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NEWSLETTER

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Our Christmas party, was January

8th at Everett's Legion Hall. Buffet, awards, gift exchange, also the 2006 NWRP club officers were announced, and a special full evening show by international performers. Our appreciation to a great food prep staff of; Keith Van Kirk and Tom & Phyllis Rucker, and all the others who made the evening a great success.



Awards were presented for Magician of the Year; Master Payne, Pomeroy Award; Brian Cook, President's Award; Fred Turner, and Lifetime Achievement; David LaKay (photo I).

2006 Club Officers were announced,

President; Philemon Vanderbeck, **Vice-Presidents;** Jeff Dial and Evan West (photo r.), **Secretary;** Dan Staple, **Treasurer;** Roger Needham.



January's Meeting offered, a few "Gift Tricks".

Performing this evening were; Bryce Chambers, Payne, Bruce Meyers, Ralph Huntzinger, Jack Turk, Kirk Charles, Jeff Dial, Evan West, and Don Bloomer. Jeff played a 1955 video episode of "It's Magic", featuring; Al Flosso.

There were several guest in attendance; visitors, reporters, new assistants, among them was one of the founders and former president of our club; Jerry Dreessen.

The Librarians Challenge was: According to Tarbel, what was the name of the trick, using the Mobius strip?

Next regular meeting will be: **Feb. 9th 7:00pm**, at the Blue Ridge Fire Station, 18800 - 68th Ave. W., Lynnwood. The theme for our February Meeting is "Saint Valentine's Day - Massacre" tricks! Remember your name badge. . . or \$upport NWRP.

Lectures:

Patrick Page is scheduled to lecture in our area **April 2006**. Location & exact date will be announced soon.

Mark Mason will be visiting our area on **June 4th**.

Young Magicians of the NW Ring of Fire, will have their first monthly meeting on March 19th. *Perhaps you've wondered where magicians come from. . . contrary to belief, they are not pulled out of an empty top hat....*

Beginning **2:00 pm Sunday, March 19th**, our club will host a meeting for Young Magicians at our regular meeting place: **Blue Ridge Fire Station**; 18800 - 68th Ave W. **Lynnwood**.

This will be affiliated with IBM's Youth Program. It's for aspiring magicians 18 years & under. The purpose is to educate, support & promote the activities of young people in the world of magic. In order to accommodate the young and make it practical for families to attend, the meeting time is scheduled for the 3rd Sunday of every month at 2:00 pm. We are seeing a great deal of interest among young people and their families. We are very grateful to the Ring of Fire members wanting to contribute their time, instruction & guidance to these Young Magicians. Direct those interested to: coordinator Bruce at: 360-652-5779 or bruce@brucemeyers.com.

More info on the IBM Youth Program can be found at http://www.magician.org/Youth_Program.htm.

This may be considered a sign of our club reaching a level of maturity, and that we have, we began our 17th year this January. . . (*In magician's years that's about 68.*)

One of our newer members, 78 year old Floyd Evens, took a terrible fall, two weeks ago, while working on his house, resulting in; a concussion, 3 broken ribs and a stay at Harborview Hosp. We wish him a full recovery.

Sponsorships & Program Ads for Smoke & Mirrors?

Now is the time to reserve your space, help the cause and promote yours' or a friends' business at the same time. Sponsorships are \$150 and include; full page ad in the program, listing on the show poster, and 2 show tickets. For another \$50 get your logo on the show poster.

Program ads are: \$45 for 1/3 page ad
 \$65 for 2/3 page ad
 \$100 for full page ad

Contact Bruce Meyers 360.652.5779 or
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On Saturday January 21st, 48 magi were in attendance for the first lecture of our 2006 season. The lecture was on performing thematic magic and was presented by Master Payne.



It was a fun, informative and over two hours of Payne covering a myriad of topics and teaching several of his unique, innovative tricks and presentations.

Many found the discussion of subjugating a prop as well as the magicians WWWWW&H to be very informative. Both topics which are covered in his lecture notes. There are a few copies remaining which can be obtained from him, either at the next meeting or by e-mailing him at: payne@aol.com.

For those who missed this lecture he will be giving it at the Vancouver PCAM. *That alone, is more than enough reason to attend the 2006 conference.*



The Seattle Times Snohomish County Edition printed a comprehensive and candid report on our Ring's; Christmas party and January club meeting. The reporter interviewed several magicians, gave a detailed account of one effect, and had several accompanying photographs in the February 8th paper. *We don't know how much this publicity will cost Bruce Meyers yet. ?*. The link is below.
<http://seattletimes.nwsourc.com/html/snohomishcountynews/>

Silly Billy was featured at our February Lecture, aka; David Kaye of www.sillymagic.com. He lectured to a crowd of over 55 for almost 3 hours on; kids magic, solving the 10 most common problems, power marketing, work-shopping and writing a new routine. David also performed the same effect for three different age groups, illustrating the need to vary your presentation depending on age of your target audience.



Smoke & Mirrors Show is approaching fast. Posters, sponsors, tickets and production helpers and volunteers are needed now. Proceeds from our annual show will benefit the Burned Children Recovery Foundation, and is scheduled for 7:00 pm, April 15th at the Everett Theater, 2911 Colby Ave. Tickets are \$8-\$12 and available for purchase at the Everett Theater box office, 425-258-6766, or on line at www.everetttheatre.org.



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