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Hello Friends

Yes, it's that time again. If you think it hasn't been long since the last issue published.. try writing these things.

If you're new to the Roadshow, a big WELCOME, and links to download your free eBooks are near the end of the newsletter. I sincerely hope you enjoy your subscription.

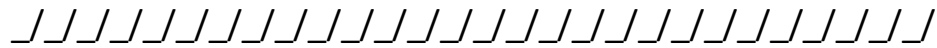
Well, it went from Winter to Spring in the Carolinas in an instant. One day it decided to get warm, and it did. I wasn't quite ready to let go of Winter. I'm looking forward to Fall.

By the time you read this I should have a new blog up and going. It's call "METAL DETECTING FOR FUN AND PROFIT".. Metal Detecting is just the thing I need to help with my knee problems, my sinus problems, my bad back, and my general dislike of sunlight... I've got to find a bunch of stuff to help pay off Uncle Sam and create a retirement account... (yeah.. right)

If you have a moment.. visit: <http://MetalDetectingForFunAndProfit.info>

This should be one of my better issues, me thinks. I hope you agree..

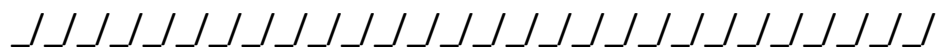
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"The difference between a successful person and others is not a lack of strength, not a lack of knowledge, but rather a lack of will..." Vince Lombardi

"Keep away from small people who try to belittle your ambitions. Small people always do that, but the really great make you feel that you too can become great..." Mark Twain

"A grandfather was talking to his grandson about how he felt. He said, 'I feel as if I have two wolves fighting in my heart. One wolf is the vengeful, violent one, the other wolf is the loving compassionate one.' The grandson asked him, 'Which wolf will win the fight grandfather?' The grandfather answered, ' The one I feed..'" - Blackhawk



Magic Tricks and Tips - Free eBook

For the past several months I've slowly put together a book of Magic Tips and Tricks. This is not your typical magic book, for sure. It does not contain a large number of original effects. Instead, I've taken a number of effects and tried to simplify them into something do-able by the average reader. Since I have readers who are rank beginners, and readers who are consummate professionals, I've tried to write something for everyone.

That is NOT how I would go about writing a publication to sell. It's a proven fact that you should never write with the intent of trying to please a large segment of folks. You'll fail to please by a lack of a steady sense of direction and lose your audience. But in this case, I've bucked the rules and tried to write something for everyone, primarily because Magic Tips and Tricks is Free. And since it's free, I'll give you your money back if you're not satisfied.

The vast majority of you will have to download this file and read it on your computer or Kindle. At 108 pages long, it's not something you can simply print out.

As I mention in the foreword.. I believe fully in the K.I.S.S. principle - Keep It Simple Stupid. It's easy to overwrite when you don't trust your ability to convey your thoughts in a simple, logical, manner. So, I've gone to the extreme to TRY to keep everything as simple as possible, while trying to add a little something to some of the effects to encourage experienced performers to try them out.

I DO know that these effects and tips work. It's all in the patter and presentation, my friend.

Feel free to pass this ebook along to others. You can also offer it as a freebie on your website, if you want. Just keep everything intact, that's all I ask...

There are several effects in the back of the ebook that will appeal to the experienced performer, and not so much to the beginner. Check it out and let me know what you think...

<http://www.divshare.com/download/14591116-8bf>

Below is one of the effects from the Card section. It'll give you a general idea of the content.

Card In Pocket Miracle

Card in Pocket Miracle is an easy to perform card miracle that uses two of my favorite gaffs and props.. double stick tape and a double backed card. Read this effect and you'll be performing it nicely with a minimum of practice.

Begin by shuffling the deck, spreading the deck face up, and asking a spectator to pick a card at random. It doesn't matter that you can see what card they picked. Ask the spectator to sign the face of the card. As you hold the deck in one hand, turn the deck face down and ask the spectator to drop the card onto the back of the deck.

Cut the deck several times. Begin to thumb through the deck, faces up, and ask the spectator to point out their signed card when they see it. Continue to thumb through the deck, but the spectator will not find their card. Turn the deck face down, remove a card from your pocket, and drop it face down onto the back of the deck, announcing that it will be easier for the spectator to find their card if they are playing with a full deck. Turn over the top card to reveal it as the spectators card, complete with the signature.

