

# Mordecai's Journal



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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: Warm At Last

Yet once more we will meet at the Sclare Cellar while the restaurant's renovation continues. This should be the last time (fingers crossed). Any magic is welcome and eagerly anticipated! Meet us at 13 Farmstead Lane, Ellington, CT., on **June 11 at: 6PM food; 7PM meeting.**

## Minutes of May Meeting

14 May 2018 7:56 PM

Pres. **Dan Sclare** presiding.  
Secretary's report approved as published.  
Treasurer's report submitted.  
Old Business: The Lost Acres public show was a success. More than half the attendees were new. Thanks to **Dave Garrity** for getting a notice of the event on Facebook. There was a lot of good feedback; the winery owners are very happy with the result.  
New Business: Elections. Dan has announced that he is stepping down as President. He wishes to remain Club Historian, and has possession of several historic club items.  
Good&Wel./Announcements: Our meeting place is still up in the air. Stay tuned for updates.  
On June 24, Asm#17 has their Summer Sizzler BBQ. It starts at noon and features raffles, door prizes, entertainment, maybe a flea market.  
June 3: Reach For The Stars cancer survivors event at St. Joseph's Univ. in W. Hartford 10-3.  
July 14-15 Westover Air Show.  
Rich and Dan attended *America Has Magic* on April 27, and obtained an autographed poster and offered it up as a door prize. After the cards were

## In Memoriam



**John Marenholtz** 7/28/19—5/23/18

We lost a great man and a great friend this past month.  
More in Dan's *Hat*.

ripped and matched, **Tom Gentile** had won it.

Adjourned: 8:30 PM

Tonight's Theme: Oddness (amidst the hot dogs and burgers).

**Rodney Beaulieu** set up three predictions for **Eric Wolfe** involving three piles of cards and six surprise matches!  
Eric warned about fake sports memorabilia, and showed his collection of Titanic artifacts: goblets and pocket watches, etc. He wove a strange tale of Titanic victims and the times of their deaths.  
Guest and soon-to-be-member **Paul Hamilton** borrowed a wristwatch, and with the power of his mind stopped the watch!  
Dan tested **Rich Gilbert's** ESP by having him

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## From The President's Hat

I am waiting to hear from the owner if the restaurant will be open in June. If not, we will be back at my home for the June meeting on the 11th.

I attended John Marenholtz's funeral yesterday, the 30th, along with Dana, Soll, and Tom Gentile. We performed the Broken Wand Ceremony. Walt UMBERFIELD and Cal Vinick had planned to attend but were under the weather and could not. Rest in peace, John; you will be missed.

Tom and I then left for a trip to Diamond's Magic in Peabody, for their Celebration of Legends and Foolers. It was an interesting day. More about that at the meeting. Jeff McBride, Paul Gertner, and Harry Lorayne, along with David Oliver. There was a lecture by Jeff where he talked about Eugene Burger, and showed how he would perform certain effects. The lecture was followed by a great show to a packed house.

This Sunday, the 3rd, the CCMC Reach For the Stars event is taking place. I'm going to be there with other magi. It is very rewarding performing for the kids and their families. There should be more info and pictures in this newsletter.

If you missed the last meeting you missed my announcement that I am stepping down as president. It has been both fun and rewarding along with some frustrations, but that's part of the position. I want to continue to be our historian. It is time for someone younger to take over and by the end of the night Brad Beady said he would run for the position of president, so we should be in good hands.

So, the Hat is now empty.

See you at the meeting.

— *Dan Sclare*



## Minutes, continued

name the color of cards he couldn't see.

Tom had Eric think of a card in a spread. Tom cut right to his card using a "52 to 1." He had Rodney sign a card; he tore it, and "welded" the pieces together with a lighter. The card was displayed restored, and unburnt.

Rich showed an old box and a picture of Houdini. A card was chosen and shuffled in. The cards were then "shown to Harry" as they were placed one-at-a-time into the box. Suddenly the lid slammed shut, just before the selected card was about to enter the box.

Tom borrowed Eric's ring and made it spin in the air in front of him. Brad had Dan choose a card, and chose one himself. The deck was thoroughly re-shuffled. Brad drew a card as did Dan. Miracle! They had chosen each other's card!



The performers at the Lost Acres Winery show. Bob Hale, Rick St. Pierre, Brad Beady, Jon Cap, Dan Sclare, Dana Ring, Jason Abate, Dave Garrity, and Barry Moran.

## Reach For The Stars Show for Cancer Survivors



Back row L-R Eric Wolfe, Rick Mayers, Leonard Nadeau ,  
Jacob Dufour, Dana Ring , Rich Dooley PNP,  
Front Row L-R Dan Sclare, Scotty Swan, L Jeff Pyzocha,  
Tom Gentile.  
Up right, Rick performs a mental effect for one of the Miss  
Teen Contestants.



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## Themes Like Old Times

The themes for the 2017-2018 “year” have completed their cycle. Watch for compeer **Rick St. Pierre’s** newest list, coming this summer. Speaking of summer, the June and July meetings (which we hope will be back in our usual restaurant location) will be laid-back affairs with *any* effect or routine welcome. Enjoy the warm weather with good friends.