

**Nbo. 244 Long Island, New York - Frank Garcia Ring**

Meets 1st Thursday, Plainview Public Library, Plainview, New York

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In December, as is our usual custom, we hosted our annual Holiday Show. Our temporary meeting location contains a little theater, which we were able to use for our show, which drastically improved sight lines. Magic Jeff (Miller) was our emcee and he put together a fine show. Jeff performed a few items out of his children's show to get the audience warmed up. Once they were nice and toasty, Renee and Danielle Wallace, who appeared to be about 7 and 8 years old, opened with a nice routine ending with the production of their little brother. I don't think the three kids were 21 between the three of them. Next up was Mike Maione, the Silly Magician who, by the way, also produced a nice program that was handed out to all audience members, started out with a continuous egg production and ended with a D'Lite routine culminating with the magical lighting of a Christmas tree that he had produced earlier. The next act was Juggling by Bruce, which proved to be somewhat tricky considering that he was dealing with a spot light. Prospective member, Eric Grenberg performed as his alter ego, The Amazing Schmendrick. Eric Performed various mental effects including Clip Line and a unique version of Mental Epic. Kevin Rhodehouse was next in line and he performed a sucker pizza box routine and a continuous candy cane production. Our final performer of the evening was Bill White and Magic the Dog. Both performers were in top form and thoroughly delighted the audience. Keep your eye out for them on reruns of the show Pet Stars on the Animal Planet channel.

Thanks also to Nicholas Knight, Terry Oberman, Dan Miller and members of our junior ring, 244 ½, who performed close-up in the audience before the show.

On behalf of Frank Garcia Ring 244, I hope everyone out there had an outstanding holiday season and have a healthy and prosperous New Year. On January 14<sup>th</sup>, we will be hosting our

annual dinner, dance and show which will be headlined by George Schindler. I'll tell you all about it later.

Bill Krupskas, O.M.