The secret is this... a piece of double-stick tape and a double backed card. Put the double backed card in your pocket. This can be a gaffed card bought from a magic shop or two jokers glued face to face to create a double-backer. Put the small piece of double stick tape (a type of tape that is sticky on both sides and can be bought at craft stores), on the back of the top card on the deck. As you shuffle the deck to begin the effect, keep this top card in place. Turn the deck face up and ask the spectator to pick their favorite card. Make sure you either glimpse the card with the double stick tape on it's back or know beforehand the value of the card.

After the spectator has picked and signed the card, have them return it face down to the top of the deck, on top of the card with the piece of double stick tape. Carefully push these two cards together with your thumb to make sure the top card adheres to the card beneath. If they are squared up properly, they will look like one card.

Flip the deck face up after cutting the deck several times. Begin to run through the deck, asking the spectator to find their signed card. They won't....

As you run the cards, look for the card with the double stick tape. Of course, it has the spectators card stuck to it's back. I would run the cards from hand to hand, putting the cards underneath one another -until- you run the double card. Stop at this point and make an off-hand comment, then continue running the cards from left hand to right, but placing the cards on top of the cards in the right hand, leaving the double card on the very bottom.

Now, after you have run all the cards and convinced the spectator that their card is not in the deck, flip the deck face down and the double card is now the top card of the deck.

Review what has happened, remove the double-backed card from your pocket with the comment about playing with a full deck, and drop it on top of the deck. Now, put your right index finger at the upper left corner of the deck and tilt the deck so you can catch a double lift without the spectator knowing. Lift and twist counter-clockwise. This will break the bond between the spectators signed card and the card underneath and allow you to quickly turn over, on the top of the deck, the double backer and the signed card as one.

Done quickly, it will appear that you simply flipped the top card. If you're a little sloppy it's OK, as they will only see the back of a double-backed card under the top card... expelling any suspicion that you performed a double lift.

From: Magic Tips and Tricks

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THE AMATEUR CONJUROR
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A regular feature of the Magic Roadshow

8. Computational Trickery Over The Telephone

Telephone tricks are the ultimate 'no hands card magic,' that is, the magician does not touch the cards. The spectator-volunteer handles the deck, in this case, over the phone.

THE TRICK

I call a friend and ask him to join me in some card magic. I tell him to cut one-quarter of the deck off the top of a deck, count the number of cards in it, and deal two piles of cards from it, one pile to contain the number of cards equal to the first digit of the total, the other pile to contain the same number of cards as the second digit.

I then request that he memorize the bottom card of the cards remaining in his hand, now his Chosen card, place those cards on top of the deck. I then tell him to place the cards in the two small piles on the bottom of the deck.

NOW, another spectator-volunteer comes to the telephone, and I tell her to move the top card to the bottom of the deck. I ask her to think of a number from 11-19, to deal this number of cards face down one at a time from the top of the deck onto a tidy pile on the table, and discard the deck.

I request that she add the two digits of her mentally Chosen number, and deal that number of cards from the top of the just-dealt pile, and discard them. I then ask her to deal three cards face-up in a row on the table and tell me their identity from right to left or from left to right.

I then tell her the identity of the Chosen card. WOW.

How did I do it? It will help you figure this out if you follow the Chosen card around the deck during the trick.

THE SECRET

A baffling and mysterious example of 'No Hands Card Magic' with a simple secret. The trick plays itself out as described until the very end when I call out the middle card of the three, the Chosen card. Hardly any secret at all.

To determine how this trick works requires that you follow the Chosen card around the deck as the trick progresses.

Some people love card tricks where the spectator-volunteer has to add and subtract numbers together and then manipulate the deck accordingly.

In this case, the spectator-volunteer carries out the trick over the phone and still the magician can call out the Chosen card at the end.

Most computational tricks end with the magician merely knowing the location of the card, not what it is. This trick allows the magician to know the card and its location. This trick is a keeper.

