

April means April Fool. Our theme for the April meeting was Magic with a Message. I don't know if there is connection there, but, whatever.

Wayne Haarhaus was the evening's producer and he put together a fine show. Our lead-off hitter was Secretary Nick Paul who did nice ring transposition with a nothing comes without a great price theme. Batting second, Mike Maione used The Seven Keys of Baldpate as a visual aid for the new employee orientation speech that he gives when working at his day job. Batting next in the three hole was David Levitan. He used jumbo B'Wave and Chase the Ace as recruiting tools to entice people to join the IBM. Dave is always a tough act to follow as he's one of our full time pros, but, hitting clean-up was Bill Krupskas and he was up to the task and capably performed Kate and Edith. Following big Bill and batting fifth was Ed Hass who had a nice card item. Hitting sixth was Kevin Rhodehouse and he performed the BS Board, a chop cup routine and a borrowed bill to lemon all with a Bernie Madoff securities fraud theme. Extremely topical and funny. Don Engstrand followed with a liar – truth teller item which is fresh out of the book that he is writing. Harry Mandel rounded out the line-up with an item using a wand, string and coffee cup and the sucker torn and restored paper napkin bit all with a “try not to fail” theme. It was a really good show and everyone enjoyed it. Next month is a Danny Archer lecture which I sure will be outstanding. Until then, I remain.

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