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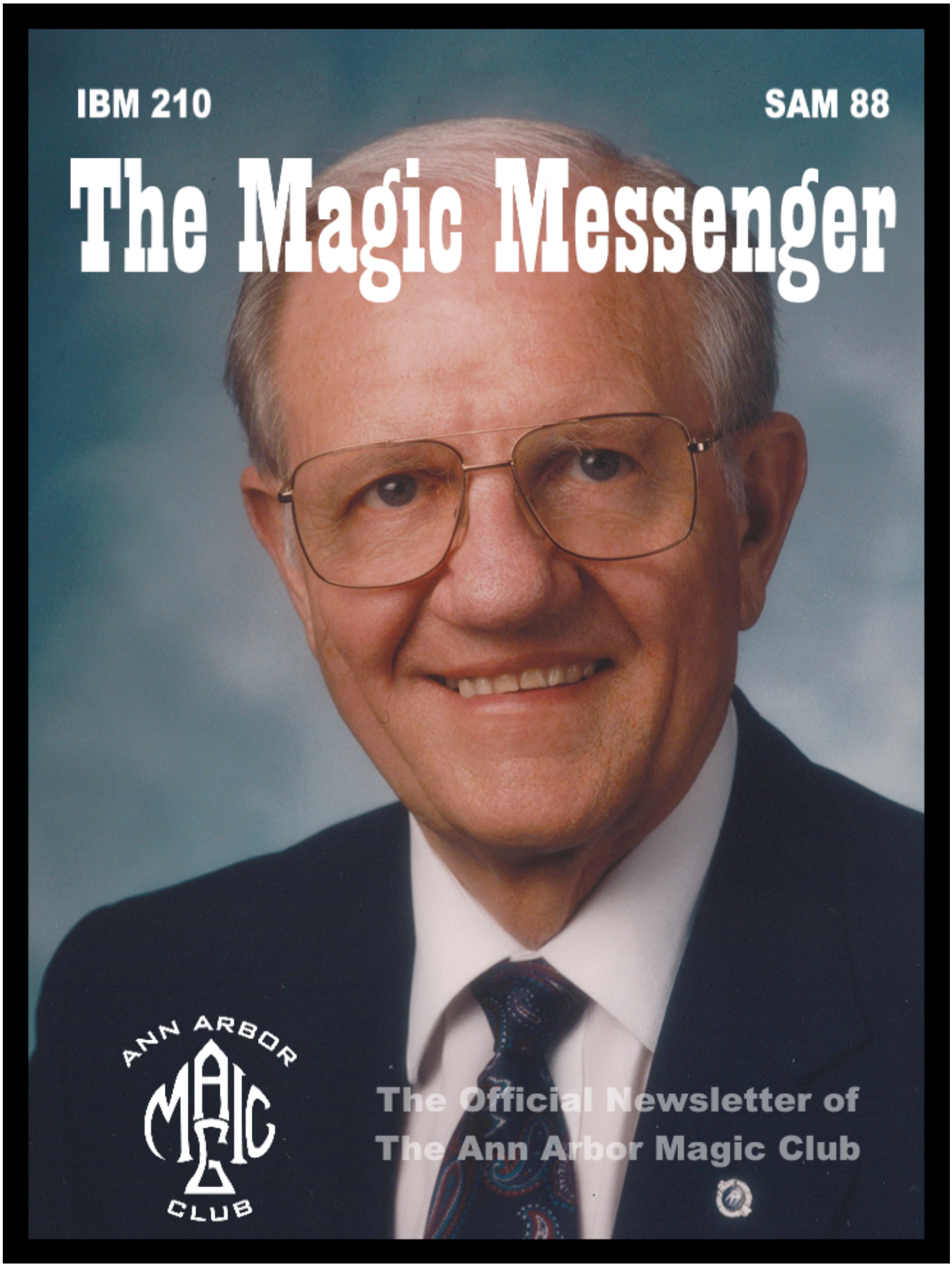

On the cover we remember long time member Dr. Donald Mitchell

Jr. who sadly passed away in September at the age of 94.

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By Dan Jones

Greetings Magic Club Members and Friends. Our October meeting is coming up on Wednesday the 12th at the Plymouth Community Arts Council. We will spend a majority of the meeting rehearsing and preparing for our magic show which is occuring on October 28th.

