



THE SPIRIT TRUMPET

IBM Ring 96' Newsletter



April 2024

March Meeting Round-up

On Saturday, March 16th Ring 96 met to have our monthly meeting. Before the meeting, we had our pre-meeting workshop. This month Kevin Papke taught an effect recently taught by Andost. This was a four-card effect where blank cards changed to regular playing cards. It was fairly simple, requiring only one real effect and a bit of gimmicky. We had about ten people attend this very successful workshop.

President John Piercy opened the meeting proper and announced this month's theme.

This month we would focus on "everyday carry magic." This answers the question what do you always have on your person for those times that someone approaches you with "do a trick!" Are you prepared? What can you do?

Up first was Paul Case. He took out a deck of cards and had a volunteer shuffle them. Paul pulled out a prediction from the deck and had the volunteer pick a card. The selected card was the partner to the prediction. Paul continued with another chosen card that was followed by a flip-flop shuffle. It took only one magic word to make the deck right, all except for the chosen card which was still

reversed in the deck.

John Engman took the stage and produced a \$1 bill with a cut-out door in the middle. He had a volunteer hold the door open one way as he folded the bill and then unfolded it. The bill was reversed even though the volunteer never let go of it!

Brad Erickson brought a volunteer to the stage and had her go back out to the audience and get six small objects at random. Brad spread them out on the table and had the volunteer pick three. These he eliminated. He had her pick two more, of which he took one. The object matched his prediction.

David Fisher arrived on the stage. He pulled out a quarter and a

Next meeting:

April 20th... 7 pm

"Paul Green Lecture"

North Senior Center

3333 Saint Cloud Drive.

Seal Beach, CA

Coming Soon to Ring 96



Paul Green

April 20th



Close-up Competition

May 18th



Linking Ring Night

June 16th

lighter. He did not use the lighter due to fire code restrictions, but he pretended to cook the quarter till it turned into a ball.

Marty Gorman pulled out a \$1 bill and made change by turning it into four quarters. (That is a mis made bill)

Marty had a volunteer pick a card, but it was the wrong card. It actually said "Wrong Card" on it. Another card was the "Right card," and there was a "Left" to go with the right. Marty ended with a site gag pun because two wrongs don't make a right.

Kevin Papke brought up a volunteer and did some exciting rubber band magic. A dollar bill passed through a rubber band, Kevin broke and restored a rubber band, and made a dollar bill climb up a ladder of rubber bands as well.

George Reis came out with four blank cards. He turned the top card over and it had a blue back. All four cards seemed to have blue backs. Just by turning over cards, he changed them from blank to Queens. In fact, when he was done, he had four queen of diamonds, and the backs were all different colors.

Bill Pearce used his fingers and two rubber bands to make different shapes. Triangles, stars,

and others as well. When he was done, the two standard rubber bands he was using had changed into an actual star shape and one real triangle.

Jon Strum shows a volunteer a small packet of cards. Jokers, Queens, and a king. He put a Queen into his pocket, but she returned. Soon, all four cards had changed into the four Aces.

Vinny borrowed a \$1 bill and shocked everyone as he used his mouth to tear off a piece from the top. He chewed it up and swallowed it. However, the bill was soon restored.

Vinny did his version of "cards across" which was a real crowd-pleaser.

Zeezo ended the show with his color-changing pocket knives. The volunteer could not figure out how these knives kept changing color in Zeezo's hand.

Another exciting night
at Ring 96



Want to help out your Ring?

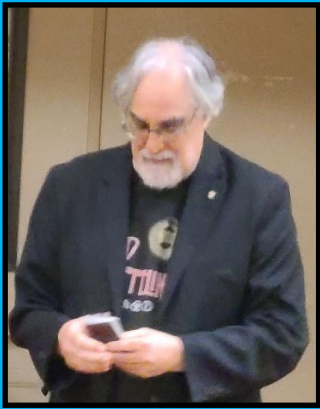
Paul Case our past president has found a quick and easy way for you to help out your Ring on a monthly basis. Sign up for the Ring meeting with the City of Seal Beach. You see, Seal Beach gives us the room to teach magic. The more people that sign up, the less likely the city is to use the room for something else in our time slot. Just scan this QR code or click the hyperlink and you should go to an easy to use [registration page!](#)



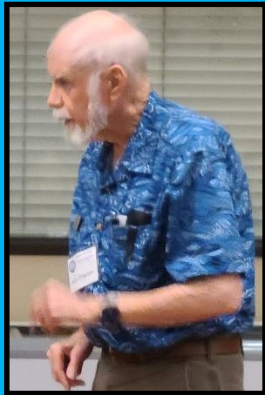
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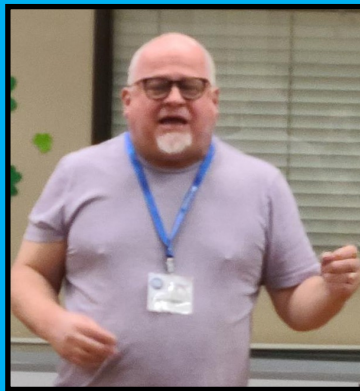
**This year will will
have eight performers
at the close up competition.
Right now we have
room for three more.**



