

DELAWARE KNIGHTS OF MAGIC

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Happy April, fellow magicians!

As the weather slowly turns warmer people start to think about being outside again. They think about having parties. About having entertainment for those parties. And hopefully they think about hiring YOU to be that entertainment.

Being a member of the DKOM means you're able to keep up with the latest and greatest. You hear about what's happening in the world of magic. You see and learn about new effects. Most importantly, you're surrounded by others who share the same love of magic that you do, people who are happy and willing to share their expertise.

Our theme for April will be **Mentalism**. We're gonna be predicting, influencing, and simulating psychic abilities like mind reading, clairvoyance, and precognition. An Invisible Deck or the PATEO Force can easily be presented as examples of your mental prowess, but there's so much more! Billet work, center tears, confabulations, Swami gimmicks, book tests... pull out your copy of Corinda's "13 Steps" and come prepared to have fun.

By the time you receive this newsletter, the Pennsylvania Entertainer's Swap Meet will have come and gone. I hope you were able to attend and that you picked up some great bargains.

Our contest this month will be **Stage**. This will be the penultimate contest of the year. The rankings are tight; we've seen some marvelous material this year. Are you in it to win it?

See you all on Thursday!
Your prez, *Larry Denburg*

MARCH



CLOSE UP CONTEST

Bob Fostok - Dice Prediction via E-Mail

Rob Francis - Cheater Chips

Larry Denburg - Memorized Card Separation

Mitch Kaplan - Book Test

Reba Strong - Scarf and Card Trick

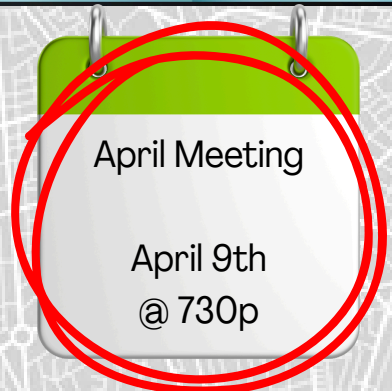
Bill Madl - Any Card at Any Number REDO



MEETING LOCATION



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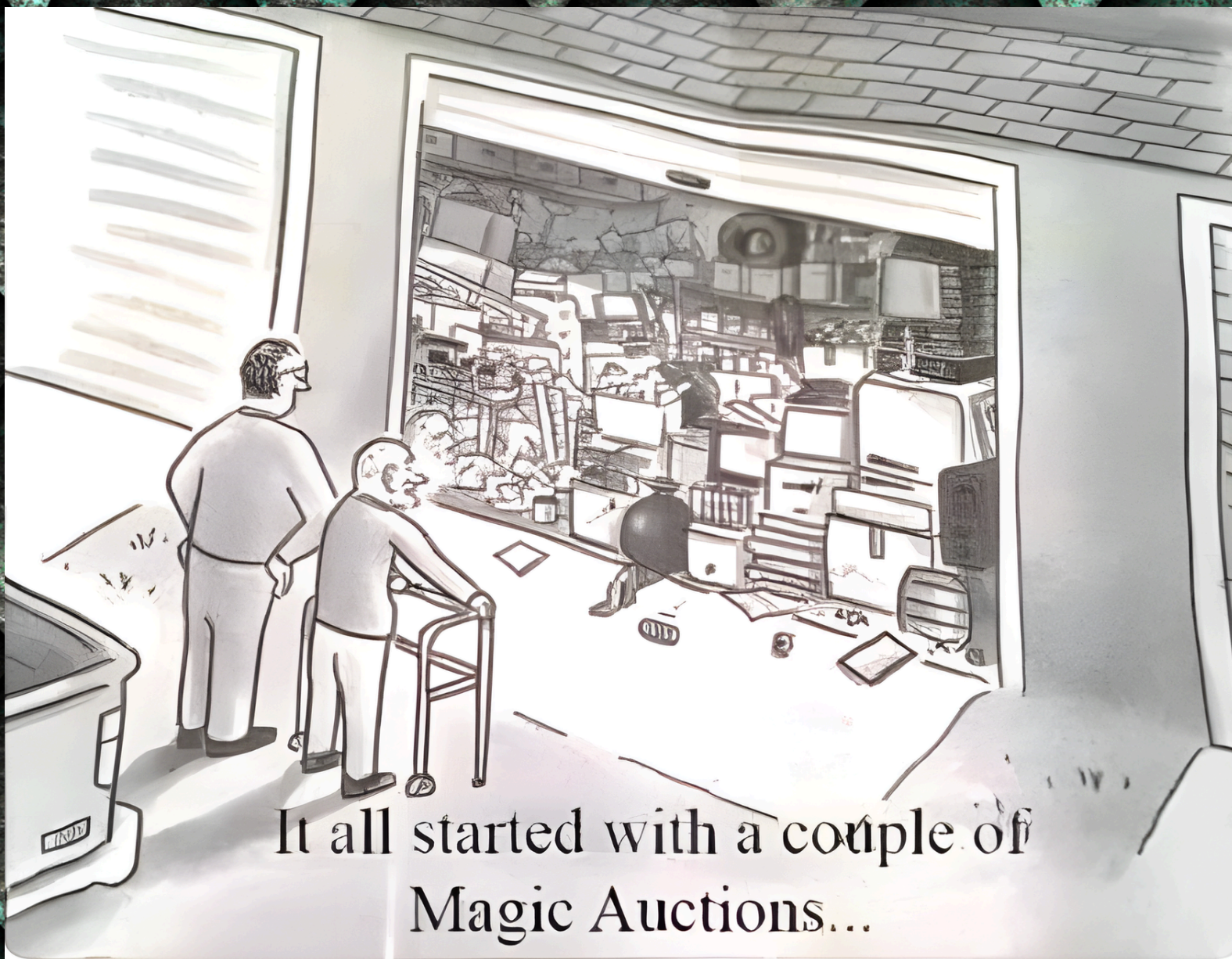


Contribute to the Newsletter

We are looking to expand the newsletter to include more member content. Ideas include:

- *Have a trick or book review?
- *See a Magic Show recently?
- *Travel somewhere and visit a Magic shop?
- *Have a great story from a recent gig?
- *Advice from good or bad show experiences.

Write it up and send it to LarryDenburg@snip.net to have it included in the newsletter!





At exactly eleven pm you'll receive a phone call. It will be a magician calling a "stranger." He'll ask you to name a card. You'll say Two of Clubs.

What should you do if the children yell out "I know that one!"

David Kaye – or Silly Billy, as he's better known – has written two wonderful books about performing magic for children. He is, arguably, one of the best children's magicians out there. The following is an excerpt from his book "Seriously Silly."

A child will sometimes yell out that they "know this one" or that they've "seen this one." These call outs are not necessarily made with malicious intent. They may mean that they've seen the trick before and are excited to see it again. It may mean that they're showing off because they want to look cool.

Here are a few rejoinders to "I know that one":

- So do I.
- I like this one too!
- I don't care. (This removes all power that the kid had.)
- Oh, you know this one? Are you a magician? <yes> Then you know that magicians never tell the secret. So don't tell! That way only you and I will know the secret.
- Well, I don't want YOU to be the only one so I'll show the others.
- That's great! I'm not sure how this works so let's see if I do it right.
 - Close your eyes and I'll tell you when it's done.
 - If you've seen this before, I hope you'll enjoy it again.
- Place your hands on your hips and say, "Well, I haven't, so don't ruin it for me!"
- Oh! Well then, I won't do it. (Turn to put the prop away... the other children will protest that THEY don't know and want to see it.)
- Did you see the Elephant ending or the Giraffe ending? (This is meaningless... since there is no correct answer the child will be speechless.)

