



S.A.M.-A-GRAM



Assembly 8
APRIL 2009

From the Desk of the President
Next Meeting 4/9/2009

Nomination Committee & April Fools Close-up Night

March 26th – Magic Auction Night



John Apperson, Steve Corbitt and Chris Ramey auctioned off thousands of dollars worth of magical props, supplies and effects for pennies on the dollar. Dick and Mary Ann Blowers handled and settled all of the accounts by the end of the night and it was a success.

It was better than last year, if you can believe it. Hundreds of items went up on the auction block. Some of the items were brand new still in their original packaging.

We even had a Mickey Mouse card selector similar to Gwendolyn the Duck. There were Aluminum Linking Rings, Rings & Thinks Linking Rings, several brands of Duck Pans, an original Crystal Silk Cylinder, several versions of the Topsy Turvy Bottles with root beer, Crayola Crayons and even Martini & Rossi. Several boxes full of magic sold as a single lot. A very nice suitcase table sold for a song and I am still singing.

March 12th – March Madness Extravaganza

Randy Kalin shows guest Greg Lewis everything you wanted to know about cards...but were afraid to ask! Jerry Novack unwraps rope from around his hand and



causes it to stand tall, then coils it up again with ease. Larry Minth's assistant, a little duck found both selected cards and was looking very cute that night! Larry connected with the audience and connected a couple of clothes hangers too.



Robert Campbell wearily holds up a target while Don Becker tosses an invisible dart at him, I mean the target. You might wonder, considering the first few hit him. Robert had us howling at this very comical mental routine. There were plenty of snacks too. Oh wait, don't eat that, there was a prediction in that gumball! Eugene Schaefer causes two cards that Jerry Novack selected, to vanish and return to the deck turned right side up. I closed the show by challenging someone from the audience to escape from chains and Greg Lewis took up that challenge and succeeded.

Make it Magical!

Dan Todd, President Assembly

2008/2009 S.A.M. Schedule of Up Coming Events



Thursday 4/09/09 Nominations: April Fools Close-up Night

Thursday 4/23/09 Show: Everyone Performs Night

Thursday 5/14/09 Elections: Magical Issues #3 - Topic TBA

TBA 5/??/09 Banquet: Food, Magic, Medals Awarded &
Installation of Officers and Board

All items are subject to change

Why is this all that is scheduled? Does Assembly 8 cease to exist after the banquet?

Of course not! You can help fill in the calendar for next year by running for office. With the aid of the other officers and the board, the next year can be even better than the last.

The nomination committee forms next meeting. The first meeting in May we hold Elections. I cannot run for President again, two years is the limit. Change is good. We need fresh ideas and I will be around to support the new president as a member of the board.

We all put forth the effort to make Assembly 8 great. The achievements of the past two years have been largely due to the contributions of its members and the outstanding officers and the board. How could anyone, not look good, with men and women like that supporting them? You will not be alone in your endeavor.

Come to the next meetings and ask any questions you might have.