



### From the President...

Greetings Friends in Magic!

I hope that this recent face-melting weather has not demagnetized your locking himber wallets or asphyxiated your doves. I know I have been spending quite a bit of time indoors. What a great time to go back and revisit some of your old magic books.

While I am a fairly new collector of books on magic, I have acquired quite a few over the past few years. While there are many exciting titles on my shelf with nice, glossy photos, the one that I have been enjoying lately is actually one I have had since I was a pre-teen. I don't know exactly when I got Bobo's Modern Coin Magic, but mine (probably much like yours) is well worn. In fact, I now have two due to a friend bringing me a copy she found in a pile of books someone was giving away.

As is true for most books like this, there are more tricks than one performer will ever actually master. When I was a young lad, these books were overwhelming. I didn't have a plan for reading this type of book, but I am now older and wiser, and I have a plan!

My technique for working through a book like this is to read through the book pretty much cover to cover with props in hand. Coins, cards, whatever the theme of the book. Along the way, I take note of effects or slights I would like to revisit by writing the title and page number on notecards. Once I have read through and tried out each effect, I then go back through my cards and choose one or two effects to work on now. Then, the cards go into the book for future endeavors.

So, that's my plan, and I'm sticking to it... unless you have a better plan. If so, please share. While you're at it, check out The Changing Change on pg. 199 for an amazing miracle even 65 years later!

Make Memories...Make Magic!

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If there is any news or other information, please send it along to Joshua Ray to have it included in our next newsletter!

#### **RMH BBQ 2017**

Last month, SAM 72 hosted a barbecue for the residents of the Ronald McDonald House. In addition to a delicious assortment of barbecue fair, there were several SAM members there to entertain the attendees with some



tableside magic. Thanks to all who came out to help support this event.

# **SAM/IBM Close-up Competition**

Our regular June SAM meeting will be commandeered by the Annual Close-up Competition. Friends and family are welcome, so make sure to invite all those magic lovers!

Date: Wednesday, June 28, 2017

Time: 7:00 PM

Location: Ronald McDonald House 2555 49<sup>th</sup> Street, Sacramento

## Lecture - Dr. Joseph Culpepper

Dr. Culpepper, a Sacramento native, returns home to share his recently featured presentations from the 2017 Magic Collector's Weekend in Toronto, Canada. Dr. Culpepper will present his two talks on magic next Friday. This special presentation is FREE to IBM 192 & SAM 72 members and only \$10 for non-members.

Date: Friday, June 30, 2017

Time: 7:00 PM

**Location: Arcade Church** 

3927 Marconi Avenue, Sacramento 95821

#### **Happy Birthday to:**

Eugene Burger (6/1), Rocco Silano (6/12), Sigfried Fischbacher (6/13), Val Valentino (6/14), Charles Joseph Carter (6/14), Neil Patrick Harris (6/15), Richard Turner (6/16), Michael Ammar (6/25), Harry Blackstone Jr. (6/30)

2017 Calendar		
<b>Meeting Date</b>	Performance Theme/ Event	Workshop Theme/Information
January 4	Shawn Farquhar	Elk Grove Grange Hall
January 25	Your Favorite New Trick	Discussion: Resolution/Goals
February 22	Gift Magic	Teach-a-Trick
March 22	Borrowed Objects	
April 5	Bond Lee Lecture	Elk Grove Grange Hall
April 26	Mini-Member-Lecture: Dale Lorzo	
May 24	SAM/IBM BBQ	Ronald McDonald House
June TBD	SAM/IBM Auction	TBA
<mark>June 28</mark>	Annual IBM/SAM Close-up Competition	Ronald McDonald House
<mark>June 30</mark>	Dr. Joseph Culpepper Lecture	Arcade Church (3927 Marconi Ave)
July 26	My Pride and Joy	Workshop/Discussion
August 9	Annual IBM/SAM Stand-up Competition	Mission Oaks Community Center
September 27	It's in the Bag	Mini-Member-Lecture: TBD
October 25	Holiday Magic (Not just the obvous one)	Teach-a-Trick
November 8	Gene Anderson Lecture	
November 29	No Meeting	
December 13	SAM/IBM Combined Holiday Magic Meeting	
December 27	No Meeting	
December TBD	Dale and Elaine Lorzo's Annual Holiday party	Dale and Elaine's House (by RSVP)