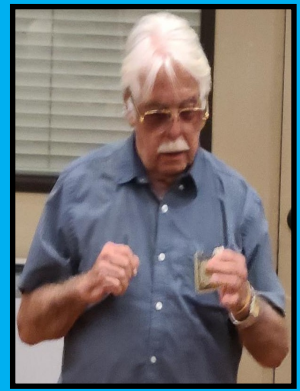
Paul and the Flip flop shuffle!



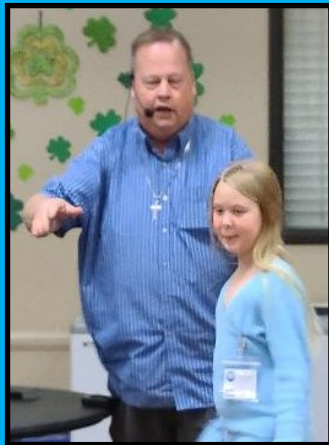
John and the bill flip



David's Magic Quarter



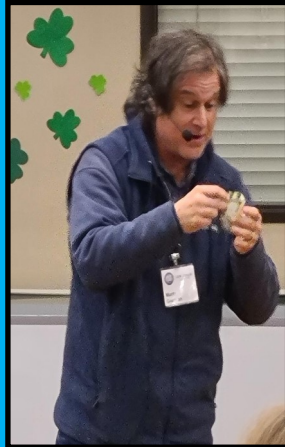
Vinny: Cards Across



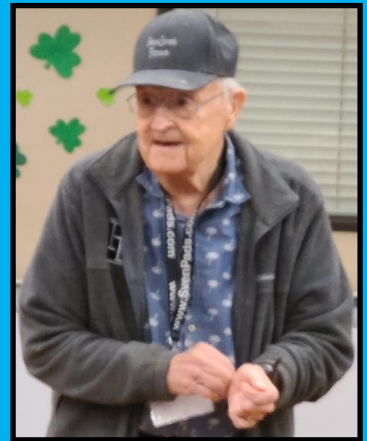
Brad, with volunteer Suzy



John: Pick a card, any card.



Marty and the "Right" Card



Bill, the star of Rubber Bands



Jon, the King of Queens and

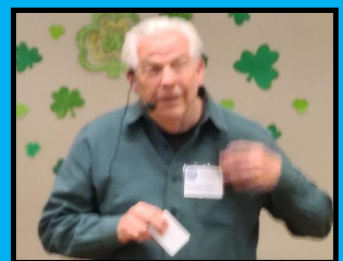


Kevin with Rubber bands and Mike



Zeezo and the knives

Everyday Carry Magic!



George: card exchange



Silent Auction

Do you have old magic books or other valuable items that are in good usable condition? Are some of these the stuff that has been sitting on your shelf for years waiting to be used? Maybe it is time for the silent auction?

It works like this. At most meetings we will take the first six items brought in and put them on the silent auction table. First six; first come first served. You bring a page for signing and bidding. You set the opening bid and the increments you want.

At the end of the meeting, you will hopefully have sold your item. You take 80% of what you take in, and you donate 20% to Ring 96. Note: you can donate more if you wish.

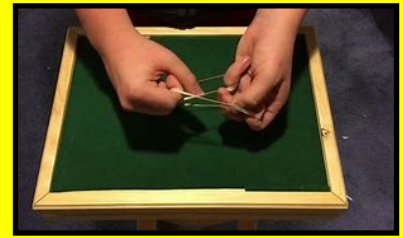
That is it, very easy. You save some space at home. You get a little money, the Ring gets a small donation, and a member gets a new effect or book etc.

You can do this as soon as our next meeting!

Don't forget to go through your old magic and donate it to our raffle. You will be helping out our club big time.

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Close-up Competition

Saturday, May 18th will be our 2024 close-up competition. Last year it was great! Can we do even better? I think we can!

Get your eight to ten minute close up routine ready. Practice in front of a mirror. Practice on video. Practice in front of another magician, but practice, and time yourself.

Sign up by notifying Cliff Gerstman cliffg37@proton.me and letting him know what effects you intend to do.

It is first come first served. We don't want duplicate effects performed for our public audience. Remember we want to attract publicity and new memberships. So let's put on a spectacular show.

Remember, by competing in this event, you are making a commitment to a personal improvement of your own magic skills!

