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## 1976 I.J.A. ELKS LODGE Convention

**SUNNY California**

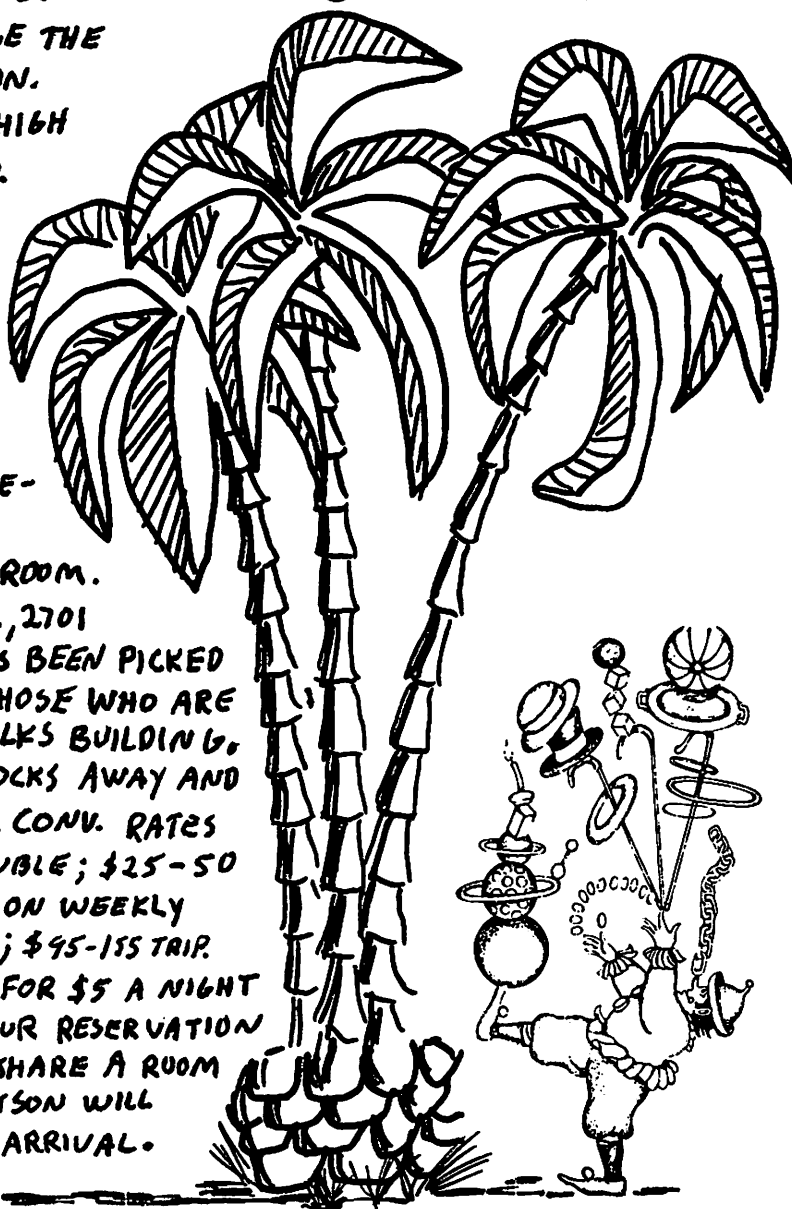
**August 5,6,7,8**

**Los Angeles, California**

IS WHERE YOU SHOULD BE THIS SUMMER.  
AUG. 5-8, THE ELKS BUILDING, 607 S.  
PARKVIEW, L.A. 90057 WILL LODGE THE  
I.J.A.'S 29<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL CONVENTION.

THE I.J.A. WILL HAVE A VERY HIGH  
CEILING ROOM AT ITS DISPOSAL  
24 HOURS A DAY. THE ELKS BUILD.  
WILL RESERVE 20 ROOMS, SIN-  
GLE OR DOUBLE OCCUPANCY;  
THEIR RATES ARE \$8 SINGLE, \$10  
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ON A FIRST COME FIRST SERVE  
BASIS, A ONE NIGHT DEPOSIT IS RE-  
QUIRED TO HOLD A ROOM. PLEASE  
WRITE ELKS BUILDING FOR YOUR ROOM.

