Our August meeting took place with the theme of "Bizarre Magic". Traditionally August is one of our lightly attended meetings due to summer vacations. So while attendance was down, our entertainment was still up!

Our host for the meeting was Harry Mandel who proceeded to thrill us with his presentation of the spiked cup. Don't try this at home! Chris Ward followed up with his handlings of compact compass and a knife through cloth routine. Kevin Rhodehouse presented Come Fly with Me, Mark Mason's 3 fly coin routine. Don't know why this would be considered as bizarre magic because Kevin is an excellent coin worker. Mike Maione did a truly bizarre routine with some coffee beans that had us all in stitches. He made 4 beans vanish into his ears and nose! Don't try this at your local Starbucks! Bob Weinowitz was up next and performed a bizarre routine with his thumb ala "Senor Wences". Bob proceeded to chew gum and his fist started to blow bubbles! Bob finished with his classic version of swallowing the air from two balloons. Gary Levenson had the line of the night when he pulled out a large brazier... damn autocorrect! Gary then performed a dream card effect with the assistance of Chris Ward. Bill White closed the show with his bizarre version of the needle through arm.

Our evening concluded with the screening performance of Jose Merced. Jose performed a 10 minute routine set to music that included Daryl's rope routine and the linking rings. Jose was then voted in as the newest member of our club. Congratulations Jose!

Kevin Rhodehouse with a little help from Bill Krupskas