

**No. 244 Long Island, New York - Frank Garcia Ring
Meets 1st Thursday, Syosset Public Library, Syosset, New York
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First, please note that in the heading of this blurb, I have included our website. Check it out. I think it's pretty cool. Now, for the action. September's topic was Anything Goes. When you give that much latitude to the gang, well, watch out!

Don Engstrand, a perspective member started things off with a short talk on hypnotism and imagination. He had the entire assemblage stand and then performed a test to determine his three volunteers. He did a card effect, a test with a book where, after being hypnotized, all the words looked like gibberish to the spectator. He closed with an Add-A-Number bit. Next, MC Ziggy performed El Numero. The recently engaged Mike Kirschner started off with a nice one-coin routine followed by a card divination and, after that, he figured out who drew what picture.

Bill White then entered the performing area. He took a bow. He left. That was it. Billy Gray followed this hilarity with a stretching card routine and a color changing deck bit. Dan Sterling was next and performed a couple of prediction bits. Ziggy came back and performed an effect where he locked a bunch of rings on a combination lock after the combination was changed, so no one knew it. So, he then arrived at a random number, which just happened to be the new combination. A nice effect inspired by the Richard Osterlind DVDs. Bob Lusthaus demonstrated and taught how determine the day of the week knowing only the month, day, and year. He handed out notes too. Bob Weinowitz performed five versions of the three-card monte but each version had bigger and bigger cards. Wayne Haarhaus spoke of Edgar Casey and ESP. He spoke of telepathy where he divined what a spectator wrote and clairvoyance where he predicted same. He closed with a presentation of Docc Hilford's Pegasus Page. Last, but not

least, Dave Levitan gave a wonderful performance of Multiplying Bottles. As someone said, “Finally, a magic trick!”. Be back next month.

Bill Krupskas, O.M.