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AS THE CONVENTION HOTEL, FOR THOSE WHO ARE  
UNABLE TO GET A ROOM AT THE ELKS BUILDING.  
THE BRYSON IS MERELY THREE BLOCKS AWAY AND  
HAS KITCHEN UNITS IN EACH ROOM. CONV. RATES  
ARE \$11-12.50 SINGLE; \$17-40 DOUBLE; \$25-50  
TRIPLE. THERE WILL BE DISCOUNTS ON WEEKLY  
RENTALS; \$55-60 sing.; \$75-140 doub.; \$95-155 TRIP.  
YOU CAN RENT ROLL-AWAY BEDS FOR \$5 A NIGHT  
PLEASE MAIL 15% DEPOSIT UPON YOUR RESERVATION  
AND STIPULATE IF YOU WANT TO SHARE A ROOM  
WITH ANOTHER PERSON. THE BRYSON WILL  
POOL ROOMMATES TOGETHER UPON ARRIVAL.  
WRITE FOR DETAILS.





Martin Gray's

## CALIFORNIA REPORT

Your president will be leaving on a much needed vacation to London, England, from June 29-July 12. Upon arrival home I will be absorbed fully with the convention. Transportation information, detail map, and full list of events will be forwarded for the June Newsletter.

Nate Stein, our Vice-President, and Roy Johns, a non I.J.A. juggler, won first place in the big Ted Mack talent search held here in L.A. over Easter weekend.

Dressed in clown costumes with white face, The Mum Bros., Nate & Roy's stage name, opened their fast paced two and one half minute show with club take-aways from the side and under each other's legs. Roy then performed his flawless ball juggling, after which Nate wowed the crowd with a dynamic cigar box routine. Roy stunned everyone by shooting two ping-pong balls out of his mouth. The boys brought down the house with quick-fire exchanges of six torches, which ended the show with the audience on its feet. The prize money of \$1,000.00 was well deserved by these truly talented jugglers.

NOTE: Metz Gertz, the only other juggler entered in the contest, failed to reach the semi-finals. Although he did receive sizable residuals from a commercial Busch-Gardens (the show's sponsors)

blasted the airwaves with to publicize the event.

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**NO. 1**—The \$1,000 first prize in the Ted Mack talent search at Busch Gardens was won by a mime-juggling team, Mum Brothers of San Francisco—Roy Johns, standing, and Nathan Stein.

from Joel Fink

## JUGGLERS ON TV

Don't know if it is shown in Boston - but there is a "Handy-Wrap" commercial on T.V. here, of a housewife juggling three glass bowls, filled with food, covered with Handy-Wrap. I coached the actress on her juggling last summer when the commercial was shot. She just appeared on the Mike Douglas Show where she gave me a plug as her juggling teacher. She had to try and teach Sammy Davis how to juggle on T.V.. I haven't seen the show - but they show the commercial as well as the "out" takes where she didn't catch all the bowls.



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## EDITORS NOTEBOOK

GREETINGS ! ! ! ! ! ! ! !

We'll have more convention info in next month's Newsletter, including a detailed map and a list of convention events.

Roger Dollarhide reminds everyone to practice for the Eighth Annual I.J.A. Juggling Championships which once again this year will be held in conjunction with the convention. The competition has been getting bigger and better each year. You won't want to miss it! (See rules and regulations on page 4.)

Thanks go to Mrs. Schreiber (a friend of I.J.A. European Correspondent Karl Heinz Zietzen) for the picture of Francis Brunn and Muhammad Ali. She spotted it in a magazine while vacationing in San Juan, Puerto Rico.



