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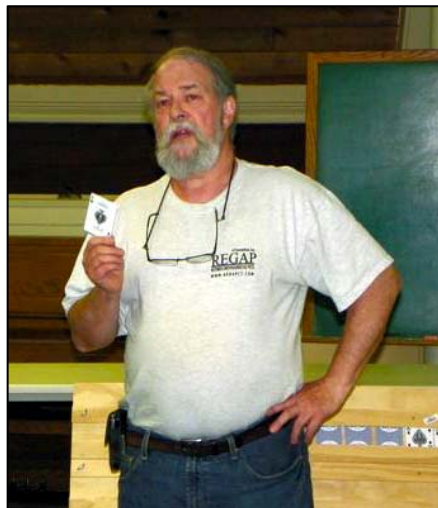
Meetings are held on the third Tuesday of every month at the First United Methodist Church, 941 Old Rock Hill Road, Wallingford, CT 06492. Meetings start at 7:00 pm with a magic video, a 7:30pm business meeting followed by the members performing magic. [Click here for directions](#)

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Highlights of the April Meeting in Pictures



Bill Hoagland and John Kedves



Tom Smith



Jeff Doskos

Next Assembly Meeting

Tuesday May 18, 2010

7:30 pm – Business Meeting

After meeting magic theme – Cups & Balls with MC Adam Parisi

Report on NEMCON XXIX from Chairman Henry Holava

Another NEMCON goes down in the history book and it took a lot of work by a lot of Assembly 127 members to make it happen (over 70% of Assembly 127 members worked the convention). We had 213 registrations, 13 dealers and 285 people in attendance for the evening show.

I want to thank Lisa and Mike Gagne for running a smooth registration. Bill and Kim Hoagland for a fun hospitality room, Kevin Comerford and his crew for making sure everyone wore a registration badge, Pat Guida for a great dealers room, Bill Rotella, Tony Lenti and Adam Parisi for keeping the close-up show and lectures on time, Tom Smith for the thankless job of running a video camera for 6 hours and finally the back stage crew for keeping the evening show running smoothly. I want to especial thank Joe Cabral for his tireless effort working from Wednesday to Saturday putting together the stage, lights and sound system, working with the performers to meet their technical needs and opening of the evening show with his fantastic lighting effects. The hard work and dedication of so many Assembly 127 members is what make NEMCON the best one day conventions on the East Coast.

Here is what the performers had to say about NEMCON XXIX?

Marc Oberon – *"it was one of the most well organized Conventions I have been to. The technical team, it was top notch and people went out of there way to make things run smoothly for me. You run a wonderful convention that I would not hesitate to recommend to anyone who loves magic"*

Ali Shelley – *"Thanks so much for having me this year at the NEMCON convention. It was my first time, but definitely not my last. I had a ball, as did my friends. It was an honor to perform alongside some of magic's greats! Congrats on putting together such a great convention"*

Gene Anderson – “Thanks for bringing me in to emcee, perform and lecture at NEMCON. I had a great extended weekend and thoroughly enjoyed myself.”

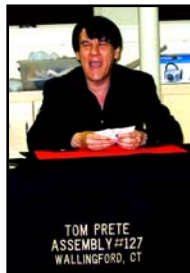
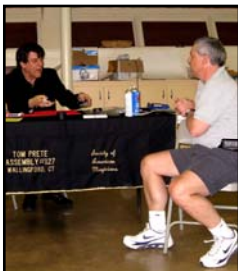
Arthur Trace – “I want to thank you for having me perform at NEMCON. I had a blast! You run a great convention and I was happy to be a part of it.”

Bob Fitch – “Thank you for booking me into this year’s NEMCON gathering. I really enjoyed myself. It was so fast....come and gone that I think my head is still spinning.”



Joe Cabral and crew putting up the lights

The Devin Knight Lecture



If you missed Devin Knight’s lecture, you missed one of the few lectures filled with easy to perform practical magic.

Mark Your Calendar

April 27, 2010 - NEMCON BOD annual meeting

13 Meadow Way in Meriden

7:30 pm – business meeting



June 15, 2010 ~ Regular meeting

7:30 pm – business meeting

After meeting magic theme – Packet Tricks with MC Kevin Comerford



July 20, 2010 ~ Regular meeting

7:30 pm – business meeting

After meeting magic theme – False Shuffle with MC Charlie Cambra



August 17, 2010 ~ Regular Meeting

7:30 pm – business meeting

After meeting magic theme – Money & coin magic with MC Jeff Doskos

What’s Happening In & Around the State

Peter Pitchford Close-up Lecture

Presented by Fredrick Eugene Powell IBM Ring 59

Monday, May 3, 2010 at 7:00pm

Trumbull Public Library, 33 Quality St., Trumbull, CT

Peter Pitchford has won multiple awards, including: 1st Place at the SAM National Convention for stage performance, the Hofzinsler Award, the Silver Medal for Excellence (SAM) and the Houdini Award for Cabaret Magic. **Admission \$10.00**

Kostya Kimlat Lecture
Presented by the New Magicians Association
Thursday - May 13th
Germania Schwaben Club, 416 Horace Street in Bridgeport

Out of Thin Air
Starring magician **Bradley Fields**
Saturday April 10th at 3:00 pm
The Shubert Theater in New Haven
<http://www.shubert.com/newhaven/events/event.php?e=169>

New Magicians Association Banquet
Saturday May 8, 2010
GERMANIA-SCHWABEN HALL, 416 Horace Street in Bridgeport
6:00 pm Close-up magic
7:00 pm Dinner
After dinner show with Emcees: Al Mushin, Don Kaletsky and Jerry Brown
Performers: Paul Espo, Tom Smith, Jim Roady, Andy Charney, and Tony Spero
Tickets are \$ 35 each
Contact NMA President Tom Smith at:
Phone: (203) 605-2496 ~ E-Mail: mgt53tom@snet.net for tickets

Web pages of the month

Aaron Fisher's 10 minute tutorial video on the double lift

<http://clicks.aweber.com/y/ct/?l=6BBql&m=1avyWa7atfTri5&b=kIjj6g04JfKdHnr9YxxMdg>

This ten minute video will show you real secrets that EVERY close-up magician needs to know. Many of you will want to watch it again, just for the reminders!

Check out Eric DeCamp's Pure Magic web site at:

<http://www.ericdecamps.com/index.php>

The site has some great videos and photos of Eric performing his close-up magic

Visit S.A.M. web site at
<http://www.magicsam.com/assynews.asp>
for a write up on NEMCON XXIX

