

# DAVID SEEBACH'S BACKSTAGE

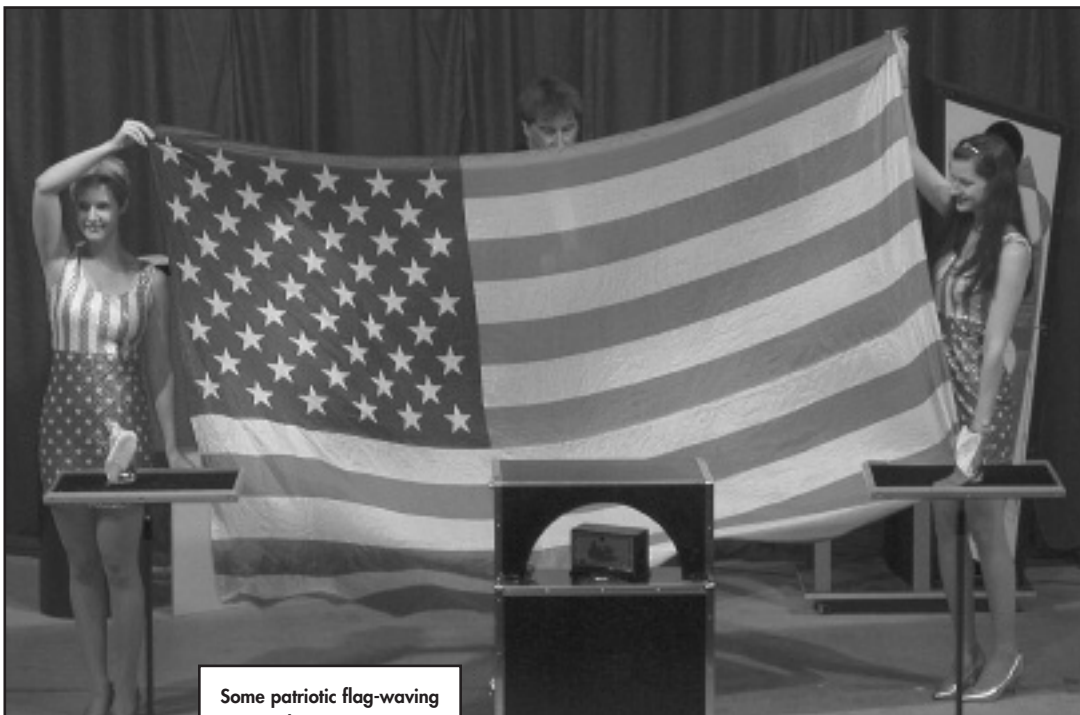
2005 SUMMER EDITION



A big Summerfest crowd applauds as David Seebach amazes them in his nightly "Wonders of Magic" show.

We'll Meet You  
at the Fest...  
and the Fair this Summer!

David Seebach's  
"WONDERS OF MAGIC"  
will again appear at *both* of Wisconsin's  
biggest summer events!



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# MAGIC...and plenty of Comedy, On Tap for Fest & Fair Goers in 2005

Both Milwaukee's Summerfest and the Wisconsin State Fair have invited David Seebach to stage *different* editions of his "Wonders of Magic" stage show this summer.

Summerfest arrives first, on June 30th, and runs through July 10th, at Milwaukee's lakefront Maier Festival Park. As he has for **twenty-six consecutive years** David Seebach will appear nightly on the stage adjacent to the Kids' Play Area sponsored by Milwaukee Children's Hospital.

There's a 7:30 pm show scheduled nightly and an encore appearance at 9:00 pm (except on July 4th, 5th & 6th). The magician will be joined by two attractive assistants at each performance. One is the lovely Victoria who returns for her third year as Seebach's glamorous aide. Victoria is unique in the world of magic where most assistants are diminutive; she's a stunning blonde who is almost as tall as the six-foot-plus magician!

Veteran performers Christina (often seen with Seebach year-round) and Susan will alternate in the second assistant's role.



The spectator enjoys a beverage before learning a card trick to fool the magician.

