

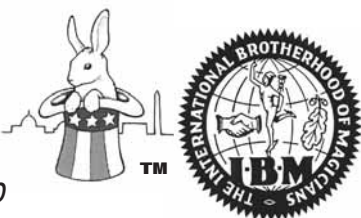
# MAGI-GRAM

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## Ring 50's meeting for July cancelled due to IBM convention

There will be no Ring 50 meeting in July because of the annual convention of the International Brotherhood of Magicians in Cleveland from June 29 through July 3. Meetings resume in August. There also will be no Magi-Gram published in July.

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## Ring 50 to elect, install new officers

Glenn Gary has been unanimously nominated as the next president of Ring 50. The election of new officers and their installation will take place at the June meeting.

Other nominees are Don Freedman for vice president, Dwight Redman for membership secretary, Jason Goldberg for sergeant-at-arms and Rucj Uffelman for re-election as treasurer. Directors proposed for the National Capital Ring are Noland Montgomery and Laurie Curry. Ray Eyler will serve as director emeritus. Eric Henning, who will be stepping down as Ring 50 president, will automatically become a board member. A ring reporter will be designated by the new president.

Glenn Gary became interested in magic in 1961 while watching the first magician that he had ever seen perform. A year later he was performing himself. While in the Navy in Norfolk, Va., he appeared at all the Navy shows at the base theater, on ships, at the base commander's parties and events, and private parties, hotels,

## \$1,000-plus raised at auction for Doc Dougherty expenses

Ring 50's annual auction in May was dedicated to selling items from the estate of the late Harold "Doc" Dougherty with more than \$1,000 raised for his extensive medical bills and final expenses. A portion of his vast inventory of magical equipment, books, videos, magazines, collectibles, and other items was on the block for the two-hour sale. The evening's auctioneers were Dick Christian, who used to team with Doc in past years for the ring's yearly auctions, and I.B.M. Past International President Bill Wells. Much more of the estate will be cataloged and sold. If you are interested in information about the rest of the collection, send an e-mail to [Auction@ibmring50.org](mailto:Auction@ibmring50.org) and it will be forwarded to Bill Wells.

and theaters around Norfolk. He also did some guest spots on local television in Portsmouth, Va., which led to his



Glenn Gary names instead.

own weekly program called The Glenn Gary Show. That's where he got his stage name. The producer didn't like The Gary Flesher Show so he used his middle and first names instead. After the Navy, an agent brought Glenn to the Washington area in 1968. He soon opened Glenn Gary Productions as a booking agency. Two years later he took over the basement of the Prudential Life Insurance building at Bailey's Crossroads offering full production services and employed 12 full-time and 26 part-time people.

After his agency was wiped out by Hurricane Agnes, Glenn went into accounting until he moved back home to West Virginia in 1975. When he lost his job in 1981, he became a full-time magician and part-time actor. He traveled a four-state area playing the fairs and festival market with his stage show. He landed several lead roles in comedy and musical plays.

Glenn decided to move to California in 1986 to try to make it in Hollywood.

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### JUNE MEETING

Wednesday, June 2, 2004

PIER 7 RESTAURANT

in the

CHANNEL INN HOTEL

650 Water Street SW

Washington DC

6:00 Cocktails

6:45 Dinner

8:00 Meeting

# Coming Events

## **Dave Shepherd Close-up Magic**

Dates: Wednesdays from 7 - 9 p.m.  
Place: Mama's Italian Restaurant,  
9715 Lee Highway, Fairfax, Va.  
Contact: 703-385-2646 or 703-623-  
3952. Web site:  
[www.daveshepmagic.com](http://www.daveshepmagic.com)

## **Lorenzo the Great Kid's Night**

Date: Last Tuesday of every month  
from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.  
Place: Silver Diner Restaurant in  
Tyson's Corner, 8101 Fletcher  
Avenue, McLean, Va.  
Contact: Larry Lipman at 703-237-  
1531 or email [lorenzomagic@cox.net](mailto:lorenzomagic@cox.net)

## **Open Magic Night at Barry's**

Dates: The season will resume in the  
fall.  
Place: The Psychic Ghost Theatre  
above Barry's Magic, 11234 Georgia  
Avenue, Wheaton, MD 20902  
Contact: 301-933-0373 or e-mail  
[Susie at magic@erols.com](mailto:Susie@magic@erols.com).  
Cost: \$10. Seating limited to 24