Our V.P. Sean Naes is overseeing all aspects of the show. There are many ways to help out at this event and we will need all hands on deck to make it a success. If you haven't yet spoken to Sean directly, please do so.

The Ann Arbor Magic Club's Magic flea market was held on Sunday, Sept. 25th and was a very successful fund raiser for the club. We had 8 tables rented and approximately 35 guests that attended.

- I would like to thank out Treasurer Rob Krozal for working the entry door.
- Thanks also to Jaclyn Clark & Frank Machniak for donating drinks and snacks and working the concession stand.
- A shout out to Mike Bogdas and my friend John Reed for manning the two tables of magic whose profits went to the club.
- Thanks to Jim & Michelle Parks from Hippity Hop Rabbit magic shop for renting two tables.
- And finally thanks to Don Oesterwind for allowing us access to meet at Safe Step corporate offices.

We held an auction at the flea market and raised more money for the club as Jim Folkl, Kevin Peshick and Phil Mann donate their items to the club.

We hope to see you all on the 12th. Here are some photos from the Flea Market.

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	The Broken Wand **By Karl Rabe**

A long time member of the AAMC, Dr. Donald Mitchell Jr. passed away on Friday, Sept. 23rd at the age of 94.

His great joy and natural talent was entertaining friends and family with music and magic. He was happiest surrounded by a crowd doing card tricks with a deft hand and a famous quick dry wit. He was always the consummate performer.

Don had been a life-long fixture of the downriver community and enjoyed a long and successful career as an educator and administrator in Allen Park and Woodhaven Schools. He was also a long-standing member of the Kiwanis club. In his spare time, he could be found enjoying his self-proclaimed “greatest vice”, golf.

Spotlight

By Karl Rabe

As a reoccurring feature of the Magic Messenger we will highlight a member and ask them to answer a few questions about themselves. This month the “Spotlight” is on Dynamike. Learn more about Dynamike at dynamikemagic.com .

Where did you grow up / where have you lived?

I grew up in Ecorse Michigan / Metro Detroit.

How did you get started in magic?

I had a Marshal Brodien TV Magic Set

What type of magic do you perform?

Kids parlor and close-up magic.

What is your favorite magic book?

Mark Wilson’s Complete Course in Magic.

Who is your favorite Magician of all time?

Doug Henning

Do you have any words of wisdom for newer magicians?

The hands are smoother than the eye.

Secretary's Report

By Karl Rabe

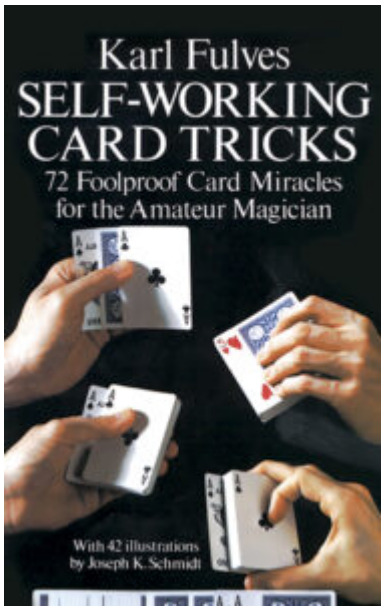
Thank you Mike Bodgas for taking notes during the meeting in Karl’s absence.

President Dan Jones kicked us off with self introductions and question of the month, “What is your 3rd favorite thing about magic”.

Then it was a few quick business updates. Dan Jones reminded us that elections will be coming up before we know it. Anyone wishing to run for a Board position should reach out to Dan Jones directly.

Then it was on to member performances.

- Phil Mann performed a Floating Zombie Head routine, a levitating skull, a ghost trick and a shattering glass routine.
- Mike Bodgas performed a comedy card prediction. A prediction was shown to the audience and sealed in an envelope. A spectator was selected and appeared to select the prediction. The spectators card was revealed to be different but miraculously matched the prediction.
- John Russell performed a trick from "Self-working Card Tricks" by Karl Fulves. This book is readily available on the used market.

