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PLEASE NOTE: MEETING DATE CHANGED

The regular meeting date of the third Thursday of each month (September 18th, this month) has been changed to the following night, **Friday, September 19th, 2008**, and at an earlier time: 6:30 p.m. in the Eureka Theater of the Science Museum of Virginia, 2500 W. Broad St. in Richmond. This change has been made so the Ring can have both a meeting and a lecture on one night instead of two consecutive nights. The theme of the meeting is "gimmicks." The Jim Pace lecture will follow the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Special pricing offered for magician's families

As usual, general admission to the lectures of Ring 180 is \$20. I.B.M. and S.A.M. members are entitled to a \$5 discount upon proof of membership. In addition family members attending with an I.B.M. or S.A.M. member are entitled to half-price admission. As an added bonus, we are offering a "couples" price of \$30 for both people. You will not see these prices advertised, but you, as a member of the magic community, are receiving this newsletter and we want you to take advantage of these special prices.

THE JIM PACE LECTURE

Jim Pace's fame precedes him. He is not only a fascinating performer, he is an inventor of magical effects. Jim is also well-known for his fire products: a fire wallet (the Lucifer wallet, the Volcano wallet), a fire money clip with a section for your business cards so you can produce a flaming business card, Inviso Torch and Hot Flash, among others. He has the world's only fiber-optic wand and the Alien Spinning Thing. Jim has been doing restaurant magic for 20 years and has written "*The Restaurant Worker's Handbook*." If you are interested in walk-around magic, you will want to see and meet him. Jim Pace has two DVD's on magic and three VHS tapes. He is an expert with Rocky Raccoon.



To see more about Jim Pace and his lecture go to the Internet and <http://www.jimpacemagic.com/lecture.html>. The lecture begins at 7:30 pm.

RING 180 PICTURES IN THE LINKING RING

Pictures of our Ring 180 members entertaining at the ScooperBowl event for the Science Museum of Virginia are featured in the Events section of the September issue of *The Linking Ring*. See pages 51 and 52. Now our fellow magicians across the world can see our members perform!

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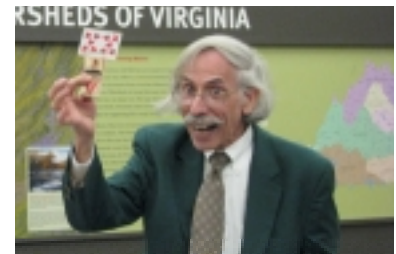
REPORT ON THE AUGUST MEETING



Watt Hyer shows some of the things he bought at the I.B.M. convention



Watt bought a card castle made in India. One side is made up of random cards, the other is all the chosen card



Bill Baber shows off a chosen card caught by a mousetrap.



Joe Duck works with copper/silver/brass and an Okito box



Kris Ratcliffe shows he's adept at floating a match



Zack Owen shows a novel way of revealing a card



Elmer Deffenbaugh shows a coin penetration with the Opium Coins; the half dollars change to Chinese coins



Landon Davis shows his version of Card Warp

RING 180 GOES FOR INCORPORATION

As Ring 180 begins its Magic Youth program and as the Ring sends members out to perform in the Ring's name, it becomes advisable to incorporate. In today's litigious society, incorporation protects the assets of individual members which otherwise might be at risk in a lawsuit. This does not mean that the Ring would always win a lawsuit over real or imagined damages. This doesn't mean the Ring would not have to pay if proven guilty of causing damage to someone or something or that Ring officers will not be a party to a lawsuit. It simply means that the general members' own assets are not at risk. Incorporation of the Ring is for your protection and, we hope, for your peace of mind.