

It's now January, but as I write this, it feels more like April. Anyway, January is One per Person, which means a lot of magic, so, here goes.

Up first, as always was Don Engstrand who performed Bob Cassidy's Chronologue plus Richard Osterlind's routine for Chronologue. Harry Mandel then divined a card in an entertaining manner. His son Zach followed with an original card item he calls Paper Clip Sandwich. Jeff Miller performed an item called Sugar Rush where two Hershey miniature candy bars switch places. Bill White demonstrated some card counting. Chris Ward called Esmeralda on his cell phone. She wasn't there but she left a message on her machine correctly identifying the selected card. How did she know! Kevin Rhodehouse demonstrated a color changing deck routine using David Stone's product, Tool. Bob Weinowitz performed that old item where a deck of cards is placed in its case along with a razor blade and after much shaking of the deck, the only card not cut up by the razor blade is the selected card. Go figure.

Bob Lusthaus was next, and he demonstrated an impossible, or was it improbable item he found in the Card Corner a few months back. One of our guests, Sal Mannuzza, showed us his take on the Chicago Opener. Bruce Schneider then turned his credit card into cash. Wayne Haarhaus then showed us his version of coins across. He said it was not really anyone's routine. He said he culled bits and pieces from various places and molded it into what it is today. Bill Krupskas was next and he demonstrated David Regal's Prophecy Pack. Ed Hass followed Bill and performed Daryl's Out of Body Experience which is a sandwich effect. Wow, two sandwich effects in one night. What are the odds! Al Garber showed us Professor's Dream where all the ropes become one at the end. Dan Miller performed Tom Craven's Super Speller. Our final performer was newly installed president, Nick Paul who performed the thumb tip bill switch and then, as he taught the routine, he emphasized all the misdirection that is used throughout the routine. Now that's a lot of magic! I hope everyone's New Year is off to a happy and healthy start. Until next time.