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Holiday Inn site our new home New meeting place planned for Ring 50

The Holiday Inn in Alexandria just off I-95 at Telegraph Road will serve as the new meeting location for Ring 50. Its address is 2460 Eisenhower Avenue.

The phone line to the Holiday is 703-960-3400. Its Fax is 703-329-0953 and the e-mail address is Lmhi2460@aol.com.

Buddy Smith headed a search committee to find a new meeting place for Ring 50. He recommended the Holiday to the membership at the April monthly meeting. The proposal was accepted by unanimous vote.

Between Magi-Gram issues, you can get the latest news on events and restaurant performers at the Ring 50 Web site www.IBMRing50.org

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Danny Archer's lecture in May

Danny Archer, a well-known and popular magician from the mile-high city of Denver, will be a guest lecturer at the May meeting of Ring 50. His lecture is filled with solid, audience tested effects that can be learned and performed by anyone.

The lecture is free to Ring 50 members. Others pay \$15.

Danny's "On Target" lecture is a true lecture, not a dealer demo. All effects are fully explained with no need to buy any special props.

Danny has lectured and performed in 43 of the 50 states as well as appeared worldwide in Canada, Scotland, Wales, England, New Zealand, Australia, Germany, Austria, Switzerland, Denmark, Sweden, Luxemburg, Israel, Italy, Spain and France.

You will see and learn original magic with cards, coins, bills, photographs, business cards and more. There is close-up, parlor and stage effects. There also will be sleight of hand, self-working, mentalism and comedy magic.

Among effects to be presented will be:

Handy Business – a magical way to produce your business card.

Small Talk – using a magic wand, three coins are produced and vanish.

Trick Photography II – A photograph with a picture is shown.

After performing the card trick written on the back, the card has vanished from the deck and appears in the photo.

Big Bill – A version of Bank Night that is both funny and baffling.

DSP – The performer mails a box in advance, which contains a digital recorder which correctly predicts the results of a sporting event.

Pick a Coin – a stand-up coin routine useable for a 1 person or an audience of hundreds.

Danny's Double Speller – an easy to do yet effective card trick.

Dexter the incredible card finding dog! – a wind-up pooch finds the selected card.

Star Search – you make two predictions before showing your autographed collection of movie stars. Both predictions are wrong but then a unique twist proves them right.

Twin Peeks - two devastating glimpses that allow you to do miracles with a deck of cards!

Joker Mental—An incredible mental effect with a killer climax.



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MAY MEETING
Wednesday, May 4, 2005

**HOLIDAY INN
IN ALEXANDRIA**
2460 Eisenhower Avenue
Alexandria, VA

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

SAM Meeting

Date: May 18 at 7 p.m.
Place: National Press Club, 529 14th Street NW, Washington, D.C.
Theme: Here Comes the Sun
Contact: John Flanagan at (703) 582-6349 flanagemagic@yahoo.com or Ray Eyler at (410) 798-0176 ceyler1026@aol.com

Ricky Jay Show

With nothing more than a deck of cards, noted magician Ricky Jay transfixes audiences with his subtle and clever sleight-of-hand.
Dates: May 6-May 22, 2005
Place: The Studio Theatre, 1333 P Street NW (14th & P), Washington, DC
Cost: Check theater's Web site www.studiotheatre.org for prices and times.
Contact: 202-332-3300 (box office)

Ring 50 officers nominated for coming year; elections set for May meeting

Ring 50 will vote on new officers for the coming year at the May meeting. The leaders for 2005-2006 will be sworn in at the June meeting.

Nominees were chosen at the April meeting with Don Freedman, the current vice president, designated to move up to president. Dwight Redman was nominated as vice president, Bob Fay as secretary, Jason Goldberg as treasurer and Geoff Weber as sergeant-at-arms. Nominated as at-large board members were James Munton and Wendy Seigelman.

Nominations remain open and further proposed candidates will be accepted from the floor before we vote on the slate.

Please come to the May meeting and let your voice be heard. Only members in good standing may hold office or vote for officers.