## **SAM Meeting**

Date: June 16  
Place: National Press Club, 529 14th  
Street NW, Washington, D.C.  
Contact: Ray Eyler at (410) 798-0176  
or [ceyler1026@aol.com](mailto:ceyler1026@aol.com)

## **Lectures at Dennys**

Denny & Lee Magic Studio, 325 South  
Marlyn Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21221

Who: George Schindler  
Date: June 3 at 7:30 p.m.  
Cost: \$15

Who: Steve Youell  
Date: June 9 at 7:30 p.m.  
Cost: \$15

Who: Silly Billy (David Kaye)  
Date: June 16 at 7:30 p.m.  
Cost: \$25

Contact: 410-686-3914  
or <http://www.dennymagic.com>

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restaurant performers at the Ring 50  
Web site [www.IBMRing50.org](http://www.IBMRing50.org)*

# A message from the president

Thank you for helping with Magi-Whirl 2004! We had a wonderful day of magic with nearly 100 in attendance at the Sheraton College Park in Beltsville, MD. We had a killer close-up magic show and a terrific lecture from card maven Steve Beam, a wonderful hour with Al Cohen (that could have gone all afternoon) and a practical and hilarious Wizard Show lecture from Dan Garrett. Many people commented on how much they enjoyed the evening show, featuring Barry Taylor, Mauny Muray, Craig Dickson, Charon Henning, Dan Garrett, Noland Montgomery, Dick Steiner and M.C. Denny Haney.

Special thanks to Glenn Gary, Don Freedman, Rucj Uffelman, Keith Pass, Jason Goldberg, Dick Leary, Chris McCauley, Betty Rexine and Betsy Mitchell Henning for the hard behind-the-scenes work that helped make Magi-Whirl 2004 such a success.

Having done this a couple of times, we are still learning how to do it right, and we all need your input. Please let me or the other officers know your ideas and suggestions about talent, lecturers, dealers and other features you'd like to see at future Magi-Whirls. We are especially interested in suggestions for next year's location (should we alternate between MD and VA?). We are looking for a school, hotel or conference center near major highways, Metro and a large auditorium or theatre we could use for a public evening show. You can reach me at [eric@IBMRing50.org](mailto:eric@IBMRing50.org) or call me at 301-369-0025.

## ***Glenn Gary nominated as Ring 50's new president***

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In the six years that he was there he performed in the parlor and close-up room at the Magic Castle, for private parties, corporate events and dinner cruises.

Glenn also produced and performed The Wizards of Magic; Eye Trix, World of Illusion; and Johnny Ace Palmer Live at The Backstage Theater with Mitch Williams and T.C. Tahoe. He gave up on making it into the big time in 1992 and moved back to Virginia.

In Virginia he has had roles as a detective on both The New Detectives

As my Presidential year draws to a close, I'd like to thank all of the officers of Ring 50 for their hard work, and the members, who make each meeting special and this Ring come alive. It's been fun to watch each of us contribute something special. I look forward to seeing continued progress in Glenn Gary's capable hands.

But remember, Glenn and the other officers can't do it alone. Ask yourself what YOU can contribute in the coming year. Remember, if everyone does one thing, no one has to do everything. Perhaps you can try out some new trick at a meeting and get feedback. Perhaps you can teach something at our next Teach-A-Trick meeting. Perhaps you can do a mini lecture on something in which you are an expert. Or you can help someone else improve their magic with an honest and gentle critique. I am confident that you have something that you can do to make Ring 50 even better.

One thing you can do is perform a routine at the June meeting, where we will have some officers perform, then open it up in a sort of "Open Mike" night. Please let Ring VP Glenn Gary know what you'd like to perform and approximately how much time you need. His e-mail address is [glenngary1@aol.com](mailto:glenngary1@aol.com) or you can call him at (703) 963-0790.

Magically Thine,

Eric Henning  
President, 2003-04

and The FBI Files for Discovery Channel, played Doc in West Side Story, and been in a couple of other musicals. Most of his time has been devoted to magic and magic club activities serving as an officer of both SAM and IBM for the past few years. In addition to performing five to eight shows per month, he has produced several lectures, workshops, and a dinner theater show. Glenn currently is in production for a stage dance and magic show that will be held in Manassa on June 20. It will be his first stage show in over 12 years.