

The Illusion

Next Meeting: August 30th, 2017

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<u>Meeting Location and Time:</u> 7:00 Wednesday (August 30th, 2017) at <u>The DeHoff Building</u> — 821 S. Main St. N. Canton, Ohio 44720— Regular Meeting bring magic—Dinner at Variety's Restaurant at 5:00.

The Minutes—Inside The Meeting

Well can you believe that summer is almost over. Times does fly when your having fun. And speaking of having fun, the Canton Magicrafters have a couple of fun events coming up in the very near future. The first will be the Dan Fleshman lecture coming up on our September meeting. I have seen Dan lecture a couple of times, and he does put on one fine magic lecture. Dan is a very talented and professional close up artist and everyone should thoroughly enjoy his lecture. The second event will be our November banquet coming up on November 4th. It will be held this year at a new location which is more

cost effective for the club. The location is the Calvary Chapel Church located at 8160 Stuhldreher rd. in Massillon. Bill and Mary's will be providing the catering duties as they have in the past. Mike Bishop, our entertainment chairman is looking for both close up performer and stage magicians. If you are interested in helping out the club and showcasing your magical talents, please talk to Mike. In case you haven't heard yet, we are planning on having new membership card ready for next year and we are looking for a good design. The design that we are looking for will be a traditional membership on the front, but

we want to have a magic trick created for the back of the card. Two designs have already been submitted, the 52 on 1 gag and the Your card gag. If you have any good ideas, please send them to Mike Salvino. our club treasurer. We would like to make this happen by the banquet in November. If you have anything you would like to submit in this newsletter for our members to read. please let me know and we will make it happen.

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For The Good Of The Club

The Canton Magicrafters would like to truly thank Chester Gault and the Marietta club # 197 for donating the magic collection of the late Jim Hoy and giving our club a chance to pick out some great treasures of magic. It's always great to share the gift of magic with oth-

ers. All of our members had a chance to pick out their favorite effects and possible reputation makers. Our younger members especially appreciated the chance to collect some books by the great magicians of the past and give themselves a chance to learn some

truly great magic. Once again many thanks to IBM Ring #197. We are very glad to hear that Tom Duplain, his wife Lynette, and his mother in law are doing very well after their nasty car crash. By the way, we're still looking for a Vice President!

Special points of interest:

- The November banquet will be here before you know it
- Location and caterer is set for banquet
- Check out the new history of the Canton Magicrafters
- Thanks to Chester and ring #197 for the magic

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Attention Members

Last Meeting Stats:

Attendance: 21

Members: 18

Guests: 3

New Members: 0

Member doing magic: 0

% of attending members doing magic:

0.0%

(magic pickup donated by Marietta club)

The History of the Canton Magicrafters Part 3 by Mike Salvino

These are the minutes from the second meeting of the Canton Magicrafters in 1920.

The regular monthly meeting of society was held Saturday evening May 8th in the chamber of commerce rooms. Twenty magicians present. The regular routine of business was taken of. One of the business items was the design for a pin. Several designs were submitted and the one selected is going to be one of the finest magical emblems imaginable. It is

surely different from the rest. A fine social program was next rendered. Mr. Shrimplin of Alliance presented the "green Ray"., a trick described in one of Naldrett's books. The trick was followed out in a general way, some of Mr. Shrimplin's original titles being introduced. Even some of the audience turned green with envy. Mr. Shrimplin won first prize which consisted of a steam heated watch FOB. Mr. Jewel, an old timer at the business though not so old in looks, got out of a strait jacket in record breaking

time, even after some extra difficulties were imposed upon him by one of the members. There is a true saying though which reads: "you cannot beat a man at his own game". Mr. Jewel won the second first prize which consisted of an asphalt pin cushion. Our president, Mr. Rohn, next amused with a few card novelties. Someone accused him of having a bad case of strippers. Nevertheless, Mr. Rohn was duly presented with our third first prize, namely a brown derby and a rubber toothpick.

