2014/2015 Club Membership Dues are now due!!

Please bring your **\$40** membership renewal dues to the September meeting, or mail them to: *Mark Hogan, 21-455 Hyde Park Road, London ON N6H 3R9*



Shell Game

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June's meeting

It was the beginning of summer – and time to hit the pubs! And that's just what happened when we visited **The Wit's End Pub & Grill** in north London for this year's annual dinner.

We were able to create one large set of tables to hold everyone, and had a few families as well as a number of familiar faces join us that we hadn't seen in a while (**Dennis Weir, Andy Parr, Greydon Gilmore, Jim Atkinson**).

After dinner, we broke out the magic – first for ourselves, but soon we caught the eye of a few in the restaurant, who made their way over to our tables, and who could help but entertain them. Some even left and went to bring back some friends!

It was fun to see all those familiar faces returning to share a dinner, and also really enjoyable to entertain some new faces and watch their reactions and appreciation.

It was a great way to begin the summer!

Mark Hogan

Next Meeting:

Wednesday, September 10

Time: 7:30 PM

Topic: WHAT YOU LEARNED THIS SUMMER

Beal Secondary School 525 Dundas Street, London

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The summer is time to kick back, relax, and soak up the sun. But it was a pretty lousy summer for sun, so there's a chance many of you stayed indoors for a bit and learned some new magic.

So why not share? Bring out anything you learned, purchased, read, watched or worked on this summer. We'd love to see it!

We Want Your Reviews and Tricks!

Please send any original reviews, magic tricks or routines to:

magic london@yahoo.ca

News Of Interest

Steve Seguin's CHAIRS now available!

If you haven't heard, **Bill Abbott Magic** has released a new DVD and 45-page book from our own **Steve Seguin** – **CHAIRS**! This is an exciting event and a major accomplishment for Steve. CHAIRS has been Steve's closer for years, and now he has shared his marvelous routine with the entire magic community. (And if you watch the DVD, you may pick out some London magic club members!)

For details on this extraordinary package, or to order, visit:

http://billabbottmagic.com/online-store/Chairs.html



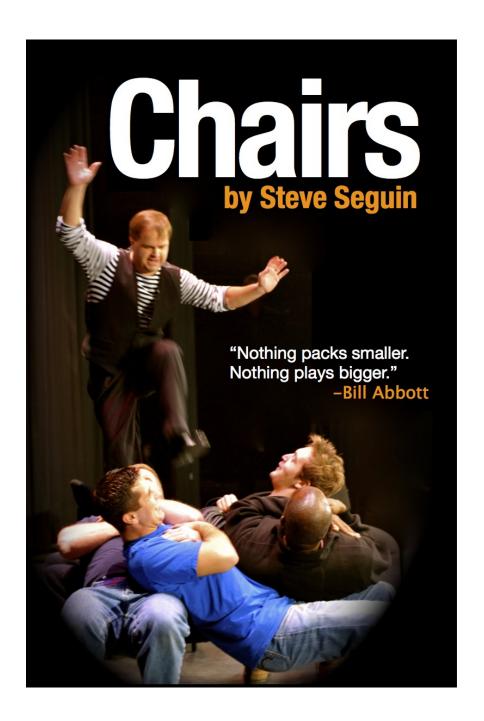
CHAIRS by Steve Seguin

The Guaranteed Standing Ovation

Juggler, magician and humorist Steve Seguin closes every show with a standing ovation, and now YOU can too! Applying great staging, simple choreography and an age old circus/party stunt, Steve has audiences jumping to their feet at the end of his show. Every. Single. Time. Guaranteed!

No Props!

In partnership with Bill Abbott Magic, Steve Seguin will walk you through a master class in audience participation and management. In a deluxe multimedia pro package which includes both a 45 page book and 90 min. DVD that will give you all of the knowledge and tools necessary to add this dynamic conclusion to YOUR show.



CHAIRS REVIEW

"I've seen so much misleading ad copy it's unreal. Promises of guaranteed standing ovations and the best reactions ever with tried and tested routines. At last something that lives up to the hype. Steve Seguin's Chairs is insane. Enter with nothing at all, leave with nothing but applause. The routine is hilarious, action packed and jammed full of visual comedy. Even if you already know how the chair stunt works, Steve's tips will give you the confidence to go out and perform it everywhere and in every show, like he has for over 10 years. Finally, a product where the only thing that's unreal is the reactions you'll be getting."

-Mark James (United Kingdom)

Motor City Close-Up Convention (November 14-16) is coming (John Luka)

Before you know it, the Motor City Close-Up Convention will be here (November 14-16). All events take place at the **Best Western Woodhaven**Inn (http://www.bestwestern.com/woodhaveninn) located at 21700 West Road, Woodhaven, MI 48183. (Metro Detroit Area) Phone (734) 676-8000 Call the hotel for room reservations or hotel information. There is a special room rate of \$73 plus tax per diem for the convention. To qualify, when you make your reservations request the **Motor City Magic** rate.

With the help of **The Wunderground Magic Shop** we made sure that the line-up for this year's event would be **AWESOME**. We are featuring **Shoot Ogawa**, **Tony Cabral**, **David Gabbay**, and **Curtis Kam**. You will have an opportunity to interact with four of today's top close-up performers in an intimate setting. Being a small convention you will get the opportunity to see close-up magic CLOSE UP. You will see some terrific magic in the three scheduled close-up shows plus a chance to see a great deal of close-up magic being performed in casual situations. You will also get a chance to meet the performers and get to attend four great lectures.

We have a lot of surprises planned for this year's event. This is going to be a great opportunity to see a lot of good magic. In addition to the formal shows, there will be informal sessions going on. The new hotel is very session friendly. Don't forget the party! Another opportunity to see more magic.

It is very easy to register for the convention. Simply click <u>HERE</u> and click on the "Add To Cart" button. Registration is only \$125.

Those who have attended the convention in the past know that the line-up of performers has always been OUTSTANDING. You can view a list of past performers by clicking <u>HERE</u>. I am very proud of that list. I am also very happy

that performers for this year's Motor City Close-Up Convention number among the very best I have had.

The dealers will include: **Wunderground Magic**, **ABC Magic**, **Benz Magic**, **Pattrick's Mats**, **Mercy Magic**, **Roy Kueppers Magic**, and **Gordon Miller Magic**.

Mark your calendars and plan on attending this year's event. I look forward to seeing you there.

John Luka

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