



# The Silent Messenger

Silent Mora-Ray Goulet Ring 122

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## Ring 122 August Meeting Report

Our last meeting Ring 122 membership meeting was actually in on Zoom, but we did have fun at our summer magical BBQ, Flea Market Show on August 28th at Camp Evergreen courtesy of Jim Loscutoff. Fourteen magi were in attendance as started with socializing, then a flea market, followed by a hamburger and dog BBQ catered by Crazy Davy, culminating with a one-hour stage show with three of our members



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performing. It was our second time holding this event and it was a blast! We all agreed that we should make this a regular event and plan to do it again next August. So if you missed this one, you can look forward to coming next summer! Here are some photos of the Magi performing. Rob Kinslow was the MC, and the always amazing Alan Wassilak and mentalist John Bach performed! John's act truly flummoxed me. I don't know how he knew I had a six showing on the die enclosed in my hand and that still bothers me! Davy ☺



Pictured are Alan Wassilak, Rob Kinslow, Bob Filene, Eddie Gardner, John Bach, Daniel Barbas and guest.

**Our next meeting is Tuesday, September 27<sup>th</sup> on Zoom and features the amazing magician and teacher Michael Ammar as guest lecturer!**



## ***President's Message*** ***by Crazy Davy***

Dear Compeers,

When did you first feel magical? You know, that you had “the power to deceive.” As long as I can remember, I've known card tricks. I remember in high school I would carry a list of the 10 card tricks I knew with me in my wallet so I wouldn't forget them. I also knew some other kinds of magic tricks. I knew a magic trick that linked paper clips using a dollar bill, and I knew how to make paper clips multiply when they came out of a book. I must have just had paper clips around me growing up because I don't think I knew too many other magic tricks other than how to make a quarter cry. So besides a deck of cards, paper clips and little balls of Kleenex were my main magical tools in those days! :-)

But the tools don't make the magician.

A lot of magic emails I receive or see online are for new magic gimmicks, or new magic ideas. But really it's not the gimmicks or the cool ideas that make you a magician. I think being a magician comes from inside of you. You have to feel magical on the inside or else I don't think anyone is going to believe you were doing anything magical on the outside. This explains to me why sometimes I pull off magic effects and other times they don't go as well. Same effect, different enthusiasm, equal different reception. The magician is inside of me and unless I let it come out the effect doesn't have the same kick.

Recently I was performing at a birthday party for an unfortunate birthday girl. She had chosen this day to have a cold and couldn't stop blowing her nose and just looked miserable. Her six friends were happy to be at her party, but she wasn't, and after the show she went to bed while her friends ate pizza and cake. It was really hard for me to perform that day. It was harder for me to bring the magician out when my parental feelings were coming out! I just felt bad for her feeling so sick on her birthday. That and I felt even worse when my final big effect jammed on me and I had to resort to my less impressive back up effect to close the show.

However, being the lifelong learner that I am, I tried to critique my performance that day. I think the lesson I learned was that I have to be there to provide the magic even if the magic is falling on deaf ears, or in this case a runny nose. And I am sure in retrospect, I tried my best to do that, and my client *was* happy with the show, but I felt I had done less than my best to make a birthday girl's day special. Even on a rainy day, as a performer, I have to pretend that it's sunny. You only turn eight once, after all, and it should be a magical day for sure!

### **Your 2022-2023 Dues are Due!**

It's that time of year again! Dues are due. Dues pay our Zoom bill, the magician who lecture, and other expenses to maintain our club. It's still a bargain at only \$35 for electronic delivery of the Silent Messenger, \$45 if you desire snail mail delivery. For your convenience, there are multiple ways to pay: by check, made payable to IBM Ring 122, to Daryl Vanderburgh, 31 Stonebridge Rd, Wayland, MA 01778; or electronically via Venmo or Paypal to [dvanderburgh8@gmail.com](mailto:dvanderburgh8@gmail.com). Please include the description: IBM Ring 122 dues in your payment memo. Thank you! Daryl

## Our 2022-2023 Monthly Meeting Themes!

*Meetings remain on Zoom, however, we also plan on meeting in-person 4x this year.*

**September:** Michael Ammar Lecture

**October:** Member Halloween magic

**November:** Scott Alexander Lecture

**December:** meeting in person for dinner, Holiday Magic

**January:** New Year, New Magic

**February:** Lecture, Magi to be announced

**March:** Mentalism and in-person meeting

**April:** Book Magic and Favorite Gimmicks

**May:** Lecture, Magi to be announced

**June:** Elections, in person meeting, theme  
Group Create a Trick

**August:** Summer BBQ, in person meeting

## **IBM RING 122, Silent Mora–Ray Goulet Ring**

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## ***The Roadshow is coming to Needham, MA!***

The Roadshow is a one day magic event that has been an incredible hit across the United States, as well throughout Europe and the United Kingdom. Our Boston event takes place at the Sheraton Boston Hotel in Needham, MA on Saturday October 15th. The event features: **Dirk Losander** – The Undisputed Master of Levitation! **Mark Mason** - The UK's Legendary Magic Demo Man! **Christian Schenk** – Direct from Germany, founder of CardShark and creator of the Phoenix Deck! **and Paul Richards** – Roadshow Founder and his super-secret line of magic sold ONLY at live events, just like this! With special guests, **Daisuke Seo** – and his incredible, seldom seen magic direct from Japan and across Asia! The cost of the event is only \$10! Full details at [www.realmagicroadshow.com](http://www.realmagicroadshow.com).

