No. 244 Long Island, New York - Frank Garcia Ring

Meets 1st Thursday, Plainview Public Library, Plainview, New York

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In August, we met on the third Thursday and we meet again in two weeks to put us back on our first Thursday schedule. Our theme this evening was Sucker Magic and you can just imagine how the night went. Magic-Al himself more commonly known as Al Garber was our host for the evening. He started off with the famous Rabbit in the Hat routine. He kept showing a rabbit change color and finally disappear. The audience yelled out all the requisite lines like "Turn it around" or "No, the other side". After Magic-Al was done, all the lines were used up, so what did we have to look forward to the rest of the night? Well, Bob Weinowitz followed with his Sucker Die Box routine. A great routine, but think twice if Bob brings some of his props to a magic auction if you know what I mean, and I think you do. Chris Ward followed with Steve Duschek's Lethal Tender. As Chris started the routine and was setting up the premise, assistant Roy Miller blurted out "No S*%*" and it brought the house down. Bill White was next and he did the always-popular classic Paper Balls over the Head. The very creative Joe Silkie did a silk to egg routine but instead, he used a pack of Life Savers. Kevin Rhodehouse was next and he demonstrated Don Alan's Big Deal and followed with a split deck routine. Dave Levitan followed Kevin with a version of Dunbury Delusion called Dave's Delight located in Frank Garcia's green book. He followed up with the same trick that Magic-Al opened with, only he had goldfish. Bill Krupskas was up next and he performed the McCombical Prediction Deck. Ed Hass was next and he demonstrated an item shown to a while ago by Bob Elliott entitled TA-DA. Mike Goldman demonstrated that old bar bet where you start with three cups, turn over two cups at a time, do it three times and end up with all the cups facing up. Only thing is that the

spectator can't do it. Bob Lusthaus showed the three of spades and proceeded to palm off one of the pips and the two of spades was now in view. Only thing, the palmed card was sticking out of his hand. Upon being confronted, he showed the card to be the ace of spades. Mike Raccuia did the 1-2-3 Trick. Only thing, when the spectator tried to do the same thing, he couldn't. Our president, Wayne Haarhaus closed the show with a trick whose name escapes me. Actually, I can't read my notes. Suffice it to say it was Sidewalk Shuffle but without gimmicked cards, therefore, it wasn't Sidewalk Shuffle. And we get to have all this fun again in two weeks.

Bill Krupskas, O.M.