2005 Magi-Whirl, a one-day convention sponsored by Ring 50 -- the National Capital Chapter of the International Brotherhood of Magicians.

Date: Saturday, June 25, from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Place: Cedar Ridge Community Church, 2410 Spencerville Road, Spencerville, MD

Accommodations: Best Western Maryland Inn, 15101 Sweitzer Lane, Laurel, MD 20707-2957, located 3 miles from the convention site.

Cost: \$40 via Web or pay Ring 50 treasurer directly. After June 15, \$45 for everyone. Registration covers all events, including evening show. \$10 evening show only.

Features: Stand-up magic lecture, special hour-long interview with featured performer, dealers and public evening show.

Contact: www.Magi-Whirl.org

Saturday Morning at the Movies

Publick Playhouse, 5445 Landover Road, Cheverly, MD

The Publick Playhouse has brought back Saturday morning movies for children ages 7 to 12 that feature a half hour of live entertainment by musicians, magicians and comical clowns before the motion picture.
Date: June 11 at 10 a.m.

Noland's Magic featuring Noland Montgomery plus Saturday morning movie "Muppet Treasure Island" with Kermit and Miss Piggy doing their version of Robert Louis Stevenson's famous classic about a band of wicked pirates.

Cost: \$5

Contact: 301-277-1710

A Magical Evening/Psychic Ghost Theatre

featuring Barry Taylor performing new magic routines. Special guest star will be Michael Bard, a guitarist and magician.

Date: Sunday, May 1, at 5 p.m.

Place: Psychic Ghost Theatre above Barry's Magic Shop, Wheaton, MD.

Cost: \$20 each; seating limited to 24 seats.

Contact: 301-933-0373.



WINNING STYLE--Noland Montgomery won approval of judges at Dan Lacey Trophy show.

Pocahontas State Park Presto! Magic

Under the Stars sponsored by the International Brotherhood of Magicians, Ring 50 and MeX Productions. This event takes place in the park's amphitheater. Featured performers will be Keith Pass and Eric Redmond from Ring 50 and special guest illusionist David Knight from the Roanoke ring.

Date: July 23 at 6 p.m. Gates open at 4 p.m.

Place: Pocahontas State Park 20 miles from downtown Richmond. From I-95, take Exit 61 and go west on Route 10 to Route 655 which is Beach Road; or take Exit 67, go north on Route 150 to Route 10; go east to Beach Road. The park is four miles on right; or take Route 288 from I-95 to Route 10 East and go one mile to Beach Road. Follow park signs from there.

Cost: Tickets are \$7 in advance and \$10 the day of the show. Kids under 12 are free.

Contact: Pocahontas State Park at 804-796-4255 or Mike Taggart at [mtaggert@cox.net](mailto:mtaggart@cox.net).

Bob Little's Super Sunday Magic Convention

Date: June 12

Place: Holiday Inn, 3499 Street Road, Bensalem, PA 19020. Phone: 215-638-1500.

Cost: \$30

Contact: Bob Little Guaranteed Magic, 27 Bright Road, Hatboro, PA 19040.

Phone 215-672-3344.

Dan Lacey Memorial Trophy competition cheers crowd



THE WINNER!--*Noland Montgomery holds trophy presented by Dan Lacey family members.*



MAGICAL MISS--*Alexandria Babin, 3, great niece of Dan Lacey, was a hit.*



CHAIN ILLUSION--*Eric Redman attempts to pull a linked chain through his body.*



SWAMI ACT--*James Munton and Hugh "Swami River" Turley produced laughs in comedy mental act.*



LEAD ACT--*Rick Beatty, below, led off a band of top contenders.*

KNOWS THE ROPES--*Bob Fay performed a slick rope routine in the contest.*



COIN ARTIST--*Mauny Muray manipulates coins.*

Magi-Whirl -- 2005

One-day convention will offer large dose of comedy

This year's Ring 50 Magi-Whirl will offer a large dose of comedy and fun with Kohl & Co. the headliners of the one-day convention. When everything wrong is right...that's been the essence behind the comedy mayhem magic of this popular troupe for the last 35 years.

