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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)

June Meeting: Days Of Yore

Got a trick that you've been doing forever? Or a trick that it's been forever since you last performed it? Bring it before your compeers and show us it still has what it takes. Or why you shelved it long ago! **Brian Scully** leads us down memory lane on **June 8**. Meeting starts at **7:00 PM**. Join the officers for dinner at 6PM.

Minutes of May Meeting

11 May 2015 7:11 PM

10 members attending

Pres. **Dan Sclare** presiding

Secretary's minutes accepted as published.
Treasurer's report submitted.
Old Business: none.

New Business: Dan asked secretary **Dana Ring** who is getting paper copies of the newsletter. Dana will provide a list.

We have booked a lecture by **Greg Wilson** for October. We will look to have the auction/tag sale in November.

The Bushnell in Hartford will run "The Illusionists" in September. There was some discussion about buying an ad in their Playbill, but it was expensive with not much expected return.

There was discussion about "Theme Nights" and Captains, and how can we increase interest in participating in our meetings?

Good and Welfare: Assembly 17 has **Morgan Strebler** on June 17. #16 and #17 together host a "Summer Sizzler" on July 18.

Adjourned 8:01 PM

Tonight was "open theme" night. Dan dropped a padlock into a small glass and covered it with a silk. In a flash, the lock was fastened to the glass' stem.

When Last We Met



Rick St. Pierre with his sneaky envelopes.

Rick St. Pierre showed three colorful envelopes, each containing a different coin. **Tom Gentile** was asked to guess what coin was in which envelope. Strangely, he was correct each time.

Tom then asked for an "eyewitness" for a fictitious crime scene. He produced a sketch-pad/flip-book which had partial images that could be used to form a face. **Steve Wronker** chose (seemingly random) face parts, which when combined matched Tom's prediction.

Jon Cap had **Henry Andrzejczyk** choose a card. Two jokers were placed on top of the deck and instantly Henry's card was between them. Another choice and Jon tried to get his card, but drew a joker. When we looked at the deck, we found all the cards were transparent, except for the chosen card.

Norm St. Laurent dazzled us with some quick coin sleights.

Dan did a four-ace routine in which the red and black aces moved from his hand to Henry's.

Steve then did HIS four-ace routine, in which one of the aces vanished from the packet and reappeared in the deck. Steve called it "his annual card trick."

From The President's Hat

Happy summer!

I spent a couple of hours at the Red Cross Center in Farmington this morning. I made a platelet donation. I try to do this a few times a year. If you have donated blood or platelets in the past then this is a reminder to do it this summer. Donations are needed all summer long. If you have never donated please consider doing it. It is just another way of giving back. How about becoming an organ or tissue donor? I'm pretty sure you will not need the stuff when you pass away. We all know how important donations like this were to our friend DO!

While on the subject of giving back you can also donate your time to a worthy cause. I hope to see some of you at the Cycle of Life June 7th sharing your magic with the families there.

Here's a portion of a letter from PNP Rich Dooley:

Each of you at some point in the past has generously donated some time out of your day for the annual "Cycle of Life" Childhood Cancer Survivors Event in West Hartford, CT.

This year's event will be in the same format as last year and will be held on **Sunday, June 7 from 11:00 am - 3:00 pm at St. Joseph's College in West Hartford, CT** (same location as last year).

The event sponsors have reached out to me again about the possibility of having some local magic talent volunteer to perform magic between the "core" hours of the event such as 11 am - 2:30-ish or any subset thereof. They understand that many magicians are busy working "paying gigs" and are appreciative of any time which can be donated.

We are permitted to grab complimentary lunch, snacks, and soft drinks.

I have asked that they try to set up a tent with a table or two and a couple chairs under a tent near where we were located last year and they confirmed. That will allow those who want to perform in a stationary spot to do so and will also allow for others who would prefer to "walk around" to do so as well.

If you can volunteer again, super! But if not I totally understand.

If you are unable, I am asking though if you could pass this request along to other magicians to see if anyone could carve out some time that day for this celebration of survival.

Have a happy and safe summer!
See you at the meeting!

Magically yours,

Dan Sclare
CCMA President/Historian



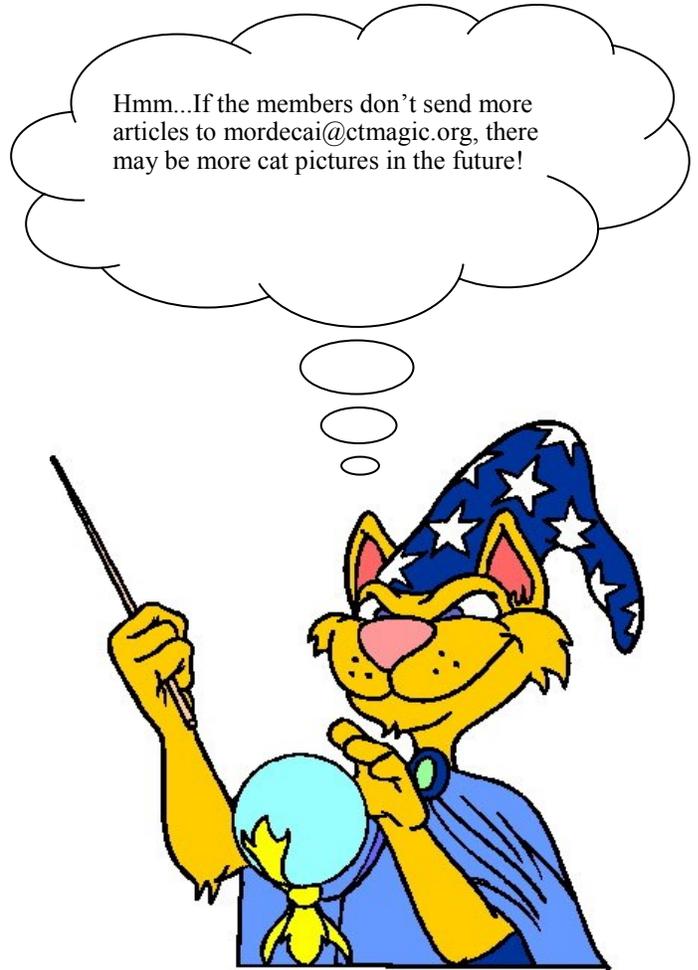
Shameless Plug Department

Upcoming public shows by our members

David Garrity

at Comedy Magic Monthly
BAR • 234 Crown Street • New Haven CT
Tuesday, May 26 at 8PM
www.barnightclub.com

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



Hmm...If the members don't send more articles to mordecai@ctmagic.org, there may be more cat pictures in the future!

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