April 2017

# THE GIMMICK

S.A.M. Assembly #16 - Rev. Willard S. Smith

#### **Next Meeting**

Monday. April 3

#### The Magic Barn

179 Main St. Ashland, MA

Ashlandmagicbarn.com

**Meeting Agenda** 

**Business Meeting** 

Show-N-Tell

Dai Vernon lecture pt.2

**DIY Prop Building** 

~Guest - Ryan Lally~

#### **SAM 104**

3State Magic Auction Sunday April 2 2017 9am-3pm

Holiday Inn - 300 Woodbury Ave. Portsmouth, NH 3801.

## Upcoming April Meeting

Monday April 3, 2017. Doors open 6:30pm. Bring a trick or magic related item to show. Michael Mayo presents Dai Vernon lecture Pt 2. New DIY prop ideas. Flea Market Table, plus...

Special Guest **Ryan Lally** will perform & discuss his classic style of magic.



http://www.ryanlallymagic.com

#### **Barn March Meeting**

Assembly 16 gathered Monday March 6, 2017 at the Magic Barn. Members shared tricks and discussed helpful tips at show-n-tell. A Pizza break was soon enjoyed. Regional S.A.M Vice President Tom Gentile was in attendance along with Dan Sclare. We welcomed new member Shawn Chlebda and past member Chris Palmer back to the Barn.



The meeting commenced with a lecture by Michael Mayo on the early history of Dai Vernon. Mike observed revelations pointing to Vernon's strained family life. On display were Mike's personal copies of *Expert At The Card Table* and *Inner Secrets*. Framed photographs of The Professor enhanced his presentation. Enjoy Part 2 of the lecture at the April meeting.



Next was Do It Yourself Props where familiar magic props are created using common items found at home. Scott Martell demonstrated how a simple paper bag can be turned into a recognizable change bag.



Ed The Wizard noted several finer points, such as adding a clear window at the bottom to view the contents of the bag. Scott then demonstrated how to turn nylon pantyhose into yards of invisible thread.

Dan Sclare presented a remote card fountain he built with items found at Radio Shack. He suggested a small remote control car wheel as a card fountain. Dan wrapped up the discussion with a presentation of his home made obedient golf ball.

Members and guests concluded the evening with a video performance of the late, great Tommy Wonder. The flea market table was well received, with magic items exchanging hands.



## SAM 9 - Hocus Pocus Party

Courtesy of David Oliver

**S**uperb performances by Ryan Lally, JoJo Garcia, Scott Galbraith, Stephen Smolak, SAM 16 President Dennis Pimenta with wife Janet. Congratulations to Alan Wassilak who received the *National President's Citation* from Regional S.A.M. VP, Tom Gentile.





#### Paul Gernter Lecture

**B**arn16 members Michael Mayo, Scott Martell, Shawn Chlebda and Javier Valencia ventured to Cranston Rhode Island on Tuesday March 7th to watch Paul Gertner educate the magicians and guests of R.I.S.M.



### <u>NEMCON 2017</u>

#### Review by Michael Mayo

**O**n Saturday March 11, I attended my first NEMCON convention... it was a blast! Jon Cap, Mike Bent, and the hilarious Michael Finney rocked the close-up show. Then, Scott and I were lucky to get up on stage and assist Aaron Fisher himself. Impressive to say the least! Shawn Farquhar ended the show with a fantastic cups and balls routine.



Next were several lectures. Mike Bent stood out to me the most with great tips on kids magic. The evening show opened with a presentation honoring David Garrity for his many years as a performer and his contributions to the magic community.

The opening act was Danny Winter, a young magician with an excellent coin manipulation routine. Both Mike Bent and Michael Finney drew the most laughs. Shawn Farquhar closed

the show by effortlessly displaying why he's one of the best in the world. A great day, from the performers to the dealers, a friendly atmosphere of people who share an interest and love for the art of magic. Its easy to see why NEMCON has been going strong for 36 years. I cant wait to go back next year.



## Upcoming New England Event



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Your Turn To Water Is Next Saturday

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