



THE SPIRIT TRUMPET

IBM Ring 96' Newsletter



Nov 2023

October Meeting Round-up

The October meeting of Ring 96 started off with a double bonus surprise. First, we had master card magician Jeremy Griffith come to lead our pre-meeting workshop. The members had been instructed to bring their own deck and Jeremy taught 12 of our members some of his incredible sleights. how to table shuffle while maintaining a 'brief' to mark a spot in order to do false shuffles and control cards. He gave some background about how this type of thing has

evolved and credited different magicians for different aspects of the moves He was extremely knowledgeable.

Next, we opened our meeting proper and introduced our guest emcee for the night Jheff. Jheff is a Magic Castle performer, the publisher of a newsletter for mentalists and the originator of several mentalism effects. He proved to be the perfect host for our night of "weird magic and mentalism."

Jheff opened the show with what appeared to be a sight-gag. He covered his hand with a silk, and asked a volunteer to pick a number

from 1 to 5. The number 3 was chosen and Jheff removed the silk to show three fingers. He took out on card from his pocket, and asked for the suit. Hearts was called out. The card in his hand was the 3 of hearts.

Joyce Basch took the stage dressed as the queen of hearts. She had a set of 8 ½ by 11-inch envelopes labeled 1-9. She had the audience decide how to mix the cards and what order they should be in. She called for 9 volunteers and gave each one a card. When the envelopes were opened the volunteers were each holding a letter, and in the

Next meeting:

Nov 18th... 7 pm

"Members' Favorite Effect Night"

North Senior Center

3333 Saint Cloud Drive.

Seal Beach, CA

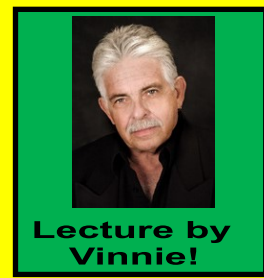
Coming Soon to Ring 96



Nov 18th



Dec 16th



Lecture by Vinnie!

Jan 20th

correct order spelled "Halloween."

Kim Hallinger was next and poured some hideous ingredients into a pan, including, pepper, cayenne pepper, and old sock, and more. She covered the pan, and son revealed it was full of peppermint candies.

Jheff came out with four different colored envelopes. He asked the first volunteer to pick one, he chose Green and was given that one to hold. The next volunteer chose blue and got that envelope. The third person picked red, and was given that envelope. That left Yellow which Jheff handed to a last volunteer. They opened the envelopes. The green one had a note which read "You will pick the green envelope." Very funny. The Blue and Red envelopes had similar comedic messages matching their color. The yellow one; the last one left stated the correct order of which the envelopes would be picked.

David Fisher brought out a bag and the story of Frank

McGillicuddy. Frank could cut to any named card in the deck and David demonstrated this. He changed four aces to four sevens and also changed the colors of the backs of the deck from red to blue.

President John Piercy brought out a square cage with a circular tube inside it. He showed both to be empty. He told a story of visiting a haunted house. First he pulled out spider webs from the empty tube. He demonstrated them empty again and pulled out a ghost. Once again, he pulled out the tube and it was still empty, but when he put it back in, out came bats. Finally, he pulled out a gnome.

Jheff returned to the stage with a rolled-up silk. He made a pair of knots in the silk and then vanished the knots, and unrolled the silk revealing a picture of a ghost. There were two holes in the silk where the knots had been and where the ghost's eye would have been.

Kevin Papke performed the Zoltan trick. A card was chosen, and Kevin read notes off the box that helped to describe the card and how it was picked. The chosen card was soon found sticking out of Kevin's pocket.

Paul Case came to the stage and did a few jokes and sight-gags before bring out a book of "travel destinations." He had a volunteer pick a destination and easily guessed it correctly. Paul followed that with a set of ESP cards that were placed in a rack at random order, but matched his prediction.

Jheff had a volunteer pick a page and a word from a book. Letter by letter he figured out the word and had it written on a previously unshown pad.