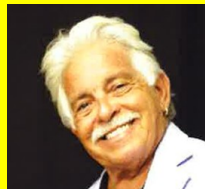
See you, and your guests there!

Card Trick Workshop

This month the amazing Keven Papke taught Ring 96 a an effect that Andost had taught last month at the meeting of Ring 313. It concerned one simple sleight, a bit of a gimmicked card and the rest was pretty simple. A small packet of cards appeared to be blank on one side, but then turnout out not to be, but rather looked more like a simple normal deck. The sleight required is one that is known by just about every card worker, and is pretty simple to learn. Kevin taught that to about ten members prior to our March Ring 96 meeting. Members got to watch, learn and practice this exciting effect.



Come next month,
April 20th at 6 pm,
for an amazing
card workshop
given by Vinny!



March Sessioning

With ten magicians in the room you know there was plenty going on. There was an impromptu Elmsley Count workshop, a discussion about Fool Us, and plenty of magic.

David Fisher showed us that calendars are all related to cards by the day and the card.

Kevin and Jon each did their unique patter to the famous "twin" card trick.

Jheff brought out a large wallet that contained cards he designed. He said he can do a full show just from that and he showed us a routine.

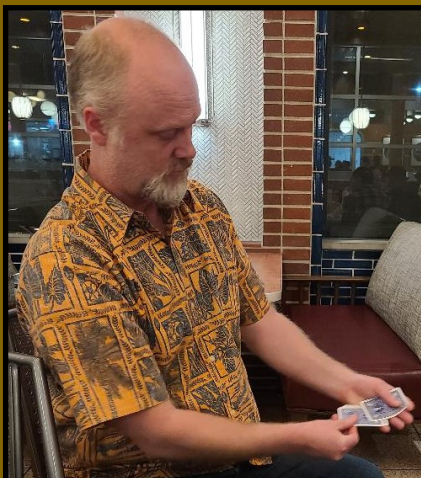
Cliff presented a surprisingly elementary level trick credited to Michael Amar.

Wayne showed off a wonderful trick that used a 1 and 5 dollar bill and had them unexpectedly change places.

Liam did a photographic mentalism trick.

Michael did an effect in which four random cards quickly revealed the four aces.

Why don't you join us next month!



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April's Birthdays

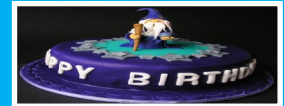
John Engman

Kevin Papke

Philip Henderson

Marque Dunkle

Do we have your birth
month on file? Why not?



Quote of the month!

"Magic is at
the core of
myths."

- Colin Farrell

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join us for a Ring 96
Session of Sessioning

Monday, April, 28th 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.**

In March we had ten of us at the session.

Will you be there next month?

**Note: This is not meant to be a social
gathering, it is meant to be a magical
gathering. Showing a magic effect is required.**

See you there!



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Paul Green

Lecture and critique workshop



April 20, 2024 at 7 pm

Ring 96 members
attend for free

Magicians who
are not members
may attend for \$10
which can be
applied to membership.



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**Come support
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Kim Hallinger**



**April 21st
brunch show
at the
Magic Castle!**



Ring 96 - The Seal Beach Magic Club



Presents our annual

Close-up Magic Competition!

Admission is free!

All ages welcome!

Watch the show!

Vote for your favorite!



May 18th at 7 PM

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

Last year we had some issues...

This year we can address them.

Come to the August 17th Ring meeting

Auditions and Rehearsals!

The September Stage

**Competition is our
biggest "open to the public"
event of the year.**

Let's make it great!

Come to audition

Come to Cheer people on

Come to applaud

Come to laugh

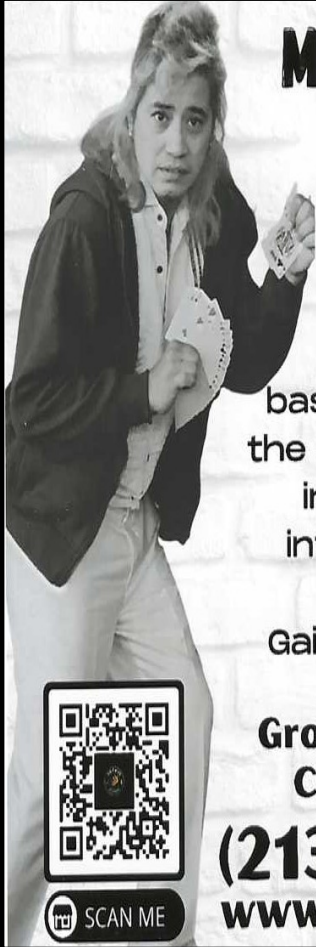
but do be there!

Note: This meeting is NOT open to the public as it may contain exposure.

Stay Tuned

More info to come

Magic around town!



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with their sleight of hand.

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