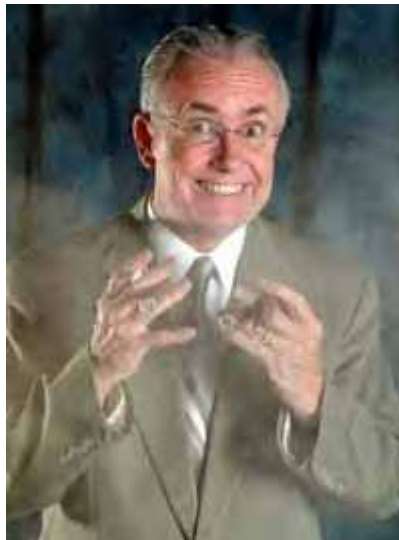
Veteran movie and television comedian Jerry Lewis offers high praise for the popular performers. "...And I thought I was wacko...This is one of the funniest acts I have ever seen!," he says.

The opening musical segment to their hilarious act starts when the Great Kohl enters wearing a rather tacky formal outfit and top hat. Then the threesome mess up just about any magic prop anyone has ever invented.

The convention, scheduled Saturday, June 25, will be held at the Cedar Ridge Community Church, 2410 Spencerville Road, in Spencerville, MD. The cost is \$40 via the Web or you can pay Ring 50 Treasurer Rucj Uffeleman directly. After June 15, the cost will be \$45 for everyone. Registration covers all events, including an evening show. The charge for the evening show only will be \$10. The registration desk opens at 9 a.m. and dealers will be ready for your business by 9:30 a.m.

John Rogers, a well-known magician from Indiana, will present a stand-up lecture starting at 10:30 a.m. John has lived all of his life in New Castle, Ind., a small town of about 20,000 residents. He is a member of the Society of American Magicians as well as a member of the International Brotherhood of Magicians.

A former high school computer instructor, John retired in 1995 and began a full time job of performing his mental magic. After many years of performing magic, John discovered that it was really the power of the human mind that intrigued him. His demonstrations of the human mind at work are truly unique and designed to showcase how anyone can develop their mental powers.



LECTURER--John Rogers will offer his "Know Sleight Intended" lecture.

His mind reading demonstrations are very popular with all ages. John still loves to perform his sleight of hand magic for discriminating audiences. In addition to selling wooden cigars on his web site, John also sells his props at various magic conventions. As a bonus, during conventions John offers a few choice items of magic that have been very popular.

You will be able to see some of John's amazing props in the dealer room where he will be one of the dealers. Barry's Magic Shop, Denny and Lee's Magic and Bob Little's Guaranteed Magic also will be set up with some of the latest magical items to buy.

After a lunch break, there will be a special hour-long interview with Dick Kohlhafer of Kohl & Co. that should be enlightening and entertaining as well as hilarious.

Following a dinner break, seating will begin at 6:30 p.m. for a 7 o'clock evening public show with the Kohl & Co. trio as headliners. Other performers who will be on stage are John Rogers, Michael Taggart, Barry Taylor and Ring 50 Dan Lacey Trophy winner Noland Montgomery.

For up-to-the-minute details of the convention agenda you can turn to



WACKY MAGIC--Kohl & Co. will offer their popular hijinks.

www.Magi-Whirl.org on the Web. Eric Henning, a past president of Ring 50, is organizing the event.

Here's the schedule:

Saturday, June 25, 2005

8:00 AM - Barn Available for Dealer Load In

9:00 AM - Registration Opens

9:30 AM - Dealer Room Opens

10:30 AM - Stand-up Lecture (90 minutes)

"Know Sleight Intended"

The Stand-up Magic of John Rogers

12:00 PM - LUNCH BREAK - 2 Hours - Dealers Open

2:00 PM - An Hour With... Dick Kohlhafer (of Kohl & Co.)

(60 min.)

2:00-5:30 Dealers Open

4:30 PM - DINNER BREAK -- 2 hours

5:30 PM - Dealer Room closes

6:30 PM - Seating for Evening Show

7:00 PM - Evening Public Show

9:00 PM - Sessioning in Lobby

10:00 PM - Party moves to location TBA