

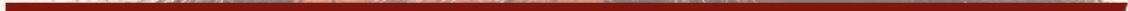


# Louisville

MAGIC CLUB



**NEXT MEETING**  
**MAY 14<sup>TH</sup>**



# MAY MEETING



**Tuesday, May 14<sup>th</sup>**

**Cody Clark Lecture**

**7:00PM @ Kosair**

**982 Eastern Parkway**

Join us at Panera on Poplar Level Road before the meeting for dinner.  
3131 Poplar Level Rd, Louisville, KY 40213

# CODY CLARK LECTURE



## Thesis

Attendees will learn a mixture of parlor stage magic routines and theories which have helped Cody's connecting his "special interests" to his magic - making for unique routines AND unique markets for his magic. Your club will learn how they can make their magic better and open new doors by doing the same.

## Description

Magician/autism advocate Cody Clark has built a full-time professional magic career by thinking differently about business, magic, and theatre. His different approach can be summed up as him combining his magic with things dear to his heart, such as disability advocacy, trains, and classic country music. In the autism community which he's a part of, these are called "special interests" and Cody's happy to share the routines and theories which have come from these unique combinations! But it's

not all about him - you'll also learn how your own interests can be used to create new magic and market it in unique places.

# UPCOMING EVENTS



**Tuesday, June 11<sup>th</sup>**  
Monthly Meeting  
7:00PM @ Kosair  
982 Eastern Parkway



**Tuesday, July 9<sup>th</sup>**  
Monthly Meeting  
7:00PM @ Kosair  
982 Eastern Parkway



**Tuesday, August 13<sup>th</sup>**  
Monthly Meeting  
7:00PM @ Kosair  
982 Eastern Parkway



**Friday, September 6<sup>th</sup>**  
It's Magic! Annual Show  
St. Matthews Baptist Church

# FROM THE PRESIDENT | DENNIS ALM



First, I would like to apologize to everyone for last month's mix-up with our lecturer, Henry Evans. We thought everything was booked and locked down, but evidently it wasn't. He didn't know anything about stopping in Louisville. Special thanks to Matt Sohl for running the meeting and filling in for Henry. Maybe we can book him on his next US tour.

We have the It's Magic Show scheduled for Friday, September 6th, at St. Matthews Baptist Church. This is our temporary home as we find a new theater for the show. Special thanks to David Garrard for setting it up. It seats 1200, so we have some work to do. It's going to be a very special show! The acts are all booked, and the poster will be ready soon.

I'm super excited about Cody Clark's lecture on the 14th. Cody is quickly becoming one of the top pros in the country. When you see how hard he works on the business side of magic, you'll understand more about what it takes to be a full-time professional. I want a front-row seat for this one!

My family just returned from the US Virgin Islands for our son's wedding. A week of island time was just what I needed. Now back to my little theater in beautiful Brown County. I drive up on Friday mornings and come home early on Sundays. I do my 1-hour show Friday and Saturday at 7 p.m. The shop is open Friday-Sunday, 11-4. I love to have visiting performers on the show. Let me know if you want to visit.

I just finished paying my membership dues to the Society of American Magicians and the International Brotherhood of Magicians. Like the Louisville Magic Club, these two organizations have had a big impact on my life. If you have never been a member of these organizations, I urge you to join one or both of them this year. Visit their web sites at [www.magicsam.com](http://www.magicsam.com) or [www.magician.org](http://www.magician.org).

Dennis

# MEMBER HIGHLIGHT | BRENT KELLY



In our May edition of the Member Highlight, we shine the spotlight on Brent Kelly, a dedicated member of both The Society of American Magicians (SAM) and the International Brotherhood of Magicians (IBM). Let's dive into Brent's magical journey and learn more about his passion for the art of illusion.

## Early Spark of Interest

Brent's fascination with magic ignited during his childhood, but it was his role as a parent that truly fueled his passion. Seeking ways to entertain his children, he discovered the enchanting world of magic and embarked on a journey that would

shape his life in profound ways.

