OCTOBER 25, 2011 (Performance)

Spooky Magic Night. Get your performance on! If you don't have a bunch of spooky magic ready to go, now is your chance. Some of us may use this evening to showcase our routines for Ring 122's October 29 Halloween Show in Medford.

NOVEMBER 29, 2011 (Lecture)

Nathan Kranzo Lecture. This is a new lecture with some pretty offbeat stuff. Nathan always puts on a good show.

DECEMBER 27, 2011 (Performance plus)

Holiday Swap (DVD's books, and tricks) and Holiday Magic Night. Last year's was a lot of fun, so we are doing it again!

JANUARY 31, 2012

TBA

FEBRUARY 28, 2012 (Performance)

Winter Doldrums "Make me Laugh" Night. Comedy Magic. There is a lot of wonderful magic that entertains **and** amuses. Bring some of that along tonight, even if this is not what you usually do.

MARCH 27, 2012

TBA

APRIL 24, 2012 (Performance)

"I left my cards at home and Ray's is closed" night. *Magic without cards of any kind.* Yes, it really is possible.

<u>MAY 29, 2012</u>

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JUNE 26, 2012

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JULY 31 AND AUGUST 28, 2012?

A number of compeers have shown an interest in continuing our meetings through the summer. We will discuss this during the year. What do you think?

Please Note:

The date for the Magic Auction at the Magic Art Studio is Thursday, September 22. For info call Ray Goulet at 617-926-3949

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Website: http://ibmring122.000space.com/index.html

Meetings take place the last Tuesday of every month at Ray Goulet's Magic Art Studio, 137 Spring Street, Watertown, MA, 617-926-3949.

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Upcoming Events

Magic For Smart People

Bob The Magic Guy at the Somerville Theater, Davis Square, Somerville

Saturday, November 12 at 2:30 PM and 7:30 PM

Show is 1 hour plus 15 minute intermission. Appropriate for age 8 and up. Limited seating.. Reservations strongly recommenced.

Please call 617-661-8021, not the theater

THE **MYSTERY LOUNGE** every Tuesday night at 8:00 PM, at the Comedy Studio, 1238 Massachusetts Avenue in Harvard Square, Cambridge, Mass. Call (617) 661-6507 for information. . Compere Joel Acevedo performs here regularly! http://www.mysterylounge.com/Home.html

General Grant turns 80 Years Young at the Magic Art Studio

Pizza and cake were enjoyed by the adults, while General Grant played with his balloon.



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