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The Oakland Magic Circle
meets the first Tuesday of every month except July at
Bjornson Hall, 2258 Macarthur Blvd., Oakland, CA 94602
Doors open at 6:00 pm
AUGUST 2013

Tuesday, AUGUST 6, 2013
Doors open: 6:00 pm
Business Meeting: 7:15 pm
Intra-Club Stage Contest: 8:00 pm

President's Message

Welcome back! I hope everyone had a great magical month of July. I know I did! Along with performing at Playland Not at the Beach, Relay for Life and a few other social events, I barely had enough time to sneeze!

The board has booked some great lectures for October and for January. Great learning experiences all around. For October, in place of our usual Houdini/Halloween theme, we will have Nathan Kranzo, coming in from Michigan. You can see his stuff at <http://www.hismagic.com/>. He has said this will be much more than a "dealer lecture" where you can take away a lot of information just by attending the lecture. The cost of this lecture for OMC members is just \$5 and for non members it will be \$15.

January's lecture will feature that creative funny man, Robert Baxt. More information on Robert later.

Our August meeting is our intra-club stage competition. Here we find the performer who will represent the OMC at our annual Interclub stage competition. The rules follow this column. I will have the timer clock set up so we can accurately keep a good visual on the time.

I will have the event put up soon onto Brown Paper Tickets when I get the pricing from our caterer. There should not be any fluctuation on the price for the spaghetti dinner. And please remember, the pasta and sauce are "vegetarian" and there will a choice of the usual add-ons of Italian sausage or meatballs.

The dinners will also come with salad, bread, dessert and a beverage.

If you have been to this event in the past, you know it is a great night of stage magic. Voting has always been "The People's Choice." So, have your friends at this OMC public event for a great evening of stage magic.

See you all on August 6!
Magically,
Scott Alcalay



RULES FOR THE AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER STAGE CONTESTS

1. 2012 dues must be paid to compete
2. All eligible to compete except winner of the previous year's contest
3. All acts should be 8 - 12 minutes.
4. All material must be suitable for a family audience.
5. No open flame (flash paper / flash string ok)

Secretary's Report

Minutes of Meeting 4 June 2013

The meeting was called to order by President Scott Alcalay at 7:30 PM. He mentioned that former performer for the OMC, Dennis Forel, will be performing at the San Mateo County Fair and that Scott will be performing at the Relay for Life at Playland NOTB along with Mike Della Penna and Nathaniel Segal. Nathaniel announced that he will be doing library shows this summer. The 2013 Golden Gate Gathering, July 18-20, was highly recommended by Byron for those interested in astounding close-up magic. Byron also discussed the 2013 PCAM in Burbank August 1-4 and that he will attend. Mike Della Penna will be holding Magic Camp for youngsters this summer. The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 PM.

Byron Walker, Secretary

Showtime at the OMC!

2013 OMC Intra-Club Close-Up Contest

Mike Della Penna led off with his Reversed Queen effect, produced some bubbles, performed his Card to Egg, Card from Hank and a Copper/Silver effect. **Larry Wright** found Four Lost Aces and demonstrated a Laser Cut Coin. **Alan Sands** Counted Chickens, performed a Card Memory Feat and Strung Razor Blades. **Jeff Korst** demonstrated The Legend of the Phoenix by burning and restoring a napkin, told us of the Seven Deadly Temptations and Sins and closed with his Open Prediction (ACAAN). **Doug Eakin** demonstrated the Laws of Attraction and with Dagmar's assistance performed a Bill and Cup Routine ending up with a lemon. While the votes were being counted the winner of last years contest, **Magical Nathaniel** celebrated his 19th Birthday by performing his Rubik Cube and Bulletin Board Routine (assisted by Dagmar). The voting awarded 2nd prize to Alan Sands with Larry Wright taking home \$75 and the 1st place plaque.

Byron Walker, Secretary

Future Events

August – Intra-Club Stage Competition
September – Inter-Club Stage Competition and Dinner
October – Nathan Kranzo Lecture

November – Houdini/Halloween magic.

Nominations for 2014 Board

December – The revenge of Mike Della

Penna's Book Club Elections for 2014 Board

UPCOMING MAGIC EVENTS

If you have any news for our newsletter, email scottasf@yahoo.com or byron.walker@comcast.net.

From Gary Meyer:

In 1906 and 1907, W.O. Wilson drew *Madge, the Magician's Daughter* for the North American Co. The strip appeared regularly as the front page of the *San Francisco Call* Sunday comics section. It was an exciting strip that combined the two leading characteristics of successful newspaper comics of that period: one or more children who often seemed to get into trouble and some elements of surrealism. Further, given Wilson's artistic abilities and storylines, it is no surprise that *Madge* was very popular.

<http://cartoonician.com/madges-magic-a-look-at-a-forgotten-graphic-masterpiece/>

