



Sacramento Area Magicians

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Magic Flash

Newsletter of the Society of American Magicians Assembly 72

Monthly Meetings

Assembly 72 of the Society of American Magicians meets on the **fourth Wednesday of every month at 6:30 P.M.** We meet at the Ronald McDonald House, 2555 49th Street in Sacramento (behind the UCD Med Center.) *Prospective members are encouraged to visit us anytime!*

**2008 Dues
are now due!
Please send
your \$20 in
today!**

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Wright writes ...

Our Magic Yet to Come

By David Wright, President

Gather 'round to gaze into the reflecting pool of images yet to come. We see ourselves confident and proficient performers, technically astute in execution of our sleights, and disarmingly entertaining. We see many new faces in our midst, young and old, sharing in the joy of our art.

We are leaders in the magic community, our club a model of success and prosperity. Our meetings are fun-filled events where professionals and novices come together to exchange ideas, demonstrate new techniques and challenge each other on to ever greater heights.

We observe our pictures as they appear in MUM magazine and read about our club activities, fund raisers, lectures, and social events. We bask in the spotlight of our own magical creations.

The year 2008 is yet to come. It commemorates our first anniversary at the Ronald McDonald House. It begins our second quarter of a century together. It provides our club an opportunity to showcase the vanguard of our craft. Our magic, our club, is the creation of magical moments and memories together.

Our January meeting is yet to come. It is one that should not be missed. We will share in the Teach a Trick (performance theme) and in helping each other with our Trick in Progress clinic (workshop). We will pay our annual dues and decide if revised language for our clubs constitution (see the proposed revision elsewhere in this newsletter) should be allowed so that our clubs 2007 officers can continue through 2008.

Our magic is yet to come. We strive to master the art of astonishment one month at a time. Join us in our quest for perfection. Join SAM 72 and share in the magic of 2008.

**Please visit our web site at
www.magic1.org/sam72**

**Bring your \$20 dues to the January meeting or mail them to
Treasurer Allen Greenberg, 5500 Oak Hills Court, Carmichael,
California 95608-6644**

2008 Magic Calendar

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Date	Performance Theme	Workshop Theme
Jan. 23	Teach a Trick Night	"Work In Progress" Clinic
Feb. 27	Tarbell Night (or a similarly respected book)	Social Mixer
Mar. 26	Original Routine with Standard Effect	Coin Magic Clinic
April. 9	<i>IBM Table Hopping Competition</i>	
April 23	Rope Magic (String, Ribbon)	Building Suspense
May 28	Theatrical Impossibilities	Social Mixer
June 22	Annual SAM / IBM Barbecue and Auction	
June 25	Bag Night (Egg, Change, Gag, etc)	Ambitious Card Clinic
July 23	Cabaret Magic	Winning Strategies for Competitions
Aug. 13	<i>Annual SAM / IBM Stand-up Competition</i>	
Aug. 27	Silk/Handkerchief Magic	Social Mixer
Sept. 13	<i>Annual SAM / IBM Community Show</i>	
Sept. 24	Card Routines (2 - 3 tricks)	Rope Routine Clinic
Oct. 22	Houdini Night (or magic from long ago)	Holiday Magic Clinic
Nov. 26	<i>No Meeting Scheduled this Month – Happy Thanksgiving!</i>	
<i>To Be Announced</i>	<i>Annual Ronald McDonald House Open House and Toy Drive</i>	
Dec. 3 (1st Wed.)	Holiday Magic	Social Mixer

Minutes of the Meeting
What You Missed
in December, 2007

President David Wright called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

The Assembly's Constitution currently limits a member from serving more than two consecutive terms as President. A motion was made to remove that limitation so a member may serve as many terms as the member chooses and is re-elected. This proposal, to remove the words "limited to two years" was read at two previous meetings and passed unanimously.

The annual election for officers was then held, and the following members were elected to serve in 2008:

- President – David Wright**
- Vice-President – Leland Eiben**
- Secretary – Viktor Berry**
- Treasurer – Allen Greenberg**

Thank you to everyone who agreed to serve as an Assembly officer for 2008!

David Wright and Tim Walker performed magic at the *Ronald McDonald House Holiday Party and Open House*. It was a great event with a large crowd. It is mainly attended by adults, which is a good thing to remember if you volunteer to perform there this year.

Dues for 2008 are \$20 and need to be paid in January. You can pay them at the January meeting or mail them to Treasurer Allen Greenberg, 5500 Oak Hills Court, Carmichael, CA 95608-6644

A raffle was held for everyone in attendance at this special December meeting. Congratulations go to winner **John Iacono**, who was awarded a \$45 Gift Certificate from **Murphy's Magic**, who has been a valuable supporter for Assembly 72 for several years.

The performance theme for December was *Coin Magic and Card Magic*.

Magicians performing were Craig Meyers, John Iacono, Gary Berard, Dale Lorzo, Sean Kline, and David Wright. Many of the magicians took the stage more than once, and a lot of magic was performed.

The workshop subject was *Card Clinic*, and took part during the performance of dozens of card tricks and advice from almost everyone present.



Gary Berard offers a deck to David Wright.



Dale Lorzo makes something disappear.

**Please pay your dues
 by the end of January. Thanks!**

Magic Show

Saturday, February 2, 2008 • 7:00 PM

Doors open at 6:30 PM

Featuring Jon Lopez and Trevor Wyatt

Littleton Community Center

420 Civic Drive, Galt, CA 95632

For more information call 209-366-7150

Tickets: Age 12 to Adult – \$5.00

Ages 3-11 – \$3.00 Kids under 3 Free

Coming up in February:

Tricks from Tarbell or other respected books, and

Social Mixer (Informal workshops)

2008 Joint SAM and IBM

National Convention

July 21-26, 2008 • Louisville, Kentucky

The 2008 Combined Convention web site at <http://www.ibmsam2008.com> has just underwent a major update to include new Quick Links to:

- Performers booked,
- Contest information,
- Six Never-To-Be-Repeated Lectures,
- The East Meets West Close-up Gala,
- The Business of Being Funny forum,
- Flying times to Louisville,
- Hotel reservation link,
- A preliminary schedule of events.

Currently, over 1,200 magicians have registered for the July, 2008 International Spectacular and 53% of the Galt House Hotel room allotment has been booked.

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Our next meeting is Wednesday,

January 23 • 6:30 PM

at the Ronald McDonald House!