

# THE SILENT

# MESSENGER

## Walkaround Magic Tips and Tricks

NEXT MEETING: June 28 7:30 pm at 35 Church Street in Watertown.

Our May meeting was themed to feature walkaround magic and many members came forward with their favorite tricks and tips for performing magic while strolling at an event.



Kevin Butler did a card trick where he used packets of red and blue-backed cards, had two volunteers choose a queen from each, then magically transposed the queens into the opposite packets; the kicker is that all the other cards are jokers.

Doc Rogers is able to find DNA on a chosen card by using the Dookhan 2000 analyzer. The analyzer is a blue light that reveals the fingerprints on a chosen card.





It is a marketed effect called CSI card by Xanadu.

Bob Filene talked and demonstrated some of his favorite walkaround tricks: Chicago opener, Business Card Prophecy, B'wave. He also showed a funny trick that revealed eye tests printed on the back of cards at end. Bob talked about money tricks, such as Extreme Burn, the Two-Dollar Window trick, and ended with a demonstration of the Hunter Knot trick.

[Photos: Top left, Kevin Butler; right, Bob Filene using the Dookhan 2000; left, Davy Penn, Doc Rogers, and Bob Filene.]

Davy Penn likes the Reality Twister pen for walkaround. The



quarter in iPhones works well for 2<sup>nd</sup> graders, and card tricks help with math. Davy used a Noah's ark patter to locate 3 chosen cards using a one up and one under deal (aka duck and deal).

Pat Farenga (photo left) performed and explained tricks from his walkaround sets that are simple to reset: Chad Long's Scratch (you give the "scratch" card away with their signature and still have a full deck to work with), The Chinese Stretching coin

combined with Bob King's ring on rope routine, and

Twister Magic's Cash to Credit.

Ryan Lally (photo right) performed an effect he constructed from instructions and the result was a highly professional prop and routine. Ryan showed Eric and Kevin a batch of classic postcards of the states of the Union and



pattered about doing a cross-country drive with Eric and Kevin and where they would make their first pit stop. Eric and Kevin divide the postcards into piles, and Ryan throws a paper ball into the audience. The person who catches it is to toss the ball to another audience member, and that person chooses a pile to get rid of; this is repeated until each volunteer has one card each. Ryan



asks an audience member, David, to choose one volunteer, and David chooses Kevin. Colorado is the first stop. Ryan unfolds the paper ball and Colorado is clearly written on it.

Gil described the Wellesley Weekend and the close-up tricks he did at the event, such as Gemini twins, gimmicked bills in wallet, and Jay Sankey's card trick guessing game, where Gil pulls three cards out of his breast pocket that are the ones previously named and written down by the audience member.

—Patrick Farenga

## The President's Letter

### **Sum-Sum-Summertime**

The long days and sultry nights are upon us. I hope you are able to enjoy them to the fullest. We now have a couple of months to take a break and recharge our batteries.

I hope you enjoyed the past year as much as I did. In fact, the last four years as your President have been a truly wonderful experience for me. As we move ahead, it's great to see Ring 122 so active and growing.

I would like to extend my sincerest thanks to all of you for your many contributions, large

and small, that make the magic happen at Ring 122. All indications point to an even better year ahead. It is rare for a group to embrace new ideas while nurturing the old traditions. In that regard, I think we're on the right track. The future looks very exciting Compeers, I can't wait to see what new adventures we conjure up.



Many thanks,

Bruce

### Secretary's Report

Some business matters noted at the meeting were:

- At the June meeting we will be electing the officers for next year. Notify the Nomination Committee Chair Kevin Butler (<a href="kevibutler1@gmail.com">kevibutler1@gmail.com</a>) as soon as possible if you wish to run. All officer positions are open and 1 position open on the Board of Governors.
- NOTE WELL: We have tallied the votes and we will be meeting on Tuesday nights at 7:30 pm in our current location beginning in September 2017.

—Pat Farenga

The June 28 meeting starts at 7:30 for members to share performances, thoughts, and ideas (Show and/or Tell) before the meeting's topic, Member Teach-In, begins.

TEACH-IN: If you want to teach a magic trick(s) to our Ring—no more than a 10 to 15 min. seminar—contact Bob Filene: bobfilene@alum.mit.edu.

## **Cure Alzheimer's Fund a Great Success**



The audience filled the room.

Alan the Uncanny (Alan Wassilak) and his performing partner.





John Sanbonmatsu amazing the crowd with the Gene Anderson paper tear.

## June Ring 122 Meeting Agenda

7 PM: Business meeting (all welcome to attend; officers need to attend):

• Don Albanese second reading and Michael Smookler first and second reading. Both appeared in *The Linking Ring* as new applicants.

• Bob Filene has news about a possible Ring 122 Halloween Show at the Regent Theatre.

#### 7:30 PM: General meeting.

- Election of officers for next year by the members.
- Immediately following the election we will start our Show and Tell session and then the Teach-In. If you want to teach a magic trick(s) to our Ring—no more than a 10 to 15 min. seminar—contact Bob Filene: bobfilene@alum.mit.edu.

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