Contact me through my website: www.magictrickbook.com

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ABOUT THE AUTHOR

This trick is adapted from his book "FAMILY MAGIC I & II," actually 2 books combined into one volume (with 105 magic tricks). A GREAT BOOK FOR BIRTHDAY GIFTS and WELL WORTH HAVING. Click here to order...

Ed Glassman has been an amateur magician since high school. When he turned 80 years old in 2009, he wrote his two Family Magic books so his family, and yours too, could have some magic in their lives.

A Professor Emeritus of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, he was a 'Guggenheim Foundation Fellow' at Stanford University and a 'Visiting Fellow' at the 'Center For Creative Leadership' in Greensboro, NC. He can be contacted at his website: <http://www.offbeatbooks.net>

Eleven Free Videos from Full 52 Productions- Performance and Tutorials

Dave Forrest has created a truly wonderful site for cardmen. I'm sure most of you are familiar with the Full 52 Productions web site. Regardless, you may have visited the site and missed this link.

This is a page containing 11 video tutorials of 11 really nice effects. Up front.. these are not for the beginner. You will require a degree of skill to pull off most of the effects.. but I know many of you crave these type of effects. I do too.. but the Roadshow is limited in space, and I'm reluctant to spend half an issue trying to explain an effect that someone like Dave has already published somewhere else.

All you have to do is Click and Learn.. Thanks to my buddy, Michael Lyth, (from across the Big Pond) for directing me to this link to share with you...

Free Trick No. 11 - Pipulation

Free Trick No. 10 - Xmas Card

Free Trick No. 09 - Cutting Kardamena

Free Trick No. 08 - Back Up North

Free Trick No. 07 - The Mind Reading Joker

Free Trick No. 06 - Sink Hole

Free Trick No. 05 - Flackjack

Free Trick No. 04 - Summoned Aces

Free Trick No. 03 - Monte Got A Raw Deal

Free Trick No. 02 - Triumph On Rye

Free Trick No. 01 - Missing The Aces

http://www.full52.com/free_tricks.htm

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The Clown Egg Registry

Bet you didn't you know that Clowns have their own Egg Registry. I was reading a Flickr© page recently by Luke Stephenson that highlighted some of the more unusual and creative 'eggs'...

To quote from Luke...

"This is a selection of Eggs from the collection held by Clowns International which is the oldest clown society in the world.

When you are a clown and you join the society you get the chance to have your painted face registered which then acts in a way like clown copyright.

I was privileged enough to be allowed to photograph a selection of these wonderful things shown here. They are all real clowns face some of them are legends in clown terms."

I understand that there is a second egg registry, located here in the U.S., that contains over 700 faces.

<http://www.flickr.com/photos/lukestephenson/sets/72157606703952187/show/>

<http://nationalclownweek.org/eggs.shtml>

Reporting on Clowns in the News from all over the world (Gathering news on clowns since 1994)

<http://clownvillenews.com/>

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The Little Egypt Gazette For Magicians Only - Archives

The Little Egypt Gazette published for two and a half years, until October 1997. Anyone involved in magic during that time period was familiar with Steve Bryant and his intelligent musings.

Fortunately, a dozen or so issues are still available online. I caught myself involved in a deck memorization treatise for forty minutes or so.. and I simply went to the archives to copy the link.

His reviews of the works of others makes me want to look for the books, assuming some of them are still available.

It's that easy to get caught up in the moment.

If you are a real student of magic, this is one of those sites you should have bookmarked, if you don't already.

http://www.littleegyptmagic.com/magic_index.htm

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What Is My Best Selling eBook of All Time?

The answer may surprise you, as it's not 'exactly' what the Magic Roadshow is all about. It does contain some magic.. but it contains much more, and some of it is downright weird... You have my word.

If you're looking for a good read, and something that will definitely expand your horizon, check it out.

<http://50465cnxs0tbjfcjfa0f102o6v.hop.clickbank.net/?tid=ASTOUNDING>

If you order from this link, (it is an affiliate link) I will give you something I have NEVER given to readers before.. a digital copy of Midway Torture Feats. Learn Astrial Control, How to Survive a Fox trap, Putting lead on your eyes, being buried alive, and several other 'unusual' midway feats. Although I would not try some of these stunts with YOUR body, they are a very interesting study. Since this report is being sold on the internet, I will not 'freely' give it away to readers. You must do something to earn it.