Joseph Ken was our next performer. He brought up a volunteer and showed him the Ace of Spades that he called the card of death. Joe shuffled the Ace into the deck. He guided the volunteer into crisscrossing the deck to pick a card. The chosen card was the Queen of Diamonds.

Oddly the card right next to the queen was the Ace of Spades. On the back was written "it is not your time." A very creepy ending to a fine effect.

Bill Pearce brought up a spatula which he proceeded to psychically bend and then restore back to its original shape. Then he told an elaborate story about he and his wife picking out a casket for him to use after he passed. The picture of the casket was ornate and very expensive. Bill kept folding the paper, shrinking the accoutrements and lowering the price till all that was left was a trash can.

Jheff brought up two volunteers and gave them each a set of ten Uno cards. He performed a "cards across" routine with them.

His closing effect called for six volunteers. Jheff read instructions from a series of cards calling for the volunteers to take different actions and sending them back to their seats. The winner was asked to pick a number from 1 – 25. Jheff

read from the list of prizes. The prizes were awkward, unusual and disgusting. However, the one picked (number 5) called for a stuffed animal. This had been in a bag in plain sight the whole time.

Another exciting



Teacher's Night

At our November meeting, starting at 6 PM, there will NOT be a workshop for members. Instead there will be a workshop for local teachers. Kevin and Cliff have worked hard to contact teachers in schools that are not too far away from our Ring meeting spot. We will teach them some simple magic. The hope is that the teachers may be inspired to join the Ring, and or show off their new magic abilities to their students who may then join the Ring. If current members want to sit in, you certainly can, but be aware this workshop has been planned and organized around non magician teachers. We do not need extra input. We do not need people interrupting with a well intentioned, "here is how you can do that better." Please, let us run this workshop as we have set it up. Thanks.



Member's favorite effect night

On Saturday, November 18th we will have member's favorite effect night. Please let me know (cliffg37@proton.me) if you will be performing. A few things to remember.

This is NOT a show and tell night. This meeting will be open to guests, and we are hoping to have a few teachers come to enjoy the magic. If someone asks how something is done, use your favorite deflection line as you would on stage.

This is not a competition. This is not perform your favorite magic set night. This is one trick, not one routine. If you want to do a second trick, let me know. I will list that and invite you back to do it ,if time allows.

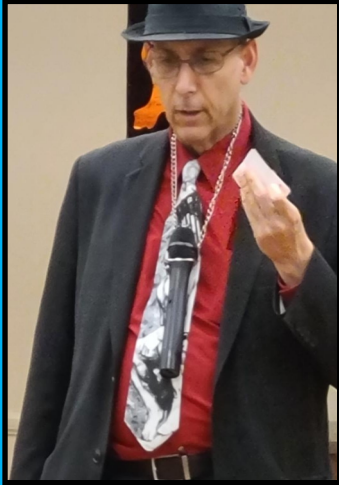
So, what should you do? Bring your favorite effect, or maybe your best effect. Keeping in mind that there are going to be guests in the audience, impress them with your skill. Show them what magic can really look like. Inspire them to want to come back another night, and maybe even join the club.

Music, costumes and volunteers are encouraged if appropriate. Bring friends to watch if you can.