## Favorite Tricks and Influences

When asked about his favorite magic trick or routine, Brent enthusiastically mentioned Color Aces and coins across. His magical journey has been significantly influenced by esteemed magicians such as Rick Holcomb, Alex Pandrea, and Brent Braun. Among his favorites stands Doug Conn, whose performances continue to inspire Brent's own magical endeavors.

## Goals and Advice

Brent's aspirations in magic revolve around developing both performance confidence and technical proficiency. He believes in the importance of finding a mentor, a piece of advice he generously shares with aspiring magicians.

## A Glimpse into Brent's World

In addition to his magical pursuits, Brent's interests extend to the realm of poultry, as he finds fulfillment in raising chickens. When he's not dazzling audiences with his magical prowess, you might find him immersed in a good book, expanding his horizons and fostering a well-rounded lifestyle.

Brent Kelly's dedication to the art of magic and his commitment to continual

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growth serve as an inspiration to fellow members of the Louisville Magic Club.

We extend our gratitude to Brent for sharing his magical journey with us, and we eagerly anticipate witnessing his future accomplishments in the world of illusion.

Stay tuned for more enchanting stories and magical moments in our next newsletter!

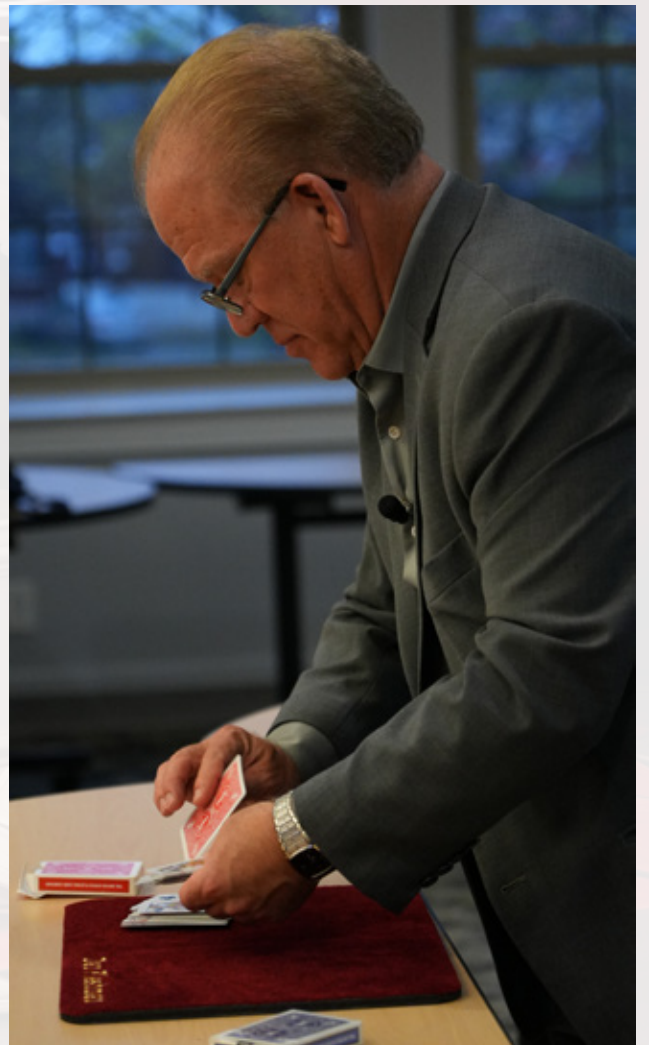
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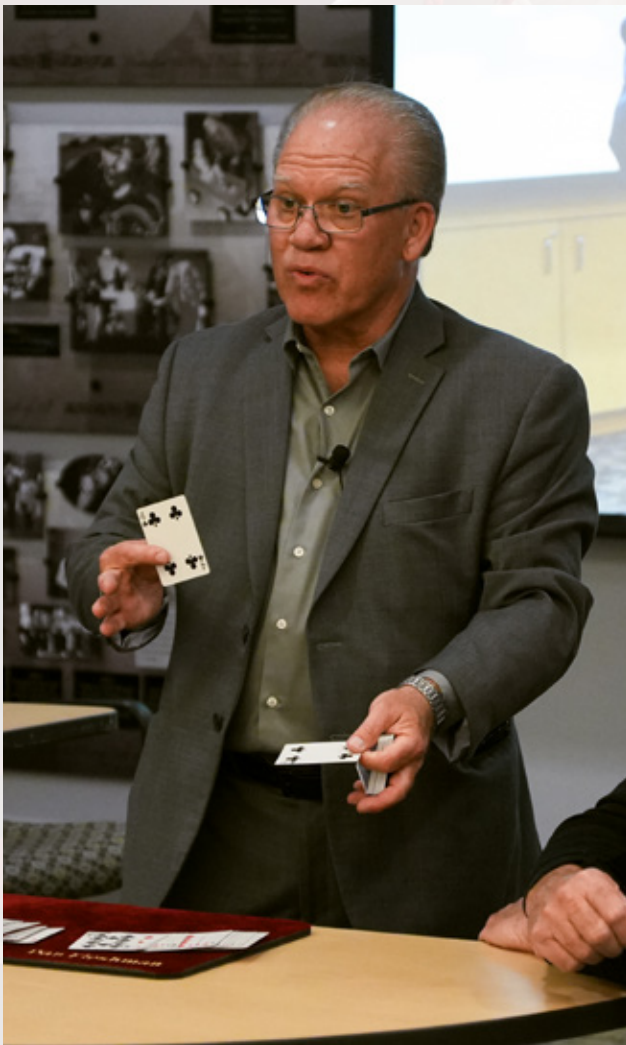
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# APRIL PHOTOS



