

**No. 244 Long Island, New York - Frank Garcia Ring  
Meets 1st Thursday, Syosset Public Library, Syosset, New York  
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October started off with Don Engstrand auditioning for membership. He performed a very nice triple prediction followed by a prediction of the total of some random numbers. He then did another prediction with cards and closed by making a ring slide up a stretched out rubber band. Don was then voted in as Ring 244s 42<sup>nd</sup> active member.

Restaurant Magic was our theme this month. Nicholas Paul brought in service for two, a table cloth and all the other stuff you find on the table when performing in that venue. La Biblioteque was then officially open for business. The name is French for library. You see, we meet in a library. Prof. Sparkle and his wife, Brenda were the first and only customers of the evening. Joe Silkie stopped by the table and borrowed the professor's car keys and locked them up on a padlock. Then, seven other customers had a chance to win the car if they could open the lock. The professor did not have to walk home. Nicholas Paul then demonstrated the first half of the Anniversary Waltz, did a nice 4 coins across and closed with a bill switch. Bill White, the maitre'd, came over and bent a spoon. Bill Krupskas was next and opened with a \$5 and \$1 bill transposition followed by a nice sponge ball routine and he closed with Koran's Five Star Prediction. Magic-Al, fresh off his trip to the other side of the pond (that's England, specifically London) where he performed his critically acclaimed children's show produced a thought of card from the card box when it was discovered missing from the deck and then demonstrated Spectator Cuts the Aces. Kevin Rhodehouse who, by the way, has performed on three continents, opened with a wine bottle production followed by a torn and restored sugar packet and a bill switch. He then did Sudden Deck II and produced the switched out bill from inside a kiwi. He

said they really liked that trick when he did it in Australia. Mike Raccuia, a seasoned restaurant performer started off with Hundy 500 followed by a nice sponge ball routine and closed with his version of the Invisible Deck. Don Engstrand was back with an ESP Deck routine, a bit where a card vanished while the spectators were hypnotized and some more rubber band magic. Our youngest member, Zach Mandel, who can eat in restaurants but can't drink there, performed Jumping Gems, a deck cut prediction and when the deck was continually cut, he knew the card that was cut to. Mike Kirschner, another restaurant performer in the real world, closed the festivities with a very nice 4 coins across. They did not serve too much food at this restaurant but we did see a lot of fine magic.

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Bill Krupskas, O.M.