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NEWSLETTER

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July Club Meeting: Our Treasurer reported that we were able to raise a record \$6700.00 for The Burned Children Recovery Foundation at our Smoke & Mirrors 2007 show. Next year's show is scheduled for the Feb. 2nd, the Saturday before the Super Bowl.

Next regular meeting will be, **Aug. 9th, 7:00pm** at the **Blue Ridge Fire Station**, 18800 - 68th Ave. W., Lynnwood. Remember your NWRf name badge.

We're firing up the grill, it's the NWRf annual summer picnic. **Monday Sept. 3rd** starting around 1pm at the home of Bruce & Jennifer Meyers; 2906 - 152nd Pl. NW, Stanwood, WA 98292. Bring your magic for entertaining & a swap meet. Don't forget to bring something to dip into the Chocolate fondue/dip for dessert, on the lakefront. If you have any questions, call Jen at 360-652-5779. *One additional note, please be gentle with Bruce, as he seriously broke several bones attempting some kind of two-wheeled gravity-defying, daredevil stunt.*

The **NW Ring of Smoke** meetings this season, have offered a great variety of opportunities for our youth. "Mystic Pasta", ROS & Shawn O'Donnell's presented a sold out, **Magical Dinner Theater, May 6th**. **Featuring some of our Young Magicians of the area. It was all you could eat pasta buffet and a show ~ Congratulations on a very successful Show!**

Several young members performed & all did a great job. Next meeting at Shawn O'Donnell's restaurant on, Aug. 19th, at 2:00pm.

Another **ROS magic gig** is Saturday Aug. 11th at 11:00am the gig ends around 1pm. Jennifer, will be there & will be bringing a 6 foot table & drape, she will help you guys organize. Any of the parents who can help would be much appreciated.

LLL world walk for breastfeeding. The event is at Wiggums Hollow Park in Everett, 2801 10th Street. We'll have the money to distribute among the young magicians who perform this gig.

Magic Mondays - Ravenna Third Place Books each month. Offering live close up and stage performance opportunities. It's the **Second Monday** of each month at 6504 20th Av. NE, Seattle, WA 98115. www.ravennathirdplace.com Tableside close up, begins at 6:30 pm, & the platform show begins at 7pm. It's a good venue for working your magic with an appreciative audience. For details or booking contact, Fred Turner (206-526-2752 or fredrickmagic@yahoo.com).

Lectures: Eric Anderson lecturing **Sept. 22nd** at 3:30pm. Ex-street performer turned corporate entertainer reveals, some of the marketing and some magic. Lectures are \$20 for paid NWRf members, \$8 for junior ROS members and \$25 for all others. Join us, at Shawn O'Donnell's restaurant in the downstairs meeting room. 122 - 128th St. SE, Everett, WA.

Sterling Dietz, a sophomore from Lynden, Washington, was invited to compete against 32 top magicians from around the world performing on the largest stage in the world, the Grand Sierra Resort & Casino. The contestants representing the United States, Japan, China, Germany, and Canada made up the talent. Only six out of the 32 would be chosen after the preliminary competition to perform in front of the whole convention and vie for the Gold medal that night.



After the preliminaries, the master of ceremonies, during the evening's Show, announced the six finalists: One magician from China, two magicians from Japan, and three from the United States, had advanced to compete for the Gold, each being individually scored by five new judges. In addition, one of the six finalists would receive the "Peoples Choice Award" chosen by a

ballot of the audience & convention attendees at the end of the performances. Of the six magicians competing, Sterling Dietz, at sixteen years of age, was the only junior in the Gold Medal competition. Sterling was the fifth act to perform behind Shen Juan, from China, who flooded the stage with beautiful flower productions and acts of manipulation. But it was Sterling who rocked the house, winning first place in stage, and the coveted, "Peoples Choice Award."

Roger Dreyer, CEO, of Fantasma Magic, in his introduction stated "Ladies and Gentleman, I give you the future star of magic" as he awarded Sterling a beautiful crystal plaque. In addition, Sterling was presented with an all expense trip to N. Y. to perform in the off Broadway show "Monday Night Magic". As if all this wasn't good enough, agents and promoters have approached Sterling to perform in Europe and Japan. When asked about his fast rise in the magic world, he responded, "I am so thankful for my community, my family, my friend and fellow magician, John Walton, the magicians of the Lynnwood Ring of Fire, my mentors from Las Vegas, Jeff McBride, Eugene Burger, & Joanie Spina, but most of all, for the love and support of my Mom & Dad, who have helped make all this possible for me." View his TV debut: www.king5.com/video/eveningmagazine-index.html?nvid=159887



GOP TAKES ON AARON REARDON WITH A MAGIC GENIE



A political unknown — a virtual stranger even within his own party — was named Wednesday night as the Republicans' challenger to incumbent Aaron Reardon in this year's race for Snohomish County executive. "Hello, I'm Jack Turk," he told convention delegates convened in an Everett meeting hall to meet, then formally nominate him.

Turk said he celebrated his 50th birthday in November by quitting his management job at Microsoft, where he'd worked 15 years, to become a professional magician. "Turk the Magic Genie," reads his colorful business card. That fits the party's convention theme of "miracles." Before the announcement of Turk's candidacy — a closely guarded secret until Wednesday — delegates were inspired with video clips from the film "Miracle," which documents the against-the-odds Olympic championship of the U.S. hockey team in 1980.



The 2007 PCAM Convention was August 2 to 5 in Calgary, Alberta, Canada. This year Johnny Thompson, Mike Caveney, Lee Asher, JC Wagner, Stephen Bargatze, and Mark Kalin & Jinger were present.

Sadly, we have had two of our longtime members pass away; Bryce Chambers, died April 9th. Dave LaQuet The Amazing LaKay passed away May 4th.



Bryce Chambers, Age 84, of Seattle, died April 9th at his residence. Bryce was born and lived his entire life in Seattle, WA, except for two years abroad as a World War II US Army veteran. He was a retired chemical engineer in the aerospace industry. Bryce will be greatly missed by his

family and friends, and remembered as a loving husband, father and grandfather and a magician lifelong with a wonderful sense of humor. Services were held at Acacia Memorial Park & Funeral Home, at Seattle, on April 17. The Chambers family Helen, Colin, Tove, Erik and Kai



Dave LaQuet (The Amazing LaKay) passed away, May 4th, 2007. His family had a memorial get-together on Saturday May 19th. Dave was the recipient of a Lifetime Achievement Award and Life Member of the Lynnwood Magic Ring. He is survived by his four children,

many grandchildren, and at least one great grandchild.



Ring Constitution — Adopted October 2002
ARTICLE VI, METHOD OF ELECTIONS
Section 1. The Board of Directors will annually recommend candidates for nomination for the elected offices of the Ring. This shall be completed by 60 days prior to the date of the annual election, the first regular meeting in September. Such recommendations shall not exceed two candidates for each office and shall be published in the Ring newsletter at least sixty days prior to the election. In addition any qualified member may be nominated for offices of the Ring by petition, provided said petition is submitted to the Ring Secretary before September 1 and is signed by two Active or Honorary members.
Section 2. Election to all offices shall be by a simple majority of the ballots cast. Nominees named for elective offices, which are uncontested, shall be elected with out balloting.



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