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## DANIEL SCHAFFER SHINES AT TOASTMASTERS



In the world of magic, there are feats of illusion, sleight of hand, and mesmerizing performances that captivate audiences. However, there's another kind of magic that often goes unnoticed—the magic of words, delivered with skill and finesse. Daniel Schaffer, a member of our Louisville Magic Club, has recently showcased this magic on a grand stage at the Toastmasters International competition.

With enthusiasm and determination, Daniel embarked on a journey that

culminated this year at the district level, where he secured an impressive second place out of five competitors. Reflecting on this achievement, Daniel shares, “The journey ends this year at the district level with second place out of 5. We will try again next year to make it to the world championship.” His dedication to the craft and commitment to improvement shine brightly through his words.

For Daniel, this competition wasn't just about winning—it was about growth. “I'm excited for all the progress I was able to make, the growth I experienced, and how much I've grown through this process,” he affirms. It's this spirit of continuous learning and development that truly sets Daniel apart.

As Daniel sets his sights on the future, we have no doubt that he will continue to dazzle audiences with his eloquence and charm. With each performance, he not only entertains but also inspires those around him to strive for excellence. We're honored to have Daniel as a member of our magic community, and we eagerly anticipate the magic he'll create in the years to come.

Congratulations, Daniel, on your remarkable achievement at Toastmasters International! Your Louisville Magic Club family is proud to stand by your side as you reach for the stars.

## FROM THE EDITOR | MATT SOHL



Happy May everyone! I hope your Derby went well. Per usual, I almost placed a bet on the winning horse and decided against it last minute. Maybe next year! Since last writing, I have not filmed any of the magic projects I said I would. I had a start date of April 25th and then let it pass. I will get a new date ready to start filming this week.

I find myself stuck in the research phase of getting things done sometimes. So much so, that I forget to actually do the thing I was researching. That's where I am currently. I know exactly what I want to do, and I know how I want to get it done. I just need to pull the trigger and start. I'm sure some of you have the same problem! If you do find yourself in the same boat, take this sentence as your sign to start!

I'm gonna stop writing here and go do something productive though! Hopefully, I'll see you at the next meeting. Until then, keep working hard in all your endeavors. Small steps lead to big successes.

See you soon.  
Matt

# OTHER EVENTS



**Saturday, May 18<sup>th</sup>**

**11:00 AM**

**Richard Osterlind Lecture on Mentalism**

**St Bernards Catholic Church**

**735 Derby Ave, Cincinnati Ohio**

**FREE for SAM Members (\$20 for non-members)**



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