**OK, MUHAMMAD, LET FRANCIS BRUNN DO THE JUGGLING...**  
The world's greatest boxer meets the world's greatest juggler during intermission at the Americana Hotel. Muhammad Ali caught the spectacular Les Folies Bergere at the Theatre Restaurant and couldn't resist going backstage to do some juggling with international star Francis Brunn, whom Muhammad admitted was the greatest (juggler, that is!). (Mandel Photo)

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## FROM DAVE WALDEN

On May 2, about two dozen Massachusetts jugglers got together outdoors in Cambridge, MA. Although at the outset the weather looked problematical, it turned out to be a fine day to be outside and adequate conditions for juggling. A number of I.J.A. members attended. Also, several passers-by stopped and made themselves known as juggling aficionados.

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### ALL JUGGLERS, UNICYCLERS, CLOWNS ANNOUNCING SUMMER JUGGLING CONVENTION

TIME: Camping out Friday nite June 19, 1976; Convention Sat. and Sun. June 20, 21; (rain date next weekend Sat. and Sun. June 27, 28)

PLACE: Esta Road (off route 44 and Clear Pond) Plymouth Mass. headquarters (possible day trip Saturday early afternoon)

PURPOSE: to celebrate juggling on the first day of summer.

ATMOSPHERE: Informal, relaxed, possible beach juggling at fresh and ocean waters, Edaville Railroad, historical sites, swimming, hiking, boating, other fun activities.

EQUIPMENT: Bring camping (sleeping bags and tents); facilities available with water hot and cold; bring juggling equipment; food and other refreshments (BYO) although we may also go out to eat together.

PLEASE RSVP: so I can try to plan a better convention, please RSVP if you are interested in attending.

### WRITE FOR DETAILED DIRECTIONS

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# 1976 I.J.A. championships

## RULES AND REGULATIONS

### INTRODUCTION

The Championships will be held indoors in a place suitable for juggling. There will be an audience and all forms of photographic and recording equipment are permitted. All competitors are to provide their own financial arrangements to compete and their own props and apparatus. The order in which the events and competitors will be judged will be scheduled in advance. Entrants must compete at the scheduled times. Props used in competition must be approved by the judges and conform to these regulations. Routines should be prepared in advance just like an act is. The failure of an entrant to be so prepared may result in his disqualification. There is an entry fee of \$.50 per event entered, payable in advance of the competition. IJA membership is not required.

The IJA Juggling Championships competition was started in 1969 and has been held every year since in conjunction with the annual IJA Conventions to serve two purposes:

1. To increase interest in the IJA Conventions (both on the part of the members and the public) by providing an organized activity in which convention attendees can actively participate and which would be interesting and enjoyable for those who do not actively participate.
2. To provide a means by which the accomplishments of jugglers everywhere can be recognized, appreciated and acknowledged, both by other jugglers and by the public.

Any further required announcements regarding the competition will be published in the IJA Newsletter. Information may also be obtained from Championships Director Roger Dollarhide, 873 West Boulevard, Apt. 410, Hartford, Conn., 06105, phone (203) 233-3435.

### ASSUMPTIONS AND DEFINITIONS

The rules of the IJA Juggling Championships are based on certain assumptions and definitions which the IJA officers consider valid:

1. Juggling skill can be categorized into specific areas. Only a few areas of juggling skill are judged in this competition. These areas are called "events".
2. Specific juggling movements within the events are called "tricks". A trick is defined as any specific well defined movement with a prop or props which forms a juggling pattern. The trick is completed when each of the props being used passes through the specific manipulation which forms the pattern.
3. A "miss" is defined as an accident, or loss of control situation in which a prop being manipulated stops its normal movement. Further, a miss is any duplication of a previously performed trick, excluding certain standard moves and transitions such as the cascade, which facilitate a continuous juggle.
4. Juggling props can be categorized into specific types. The props used in toss juggling are of three basic types: balls, rings or hoops, clubs or sticks. So long as an entrant's props resemble these basic types, they will probably be suitable for use in the competition.
5. Professional or amateur standing does not necessarily determine a juggler's skill. No distinction will be made regarding a competitor's professional or amateur status as a juggler.

