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Meetings:

Second Monday of every month except December

Rockledge Grille

289 South Main Street
West Hartford.

(I-84 exit 41)

January Meeting: ZOOM—To Keep Us Safe

We are returning to Zoom for this month, because the newest variant of COVID is proving more troublesome than expected. Therefore, the next meeting will be held in everybody's home via the internet on **January 10**, and we'll start at 7PM. The sign-on information is to the right. Tell us what you did over the holidays, and share what magic you can. Keep you fingers crossed that this is one of the last times we have to do this!

ZOOM Sign-in Details

Dan Sclare is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: CCMA Open Mic
Time: Jan 10, 2022 07:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

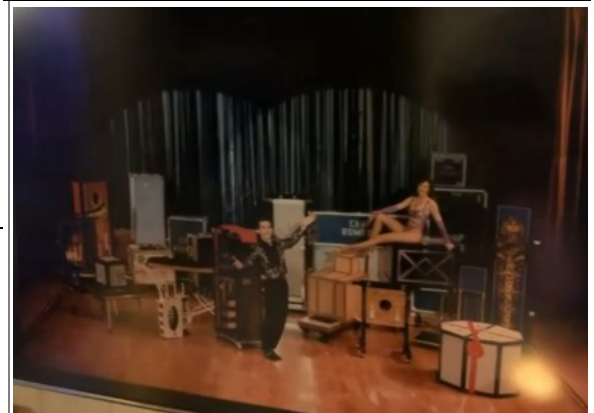
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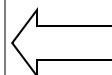
Report of November Meeting

There was no business meeting this month so we could get right into **Chip Romero** giving us a tour of his house which is filled with memorabilia of **Doug Henning**. Chip credits Doug with creating the current "golden age" of magic, and showed some of Doug's pieces and evidence of how hard the man worked at his craft.

Excerpts From The Tour



Chip Romero with all the equipment he used during his cruise ship days. He calls this his "ego shot."



A shot of his main hall just before the start of the tour.

From The President's Change Bag

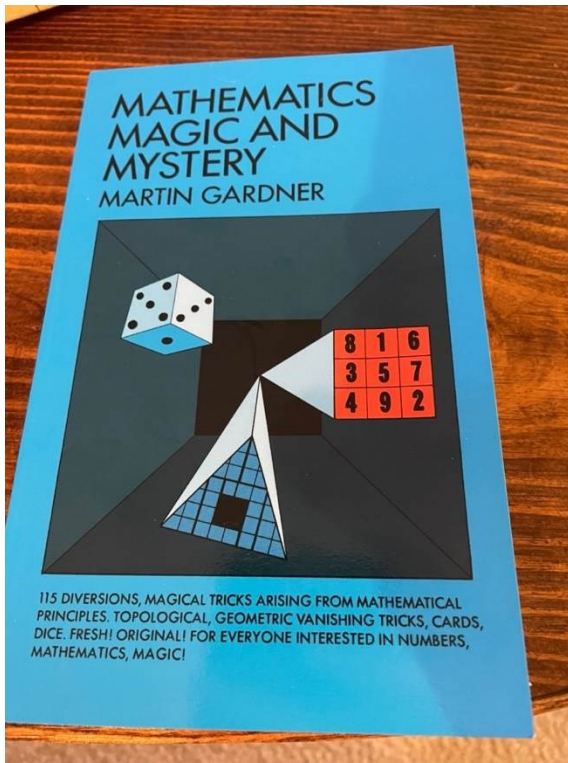
Happy New Year's everyone!

I hope everyone's holidays were festive, fun, and safe. One of the books I got for Christmas, Martin Gardner's *Mathematics Magic and Mystery*, contains some of the geometrical tricks we have seen in previous meetings.

On a personal note, I lost my grandmother over the holidays to Covid. She was 76 and not vaccinated. I want to encourage anyone who already has not received vaccination to get one. Maybe even more importantly, to all those who have loved ones who are not vaccinated, persuade them to do so. Bug them, harass them, don't stop talking about anything other than getting vaccinated, especially if they are older. Tell them I said to get it and when they confusingly ask, "Who's Magic Brad?" your secret assistant pops up and gives them a shot.

But seriously, tell them to get it because you love them, and you don't want anything bad to happen to them. When they eventually say, "Nothing bad will happen to me," respond to them, "That's exactly what Brad's grandmother said."

– Brad



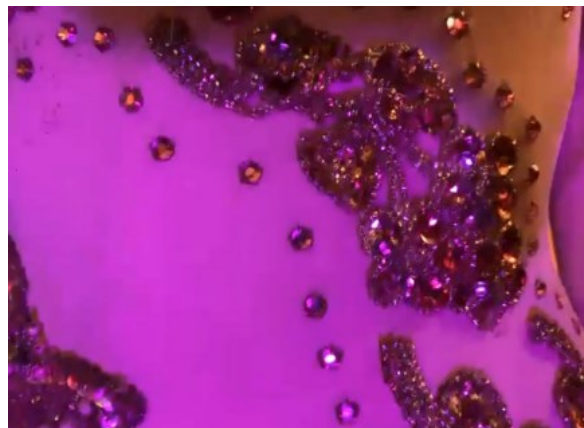
More Photos From The Tour



Just off to the side of the main hall.



The Shadow Box, made by Owens Magic. Also known as Theo Bamberg's "Lady From The Light."



A close-up of the costume worn by Julie Newmar while doing the Shadow Box on Doug's first TV special.



The wall of a room with some of Doug’s greatest pieces. Most of them used to be on the wall of Doug’s office.



Chip’s most-prized possession—”Disembodied,” which he got in 1989.



Doug’s actual Bachelor’s Degree. He was going to be a psychiatrist before he started doing magic.



At the Holiday Banquet at the Rockledge Grille last December, **Dan Sclare** received a Presidential Citation from S.A.M. National President **Tom Gentile**.

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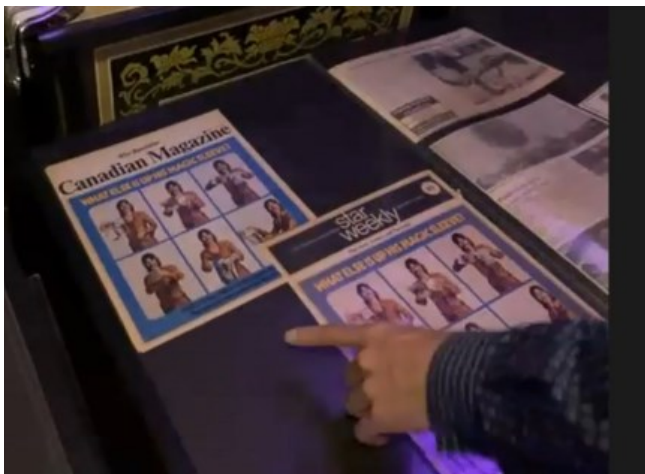
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Chip is still going over newspaper clippings to make a complete timeline of Doug’s career. These are about “Spellbound,” the production which pre-dates “The Magic Show.”