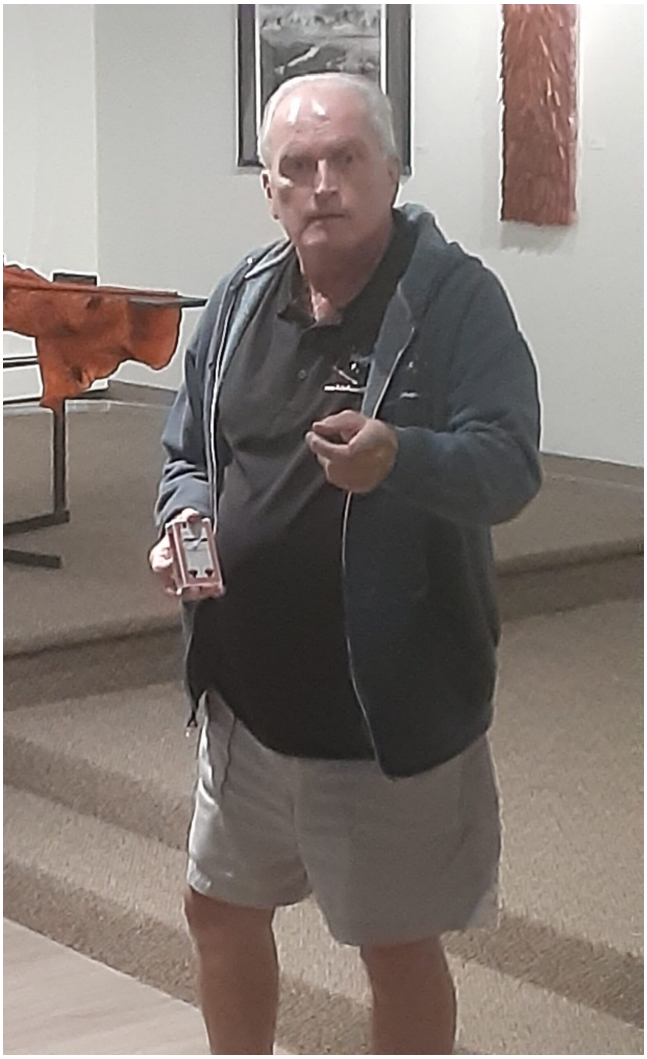


- Johnny New York performed a unique variation on Caleb Wiles 26! which Johnny calls 26 Factorial Cubed (26!^3).
- Dalton Cahill wrapped up with a Book Prediction.

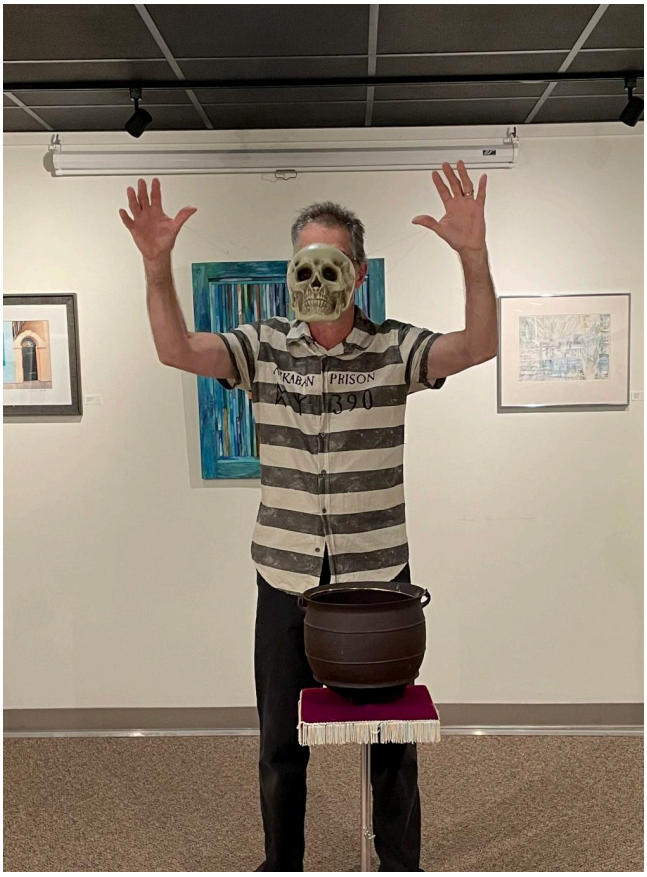
Then Sean Naes went through a bill switch tutorial with the club.

