

Merry Christmas Y'all!

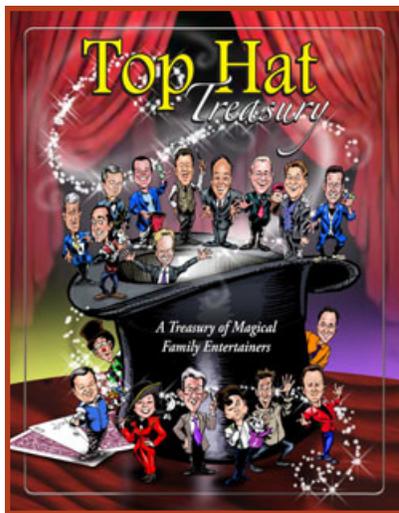
Fall 2006 has been a busy one for the Ginn family! Autumn, in her 6th year of teaching music to 750 elementary school children, has bought herself a townhouse, which has meant LOTS of fixing up to do. Lynne has continued working at the church while also helping Autumn get flooring, carpet, heat/AC, and a dozen other things installed in the new place. And don't think that I/David have not been over there helping—because I was and am, when I not lecturing in some other state or country.



Let me stop here and say a big THANK

YOU to all who attended our eight Christmas Magic Workshops in the eastern half of the USA. We had a great time at each—Steve Harmer, Joanne & Bert Midyette, and I—and we felt GOOD about sharing the magic, comedy, experiences, and our love of the Christmas season with all of you. I am mulling over what to do next, and I'll announce my decision early in the new year.

Meanwhile, here's a newsletter chocked full of NEW THINGS and REALLY GOOD THINGS for you to use in children's shows and family shows. Let's start with a new book hot off the press:



Top Hat Treasury: a Treasury of Magical Family Entertainers

Steve Kissell started putting this book together about nine months ago...and I am happy to be a part of it! Here is a brand new showcase book—224 pages 8.5 x 11 inches softbound with full color cover—featuring SEVENTEEN family magical entertainers and HOW they do their stuff. They all have MAGIC in common, true, but what's more, they are all willing in these pages to SHARE their craft and knowledge through teaching and writing about it.

YOU WILL LEARN PLENTY from reading this book, and so will I, because I am personally reading this one cover to cover! Who are the 17 performers? Alphabetically, they are Trixie Bond, Ron Conley, Mark Daniel, David Ginn, Greg Hamilton, Dave Hill, Duane Laflin, Greg McMahan, Ralph Metzler, Barry Mitchell, Dave Mitchell, Danny Orleans, Dave Risley, Brad Ross, Ken Scott, Sammy Smith, & Steve Taylor.

I personally know and respect virtually all of these performers, and most of them I've seen do a good job of engaging kidshow/family audiences with COMEDY MAGIC. In Top Hat Treasury you'll find bios, interviews, hints & tips, routines, behind-the-scenes secrets, and lots more in 17 chapters. Questions answered include how each started in magic, goals, mentors, how to improve, how to make a difference, inventions & innovations, inspiration, and more, more, more. BTW, over 100 PHOTOS!

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Right now I have 50 copies in stock, and if you write AUTOGRAPH beside it on your order, I will personalize my 12-page section to you. Eventually, at KIDabra or other conferences, you can get all in the book to sign your copy!

Top Hat Treasury—a goldmine of information and INSPIRATION! **Only \$25.00**



The Magic of Choices

Last summer I premiered a NEW GOSPEL LECTURE at the FCM Conference in Indiana, complete with a new 27-page lecture book. I will present this lecture for the second time at the UK FCM conference in Swanwick, Derbyshire, England in February 2007. But if you don't live in the UK and missed Indiana—here's your chance to see me do this:

With my permission, my friend Marvin Hall digitally videotaped the 84-minute presentation in full...and to 60 of you I can now offer a copy of the MAGIC OF CHOICES lecture book and a DVD of the entire lecture.

The basic idea is that we all make CHOICES in our lives, little ones, big ones, and hopefully God enters into the choices you make. I tell some funny stories, have lots of laughs with a great live audience of nearly 200 people, plus share the following magic:

Caterpillar/Butterfly Race, Hot Flip Flops, Where's the Fish?, Seven Life Choices, Jumbo McCombical Deck, Paul Escapes (Foxy Wrist Tie), Purple Orange Eater, Reading the Bible, Necklace Prediction, Everybody Wins, and No Door Knob.

