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296 LAFAYETTE STREET

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Annual SAM 104 Auction!!!

It's Coming!

Now's a great time to clean out your old magic that you no longer need and make some cool cash for it. You could also try making a simple grab bag too of odds and ends. Someone else may find it of value.

- Sellers should arrive early to be able to setup in time.
- SAM 104 takes 10% of the final sale.
- Sellers can be buyers.
- Price range is \$1 up. Bring one item or bring many.
- If you don't want to do the selling for your item, you can have one of the members do it for you.
- It's also fun.

Wednesday, January 6th, 2010

Meeting starts at 7:30pm

First Baptist Church

296 Lafayette St.

Salem, MA

Assembly 104 Members FREE.

Preceding the Auction is "Bill Towne's School Of Magic" at 7pm.

The class will be about coin magic (some from Bobo ,some from Chanin, some from ???). Bring in 4 nickels, a penny, 4 half dollars (if you can find any) and 4 Eisenhower dollar size coins. If you have a close up pad or reasonable substitute, bring it in
...this should cut down on clinking noise. - Len.



FROM THE PRESIDENT

From the President

Here we are at the beginning of a new year and a new decade! Time flies when you are having fun! I remember my parents saying how fast time went by and thinking they were crazy. Summers seemed to last forever. (At least until the week before school started up again!) It seemed like 10 years between birthdays. Now it seems more like 10 minutes!

Make the most of all the time you have, be happy, have fun.

I hope your Holidays went well and that you got everything you wanted. Most importantly, I hope you were able to spend time with family and friends. We had a great time with family and friends around here and will be going to Florida at the end of the month to have a second Christmas with my Daughter Mallory, her boyfriend Ruben and my Granddaughter Ari. I can't believe she is 9 months old already. My daughter says that magic is in Ari's blood. Apparently she performs some type of paddle move with my Daughter's credit card and when she turns it over, the same side is always facing up!

I can't wait to see it for myself. Mallory said the first couple of times Ari did it, she couldn't figure it out. Who knows, maybe Ari is a future FISM winner!

Our December meeting was one of the best received meetings in a long time. I received several comments on how much fun it was to have members perform for each other, and the Yankee Swap was fun as well. Based on the feedback I received from the December meeting we have decided to have another "Member's Performance or Sharing Night" at our May meeting. As an added feature, we will allow time for feedback from the audience (if you want it!). We were a little rushed for time at the December meeting due to the Yankee Swap, and there was some feedback given, mostly privately, at the close of the meeting or in e-mails afterwards. I think a little constructive criticism can go a long way to improving our craft. Thanks to all who performed at the meeting. Start practicing now for May!

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We now have a new website and Webmaster. First, let me thank Paul Joly for his serving as Webmaster these past years. He got us up and running and maintained the site for us, always doing an excellent job. I'm not very computer literate, but in a nutshell, our domain name and the hosting service for the website had expired and Derek Raposo volunteered to make everything right. After much discussion amongst the officers, we decided it might be best if he took over the Webmaster's job as well, that way, one person was handling all aspects of the website. Paul graciously relinquished his duties to Derek, and we are now up and running. Initially, it was thought that unlike the past, we would be paying for our hosting, etcetera, but Derek volunteered to not only be the Webmaster, but to pay all related costs as his gift to the club! Thanks Derek! Once again, I am impressed by all that each and every member does to make SAM104 the best Assembly in SAM. It is a pleasure and honor to be associated with such a fine group of people! Check out the new www.SAM104.com!

Next month, is our Holiday Party which will be held at Supino's Italian Restaurant on Rt 1 South in Danvers. We are still exploring entertainment options and will advise you of our choice as soon as possible. If you plan on attending, please let Eddie Gardner or me know so we can get an accurate head count. March will be a Balloon Clinic with "J" Hubbard, he will be covering basic balloon sculptures. If you are interested in purchasing a kit to work with, please let us know so we can make enough to go around. In April, Tony Gangi will be discussing his newly released book "Carney Sideshow" (To be released in February, but it is available now for pre-order at Amazon.com!) May will be member's night as stated above, and June will be our Annual Banquet where we swear in our Officer's for the 2010-2011 year. Like I said at the beginning of this writing, time flies!

Share the Magic that is you!

Bill Jensen

SAM 104 Holiday Party

**Wednesday February 3, 2010
7 PM**

Supino's Restaurant

**Route 1 South
Danvers MA 01923**

**Includes Appetizer Table
Dinner & Desert
Cash Bar Available**

Entertainment to be announced

Cost \$20 per person

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