It was a cold windy day in March when Nathan Kranzo blew onto the Island of Long with his very educational and entertaining lecture.

Nathan started things off with Coin Workout which is a 3 Fly type of routine where silver dollars appear, disappear and magically travel from place to place. He then switched gears and demonstrated his magazine test which he calls True Test. A page is torn out of a popular well-known magazine and given to a spectator who then tears it in half and then half again until the resultant piece is about one inch by two inches. The spectator then concentrates on a word that he sees on this piece and the performer proceeds to divine the word. There was a really nice principle at work here. Nathan switched gears again and produced a thought of card from his fly. I don't think that he had a 52 card index in there. He used a really old principle here and I'll bet you that it flew by many of those in attendance. He followed this with a really nice coin effect using two copper coins and one silver coin. Next he used one of those really sheer scarves and a silver dollar and the coin continually penetrates the scarf. This routine was hit with a lot of the guys!

After that trick, Nathan demonstrated a book test that is probably one of the most simplest and easiest that you will ever do. His final effect was called Switchblade Aces where he gives out five or six packets of cards to the spectators to shuffle. When Nathan reassembles the deck he proceeds to continue shuffling and then he cuts the deck three times (the spectator gets to do it once) and produces the four aces.

Nathan is a personable, funny and skilled magician who gives a really enjoyable performance. Catch him if you can. Next month we finally get back to entertaining ourselves and in May, Darryl pops in for a visit.

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