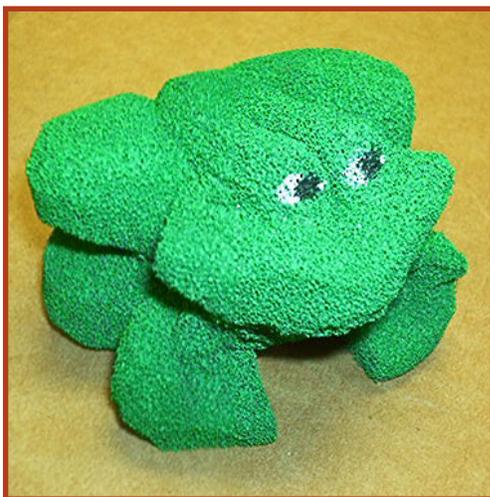
Also, my lecture book contains dozens of quotations about making choices, variations on the Golden Rule, Will the Real Proverb Stand UP (a fun quiz), Thoughts about How God Works, and Making My Plans. Indeed, I wrote this book to be more meaningful AFTER seeing the lecture!

To be honest, I could sell this package for \$25-35. But to the first 60 who order...you may have the MAGIC OF CHOICES BOOK, DVD, and a FREE Caterpillar Puzzle for **just \$15.00**.

Rope Magic DVD

Have you ever really wanted to LEARN ROPE MAGIC? Short of studying all 3 rope encyclopedias and Tarbell—this DVD is the best thing I've ever seen on the subject! Amazing Magic Tricks with Rope is an hour long DVD teach-in with one of the best teachers I've ever seen: TOMAS MEDINA of Fun, Inc in Chicago. You'll learn a host of miracles on this DVD with no complicated sleight of hand, including Tomas' careful explanation of the Cut & Restored Rope, Rope Thru Body, Vanishing Knot, even making Knots Appear on a Rope, and much more. Unless you have a mentor who'll spend LOTS of time with you, buy this DVD and learn LOTS of usable ROPE MAGIC!

Amazing Magic Tricks with Rope DVD—**only \$15.00!**



Frog in My Throat

Shades of Goshman! Yes, it's sponge and it's GREEN...and it's a great SIGHT GAG you'll carry in your pocket all the time. Clowns, magicians, family entertainers—this is for YOU!

Just pretend to cough a few times, putting your hand to your mouth. On the third cough, open your hand palm up and there he is—the CUTEST 3-dimensional GREEN FROG you've ever seen! My photo doesn't do him justice! You must see him LIVE to appreciate how NEAT this little fellow is!

This GREEN SPONGE FROG (made by Gosh) easily collapses to hide right in your hand. Use him for the throat gag, or produce him from anywhere else.

Perfectly machined Frog in Throat: **\$5.00**

Color Changing Shoelaces

Now this great product I've been showing, telling, and selling for nearly 30 years is made right here in Ginnville! Many thanks for JEANNIE WALTERS and her mom TINA HARRIS for their sewing skills. Here is the basic effect:

Pull a YELLOW 27" shoelace through your hand — it magically changes to GREEN. What's in your hand? Why, a RED shoelace, you admit, after some kidshow by-play. Then you reproduce the yellow lace from your pocket.

Available in (1) Red-Yellow-Green safety, (2) Red-White-Blue patriotic, (3) Black-White-Red gospel, (4) Purple Orange Eater sharing story, and NOW (5) CHRISTMAS version: white to green, red appears, then green tree lace covered with colorful decorations (also includes extra plain green lace for performance other than Christmas).

ALL VERSIONS sell at \$12 per set. But for newsletter readers, **purchase one set at \$10 or ANY TWO SETS at \$15...Offer ends Jan. 30, 2007!**



Tipple Tipple Wand (Supreme!)

Years ago when Supreme Magic in England was alive and well, one of the best COMEDY ITEMS they made was the **Tipple Tipple Wand**. At Blackpool last February, to my surprise, I met the man who hand crafted Supreme's **Tipple Tipple Wands** and many other items. Well, surprise—I came home with three dozen, sold them out and have more in stock now. Plus I give you my instructions and routine straight from the pages of Nearly Unpublished. Hey, I'm still using the one this guy made 25 years ago!

Basically, a Tipple Tipple Wand is a breakaway wand that was never cut into sections. This means the top and bottom white end caps will tipple over IF you release your finger pressure on the other end. Kids

love it when you play look don't see with this one. I finally show it "fixed" back and forth at each end, then hold it horizontally and let both ends drop.

Don't wait on this! One dozen in stock, and I'll get more in UK in February. **Only \$25.00 each!**

Daddy G Powder • Buy 2, Get One Free!