Sean Naes teaching the Bill Switch using a thumb tip

Dalton Pittman-Cahill performing a mentalism effect featuring Edgar Allen Poe



John Russell



Phil Mann performs his Floating Skull

Around the Town

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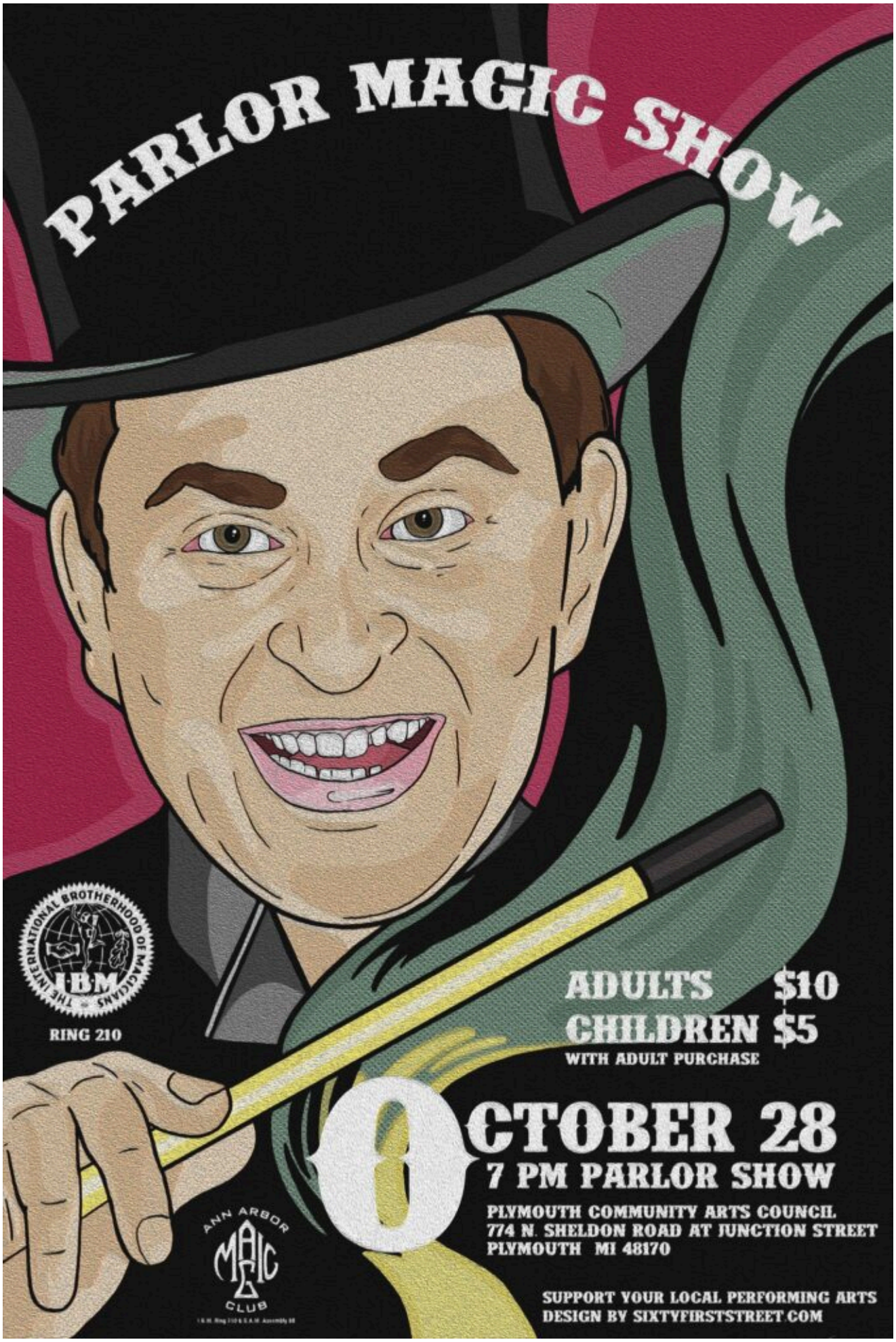
Upcoming Events

Mark your calendar for the Club’s Parlor Magic Show. If you aren’t performing in the show we need volunteers for walk-around, refreshments, ticket taking, ushers and back stage. Please contact Sean Naes directly to volunteer.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All AAMC Events and details can be viewed on the website calendar.

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The Ann Arbor Magic Club Board

President Dan Jones

Vice-President Sean Naes

Treasurer Rob S. Krozal

Secretary Karl Rabe

Sergeant-at-Arms Don Oesterwind