



The Magic & Illusion Show Newsletter

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Special points of interest:

- A magic show review
- Magic news
- Trick of the month
- Entertainment news
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GETTING REVVED UP!

Our busiest season for years and years now has always been June—August with Company picnics, Family Reunions, Camps, Church events, County fairs, resorts all booking at the same time. This year we have added 85 % new material to our illusion show and we have now performed it twice and it is going over better than I imagined, everyone is loving the new stuff.

In other news, Natalie’s rib is getting better but she still has to be careful not to over do it or she starts to feel it. We are doing everything we can to keep up with office work while on the road which can be hard. Natalie is returning emails and phone calls while we are on the road and I am doing my marketing early in the morning or late at night when we get home from shows.

I feel as though an elephant has been lifted off of my shoulders now that our new show is up and running and I am trying to relax a bit more when not on the road, but as you may already know it is very hard to turn off business mode.

To find out if we are going to be in your area check us out on facebook, Twitter & Google+

Quote of the month: “The time to relax is when you don’t have time for it.”
Sydney J. Harris

Check out our weekly blog & youtube channel now with links on the homepage of wesiseli.com



We will be performing at The State Theatre of Culpeper on June 27th. We just found out they have a huge banner advertising us coming.

Who is this Guy? Pavel (1945-2011)

Born Pavel Lubomir Pomezný in Prague, Czechoslovakia, he began magic at an early age, and by 1960 had become the youngest member of the Nova Scena Kouzel, Czechoslovakia's magic society. He began tours to other European countries, and eventually made his way to the United States (1967), where he appeared on the Ed Sullivan TV show (1968). He lived in Geneva, Switzerland until his death in 2011. Pavel invented many effects, especially rope tricks: Fantastic Knot, Krazy Knot, Rapid Rope,

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Who is this Guy? (Cont)

Chameleon Knots, Super Walking Knot (1982), Cord-Fusion + Equalization, The Black Knot, The Phenomenal Rope, Hop-Along Bangle, Staggering Spiral, Miracle Silk Pass (Rope thru neck), Selected Silk in Balloon, Knot-The-Silk Routine, Pavel Change Tube, Balloon Box Blendo, Quadsilx, Sucker Blendo, Knots Off Silk and many more.



Pavel on Ed Sullivan back in 1968

Pavel also toured all over the world lecturing to magicians. The picture on the right shows me back in 1997 with my lecture notes from Pavel.



Here I am back in 1997 with Pavel

Pavel was prolific, smart, smooth and he had a real mind for magic.

His website is still up even though he passed away 3 years ago. It is worth checking out if only for the history page which has photos of Pavel from 1955 –2011

Check out pavelmagic.com

Entertainment News / I love cards, but this?

USA Memory Championship has several categories to test memory including Speed Cards.

The object of SPEED CARDS is to commit to memory and recall a single pack of 52 playing cards in the shortest possible time. There are two trials for this event and the best score is awarded.

Mental Athletes will have 5 minutes to memorize a freshly shuffled pack of 52 playing cards. For those Mental Athletes who expect to memorize the complete pack in less than 5 minutes, a judge is nearby with a stopwatch to record the precise moment memorization stopped. The recall will take place once the entire 5 minute memorization period is complete.

If there is a discrepancy, then only the cards to this point will be counted. The Mental Athlete who recalls all 52 cards with the shortest memorization time wins the event. If no one correctly recalls an entire pack, one point per card CORRECTLY RECALLED IN SEQUENCE will be awarded. The first mistake made ends scoring. The best score from the two attempts will count.



Video of the month/ Wes Iseli's Production Opener



In this effect the curtain opens and the audience sees a bag on a platform. The introduction is played over the sound system and the bag starts to inflate, once the announcement says Wes Iseli I rip out of the top and produce myself.

To see this video search on Youtube: Wes Iseli's Production Opener

Our Fundraising show for Jaeda



Last month we did a show for a cute little girl who is battling a neurological disease called MLD. Although she has already had one wish come true with the help of the make a wish folks, Natalie & I performed our Full Evening Magic & Illusion show to help raise money to send her to prom. Due to her disease the doctors say she won't make it to her own.



My silk & dove opening



Jaeda helping me with my rope effect



Another volunteer helping with my card in nest of boxes



Dollar to impossible location with Jaeda's mom



Natalie putting me in cuffs before loading me in final illusion



Natalie, myself, and Jaeda with the Jaeda's Angels team

Party Magic News / Another Satisfied Customer

Party Magic is the absolute best! I would recommend them for all types of events. Wes & Natalie put on a phenomenal family show! They are also very easy to work with through all stages of the event.

A+++ Professionalism

A+++ Show

Terri Smith

UVA Darden School

Everyone Loves Party Magic!



Last month's shows recapped in photos



End of the year school show in Scottsville



At a company picnic while using the magic van as a back drop



Performing comedy cards across



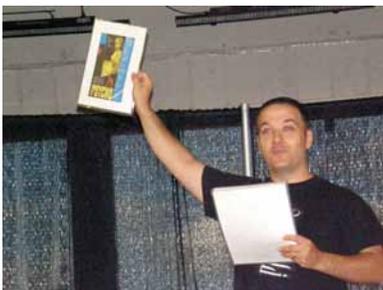
Teaching magic lessons at a school in Troy, Va



Natalie's new drink in a shoe trick at Massanutten resort



While I was performing at Wal-Mart in Waynesboro, Va Lana had fun chasing huge bubbles that their clown was making.



My new poster prediction



At a street festival & wine tasting event in Stanardsville, Va

Magic News / Amazing Jonathan Retires

Johnathan Szeles-- AKA The Amazing Johnathan--has announced his plans to retire by the end of 2014.

Six years ago the comic magician had been diagnosed with heart problems significant enough to be encouraged to "get on the list for a heart transplant." Jonathan was not interested in taking that route. He asked, instead, for two months in which he would change his diet as well as exercise instead of accepting the heart transplant option. For six years those efforts paid off. The Amazing Johnathan, amazingly, had successfully battled the heart condition.

However, recently The Amazing Johnathan announced that the problem had returned "with a vengeance" and posted on facebook:

"As my friends who are close to me know, I'm having serious heart issues that will most likely prevent me from touring in the near future. So I'm going to retire with my beautiful new wife and terrific kid at the end of this year."

With a heart beating at only 12% functionality, The Amazing Johnathan decided that the time had come for him to "retire the act and do other things."

I wish you all the best Jonathan!



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**Wes Iseli's
Magic & Illusion
Card Trick Set**

This is brand new to us and we are super excited about it.

This set includes a jumbo 52 on 1 card, a set of computer age cards, a set of 2 card montes, a set of three card montes, a clip card, and more.

These tricks are super easy to perform and there is even a trick or two in the instructions that you can perform with an ordinary deck of cards.

These are a great deal at only \$5.00 for the set!

These card trick sets are only available at wesiseli.com

Check us out at wesiseli.com

Teach a Trick / Amazing thumb penetration

Effect: Magician lets the audience look at his thumb and examine it. He then covers it with a tissue and begins to poke toothpicks through his thumb. He then removes the toothpicks and reveals that his thumb is ok.

Secret: Cut a piece of unripe banana into the shape of your thumb (or use a pickle) as you cover your thumb you are simply switching your thumb for the banana or pickle. You then push the toothpick through the banana or pickle and when you remove the tissue you also remove the banana or pickle too.

Tip: Practice the switching of your thumb and banana or pickle several times before showing your friends.