This is Ginnville slush powder, purchased directly from the chemical company, strong and pure, and I guarantee it works, plus I can give you a better price! **Daddy G Powder** is strong enough to gel water, tea, coffee, soda, juice.

Pour 3-4 oz of water into a styrofoam cup, push two knitting needles through the side, turn the whole thing upside-down, and the water is gone! See this on *Live Kidbiz 4* in the "Save Our Water" ecology routine. On my *Kidshow How-2* video I play 3-cup monte with the water before it vanishes leaving a 12 foot silk streamer! Glue an empty medicine bottle inside the top of a cup, hiding a red silk inside. Pour red colored water (cake coloring) into the cup. A moment later you turn the cup over—no water comes out but you pull out the red silk. Has the water changed to a silk?

All you do it put a little of the powder into the cup before the show. When you pour water into the cup, the powder INSTANTLY congeals the water into a semi-solid, allowing you to turn the cup upside-down. One 30 gram bottle of my **Daddy G Powder** will last 20-30 shows, depending on how much you use. **Daddy G Powder: \$5 bottle ... 3 for \$10 ... or 7 for \$21. (plus shipping)**





Jumbo McCombical Deck

**NEWLY RE-MADE IN PLASTIC JUMBO CARDS...
better than ever!**

I discovered Billy McComb's masterpiece of jumbo card psychology twenty years ago and used it in hundreds of shows. It still works to entertain audiences of all ages—kids, teens, adults, families! Here's how I do it:

A boy and a girl assist you. The boy turns his back to you while you show the girl and audience YOUR chosen red-back card, which the girl holds against her shirt. Now the boy freely selects a card from a blue-back pack, which no one sees except him.

When the boy announces his card, it's completely different from the one you picked—until the girl turns YOUR card around and finds it has MAGICALLY changed to the boy's EXACT SAME CARD!

Believe me: These words do not convey the strong comedy involved in the routine. Buy this and try it JUST as Billy McComb explains. Then YOU'LL really believe me, and you'll get the applause! Complete with Jumbo Cards and Instructions, but follow my routine in *Crash Course on Kidshows*. **\$25.00**

Necklace Prediction

Good things sometimes come in small packages ... and for low prices! This is indeed one of them. Want proof? Well, I took two dozen on my Italy-Spain tour and SOLD OUT before the tour ended! Amazing!

Open the plastic jewelry box shown, and remove 4 plastic hearts: red, green, black, blue. Close the box. Have someone select one of the hearts and hold it in her hand. Isn't that amazing? you tell her. Why? Because I left the chain in the jewelry box, and look what is hanging from it. So saying, you again open the box (which you never showed empty). You remove now a golden chain with one heart hanging on it, the exact color selected by the spectator!



Believe me—this really amazes them! It is SO EASY to do! And it's not always the same color heart selected. Carry everything in the box in your pocket and perform this one anywhere. You'll love doing it, just add your own personality and storyline.

NECKLACE PREDICTION...only \$5.00



Hocus Pocus Hare

A complete sell-out on my October 2004 UK lecture tour! Hey, I like this pack flat/play big trick so much that I'm personally using it in my "Magic Animals" preschool show!

Show this cute BUNNY PICTURE in a red plastic 6 x 9 inch frame. He's popping out of a top hat, holding his magic wand. Place him behind your back a moment, and he changes to a brown rabbit. "I call him Harry—now he's Dirty Harry!" Then change him back to white again, behind your back.

When the kids start shouting and you go through all the turn-arounds, you finally reveal the BACK of the WHITE bunny where his front was...and where the brown rabbit was, now there's a large QUESTION MARK coming out of the hat!

Hocus Pocus Hare is great kidshow visual magic! EASY to do, great for up to 100 kids, and INEXPENSIVE! **Only \$20.00**

Super Comedy Props from Ginnville!

Giant Zipper Banana

WOW! Take a look! In a nutshell, here is the best ZIPPER BANANA ever made! Magician, clown or MC decides to take a break, pulls a banana from his pocket, UNZIPS it, peels back the yellow skin, takes a bite, then zips the banana back up and pockets it. Repeat this as a running gag.

Now you can have this OVERSIZE model, which automatically makes kids laugh. But there's more: this zipper banana contains an imitation banana inside, which has a FACE on it! You can use the fake banana just to keep the shape of the zipper jacket OR make it talk if you're a vent! Or let the banana whisper in your ear and tell the kids what it says: "You're name is Chiquita? You've got a PEEL? You know Senator Dole?" Stuff like that.

