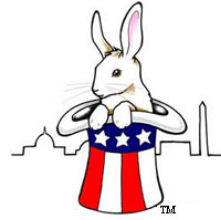


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Prince Georges' County Man Wins "Magician of the Year" Contest for 4th Time

ALEXANDRIA, Va. – For the fourth time in five years, Noland Montgomery, a professional magician from Beltsville, Md., has won the annual Dan Lacey Memorial Magic Contest sponsored by the International Brotherhood of Magicians, Ring 50, the National Capital Ring.

The winner of the contest is deemed the Washington D.C. area "Magician of the Year," by IBM Ring 50. Montgomery was selected over five other competitors.

Montgomery, 56, who has been doing magic since he was 12 years old, pulled a series of silver dollars out of thin air to the accompaniment of silly puns. He also performed the classic "Chinese Linking Rings" routine with giant, 13-inch solid steel rings.

A graduate of Yale College with a major in history, Montgomery has performed magic for private parties, birthdays, weddings, corporate events, banquets, fundraisers, shopping mall promotions, picnics and even the White House Easter Egg Roll. He has performed in several restaurants throughout the Washington area and done street magic regularly in Alexandria, Va., and Baltimore's Inner Harbor.

In addition to being a long-time member of the International Brotherhood of Magicians, Montgomery is a past president of the Society of American Magicians local Assembly 23.

I.B.M. Ring 50 meets at 8 p.m. the first Wednesday of every month at the Holiday Inn on Eisenhower Avenue in Alexandria, Va.

