



S.A.M.-A-GRAM

Assembly 8
December 2011



From the Desk of the President

Oct. 27th was our Halloween Party and WOW what a spread. First we had some lingering visitors from the SYM 50 meeting and we put them in the stocks. See the photos on Assembly8.com . We had long sandwiches, Swedish Meatballs, Crackers & Cheese, Chips & Dip, Cupcakes and Soda. This was all placed on black table clothes with golden platters, plates and dinnerware.

But the best part was the SPOOKY magic show. Chuck Lehr told a spooky tale that sent a chill down our spine, followed by Don Becker caused all of one suit to turn over in the deck and the only card missing was Dana Scott's chosen card. Steve Corbitt spun a tale of elimination, all in the mind of our guest, until the end. Larry Minth spooked us out with several effects including displaying Houdini's finger. Dan Todd performed Vampire's Heart, ESP cards & a Gypsy finger, Rune Wisdom, and ending his show with "A Girls Best Friend" (2 diamonds in the hand and 1 in the pocket...).


November 10th was the joint Assembly 8 & Ring 1 - Tom Carney Lecture at the Airport Hilton Hotel. Tom Started off with his pitch for "Bottled Air" and demonstrated with a balloon for visibility. Tom's Visible Ring Release utilizes two rings tied into a silk hank, but a rope variation was also demonstrated. We saw: Jailbird Jack, Michael DeMarco's Prediction in Change, Glass Backwards and then Six Glasses. Just one phone call away, Tom's wife knew what was up with the glasses. Those that made it were given lots of magic that could be easily incorporated into their acts.

November 11th was our Fall Festival of Magic. Steve Finkelstein and Dan Todd performed close-up magic while Dan Fleishman and Steve Barcelona strolled around entertaining the audience before the Stage Show. Steve Corbitt our Fall Show Committee Chair and Emcee. Chuck Lehr was the first act and he killed....waaatch....! Very funny and set the bar high for all that followed. Marty Kopp performed "The Train Stop" and it was a 1st class act. PNP John Apperson's pom-poms were entertaining, but his cute and adorable rabbit impressed everyone. Ronald McDonald was a big hit and in top form. Steve Barcelona performed his comedy Jacket Escape. PNP Andy Dallas entertained us and closed the show with his sophisticated and classical magic. The packed audience of over 100 guests said that they had enjoyed the show and would come back next time. This was a very successful event, thanks to our Committee Chair, Steve Corbitt and everyone else what contributed. Assembly 8 made over \$1,000 profit from of the show. The decision to change the theater also changed the costs dramatically.

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Reminder: In accordance with our Assembly 8 Bi-Laws, Article 5. Section 2 – Members that have not paid their dues "...are permitted to attend meetings until December 31st, following after which date, if dues have not paid, they will automatically be suspended from membership, pursuant to provisions of the National Constitution."

Schedule of Up Coming Events

	Thursday 12/8/11	Meeting: Holliday Magic Extravaganza!
	Thursday 1/12/12	Meeting: TBA - after the Dec. 1 st Board meeting.
	Thursday 1/26/12	Meeting: TBA - " " "
	Thursday 2/12/12	Meeting: Magic Auction!