

Mordecai's Journal



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Meetings:

Second Monday of every month except December

Rockledge Grille

289 South Main Street
West Hartford.

(I-84 exit 41)

September Meeting: Magic On The Patio

This month, we take a trip to the southern part of the state. We'll meet at **Marlene Clark's** place, 274 Church St. #6B, in Guilford. (See travel directions on page two.) She'll have soft drinks, iced tea, and light snacks. If you're vaccinated, a mask is optional; if you're not—wear a mask! The festivities start at **6:30 PM** on **September 13**.

Report of August Meeting

16 August 2021

We did some quick business before the magic. We hailed MI **Brad Beady** for his 5-year membership in the Society!

A list of magic for sale, e-mailed to our Secretary, was passed around for perusal.

There was a motion to nominate **Eric Wolfe** as VP of CCMA. The motion passed without objection. We then had some further discussion and decide to trade some positions to make **Dan Sclare** the VP and install Eric as Treasurer, succeeding **Soll Levine**. (Everybody clear?)

G&W: **Walt Ueberfeld** recently received just short of a dozen birthday cards. He's currently home from Maine.

Bob Hale is appearing at Comix on 9/21.

The Magic:

August's meeting was at the Ellington home of **Dan Sclare**, in his expanded backyard patio. The food was good, the conversation stimulating, and the magic thoroughly entertaining. **Dana Ring** had brought a guest, **Alyssa Walters**, who was thrilled to be among so many magicians so naturally she was used in almost all the evening's tricks, along with **Bob Hale's** wife, **Jill**.

Dan showed a prediction and a bunch of cards from various casinos. If anyone saw the magic routine on *America's Got Talent* on Aug. 10, it played out pretty much like that, minus the storage container. (I have a good idea how the AGT was

done, but not Dan's!)

Norm St. Laurent did a coin routine with Alyssa, plus his signature Switching-Five-and-One-Bill effect.

Eric Wolfe told a "fish story" to Jill and Alyssa and put four pieces of string in his mouth. One of the four was attached to a fishhook! The ladies took turns selecting a string and giving it a hard yank. Eric escaped without injury.

Bob Hale showed a pair of tubes and a bunch of colored dice to Eric. Eric secretly selected a die and put it in his tube. Bob did the same. This was repeated four times. When the covers of the tubes were removed, the colors of the dice matched exactly. Bob then had Alyssa shuffle a packet of ten Hearts, leaving one turned over. He then showed a packet of ten Spades, all in order. The packets were placed in wineglasses and covered with a silk. Instead of making chaos into order, Bob make the order exactly match the chaotic packet, complete with turned-over Spade.

Rich Gilbert set up a few piles of cards, some dice, and Solo cups. (What else would you have at a backyard party?) The dice were used to select from the cards an item in a different category: restaurant, entree, drink, and dessert. After the selections were made, Rich took his prediction out of his wallet, which proved an exact match. Lastly he had one of the ladies name a card, and the other pick a card. Rich correctly guessed one of the cards, and then proved that he had known all along what the other choice was!

How To Get To Marlene's

The address is:
274 Church St. #6B
Guilford, CT 06437 ... phone: 203-598-4958

It's about 400 feet south from exit 58 on I-95. Visitor parking is usually plentiful. There's a small sign at the entrance to the small complex: West River Village. Once in the complex, there is visitor parking after the mailboxes, on the right, and another visitor parking area near the pool, a little farther down.

After the visitor parking at the entrance, there is a small driveway to the left. Her unit is at the bottom of the drive. The building # (6) is on her garage, and her unit is to the right of the garage.

If you park at the pool, you can walk on the large expanse of grass to get to her back yard. Building will be on the left. You can't miss the patio—it's the only one. Or you can walk up the driveway and take a right at the driveway.

A school is diagonally across the street and would be an alternative parking spot.



Dan's card spread.

When Last We Met



Dan starts by showing a trick to Alyssa.

Steve Wronker photo



The predictions prove to be true.

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Norm St. Laurent does a coin trick.



Norm's Five-Though-One bills.

Steve Wronker photo



Eric Wolfe hands Jill and Alyssa a line.
Steve Wronker photos



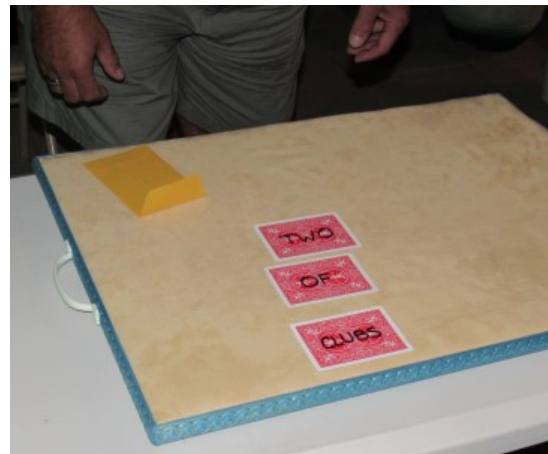
Rich Gilbert has the girls choose cards. Alyssa does it mentally, Jill does it physically.

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Bob Hale gets his stack to exactly match Eric's.

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The grand finale!



Twice!



Bob's controlled chaos from order.

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