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What Does \$265,000 Per Person Per Week Get You? Ask Copperfield...

The following is from Hemispheres Magazine...

"David Copperfield flies! He disappears the Statue of Liberty! He walks through the Great Wall of China! He reads minds, slices people in half, spins them around and then—with a devilish grin and perfect hair—puts them together again! More than any other man, David Copperfield advanced magic from the sepia days of Houdini to the modern American spectacle of illusion, mixed in with a little Las Vegas bombast. • That's why when he greets a tired group of travelers on a moonless, starry night at the dock of his private 700-acre Bahamian island, Musha Cay, it's a little surprising to discover that Copperfield— a 54-year-old native of working-class Metuchen, New Jersey—is unassuming, quiet and even a little shy. • 'I'm David,' he says..."

<http://www.hemispheresmagazine.com/2011/04/01/magic-man/>

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TRIfecta Card Trick - video

This is an excellent card prediction effect, utilizing one of my favorite items. I'm not going to spoil it by telling you the item, but you'll know it when you see it. Although the video directs you to go to a second website to watch the trick being performed, it's not necessary.. unless you just want to see it in real time. You will understand the performance completely by watching the tutorial.

Another great effect demonstrated by mismag822...

http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_embedded&v=pDUCp917ix8

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Flydini Revisited - video

Remember Steve Martin as Flydini? My associate, Ed, sent me this link recently and reminded me of the wonderful job Steve pulled off... without a word. Wouldn't it be nice if all of us had the ability to pantomime our routines with this degree of success.?

Pantomime (From Dictionary.com)

1. the art or technique of conveying emotions, actions, feelings, etc., by gestures without speech.

I think that accurately describes Flydini... If you haven't seen this video, or if you haven't watched it in a while.. it's time.

<http://streetmagic2.blogspot.com/2011/04/steve-martin-as-flydini.html>

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Las Vegas Magic Shows - Hubpage Article

This is my latest Hub at Hubpage. It doesn't detail show times and dates, but tells a little about some of the top performers in Las Vegas. If you are not familiar with Hubpage, you should take a look. This is one of the easiest ways to make a little money online. Not only do you share Google Ad and Amazon revenue with Hubpage, but the search engines are currently in love with Hubpage and rank them high in the search results for their selected key words.

If you want to drive traffic to another web site, this is also a good way to accomplish that task.

<http://hubpages.com/hub/Las-Vegas-Magic-Shows>

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Gwyn Auger - Magic Assistant, Blogger, and Then Some...

This is a first for the Magic Roadshow... an article about a Magic Assistant !

Gwyn Auger is 'The Magic Assistant'. Actually, she's much more than the Magic Assistant, as her website/blog will attest. As one of the featured performers in "A Brush With Death", Calgary's first nightclub magic act exclusively for adults, Gwyn shows she is much more than an 'assistant'. Go to her site and check out the posters in her Shop.

She's a model, a magic lover, a dancer, and an accomplished and highly trained cook/chef..

"Gwyn Auger is a vivacious, creative woman who brings dedication and enthusiasm to every project she embarks on. Gwyn's primary goal is to be a full time magician's assistant, and as a trained dancer and professional model, she brings beauty and grace to any stage. She loves magic and always puts her whole self into any project she takes on. She worked with Enchanted Events for two years as a fairy, and has the biggest smile you've ever seen. Gwyn has been quite the promotional girl for the last five years, promoting everything from Nintendo Wii and DS to Hershey's chocolate, VW cars, and L'Oreal."

The Roadshow continues to support those who promote magic, particularly on the web, as this is our chosen media. What did I do before the web ??

<http://www.themagicassistant.com>

Gwyn Auger

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Fruit Prediction Video - from the Magic Roadshow archives

I published this link in the Roadshow about a year and a half ago. It's entirely appropriate to revisit the link and watch it again.

The premise is.. the magician/mentalists takes a fruit at random, or the fruit can be selected from a bag by the spectator, and he then successfully predicts how many inner 'sections' will be inside. This number varies from fruit to fruit. In a lemon, for example, you may have seven to twelve or thirteen sections. The method is simple... Watch the video...

<http://streetmagic.info/fruitprediction.html>

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OTHER STUFF...

