

It's now August and man, it's been hot! But it was cool in our meeting room where we held our August meeting, the theme of which was This Is Your Life, the old Ralph Edwards television show. Our MC for the evening, Nicholas Paul played the Ralph Edwards part. The life of president Chris Ward was spotlighted with many visitors from his magical past showing up to honor him.

The first to stop by was his old college professor, Dr. Werner Reich who roasted Chris while performing Patriotic Paper Balls from Tarbell one. That's how old Prof. Reich is. Chris began his teaching career teaching mathematics at a parochial school, Our Lady, Queen of Bingo. One of his students, little Eddie Hass came by and demonstrated a really nice card trick using the principles he learned in the class room. This was followed by a commercial for Dr. Elliot's Vanishing Cream demonstrated by Nick Paul. The next visitor was his long lost brother Dan Miller who had two cards selected and correctly predicted that 25% of the total of the two cards would be the 4 and a quarter of spades. Next up was his parole officer Roy Miller. Chris, unfortunately, was asked to spend some time as a live-in teacher at the New York State License Plate Academy for reasons I will not go into. Roy showed how Chris used his math skills to devise an escape plan for the inmates. He demonstrated a rectangular version of Bermuda Triangle from Jim Steinmeyer's book. There are piles of prisoner cards in cells and even though you continually remove one, the original total does not change. The next guest was Chris' ex-wife Adele aptly played by Harry Mandel. He(she) demonstrated how hand cuffs were used and escaped from during their marriage. The final guest of the evening was Chris' priest Pastor Macaroni. He told a number of stories from Chris' youth and then, using John Cornelius' Thought Transmitter, he was able to divine the exact number of transgressions in Chris' life.

This was a unique theme for a meeting and everyone seemed to really enjoy the meeting. Until next month.....