



S.A.M. Assembly 24

The Jay Gorham Assembly

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Assembly 24 Information

Where:
SW Pitts Hose Co.
226 Old Loudon Road
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When:
The second Tuesday of
the month at 7:30 pm

Why:
Well it's FUN!

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Next Meeting: Auction
March 8th

March Meeting

This month we will meet a magician retiring from the field. He has requested that we auction off his props as he makes plans to make some room in his house. He has offered to donate 50% of the gross back to our Assembly. We will also be inducting officers and discussing upcoming meetings. See you Tuesday the 8th at 7:30. Snacks will be served.

Magic News...

National Conference Update... The SAM Convention registration goes from \$220 to \$260 after March 7th (TODAY). Please be sure to register, this is one of the most important conferences in years. Our own Vinny Grosso will be installed as president.

Known as the only man to ever fool Houdini, Ottawa-born magician Dai Vernon is the subject of a new play opening in Ottawa. Written by Ottawa playwright Pierre Brault, *The Shadow Cutter* tells the story of Vernon, a gifted sleight-of-hand expert, and the secretive world of magicians in the 20th century. Dai Vernon — who was born in Centretown in the 1890's — is known as a legend among illusionists, said Brault.

Already known as *The Professor* for his encyclopedic knowledge of card tricks, Vernon earned another moniker in 1919 as *The Man who Fooled Houdini* when he performed a card trick the famous escapist was unable to unravel, despite seeing it performed seven times.

The Shadow Cutter runs from March 8th through March 27th at the Great Canadian Theatre Company's Irving Greenberg Theatre Centre at 1233 Wellington Street West.

Read the whole article at CBC Canada.

Upcoming Meetings 2011

January:
Elections & New Magic

February:
Magic dealer from
Syracuse closing sale

March:
Magic Auction – The
Pagel Collection

April:
TBA

May:
TBA

June 7th:
Aldo Colombini Farwell
Tour – Special Date 6/7

July:
TBA

August:
TBA
? Bob Connors Picnic ?

September:
TBA

October:
TBA

November:
TBA

December:
Holiday Party

This is a tentative schedule that is subject to change. Please check for updates each month.

Please be current on your dues. That is what helps pay for the programs we have. You can send your dues to Bob Connors, Box 245, Round Lake, 12151. Make them payable to SAM 24 for \$20.

Dues are DUE

Dues are still only \$20.00 for the year, and what a bargain! You must be a current member of the national SAM to be a local member. This is not a rule that I have made, we choose to be members of a national organization and therefore we have rules to follow. Guests are always welcome, but they still must pay for the lecturers that cost the club money. Your dues help make a lot possible. Please mail them directly to Bob Connors, Box 245, Round Lake, 12151.

The Web Site – Pictures of the last meeting

Want to see pictures of the last meeting, visit www.sam24.org. Please take a moment if you have not and fill-in or [update your member information](#). Compeer Dave MacDonald has worked long hours and produced a fantastic website. Check out the [clip of the month](#) which shows David Sousa. He will be one of the performers at the 2011 SAM National conference.

Fundraiser for Assembly 24 – We need a Location – Offer a place if you know one.

Currently Compeers Dave MacDonald and Roger Borgen are working to secure a date and location. Once the date is secured, I will send out a volunteer request, we will need performers, ticket takers, people to sell things, etc... in other words I would love to see as many members as possible to help.

February Meeting *by Cory Haines*

This month our members braved the cold and ice of upstate New York and were treated to a fun, game show night. We played 3 exciting rounds of Who Wants to be a Magic Genius?!!! Assembly President Joe Goode served as host. We were divided into two teams, answering questions relating to all phases of magic history. We even had one spirited debate over who was the creator of the invisible deck! At the end of the night, Mark Brenner and Pete Beebles each presented some great magic.

Joe Goode

President, S.A.M. Assembly24

