

The December meeting started off with Robert Austin auditioning for membership and congratulations Bob on being Ring 244's newest member!

As is the case every December, we had our Holiday Show which was put together by Harry Mandel. Harry began the festivities with his version of Cut and Restored Rope. Jose Merced followed with a nice act culminating with a fountain of silks. Gary Levenson then passed out eight wind chimes and wooden spoons and tried to get the group to play Jingle Bells as he prompted them. It was a noble effort but extremely difficult when you add a few 6 and 7 year olds into the mix.

Steve Palamore was next and he performed a color pen prediction match. A wonderful effect! Bill White then demonstrated some mentalism and closed with a nice seven keys routine where the winner gets to keep a \$100 dollar bill if they can open the lock. Bill always seems to win the money. Our new president, Kevin Rhodehouse was next and he opened with Daryl's entire rope routine and closed with some amazing Rubik's Cube Magic. Our final act of the evening was mentalist Steve Goldstein who performed a nice prediction with an Ali Baba story line.

The members of Ring 244 hope that everyone had an enjoyable holiday season and are experiencing an easy winter.

Bill Krupskas