"Where was your first appearance?" Seebach is often asked. He remembers it well (Milwaukee's Center St Public Library). He also remembers the first magical effect he presented way back then. And, it will be part of every Summerfest show as he invites two young audience members to help in a bio-medical demonstration of a young man's circulatory system. You may cringe at the magician's painless surgery, but you'll surely laugh at this silly act that Seebach has performed off-and-on for decades.

Could Victoria actually be a witch? The magician intends to demonstrate how suspected witches were tied to the stake before meeting their ghastly fate. Victoria may demonstrate, however, she has some powerful magic of her own!

British magician P T Selbit is most remembered for inventing "*Sawing a Woman in Halves*" almost one hundred years ago. But, he also invented a

rarely seen illusion he called "*Through the Eye of a Needle*." With two assistants and a couple of wooden barrels, Seebach will restage this illusion at Summerfest for the first time in over ten years. The 'down home,' country flavor of this act will continue as the magician selects a male volunteer to demonstrate his abilities as a marksman in a very funny routine with an over-sized pack of cards.



The game's afoot as the audience plays "Clue" with David Seebach and a lovely detective girl assistant.

Making its Summerfest debut is Seebach's newest sensation, "*Clue*". Based on the popular board game, this inter-active murder mystery has six spectators portraying Col Mustard, Miss Scarlet and the others suspected of killing Mr Boddy in his mansion. Was it Prof Plum in the conservatory with the candlestick? The audience and the murderer make free choices, but David Seebach seems to know everything *before it happens!*

For more information on Summerfest, the world's largest music festival, call 414/273-3378.

The Wisconsin State Fair will present David Seebach on the Midwest Airlines Activity Stage at 8:30 pm nightly, August 8th - 13th. The stage is located in the grand, new Expo Building and is completely air-conditioned with plenty of seating for all.

For this year's edition two assistants instead of just one will join Seebach onstage. The additional help allows the magician to present some bigger, and more elaborate, illusions.

Britain's P T Selbit (mentioned earlier) unveiled his enduring masterpiece, "*Sawing a Woman in Halves*", in the 1920s. It has undergone many changes and improvements, but is rather rarely seen today as a classic mystery. Seebach will stage his baffling version of this greatest magic act of all time nightly at the Wisconsin State Fair.

And, one of Seebach's original presentations, of the unique illusion "*Geometrick*" that is also known as "*Seeing Through A Woman*" will start each performance. In between, the magician will present a variety of stage magic acts, lots of comedy and several opportunities for the audience to "get into the act".



# BACK STAGE

The magician has 'operated' on a young man and a young lady is helping 'drain' his circulatory system.

Have you ever wondered how difficult it is to perform feats of magic? Not as hard as you might imagine! David Seebach will invite a female spectator onstage to show **him** a card trick! Of course, she'll need some instruction... and perhaps some liquid refreshment served by a pert assistant. This very popular routine, another Seebach original, takes off and just gets funnier and funnier. You'll have to see it to **not** believe it!

For information on the great Wisconsin State Fair, call 800/884-FAIR or 414/266-7000.



## What About YOUR Summer Event?

### You Can Have First Class Entertainment at a Reasonable Cost

David Seebach's "Wonders of Magic" is not just for the biggest summertime events. Lots of small firms have invited David to appear at their picnics as entertainment after serving a cookout meal or playing softball. They know that David's show will be fun for the children, but not just for the small fry. David's humor and inter-active audience participation is very popular with the adults, too. You can choose from several different shows: from a simple solo act, about thirty minutes long, to more elaborate presentations with one or more assistants

lasting an hour or more. Be sure to look at the

"Wonders of Magic" website at [HYPERLINK](http://www.davidseebach.com)

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## "ON THE ROAD" with Seebach & Co...



About four hundred people gathered at Oconomowoc's (WI) Olympia Resort for a staff appreciation meeting of Lutheran Social Services of Wisconsin & Upper Michigan on April 20th. The "team" all dressed alike in colorful shirts and hats that made it easy for David Seebach to spot and call them onstage in his presentation. Custom-printed cards with the LSS logo were produced for the event and the show included the lightning-fast Houdini "**Metamorphosis**" act pictured here. Edward Kohl was in charge and invited David to participate.



