

No. 244 Long Island, New York - Frank Garcia Ring

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

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Our January theme is always the same. Since the calendar is usually in a state of flux, the newest member hosts the evening and it's called "One per Person – Time Permitting". On a sultry, by Long Island standards, wine evening, Eric Greenberg took the helm and organized a nice evening of magic. We had 21 performers, so let's get on with it.

Bill White opened with Chicago Opener. Mike Raccuia performed a Harvey Berg triple prediction bit. Chris Ward did strange things with rubber bands. Vinny Moccia performed an item he calls Bet You Five. Bill Krupskas then performed John Bannon's Photo Logic. Leo Friedlander did a card at any number trick. Billy Gray did a torn and restored card. Newest member, Bob Dorian, performed an item called Don't Blink where miniature cards in a wine glass mysteriously change. Kevin Rhodehouse performed an Okito Box and four-coin routine.

Whew! Let me catch my breath!

Then came Jack Diamond who performed Daryl's Dicey Dots. Emcee Eric Greenberg then did a blank deck routine. Magic-Al Garber found a silk and tube penetration effect in his drawer from over 25 years ago and did that. Ed Hass performed Marlo's Mental Topper. Mike Kirschner performed Controller by Peter Narden. Todd Schwartz then presented another blank deck bit. Dave Levitan juggled rubber balls, clubs and billiard balls. Steve Rodman told a joke. Professor Sparkle did a nice dye tube routine. Ziggy did a nice magic square routine and developed a new unique method for arriving at that special number. And finally, as the lights were being blinked signaling that we had to vacate the room, Jonathan Frede was performing Dean Dill's Blizzard.

Hah, Blizzard. It doesn't appear that we are going to see anything close to that on Long Island this winter. I hope I didn't speak too soon. Our new after meeting diner burnt down, so, off to our old after meeting diner.

Bill Krupskas, O.M.