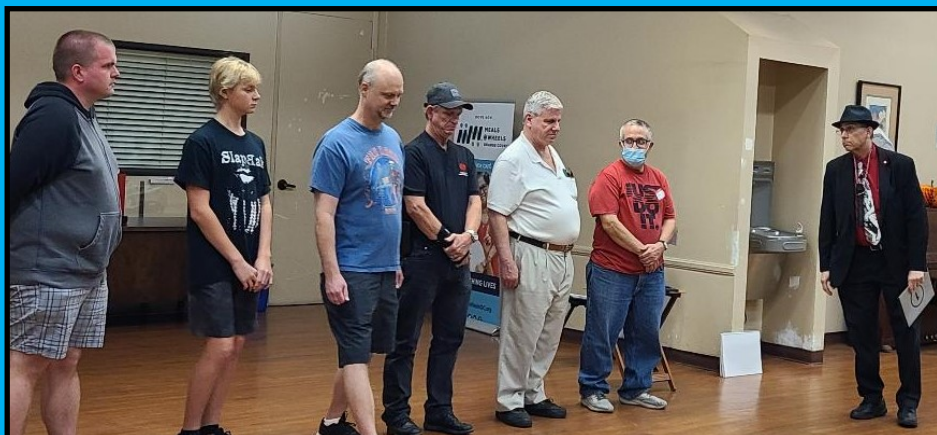
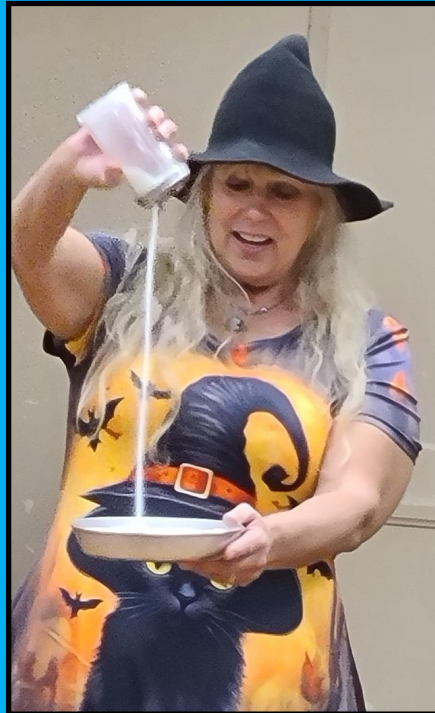
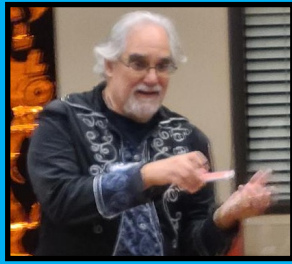
Lets see if we can't breathe some new life into this old magic event!



October: Night of Weird Magic and Mentalism



Jheff: Our emcee for the night



The new year is coming, pay your dues early.



Great News!

**No raise in dues this year!
\$35 for an individual member
\$45 for a family membership!**

How to pay your dues...

Hand Jon Strum cash or a check at a Ring meeting

Mailing a check to Jon at 4951 Castana Ave Apt 40, Lakewood, CA 90712

Paying Jon via Venmo -- jonstrum@gmail.com

Paying Jon via Zelle -- jonstrum@gmail.com

Paying Jon via PayPal -- jon@jonstrum.com

**Remember: you are not a Ring 96
member in good standing
until you have paid your
dues and joined I.B.M.**



Christmas is coming!

The annual holiday meeting is coming up this December!

There is a very simple 3-step process to follow to attend this meeting.

Purchase or dig up a magical present worth about \$20. Make it something that you might enjoy winning so it will be a treasured gift to whomever wins it. Wrap it nicely and bring it to the meeting.

Bring a nice dessert to share with the attendees. Please remember if your dessert needs plates or forks to bring those too. Be aware we must not leave a mess in the room. Be ready to bring home or throw out what does not get eaten.

Bring a magic trick to perform for the attendees if you like. You can bring friends if you want to, but be aware that they may not enjoy the gift exchange.

See you and your friends there!



Want More Magic?

Ring 313 — Hybrid meeting

<https://www.ring313.org>

Orange County Magic Club

<https://theocmc.com/>

The Hollywood Magic Castle



Happy Birthday!



November Birthday's

Steve Lund

Howard Paris

John Piercy

Quote of the month!

In music, if you hit a wrong note,
People forgive you. In magic
when something goes wrong,
the entire art is destroyed.

- Penn Gilette

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October Session of Sessioning

Wow, what a great time we had just last Monday. Six magicians, Jon Strum, Brett Bolich, Kevin Papke, Bill Kornhauser, Jheff and Cliff Gerstman all sat down at Hof's Hut for a meal and some magic.

Cliff demonstrated a magical way to remove washers that have been tied on a rope. He plans to use this for the teachers night a 6pm before our next Ring meeting.

Jheff showed off a mentalism trick that used cards to match a truly impossible prediction.

Jon performed a three pile trick that ended with a chosen card matching a prediction. He said it seriously fools a lay audience.

