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A newsletter of the
Tom Prete Assembly No. 127
The Society of American Magicians

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Meetings are held on the third Tuesday of every month at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 279 Quinnipiac St. in Wallingford. Meetings start at 7:00 pm with a magic video, a 7:30pm business meeting followed by the members performing theme magic.

NEXT MEETING

Tuesday January 15, 2008

6:30 pm – NEMCON Meeting

7:30 pm – Business Meeting

8:00 pm – Comedy Magic Night
With MC Bill Hoagland

Annual Assembly 127 Holiday Dinner and Show Pictures

The Holiday Dinner was a fun evening with some 30 members, spouses and friends in attendance. The food was excellent. Jim Spinnato from New London was funny as hell and fooled the pants off everyone with his magic. Congratulations to President Bill Hoagland for putting together one of the best dinners in a long time.



Bill Hoagland presents wand to
Henry Holava



Rosa Holava with Harry and
Lucille Hines



Assembly 127 President Bill Hoagland
and his wife Kim



Tina and Neal Prete



Jim Spinnato and Soll Levine



Brian Walendziak and John Kedves



Bill & Madeline Rotella



Leslie & Mike Nabel



Lisa & Mike Gagne



Robin and Dick Hodes



**New England RVP Marlene Clark
and her sister Karen**



Tom Smith

NEMCON NEWS

NEMCON 27' is dedicated to Mr. Magic: The 2008 NEMCON convention will be dedicated to the memory of Assembly 127 founder Tom Prete. Assembly President Bill Hoagland is working on a video on the life of Tom Prete (aka Mr. Magic) to be shown during the convention. Bill has gotten plenty of input, pictures and videos from Neal Prete, Dick Hodes, Harry Hines and Henry Holava. If you have a rare video or picture that you think would make a good addition to the video, contact Bill Hoagland.

Program Book: Bill Hoagland has volunteered to put together a special program book for NEMCON 27. If you know of anyone who would like to take out an ad, contact Bill with the information.

Looking for Goodies: Registrar Marlene Clark asked members to try and get goodies donated to put in the registration envelopes (i.e., pens, pad, coins, decks of cards, a simple trick, coupons, aspirins, etc). If you can get free give a ways, she will take any number of items from 50 to 200.

NEMCON Committee Meeting

Tuesday - January 15, 2008

6:30 p.m. (prior to the regular meeting)

Knights of Columbus Hall

Agenda: Promotion, program, registration, schedule, jobs and work assignments

NEMCON Needs workers

At the **January 15th NEMCON meeting**, Chairman Henry Holava will be signing up assembly members to work the convention. The following are areas that need help.

Setting up the stage on Friday: Joe Cabral needs help setting up the curtains, lights and sound system. Depending on functions at the hotel, we will set up late afternoon or late evening on Friday March 7th.

Breaking down the stage after the evening show: **Immediately after the evening show on Saturday, Joe Cabral will coordinate the break down of his staging and equipment. The more help we have, the faster it will go.**

Security for dealer's room and events: Bill Hoagland will be responsible for insuring rooms are secure and relieve people as needed through out the day. It will take 4 to 5 people to man the doors to the dealer's room and the two doors to the ballroom.

Registration and evening show seating: Marlene Clark will need help on registration starting at 8:30am Saturday morning & Mike Nabel needs help setting up seating for the evening show and lettering the rows.

Video system for Close-up & lectures: Tom Smith will need help setting up & testing out the video system on Friday night.

Close-up Show & Lectures: Bill Rotella & Tony Lenti will need help to insure performers have table(s), chairs, water, sound & proper lighting.

Evening Show: Stage Manager Chick Kelman will need a lot of help setting up & taking down props, etc from stage left and stage right, working microphones from stage left & right, and running the house lights.

You need to let Henry know what job you would like to have. The January 15th NEMCON meeting will start at 6:30pm just prior to the regular meeting.

Please note: Assembly members and volunteers who work the convention do not have to pay a registration fee. At the evening show, workers and volunteers can not sit in row seats that are reserved for paid registrants.



40 after meeting ideas

1. Lecture or mini lecture by a club member.
2. No-Sleight Card Magic
3. Tarbell Night (or some similarly respected book choice)
4. MUM Night (or magic from magazines in general)
5. Children's Magic
6. "Magic of," (Slydini or Marlo or Vernon or Bobo or Ammar or whoever)
7. Money Magic
8. Rope Magic (including string, ribbon)
9. Rope Magic Where the Rope Isn't Cut
10. Homemade Magic (whether original or not)
11. Mentalist and E.S.P. Night
12. Halloween/Spooky/Scary/Ghostly Magic (during October or not)
13. Magic with everyday objects (can list or give out objects)
14. Comedy Magic
15. Magic that needs help (better ending, misdirection, patter, music, staging, etc.)
16. Holiday Magic (or Christmas Magic or St. Patrick's, 4th of July, Valentine's day, etc.)
17. Silk (or other) Handkerchief Magic
18. Bag Night (egg, change, Gag, etc.)
19. Sponge Ball or other sponge magic
20. Cup(s) Night (chop, cups and balls, One Bowl)
21. Paper Magic (cutting, folding, etc.)
22. Magic Learned From a Lecture (old or new)
23. Penetration Magic
24. Suspension/Levitation Magic
25. Transpositions or Transformation Magic
26. Vanishes (of all kinds)
27. Tag-a-Magic (any person starts off doing a trick, they tag someone who must be ready and do something or pay a buck to the kitty, they tag someone else, etc.)
28. Sucker Tricks Improved to Not Offend
29. Knives, Choppers, Scissors, Spikes, etc.
30. Wands, Canes, Poles and Sticks (where the wand is the trick)