Or use a real banana inside with the usual routine. Instructions have more gags you'll love using.

Giant Zipper Banana: just \$10.00



Best 13-foot Streamer!

ABSOLUTELY NEW! Imagine a thumbtip streamer in the four basic primary colors— red, yellow, blue, green—but it's not 2" wide x 36" long. Instead, it is six inches wide by THIRTEEN FEET LONG! That's what Rebecca is holding in the photo—simply the Best 13-foot SILK STREAMER I've ever seen! Use it for productions out of a tube or box or square circle. I've used a 13-ft streamer to end my Rocco D'Lites routine for years, and I'm switching to this one!

Put four silks (R,Y,B,G) in a change bag or other switching devise. Transform them into this beautiful 13-ft streamer. Following my routine in Professional Magic for Children, you could even use this streamer for Duke's Dye-Version.

Words cannot describe how great this streamer looks. Red, yellow, blue, green, repeated logically over and over the entire 13 foot length. Yes, it's the best I've ever seen! Regular price: \$20.00

AL special price: \$15.00.

Spider Surprise Box!

Show this red plastic box. Push a silk or streamer into your fist. Toss it towards the box...it's gone! Have the person slide open the top of the box to find the silk and—WHAM! A big black SPIDER pops out right onto her hand! Yes, you can have the silk inside, but the joke is the spider!

This ingenious box is designed to make the spider appear just as your victim finishes OPENING the sliding lid...and the spider always lands right on top of the person's hand! It's so startling that I now make it a point to put MY HAND under the box and grip it, just as the person opens it...because of the chance of dropping the box.

Cleverly made...use it as a magic trick or just a joke! In fact, you can see me perform it in my Magic in Black and White library show video. **Spider Box \$15.00**



What's the best way to order? ginnorders@comcast.net



Big Red Hand and Big Orange Bunny

These two excellent Goshman sponge props continue to be among my all-time best sellers! Each one turns inside-out to create a two-inch sponge ball. When you push either through your fist, reversing it, the ball becomes either a **Big Red Hand** (You caught me red handed!) or a bright **Orange Bunny Rabbit**...each about NINE inches TALL!

Personally, I like wetting mine with tap water before the show, then squeezing the sponge dry several times in a towel. The sponge stays damp (not dripping wet), which makes it 30% larger and makes it reverse much easier. I carry mine in a plastic ziplock bag, but let them dry out between shows. See **Crash**

Course on Kidshows for the routine I use with both the hand and the bunny.

Regular price of the Big Red Hand or Big Orange Bunny is \$12.00 each... but until Jan. 30 you may have either one for \$10 each or both for **just \$19.00. Hurry!** (And yes, I do have a few RED Big Bunnies in stock.)

Frank Herman's GLOW LOOPS

Yes, Frank would be happy to hear that his trick was a complete sell-out on my UK, Italy & Spain lecture tours, and it's still selling!

Just blow through the straw in the side of the plastic Coke or orange bottle...the colorful string spins around...then a plastic bracelet passes VISIBLY, *magically* through the moving string! Do it several times (following my routine in **Crash Course**) and at last do both bottles and bracelets at the same time. Watch the faces of the children and adults when this happens—it knocks them over!

Now I've even added using a Popopen Wand with the trick as well as the bracelets! It's amazing! And it's cheap!



Only 30 left, then no more! GLOW LOOPS (two bottles, straws, bracelets, popwand, instr) **\$5.00**



Middle Diddle Silk

SERIOUSLY, this is one of the best-selling, inexpensive tricks I've ever performed myself and also offered to magicians. Kids love it because they love "to catch you!" It packs small, plays big, comes with the silk, and appears on my new **Hats Rabbits DVD!**

Show the board with three holes, one in the red end, one in the yellow end, one in the striped middle. Push a red silk into the red end. Pass the board behind your back and the silk jumps to the yellow end. Repeat this until the kids realize you're turning it over.

"What? Next thing I know you'll want me to put the red scarf into the middle!" So saying that, with a magical pass the red scarf instantly appears in the MIDDLE of the board. Believe me, this is VERY easy to perform and you'll love doing it. A complete sell-out at six conventions, UK, Italy, Spain lecture tours!

Middle Diddle Silk complete with FREE silk: only \$10.00

Shake Silk (Color Changing Streamer)

He's my friend MARTY HAHNE holding the new Magic-by-Gosh Color Changing Silk Streamer that we just call **Shake Silk** simply because that is how you make it work! This is exactly like the streamer that Supreme used to supply 30 years ago with Instant Art.