The tiger's trainer, Bob Meyer of Jo-Don Farms, speaks backstage at Milwaukee's Midwest Airlines Convention Center before a show there on May 11th. Fifteen hundred guests had dinner before an hour-long show by the illusionist. This elaborate production included fog effects, indoor pyrotechnics, the surprise appearance of a company executive, and Tara's materialization. It was all staged for the Metavante Corporation and was produced by Kathleen Stacy of the Milwaukee Public Theatre.

# A SAFE Decapitation

## MAGIC YOU can do!

(Ss-sh  
remember  
it's a secret)

**Ss-sh,** it's a secret. Have you heard that "the hand is quicker than the eye"? Well, here's a magic trick where that is absolutely true! All you'll need are your hands and a piece of string between three and four feet long.

Tie the string's ends together in a good square knot that is secure.

Take this loop and place it behind the back of your neck with the ends coming over your shoulders in front. Put your index fingers inside each of the hanging loops and pull forward. Bring your hands close together so the two loop ends are almost touching. Turn your hands so that their backs face your audience. You want to keep your fingers and the loop ends hidden.

As you admonish everyone to watch carefully, slip the **second** finger of your right hand inside the same end of the loop you are holding with your left index finger. Adjust your right index finger so that it's barely holding its loop end. You will need to have it release the string quickly and easily at the right moment.

Pause for dramatic effect. "Now!" you shout and spread your hands wide with a snap. It will appear as though the string melts right through your neck.

Actually, you let go of the right end loop with the right index finger and, as you moved your hands apart, you just opened up the left end of the loop. The right end gets dragged around your neck. The left end keeps spreading, gathering the entire length of string. **Voila!** The loop is stretched tight right in front of your neck.

Practice this slowly a few times in front of a mirror to see how it all works. Then you'll be doing it quickly for your friends.

By the way, this same **modus operandi** can be used to make the loop pass through another person's neck, a microphone stand, a signpost... anything! But, remember, it's a secret!

## WONDERS OF MAGIC

## UP TO DATE NEWS



David Seebach's  
**WONDERS OF MAGIC**  
is a member of the  
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- Students at Milwaukee's **Cardinal Stritch College** had an opportunity to enjoy David Seebach's "Wonders of Magic" on campus during the noon hour on April 11th. The appearance was arranged by Lake Geneva's (WI) **Class Act Agency**.
- **Saukville's (WI) Elementary School** held a Family Fun Night in conjunction with a Book Fair on April 29th. They scheduled two back-to-back performances of Seebach's show. **Class Act Agency** arranged the booking.
- Students at **Franklin's (WI) High School** enjoyed the astounding close-up magic that David Seebach presents for intimate audiences at their Post Prom during the wee hours of May 1st. It was David's second appearance at this event. He was invited by **Mike Kropp** to appear.
- Milwaukee's **MECCA Nightclub** celebrated its 5th Anniversary with a party on May 12th. **Dasha Kelly**, club owner, invited David to perform some behind-the-bar close-up magic and then present a show for everyone in the cabaret area.
- **Greendale (WI) High School** held its post prom at the Showtime Cinema. Students enjoyed pizza, soft drinks, a movie, fortunetellers and David Seebach presenting one-on-one close-up magic for them from 1:00 to 2:30 am on May 21st. **Debbie Dziekonski** arranged David's participation.
- **Rhonda Galante**, of **Airgas Safety**, requested David Seebach present his CABARET show at their Sales Banquet on June 4th at Milwaukee's Third Street Pier Restaurant. Assistant Laura joined David for their after-dinner program of comedy, magic, mind reading and illusion.
- The **2005 Brick Expo** will include the NIGHTCLUB edition of the "Wonders of Magic" show on July 21st at the Oakbrook Hills Resort in Illinois. **Eric Fogg**, who had seen David perform at another event, invited him to participate.
- The 15th annual **David Seebach's "Illusions in the Night"** Halloween-themed extravaganza will run over two October weekends and feature eight performances. Reserved seat tickets will be available on September 15th at the **Modjeska Theater** box office, 414/645-0700. The dates are 10/21, 22, 23, 27, 28 & 29. Read more in the Fall 2005 BACKSTAGE.

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