The Card Corner

Now comes my favorite part of the newsletter.
When I get to talk about my magic passion, card magic, I love card magic and I have been doing it since I was a kid entertaining my neighbors in my garage. I believe that was only a few years ago. To me there is nothing like a good card trick. But I do

understand where there are a lot of people, laymen and magicians alike, who hate card tricks. In fact I was performing at the street festival in Massillon this month and someone approached me to do a magic trick saying do anything but a card trick. I also know that we do not get the attendance

to lectures if the guest lecturer does only card magic and nothing else. So I truly understand that card magic is an acquired taste. But to me close up magic is nothing without some good card magic. But is also needs to be balanced with some good coin magic, rope magic, and a little comedy

thrown in for good measure. So the next time you see a good card trick, think of me. Next month we'll talk some more card magic.

The History of the Canton Magicrafters Part 3 by Mike Salvino Continued

Social meeting only to be held on Saturday May 22. At this time Mr. Canterbury, the boy magician, has been invited to give us a demonstration of his prowess. Yours truly has consented to present a little comedy, still less magic and closing with my famous Hypotonic Blood Test, which is good for man or beast. So be it. Oh Yes, I nearly forgot, one of our handcuff kings was in a hurry to get home the other night, and as the door to the meeting rooms had been locked and the only key in our possession being too short to turn the bolt from the inside. The fire department was summoned as well as the chief of po-

lice. The hook and ladder was run up to the windows and the firemen came up and got the key and he took it down to the police chief and the chief unlocked the door and showed the handcuff king an easy method for getting out of such a difficulty. And I guess that's all and I want to thank you one and all.

THINK MAGIC #10: A Prisoner's Escape

"The successful performer adjusts himself and his work to meet the demands of the moment...He learns to increase INTEREST in what he has to GIVE, not in just a magical mystery itself but the dramatic value and environment in which he surrounds it...Words in magical presentation are called "patter," but are given to us to create greater interest, showmanship and presentation.." – Harlan Tarbell

Magicrafter member Rick Everhart shares a great routine, "A Prisoner's Escape," which is his version of the marketed effect, *Psychic Disc Escape*. I believe you'll love this presentation as much as I do. You can carry it in your pocket ready to perform anytime, anyplace and it is repeatable. Rick has developed a good story that makes it entertaining, as Tarbell describes as creating "greater interest, showmanship and presentation." Rick makes it more than just a trick. I really enjoyed Rick's presentation of the *Psychic Disc Escape* and hope you do too. Thank you Rick for sharing your ideas and leaving a legacy for the Canton Magicrafters. This is a very visual trick that resets instantly for walk around.

EFFECT: Five brass discs (each a different color), a brass canister in two parts and a brass needle with a cord attached are freely shown and examined by the spectator. Both the discs and tube have a small hole in them for a cord to be threaded through. The spectator is asked to choose one of the discs (spectator freely selects a disc, there is no force) as the magician turns around so that the chosen color cannot be seen by the magician. The spectator is told to put the discs into the canister. The canister is sealed. The needle is placed through a hole in each end of the canister and the center hole of the discs. Everything is fully captured by the cord. The performer taps the canister gently with the back of his index finger, slightly opening the two halves. A single disc falls from the canister – the chosen color! The canister is fully opened. Both halves of the tube and the other four discs are still securely threaded onto the cord.

HISTORY: As far as my research shows, Toshio Akanuma invented this effect. He worked for Tenyo and later left to form his own company, Station.

PARAPHINILIA: "Psychic Disc Escape." 5 different colored discs (made from brass with a hole drilled through the center), a tube canister (made of brass, which consist of an upper and lower cylinder) and a rope (with a needle attached at one end of the rope).







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THINK MAGIC #10: A Prisoner's Escape

TO PREPARE: Place the Needle and thread, the Canister and the 5 color discs on the table in front of the spectator.