Show all four feet of it (about 7" wide) solid black, then you either swirl it around (as I do in *Professional Magic for Children*) or just SHAKE it up and down...whereupon it turns inside out into a FULL COLOR rainbow streamer!

But what makes this better is that the first six inches of the rainbow side are black, so there's never any tell-tale color flashing whether black or multicolored is showing. Even better still...it's not \$25 or \$35! **It's only...\$15.00**



Cheat Blendo (so easy I think I'm cheating!)

I've been performing this effect for 25 years (see it on *It's About Time* video), I've even shown it in lectures years ago with cowboy bandanas, but I've never marketed it until now! One by one you show four 18" silks red, yellow, green, blue, shaking them around as you pick them up from your table or case...a magical happening takes place instantly and the four blendo together as in the photo.

There is no visible switch, no change bag, it just happens right in front of their eyes! Duane Laflin, who markets a similar effect, told me at Kidabra, "I really like your version!" Why? Because it's so clean, so easy, so visible! See it on *Hats, Rabbits & Swords!*

I supply four 18" silks, the 36" four square blendo silk, and my complete instructions...at a reasonable price — **just \$25.00**

S-t-r-e-t-c-h-i-n-g a Rainbow

As a teen I did Milbourne Christopher's Stretching a Rope in many shows. Now I've done it with a silk streamer in over 400 live shows! Show or produce (thumbtip) a 4-ft silk streamer. Wave it around freely, then begin to pull it back and forth between your hands. Suddenly the streamer becomes LONGER...6 feet, 8 feet, now 10 feet long, and the stretching continues until the streamer is fully **20 feet long** and can be waved freely with the hands empty. This is beautiful visual silk magic!

I supply a 2" x 4-ft streamer, a 2" x 16-ft streamer, both gimmicked here in Ginnville, plus detailed instructions as I do the effect. **Just \$15.00**



Exclusive Silk Offer: Order both CHEAT BLENDO and STRETCHING A RAINBOW together for the combination price of **\$29.00** plus shipping! These are Ginnville exclusives, not carried by other dealers.

Six Foot RABBIT Silk

Since these Rice reproduction silks appeared, I've learned that you can easily hide one in a small space. In fact, you can hide three or more in my BIG BLACK HAT (\$35) shown in earlier newsletters. Yes, produce this huge beautiful bunny silk magically, or just use it as a backdrop!

I am placing the Rice Repro RABBIT IN HAT SILK—the Six Foot RABBIT Silk—on sale! Remember, if you bought a genuine Rice 6-foot silk these days, you'd pay \$300–600 depending on the quality. These sell at \$150 retail...my price has been \$125...but I'm placing just the 6-ft RABBIT SILK on sale at the LOW, LOW, LOW PRICE of just.....**\$99.00**



Econo Spring Wand

For years I have had NONE of these for sale...And when I did, they were \$17! Now I've found a new version, well made, of the SPRING WAND! It looks great, works great!

Just hand this metal wand (18 inches long, black with white plastic tips) to an audience helper and it wiggles and woggles around around, won't stand up straight until YOU the performer take it back and HOLD IT STRAIGHT. Use it as a running gag while trying to make the magic work. You can even tie this SPRING WAND in a simple overhand KNOT! Lots more you can do with it...And the price is right and I have 24 of these in stock!

ECONO SPRING WAND...**ONLY \$12.00**

Tour Dates 2007

- January 15: Honolulu, Hawaii MAGIC DAY with Brenda & Marty Hahne
- February 19-23: FCM-UK Derbyshire, England
- March 26-April 5: Lectures in Germany, Holland, France
- April 27-May 1: South African Magic Convention, Port Elizabeth SA
- May 17: Birmingham AL, Crash Course Lecture
- June 14-16: CAM, Toronto Canada
- July 16-20: FCM Marion Indiana
- August 2007: Down Under Lecture Tour #3

From the Ginn household, we wish you the warmest Christmas ever and blessings for joyful fun in 2007! —Lynne, Autumn & David

Shipping/Payment:

We ship several times weekly, according to David's show schedule, both UPS & post office. We accept cash, checks on USA banks, MOs in USD, Visa, MC, Amex, Discover. In USA postage is \$7 up to \$49; \$8 for \$50-99; and \$9 per hundred after that. Outside USA, \$10 MINIMUM per order and about 30% airmail. Make all payments to DAVID GINN (not David Ginn Magic). We appreciate every order large or small! —DG

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