

I rarely discuss Ring business here but on October 18th, Ring 244 is holding (held) a full evening show to raise money for Elizabeth Burger, the granddaughter of our late member Don Burger. Elizabeth is 3 and half years old and has a form of epilepsy. She will be having surgery that requires doctors to open her skull and much of the cost is not covered by insurance. Next month I look forward to reporting that Elizabeth had successful surgery and that the Ring put on a successful fund raiser.

Now, on with the magic. Steve Reynolds is primarily a card guy, original from Philadelphia but now from New Orleans. He does a lot of work in restaurants, so his effects are short, tight and to the point.

He started with Spin to the Color Changing Deck which is a four ace production followed by the deck changing color. His next effect was called Mr. Fogg Track Down which is his take on Vernon's Travelers. The good thing about this is, in the context of Steve's performance, there is only one card palmed and the spectator can remove the last card from the magician's pocket. He then demonstrated an item called Daylight Visitor based on Larry Jennings "The Visitor" followed by Unsigned Card and So Simple Triumph. And he's not kidding when he says so simple. Many members were shocked when he tipped the method. He continued on with a very nice Cups and Balls routine that included some nice surprises. He then demonstrated a packet trick based on Roy Walton's Collectors called Restless Colors. This is a good effect because when it's over, all the cards are back we they started so, no re-set. He then closed with Monkey in the Box which is a signed card to card box routine.

Steve Reynolds is an extremely creative magician. He takes existing plots and re-works them to adapt to his performing environment and minimizes sleights as much as can without letting the effect suffer. Steve has good commercial material and time spent reading his material would be time well spent.

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