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## **INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS BANQUET**

**\$15.00 for adults  
\$7.50 for children under 12**

**Following the Installation will be an  
awards ceremony for**

**Magician of the Year  
Unsung Magician of the Year  
Anthony Murphy Award**

***Entertainment will follow provided by David Oliver***

**Please make a reservation by contacting  
Eddie Gardner at (978) 535-8950 eddie@diamondbmagic.com  
Or**

**Bill Jensen (617) 320-3221 Tamumford@aol.com**

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**Wednesday, June 2nd, 6:30 pm  
Mandarin Buffet  
400 Highland Avenue  
Salem, MA 01970**



## **FROM THE PRESIDENT**

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I can't believe a whole year has gone by. It has been my pleasure to serve as President of Assembly 104. The assistance provided by the membership has made the job relatively simple. We have a multi-talented, diverse group of people who always want to help to keep Assembly 104 alive and growing. I truly appreciate each and every one of you and the assistance you have provided not only in the last year, but in all the previous years as well.

This month's meeting is our Installation Banquet to be held at the Mandarin Buffet 400 Highland Ave, Salem, MA. Please contact Eddie (978)535-8950 eddie@diamondsmagic.com or me (617)320-3221 Tamumford@aol.com for reservations. It helps to have a "head count". Details are here in the Cauldron and at the website [www.sam104.com](http://www.sam104.com).

I was talking with Pete Jackson, a prior President of SAM104, about awards that we have given out in the past. Pete told me about the "Magician of the Year Award", the "Unsung Magician of the Year Award", and the "Anthony Murphy Award". Pete could not, however, provide me with too many details on each award. I checked out by-laws and there is nothing in there about them. I canvassed several members and came up with criteria for each award. I have typed them up, and will be presenting them to the membership at our first meeting in September for inclusion in the by-laws, so there will be no confusion in the future. We will be presenting each of these awards, this year, at the banquet.

As you can probably detect from this notice and my previous ones, I am big on Thank Yous. I know that most people do the things they do because they are interested in the Art of Magic and the future of Assembly 104. However, it is nice to be recognized. So, in addition to the above mentioned awards, I will be presenting a few Certificates of Appreciation to some of the members who have gone above and beyond to help Assembly 104.

Once again, thank you all for keeping the Art of Magic and Assembly 104 alive and well!  
Share the Magic that is YOU!

- Bill Jensen

UPCOMING LECTURES:

## *David Ginn presents "Kidbiz Live Workshop"*

Three Hours of Comedy, Magic, and fun... shared by the man who has lived it all in 300 plus shows yearly for 37 years. David has written over 80 books, tapes, videos, and DVDs teaching you how to entertain children.

Every registrant will receive David's Crash Course on Kidshows book, plus Three Tricks shown and Explained, and an Official David Ginn Kit FREE with Paid Registration. Furthermore, only one person per family registers because spouses (girlfriends or boyfriends) and children or parents of Junior Magicians attend Free.. Props, Books, & DVDs will be on sale at special prices.

Saturday, June 19, 10 AM til 3 PM At  
Diamond's Magic, Inc, 515 Lowell Street, Mass. 01960  
Registration: \$35.00 Advance or \$45.00 at the door.



## *Meir Yedid*

Meir Yedid (the first person to win the Society of American Magicians Closeup Magic Championship more than once) will be lecturing with a full professional caliber, show where you will experience entertaining and funny presentations. You will learn how to perform everything in a show plus routines that Meir uses during live shows for magicians, laypeople and on television.

Monday, July 12 at 7 PM  
Diamond's Magic, Inc, 515 Lowell Street, Peabody, Mass.  
\$20.00 per person.



MINUTES FROM MAY'S MEETING:

## SAM 104 Member's Performance and Sharing Night – May 2010

Our May meeting was Member's Performance and Sharing Night. It began with Steve "Doc" Rogers performing his "Flim-Flam Man" act. Steve did a "bill change" routine which ended in an unusual way, in that the person who originally gave a twenty dollar bill to use ended up with nothing, and another volunteer ended up with the twenty! Steve says he sometimes gets flack for not returning the bill to the original owner, but that in every instance so far, the person who gets the twenty at the end of the effect gives it back to the original owner. (Who says magicians aren't honest?) Steve's humor and magic abilities were enjoyed by the group.

Following Steve was Tony Gangi who shared a Mother's Day poem ending with a mouse trap snapping on his tongue! Tony also shared a story and visuals on setting off an animal trap without getting hurt! (See our April minutes for more on Tony and his newly released book Carny Sideshows, or visit his website [www.carnysideshows.com](http://www.carnysideshows.com).)

Eddie Gardner followed with an amazing routine using two members of the audience and a set of cards which ending up matching no matter how many times they were shuffled. Eddie also performed "Smart Ass" much to the pleasure of the audience. Dave Tolstrup followed with a performance of linking bead necklaces including a hilarious explanation of how he had purchased the effect online. The "reusable carrying case" (a zip lock bag) was an excellent touch. Jim Loscutoff performed a cups and balls routine using items he acquired while on a recent trip to Egypt. He assembled several props from various sources during his travels, and put them all together, with patter, explaining each prop and how it was acquired. It all blended together with the basic cups and balls routine very well. Great job Jim! Jim Braier closed out the night by performing some card effects.

SAMCON, our annual one-day convention, will be held on Saturday November 6th at the Holiday Inn in Peabody MA. Mike Caveney, Tina Lenert, Michael Vincent and David Kaye (Silly Billy) will be the lecturers/performers. See our website [www.sam104.com](http://www.sam104.com) for details and registration. New this year...you can register online and use PayPal to pay! Register early, seating is by order of registration, the earlier you register, the better your seat! The following day, Sunday, November 7th, Michael Vincent will present a lecture "The Poetry of Magic" at the Holiday Inn in Peabody. Info and registration are also on our website. [www.sam104.com](http://www.sam104.com).

Bill Jensen, President, SAM104

PICS FROM MEMBER'S NIGHT:



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