

MAGI-GRAM

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Election of new officers scheduled for May meeting

Ring 50 will vote for new officers for the coming year at the May meeting. Eric Henning has been nominated to be next year's president. Other nominees are Glenn Gary for vice president, Dwight Redman for secretary and Don Freedman for sergeant-at-arms. Laurie Curry and

Noland Montgomery are nominated as directors. Larry Lipman will automatically serve on the board as immediate past president. The nominating committee also is recommending that Ray Eyler be named "director emeritus" to remain as a contributing member of the board.

Curtain going up on Magi-Whirl

The curtain is about to go up on Ring 50's revitalized one-day Magi-Whirl convention.

The big event will star Jon Allen of England, Trixie Bond of Texas, Craig Dickson of New York and Denny Haney of Baltimore.

The main event is Saturday, May 24, on Memorial Day weekend at the Greenbelt Marriott in Greenbelt, Md. However, early arrivals are expected to begin the magic the night before when they gather in the Pitcher's Pub at the convention site.

A 75-minute lecture by award-winning magician Jon Allen, starting at 9 a.m., will kick off the daylong program.

Craig Dickson, a New York magic dealer and performer, will be next with a 75-minute standup lecture.

A special noon interview is planned with Baltimore magic dealer and performer Denny Haney. He also has a magic shop in Las Vegas.

A 45-minute birthday party demonstration by Trixie Bond is set for 2:30 p.m. This will be followed by a lecture by her on kids' shows.

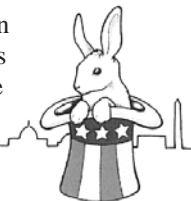
An evening cabaret show at 7:30 p.m. will cap the agenda.

Dealers tables will be open throughout most of the day.

After the show there will be an after-party gathering in the Pitcher's Pub.

Many participants have preregistered for the convention. If

you still pay in advance, the cost is now \$40. The fee at the door on the day of the convention will be \$45.



Check out the Ring 50 Web site www.IBMRing50.org for the latest updates.

Dan Lacey Trophy competition ready

Ring 50 will sponsor competition for the Dan Lacey Memorial Trophy at its May meeting. A bequest from Dan

Lacey's family and his workplace helped obtain the trophy.

Both casual performers and professional magicians will compete for the cup named in



Dan Lacey

honor of a former Ring 50 president.

The two declared winners in their categories will be recognized at the Ring 50 Magi-Whirl on May 24.

Judges will base their selections on technique as well as showmanship, presentation, program selection, originality and creativity.

MAY MEETING
Wednesday, May 7, 2003

PIER 7 RESTAURANT
in the
CHANNEL INN HOTEL
650 Water Street SW
Washington DC

6:00 Cocktails
6:45 Dinner
8:00 Meeting

*Christian the Magician
lectures at Ring 50's
April meeting*



HAPPY BIRTHDAY--*Dick Christian, left, helped Scotty Scafidi celebrate his birthday last month during a lecture at Ring 50 including a presentation on birthday magic.*

Magi-Whirl Program advertisements available

You can support Magi-Whirl and get your name out at the same time!

Ring 50 is now accepting advertisements for the Magi-Whirl Program for our one-day convention this month.

The program will be distributed to attendees and members of the public at the Evening Show. It will be in a half page format, so each page will be 5.5" by 8", and a full page ad is 5"x7".

**Ad rates are as follows:
Full page: \$100
Half page: \$ 50**

Doc Dougherty recovering from open heart surgery

Harold "Doc" Dougherty, a longtime member of Ring 50, is recovering from triple bypass surgery at the Washington Hospital Center.

Doc, who is well known in the Washington magic community, is scheduled to return to the hospital after his initial release.

He will undergo another bypass surgery, this one to restore proper

Listing in Area Magicians directory (name, city, telephone, web address) \$10

(Those buying any other ad will automatically be listed in the directory.)

Inside front or back cover (full page only) \$150

Please bring any ad copy, pictures, etc. and your check payable to IBM Ring 50 to the May meeting. If you have any questions, please call Eric Henning at 800-485-0029 or eric@henningmagic.com

circulation in his leg, in early May.

While he is in the hospital, any cards or letters can be sent to Harold E. "Doc" Dougherty, Washington Hospital Center, 110 Irving St. NW, Washington, DC 20010-2975.

During his recovery periods, Doc can be reached at the following address: c/o Richard Daemer, 10413 Drumm Avenue, Kensington, MD 20895.

Coming Events

Ring 50 Magi-Whirl

This one-day Memorial Day weekend convention will feature, among others, England's Jon Allen and Baltimore's Denny Haney plus an evening stage show, dealers and lectures.

Date: Saturday, May 24, 2003

Place: Greenbelt Marriott in Greenbelt, Md.

Cost: The admission at the door will be \$45.

Contact: Eric Henning at (301) 369-0025. Check the Web site www.magi-whirl.org for the latest information.

Dave Shepherd Close-up Magic

Dates: Every Wednesday from 7 - 9 p.m.

Place: Mama's Italian Restaurant, 9715 Lee Highway, Fairfax, Va.

Contact: 703/385-2646 or 703.623-3952

Dave Shepherd Magic has a new web site: www.daveshepmagic.co

Jay Sanky Lecture at Al's Magic

Date May 30 at 7 p.m.

Place: Al's Magic at 1012 Vermont Avenue NW.

Cost: \$15

Contact: Steve Brown at (202) 789-2800

Larry West Assembly 23, Society of American Magicians (S.A.M.)

Date: May 21, 2003 at 8 p.m.

Place: National Press Club, 529 14th Street NW, Washington, D.C.

Theme: Tricks with Animals, Dead or Alive/Coins of the Realm

Contact: Noland Montgomery, S.A.M. Assembly 23 president, at (301) 572-7743.

Eric Henning's Magical Brunch

Date: Sundays Noon - 3 p.m. except May 25.

Where: Clyde's of Columbia, 10221 Wincopin Circle, Columbia, MD

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Contact: 410-730-2829 or check <http://www.clydes.com>