

## **A Few Words from the President** *Jeff Day - President*

#### Magic Can Fool Anyone This Month!

There are were things magical that appeared during the month of March. A new TV show began on March 11th that involves a world famous magician who helps the FBI with their cases. "Deception" on ABC. On March 23rd Chris Rawlins came and presented his lecture to our Ring16 group. On March 24th, Mario The Magician performed his energetic show at GPAC. He was fantastic and had all of those kids, and adults, riveted to their seats. On March 31th our Ring will give a hearty "THANK YOU" to The Memphis Botanic Gardens by performing at their Easter Egg Hunt event. We do this because they have given us a room for FREE all these years.

Now, we come to another month that will not disappoint. Some of you know that Penn & Teller have been performing as a duo for several decades, and their upcoming new TV series, "Magic Schmagic", will be a raging success we're certain. They have decided to "call it quits" after their last televised performance in August, 2018. Their Las Vegas show will feature some of the best magicians in the field of close-up, cabaret, and stage. It has been a long, successful run of magic that they have given to us all in the magic community. Thank you Penn & Teller!

Another bit of news that is coming our way this April, is that Penguin Magic as well as Vanishing

# Notes from the VP

Bill Canaday - Vice-President

This weekend looks like great weather for us. Looks like another fine turnout for the Annual Botanic Garden Easter Egg Hunt; thanks so much in advance for your help! Thanks so much, as always, to Grayson himself, and the Botanic Garden for all they do for us. We had Mentalist Chris Rawlins for a great lecture a few nights ago, and thanks to everyone who was able to come to this one. Chris is a great guy, and his lecture was excellent; full of great Mentalism. He really enjoyed Memphis and our hospitality, for which we are known. Happy Easter to everyone and your families! See you at our April Meeting.

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Tuesday April 3rd - 7pm Memphis Botanic Garden Theme: Pranks/Gags .. and Mentalism ... Tricks that Fool Magicians

### **Upcoming Lectures**

Christian & Katalina - Tuesday, April 10th

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Inc., and Ellusionist will be joining forces to create a new convention for creators of magic. The convention will conclude with a competition in which the winner of the best magical effect will have their effect produced and promoted at no cost to the creator by the aforementioned magic companies. Get out those notes you've been stuffing into a drawer, blow off the dust, and get to work!

Finally, on April 26th, a new method of levitation will be released by Danish magician, Fiodor Vannder-heike. This will allow the performer to take any object that weighs less than 1,800 pounds, and have it levitate up to 9 feet. The performer can walk out into the audience while the object is hovering mid-stage with spectators surrounding the space where the object is floating. The illusion is perfect and quite deceiving. Even the keenest magician will find it hard to discover the answer to this one. The cost of this effect has not been disclosed as of this writing, but a regional periodical, "Seomen Kuvalehti" has proclaimed that, "Denne magiske historie narrede dig"!

That's all for now, if that's not enough. April 1st may be in fact EASTER, but by no means is the latter half of this article true. Just a little April Fool's humor. Have fun this April!

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## **March 6th Business Meeting**

John Sorrell

- Lectures: Chris Rawlins - Mar 23 Christian & Katalina - Apr 10 Tom Vorjohan - August Eric Stevens - Pass for now

- Larry DuFrene - Treasurer's Report

- Jeff Day - Performed at the Germantown Library Awards

- Grayson Smith - Shared Kathy & Jeff, Larry Clark in RSVP

- Grayson Smith - Shared that Nick Toombs hypotism show tickets available tonight for \$10 -March 30th show

- March 31, Saturday - Memphis Botanic Gardens Easter Egg Hunt 1-4 pm, plan to attend to perform as a thank you for the Gardens giving us a free meeting place.

- Jeff Day - Performing March 10 at the

Germantown Animal Shelter Silent Auction

- Visitors: Ronnie Rucker, Don & Ashton Berry, Antonio and family

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<sup>-</sup> Jeff Day - Performed at a Russian themed gig

# March Open Magic Photos Grayson Smith & Larry DuFrene



















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# **Chris Rawlins Lecture Photos**

Grayson Smith & Larry DuFrene