From Jim Canaday at the Magic Portal ([link](#))

Jim and I share links and videos, especially concerning magic and music. Since I provided him the link to the 50 'Austin City Limits' videos, he sent me a link to one site, containing 300 videos, everyone from Carlos Santana, the Grateful Dead, and Aerosmith to The Four Tops and Jackie Wilson, over 2000 songs downloadable as mp3 files (at no charge), and roughly 400 more songs you can listen to on an embedded mp3 player onsite... Touche'

<http://www.my-3-sons.com/javascript-flv/flv-videos1.htm> (Watch - nothing to download)

<http://www.my-3-sons.com/music/popup/musica.htm> (2000 mp3 files)

<http://www.my-3-sons.com/music/mp3a/mp3a.htm> (Listen to 400 songs on a embedded mp3 player - nothing to download.)

The Sites Disclaimer...

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WinPatrol - Systems Resource

Every house needs a watchdog to warn you when something nasty is at the front door. And your PC is no different: it needs something that is ever-vigilant, keeping an eye on the programs running on your PC and making plenty of noise when something seems out of place.

WinPatrol does this guard job, keeping tabs on programs running on your PC (including the hidden ones) and alerting you if a program tries to install something unexpected, sets itself to run on startup, change your home page or install something it shouldn't. You can delete the offending programs, block their automatic startup or just monitor them to see what they do.

WinPatrol 2008 offers Delayed Start, a smart feature that helps Windows load faster. That's because Delayed Start gives you a way to force non-essential programs to launch up to an hour after the system boots. That's ideal for programs such as pop-up blockers or backup programs.

This free version of WinPatrol is fully functional, but BillP Studios offers a \$30 Plus version that has more features, including an online database of applications that provides more information. The database is very useful if you find a program running, but you don't know what it is. It also contains details of many of the major spyware programs that you want to avoid.

Operating Systems: Windows NT, Windows 2000, Windows 9.x, Windows Me, Windows XP, Windows Vista - File Size: 867 KB - Author: BillP Studios

<http://www.pcworld.com/downloads/file/fid,22728-order,1-page,1/description.html>

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Actual British Newspaper Ads...

FREE YORKSHIRE TERRIER.

8 years old.

Hateful little bastard. Bites!

FREE PUPPIES.

1/2 Cocker Spaniel, 1/2 sneaky neighbour's dog.

FREE PUPPIES.

Mother is a Kennel Club registered German Shepherd.

Father is a Super Dog, able to leap tall fences in a single bound.

COWS, CALVES: NEVER BRED..

Also 1 gay bull for sale.

JOINING NUDIST COLONY!

Must sell washer and dryer

WEDDING DRESS FOR SALE .

Worn once by mistake.

Call Stephanie.

FOR SALE BY OWNER.

Complete set of Encyclopaedia Britannica, 45 volumes.

Excellent condition, best offer. No longer needed,
got married, wife knows everything.

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Free eBooks for Subscribers

(All downloads are now available from one location - see link below.)

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- *JP Jacquard's "Easy Mentalism"
- *Hugard's "Royal Road to Card Magic"
- *Hypno Illusions - A Massive Fifteen eBook Download
- *Bullivant's 'Ventriloquism in a Month'
- *R. Carruth's 'Hypnosis Mania'
- *R. Carruth's 'Body Language Magic'
- *Rick Carruth's 'Public Speaking'
- *Magic and Computer Science 1
- *Magic and Computer Science 2

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Bless you for making it this far.. I sincerely hope you've taken something of value with you. I know I learn something from every newsletter, simply through the process of scouring the web, looking for resources...

I encourage you to share your favorite links, videos, and resources with other magicians from around the world. If you know of a site that has a free ebook or a wide assortment of magic related material, let me know. I'm sure all the other readers will appreciate it..

You can go to the url below and use the web form to easily send your articles and effects to the Roadshow for publication.

<http://www.streetmagic.info/submit.html>

Email me..

A couple of my other sites...

- <http://LasVegasMagicShows.info>
- <http://MimosaServices.net>
- <http://MetalDetectorsForFunAndProfit.info>
- <http://MagicBookStore.info>
- <http://eTricks.info>

May my next issue find you well..

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