

Our January meeting is the second time our gang got together this month. Just our luck, we are also getting hit with the second snowstorm in a week as well. Just days before was our highly successful annual dinner, which you can read about complete with photos in a later Linking Ring. Our traditional theme in January is "one per person", and what another great night it was. Nick Paul led off with the certainty card trick. Eric DeCamps followed up with a Cubio routine, only his version looked like a Cubio with a thyroid condition. The ball he used looked like a bocce ball! Steve Rodman performed a comedy routine producing a centerfold at the end. Kevin Rhodehouse performed Impossible Prediction by Richard Sanders. Mike Maione managed to pull off the most "commercial" routine I've ever seen. He managed to throw in a plug for every local store from his local pizzeria to his cesspool cleaner! Wayne Haarhaus showed off his skills with a ribbon and a volunteers finger. Bill White performed a name your card effect where a randomly named card had the name Bill written on the back. Roy Miller showed us how to stretch our dollars in these hard times, but in his case he literally stretched his dollars! Bob Lusthaus proved we were all compatible via his Chicago Opener type effect. Billy Gray entertained us with Don Alan's Big Deal. Ziggy demonstrated his mentalist skills with a nice prediction effect with ESP cards. Bob Weinowitz performed a Monte routine with extra jumbo cards. Mike Goldman showed off his skills with the pasteboards with a nice card to the pocket. Magic Al Garber turned a spectator in the audience into a magician. A selected card appeared in a card box that was in the spectators pocket from the start. Bob Dorian showed us a \$5 repeat and produced some "big bucks" at the end. Finally, Harry Mandel wrapped up the evening with a nice version of the cut and restored rope.