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FROM THE PRESIDENT...

Greetings Compeers,

We had a great turnout for our February meeting with lots of magic shared and enjoyed. Everyone believed in what Walt Disney once said, "its kind of fun to do the impossible" and that is what our meetings are all about. We will be doing more of the same on Wednesday where our theme is Money Magic... so dig out your coins, bills, bullion or wampum to show us the impossible.

Dai Vernon once said, "Only a bad performance of magic can hurt magic." At the request of members, we now have 'critique forms' available for positive feedback to help improve routines. This is for those that would like the input of their fellow members. So let's all bring something we have been working on that we would like to rehearse and polish. After all, magic is a performing art.

The evening's workshop will be about "what's in your wallet." What do you have with you if someone says show me some magic?

A joint committee has been formed of both S.A.M. and I.B.M. members to help improve our contests and community show, by eliminating some of the past confusion. If you have any suggestions, please past them on to me.

The meetings, contests and shows are only part of how S.A.M. helps improve our magic. The club has a terrific video library available to members with a huge list of titles. Ask Lloyd Shaffer for more details on how to go about increasing knowledge on your specific magic interests.

You will not want to miss the next lecture at Grand Illusions on April 10 with Chris "Scandal" Randall. (See information below.) On Wednesday, April 17th, we tentatively plan on an inter-club visit to S.A.M. #112 in Concord. According to their president, Douglass Kovacich "the April meeting is a very cool meeting called 'Game Show Night'. Contestants are asked trivia questions about the SAM National and their own local club. After a few questions, answered correctly or incorrectly, the contestant chooses a bag containing an illusion, which may or may not be complete. The contestant is given some time to prepare an impromptu presentation. It's a lot of fun."

Our magic auction is scheduled for June 2nd. If you cannot wait that long for a new magic fix, the Oakland Magic Circle is having their annual Flea Market and Auction Tuesday, April 2nd. Check out their flyer for details.

Along with the rest of the members, I look forward to seeing you at the next S.A.M. #72 meeting to share some magic and friendship. See you there.

Happy magic,

Dale Lorzo

Brain Twister—What word can be written forward, backward or upside down, and can still be read from left to right? Come to the meeting to find the solution.

Quote:Every day is one less: so make this one the best!



February Meeting Minutes:

- The meeting was called to order at 7:03 PM. The roster was checked for address and e-mail corrections. Introductions were made.
- The treasurer was not available so there was no treasurer's report/.
- The Ronald McDonald house is not available for the BBQ/Auction. Due to construction. Looking into Carmichael Park for the BBQ/Action with June 2nd as a possible date.
- Looking into forming a committee, from both clubs, to get going with the public show and to deal with magi contest issues.
- The Slydini lecture by Bill Wisch, met with mixed reviews. Good material but limited time to go over it. Dale said that his house could be made available for lectures so that we don't have to deal with the time limit.
- The club is still looking for people to lecture so if anyone has any ideas let an officer know.
- There was talk of a possible trip to Concord to meet with SAM 112. They meet on the third Wednesday of the month.
- Lloyd Shaffer went over the library procedures.
- Next month's theme is Money Magic and the workshop will be "What's in your wallet?"
- The meeting was adjourned at 7:21 PM

February Performers: Theme—Magic From the Heart

- ◆ Harry Mossman performed an effect with a torn and restored Heart.
- ◆ Joe Chez did a magic addition effect where he predicted the sum of some randomly chosen numbers.
- ◆ Lloyd Shaffer predicted a chosen card with the use of Hieroglyphics.
- ◆ Graham Hutchinson did the Sweetheart Shuffle, a clever routine with the Jacks and Queens.
- ◆ Dale Lorzo performed a torn and restored heart routine with the theme of School Bullying, ending with mouth coils.
- ◆ Bernie Goldberg gave an explanation of unpacking democracy using the structure of paragraphs.
- ◆ Richard Alyward did a nice thimble routine and then a card effect where the Queens that were in his pocket changed places with the aces that were in his hands.
- ◆ David Wright did justice to a nice color changing backs routine using the four queens.
- ◆ Dave Dayton did the signed bill from orange.

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Meets on the fourth Wednesday of every month at 7:00 PM. We meet at the Ronald McDonald House, 2555 49th St., behind the UCD Med Center in Sacramento, CA.

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After the show Dale talked about and gave some examples of how he scripts and blocks out his magic routines.



[Chris Randall lecture ticket](#)

Chris "Scandal" Randall

April 10th

WHEN: April 10th, 2013 7:30PM

WHERE: Grand Illusions, 7704 Fair Oaks Blvd. Carmichael, 95608

PRICE: \$35 (Season Pass holders free!)

Direct from Las Vegas Chris "Scandal" Randall returns to Grand Illusions with his all new lecture.☐ Chris will be covering his original approach to street magic including his critically acclaimed bill in lemon routine, The Inception, as well as Ashes, Chris' visual approach to the ace assembly.☐ Do you want to work restaurants? Chris is a seasoned veteran of the restaurant magic scene and will be sharing his hard-earned secrets of the trade in this rare lecture appearance.

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S.A.M. 72 Calendar of Events for 2013

Meeting / Workshop Themes

<u>Date</u>	<u>Performance Theme</u>	<u>Workshop Theme - Location</u>
Jan. 23	Paper Magic	Impromptu Magic
Jan. 30	Jay Scott Berry lecture	Grand Illusions
Feb. 13	“Slydini — The Lecture” by Wisch	Mission Oaks Com. Center
Feb. 27	Magic from the Heart	Scripting & Blocking Magic
Mar. 27	Magic with Money/Coins/Gold	What’s in your wallet?
April 24	Mentalism/Liquid Effects	Mentoring Kids & Novices
May 22	Annual SAM/IBM Close-Up Competition	Ronald McDonald House
June 2	Tentative SAM/IBM Barbecue & Auction	—
June 26	Stage/Parlor/Family Magic	Music & Magic
July 24	Animation and Anti-Gravity	Rope & String Clinic
Aug. 14	Annual SAM/IBM Stand-Up Competition	Mission Oaks Com. Center
Aug. 28	Antique & Collectible Magic	Magic Give-Aways
Sep. 25	Magic Learned From a Lecture or Book	What’s in your library?
Oct. TBD	Annual Mission Oaks Community Magic Show	Mission Oaks Com. Show
Oct. 23	Magick/Bizarre/Weird Routines	How do you create routines?
Nov. 27	NO meeting this month – Enjoy your Thanksgiving	—
Dec. 4	SAM/IBM Combined Holiday Magic Meeting	Ronald McDonald House
Dec. 7	Annual RMH Open House and Toy Run 1-3 PM	Ronald McDonald House
Dec. TBD	Dale & Elaine Lorzo’s Annual Holiday Party	

This calendar is subject to change and additional activities will be added as necessary.

For up to the minute information, please phone an assembly officer or check our website at

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