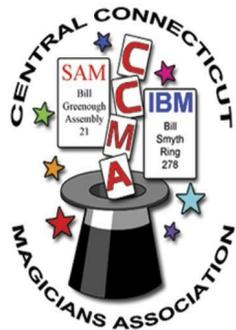


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Meetings:

Second Monday of every month except December

Angelo's on Main

289 South Main Street
West Hartford.

(I-84 exit 41)

January Meeting: Comedy Effects

Ha-ha-happy New Year. Bring a funny effect to captain **Soll Levine** to brighten our mood during these very cold times. Let's have some laughs together on **January 12**. Meeting starts at **7:00 PM**; join the officers for dinner at 6 PM.

Minutes of November Meeting

10 November 2014 7:07 PM

Pres. **Dan Sclare** presiding

21 members attending
1 guest

Secretary's minutes accepted as published.

Treasurer's report submitted.

No Old Business this month.

New Business: President Dan would like us to have an auction or tag sale sometime this Spring
Dan and **Barbara Scully** had a discussion about possible Public Show(s).

Good and Welfare: **Aaron Sherman** had a second reading, prior to joining our club.

John Marenholtz is back at his house with his full-time housekeeper.

Marlene Clark is recovering from an infection she got from knee surgery.

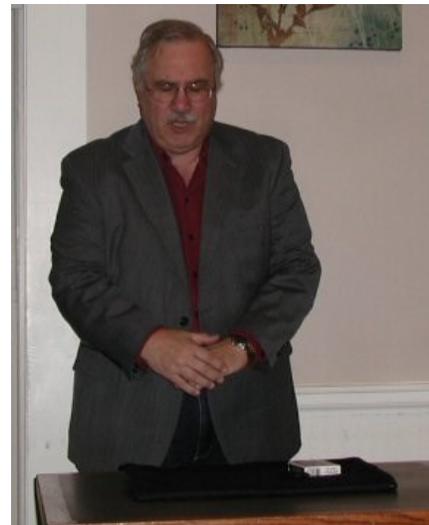
Adjourned 7:22 PM

Tonight's theme: a mini-lecture by our own **Rick St. Pierre**.

Rick performed and taught many effects that he has actually used in performances over the years.

Here's a sampling:

When Last We Met



Rick St. Pierre sets up one of his effects.

"International Matrix." Four coins (Mexican, Chinese, American, etc.) were covered with cards, but with a gag finish.

A transposition of two cards with a nametag holder. This one uses the "wow" gimmick.

A spectator was given the choice of three books, picked a page and selected a phrase. A blank slip and a pencil were put in an envelope. At the climax, inside the envelope is a piece of the selected page!

Rick taught us how to do the special preparation for the envelope.

Using four Jacks, one was switched with a selected card using a Hofzinger transposition.

A trick that was published in Tony Andrus' *Invocation II*.

An effect using a marble, a metal cup, a cloth bag, and some runes.

An effect called "20th Century Scotch and Soda."

From The President's Hat

Hi, I'm Dan and I have too much magic!

Anyone else have this problem? I do not want to change. So for 2015, I resolve not to change! Now that I got that out, I would like to wish all of you a Happy and Healthy New Year with lots of Magic! Let's all help to make 2015 a great year for CCMA. Get more involved, share what you have, talent, ideas, or magic you have collected.

What magic magazines do you get? A better question would be what magic magazines do you read, and read cover-to-cover? There is a wealth of information in the MUM, The Linking Ring, Genii, and Magic Magazine.

If you find great magic on the internet pass it on to Dana so he can put it in our newsletter and share it with the rest of our membership.

See you at the meeting.

Dan Sclare
CCMA President/Historian



(Do you notice a preponderance of place-holding pictures? You can help prevent this! Send me stuff I can share with our members.)



Shameless Plug Department

Upcoming public shows by our members

Nobody's doing any shows this month??
C'mon, tell me! I'll print it!!

Do you have an upcoming public show? Send the details to mordecai@sam21.org and it will appear here.

Theme Captains

The following is a reminder of the Theme and Captain assignments for the remainder of the '14-'15 year.

	Captain	Theme	
Jan.	Soll Levine	Just for Laughs	Present a Comedy effect
Feb.	Peter Lennis	Going, Going, Gone	Perform a vanishing effect
Mar.	Bob Killian	Mental Miracle	Perform a mentalism effect
Apr.	Dave Garrity	Tax Time	Present an effect involving money
May	Walt UMBERFIELD	Works in Progress	Present something you are working on or want to ask questions about
Jun.	Brian Scully	Days of Yore	Perform a trick you have been doing for a long time or no longer do



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(If any of the listed Captains have a conflict with the month that has been assigned, they are to contact one of the other captains and arrange a swap of months.)

More complete details of the Theme Captain Program were published in the July 2014 issue.