TO PERFORM: The magician tells the story that the color chips represent five thieves. The canister represents the prison, the needle represents the warden and the cord represents the chain. "We have five thieves that are going to prison. You have a chance to save one thief," you tell the spectator. The magician turns his back as a thief (color disc) is chosen and held in a fist. Tell the spectator to take the other thieves (discs) and place them color side down into the canister one by one. Then instruct the spectator to take their chosen thief and also put in the canister, color side down. The magician turns back around and the other half of the canister is put on. As you say, "The cell doors are then closed." Magician takes the needle with the cord and continues the story. "The warden comes in and enters the prison and begins to link the prisoners with the chain...ankle to ankle." As you tell this, take the needle and put it through the center holes of the canister and discs. The story continues, "...what the warden did not notice is that when the last thief came in a bomb was planted by the door. And with the explosion..." Here the magician can tap on the canister causing it to open. "...one thief got away from the chains and escaped, it is your chosen thief!" The chosen color disc falls to the table and the magician shows that the canister and all other discs are still securely threaded onto the cord.

FINAL THOUGHTS: After color is chosen, the magician can pick up in any order, as long as the chosen disc is put in last. For example, stack with the chosen one in the middle (3rd one down). Pick up top two and place in canister, then grab the remaining three and put in canister. This puts the chosen disc at top. Or if the chosen is fourth down, pick up top three and put in canister, then pick up last two, thus the chosen disc is again, at top. You could also have the spectator hold the ends of the cord with the tube hanging in the middle, while magician taps on the cylinder, releasing the lone disc. Additionally, you can include more people by having two other spectators hold on to each end of the yarn. A third person choses the color, and in the end the chosen one falls out as the other two spectators are left holding onto the cord. The remaining discs are still shown to be securely threaded on the cord. Also, if you have discs that are just a colored paper circle stuck on the brass discs, they can get a bit worn out. I suggest removing the paper and painting the discs with enamel paint. A different version and different method can be found in the *Color Block Escape*, in which a spectator thinks of two colors and those are the only blocks that escape from a pin that was put through the wood blocks and box.

Send your favorite routine to share, email egpennington@hotmail.com www.EmmettMagic.com



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The Magic Calendar For 2017 and More

September 27th, 2017

Canton Magicrafters meeting for 2017—DeHoff Building—7:00 PM—Dan Fleshman lecture

October 25th, 2017

Canton Magicrafters meeting for 2017—DeHoff Building—7:00 PM—Regular meeting

November 4th, 2017 Canton Magicrafters annual fam-

ton Magicrafters annual family banquet and magic show—location to be an-

nounced.

November 29th, 2017

Canton Magicrafters meeting for 2017—DeHoff Building—7:00 PM—Regular

meeting

No meeting in December

We start 2018—YEA!

Monthly Magic Theme:

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Your favorite effect

Proposed new membership card (front) with trick on back (Mike Salvino)





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Put A Little Magic Into Your Life And See You At The Meeting!



We're on the Web: www.cantonmagicrafters.com



The Canton Magicrafters were organized on April 17, 1920 (before IBM) by a group of 20 magicians from Canton Ohio to further the art of magic and the allied arts in Canton Ohio and the surrounding areas. The club disbanded and was later reformed in 1960. The first new meeting hosted 10 magicians. The Canton Magicrafters, as we are called now, quickly grew to 26 members and became a chartered I.B.M. Ring, #243, on April 15, 1977. We now boast a membership of more than 30 magicians of all ages, styles, abilities, and skill levels from all over Stark County and beyond. Monthly meeting, banquets and shows, auctions, picnics, club library, road trips, lectures, and much more are just a few of the things the Canton Magicrafters have to offer their members. The Canton Magicrafters have a proud history of serving the magic community in Stark County for many years, and we hope to continue for many more.



I.B.M. Ring # 243 Canton Ohio



Proposed new membership card (front) with trick on back (Randy Weidenhamer)



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Your Card Is:



Member Signature

Officer Signature

YOUR CARD!

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