Kevin brought in a trick using "monster" cards. After a card was chosen, he quickly announced what it was.

Bill did several effects including a coin trick and a predictive card effect that ended with a shocking noise making surprise ending..

You should join us next time, you would have fun!



"Magicians," at Leisure World!

On September 27th our own Joyce Basch decided to hold a magic event at Leisure World.

The event started with Joyce, Jon, Dan, Zeezo, and Todd, walking the room and doing close-up magic at the tables. Joyce was very pleased to have her daughter and granddaughter at the event. They are pictured here being entertained by Dan Habel in his yellow jacket.

Joyce herself then became the emcee for the stage show which featured Kim Hallinger, Ray Karch, and Tom Ogden.

According to Joyce, she received rave reviews. "Many people told me it was the best magic show they have ever seen," Let's hope we have lots more magic like this in the future.



Photo credit: Paul Kryczko

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The
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from **Ring 96**
Seal Beach's
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NOVEMBER

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Come and watch our magic for free!



Member's Favorite Effect Night!

Teacher's Night - 6 PM

Magic Show - 7 PM

Saturday, November **18th**



Seal Beach North Community Center

3333 Saint Cloud Drive

Seal Beach, CA 90740



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Ring 96 is the local chapter of the
International Brotherhood of Magicians



WOW! It's "teacher's night" at Ring 96, The Seal Beach Magic Club!



Come visit Ring 96 for free
and learn some magic!

Saturday, November
18th, promptly at 6 pm
3333 Saint Cloud Drive
Seal Beach CA 90740

Why learn magic?

- It's fun
- Students love it
- Helps you build confidence
- Make new friends
- Keep your students guessing
- Hold student's attention

Nothing to buy, completely free!

Come visit us in November and get a free magic lesson and some free magic equipment you can use. Then at 7:00 pm, stay and watch our members perform for you. There is no catch. There is no fine print. We just hope you will enjoy yourself at our humble magic club.

Who is teaching?

Your teachers will be Kevin Papke and Cliff Gerstman. Two credentialed teachers that have over 50 years of magic experience between them. They are both happy to pass this magical message along.

Who can come?

You can certainly come as we are inviting you. Bring your fellow teachers, school administrators and maybe a friend, spouse or significant other. We can't promise you will all come to love magic, but we can sure promise you will have a good time while you are here! Come visit us, we're waiting for you!

Free light refreshments will be available.
Magic Castle™ guest passes are available on request.



Please RSVP to cliffg37@verizon.net

join us for a Ring 96

Session of Sessioning

Monday, Nov, 26th at 7 pm.

Hof's Hut in Seal Beach

**Just buy dinner at Hof's,
and bring your cards,
coins, or other close up magic.**

**Last month we had 6 attendees,
and we had a great time!**

See you there!



<http://hofshut.com/locations/seal-beach>

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Ring 96



The Seal Beach Magic Club

Annual Winter Holiday Party!

December 16th at 7 pm

**3333 Saint Cloud Drive
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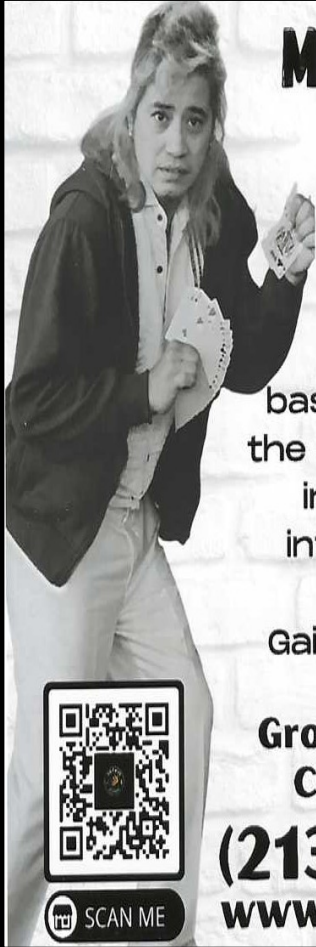
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6 - 8 pm



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