### JUDGING AND SCORING

The competition will be judged by three expert jugglers. Each event will have a point value of 100. A competitor's score will be determined by three factors:

**Tricks** - In all the events except Senior Division Event 4 the competitors will have 3 minutes in which to do as many different tricks as possible. Each trick will be awarded one point, up to a maximum of 50 points. In Senior Division Event 4 the competitors will have 1 minute to maintain a juggle. Two points will be awarded for every second the juggle is maintained, up to a maximum of 100 points. The competitors will have four trials in this event, and the highest score of the four will be recorded.

**Misses** - Except in Senior Division Event 4, one point will be subtracted from the Tricks score for each miss.

**Form and Presentation** - Except in Senior Division Event 3, which will have no form or presentation score, the judges will award a composite score up to a maximum of 50 points in each event for the competitor's performance of these five elements: DIFFICULTY of tricks; SHOWMANSHIP; ORIGINALITY; BODY MOVEMENT; ROUTINING.

A competitor's final score in an event, except in Senior Division Event 4, will be the average of the scores of the judges. A competitor's score in Senior Division Event 4 will be the highest of the scores of the four trials. In case of ties, runoff events will be judged.

A competitor may only enter the Senior Division or the Junior Division - not both.

The competitor who receives the most number of points in an event will be the Champion of that event. The Championship prizes will be engraved medals on ribbons. Second and third place winners will receive ribbons.

### JUNIOR DIVISION EVENTS

1. Juggling and object manipulation routine. 3 minutes.

Any props suitable for the Senior Division may be juggled and manipulated. Auxiliary equipment may also be used.

### SENIOR DIVISION EVENTS

1. Ball juggling routine. 3 minutes.

Any number of balls may be juggled, bounced and manipulated using any part of the body.

2. Club juggling routine. 3 minutes.

Any number of clubs or sticks may be juggled and manipulated using any part of the body.

3. Object spinning, balancing, manipulation routine. 3 minutes.

Any objects except the types used in Events 1, 2, 3 may be manipulated using any part of the body. Props suitable for this event include cigar boxes, hoop and parasol, devil sticks, spinning plates, hats, twirling batons, lariats, bottle and plate, diablo, spools, etc.

4. Numbers juggling. 4 trials.

Only these props may be used: 7 balls, or 7 rings, or 5 clubs or sticks. Floor bouncing of balls not allowed.

5. Auxiliary equipment routine. 3 min.

Any juggling routine may be performed while confined to a unicycle, roly poly, rolling globe, tight or slack wire, etc. or while the entrant is supported on his feet only by an understander.



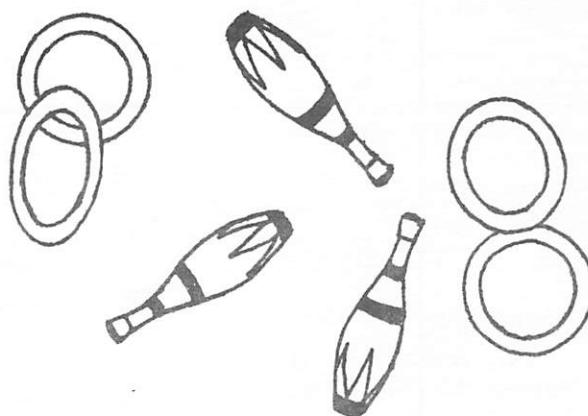
from Fairfax Virginia

## Oak View



Oak View Elementary School in Fairfax, Virginia, held its Eighth Annual Physical Education show at nearby Robinson Secondary School fieldhouse on Wednesday, March 24. Seven hundred Oak View students, under the direction of physical education teachers Jim Moyer and Cathy Orendorff, staged the show which attracted an audience of 4,000 spectators. Juggling, which is taught in the school's regular physical education classes, was one of the feature acts in the program. Fourth graders put on a display of 3-ball cascade and shower juggling. Other circus acts featured were plate spinning, rope twirling, German gym wheel, trampoline, pyramids, Roman ladders, unicycles, stilt-walking, tumbling, and gymnastics.

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