



Words from the Secretary

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Greetings from your secretary, Craig Colombel. We are looking for writers for the newsletter. Anything on magic that you want to write about. If you know of any magic events or performances or are performing yourself let me know and I will place it into the newsletter. If you want to see your name in print write up something with a magic theme, send it to me and I will place it in the newsletter.

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President's Message

Jeff Dial

President 2012

Season's Greetings

It has been a good year. Thank you for all who have participated in making our meeting a lot of fun. I am looking forward to a fun year next year. Craig should have the list of the themes for next year published elsewhere in this missive. Look ahead and plan to come up with something extra ordinary this year.

Something else we have to look forward to is the Tri-City / Three of Clubs Weekend of Magic in Vancouver, BC this November. The NWRP will be providing the talent for Friday evening show.

This month our theme is "I've Never Really Done this Kind of Thing Before" (You've had all year to get ready, now do something you've wanted to do, but never have). You chance to do that one thing you've always wanted to do, but didn't have a reason to until now.

Next month we will launch our new year with performances and workshops with that gift of the sea, the sponge ball. Bring a routine, a move, a sequence along with your set of sponge balls and we will also spend time work shopping an learning from each other. January 27th is our Holiday Party at Shawn O'Donnell's restaurant in south Everett for members. Doors open at 5:00. We have stellar talent on tap and the revelation of the much coveted NWRP magic awards.

Thanks for all your contributions to the club.

Jeff Dial

Pres.

November 2012 MEETING

November meeting theme was "Some Assembly Required" Show and Tell trick you needed to build or put together.

Craig Colombel brought three items. The first was homemade folding egg. He discussed how he made them and there was some discussion about the making and care of folding eggs. The next item was a set of confetti bowls that he found at a garage sale and was in the process of restoring. The last item was a something he is building from plans by Jim Steinmeyer in Genii Magazine. It is called Mr. Morrith Planted Roses.

Jeff Dial showed and demo Quarte By Gaetan Bloom, Danny Dragon showed a cute effect where he showed how to make toys out of cards. Cheap Christmas gifts.

Payne performed a silk tying routine, then performed a Don Allen trick using cards with pictures of bottles on them, a mummy hand and used the items to have the spectator chose the cards and the magician had the winning poker hand,

We had two teach ins:

Phil Reda performed a story trick using the principles of the Mongolian Clock Card Trick. He showed how the framing of the routine help hide the method of the trick.

Evan showed a trick using a stacked deck and there were discussions on stacks and their uses.

After the performances the meeting was adjourned and those that wanted to went to Maddox's for refreshments.

If anyone wants to add to the meeting notes send to me and I will add in the next newsletter.

My email is at the bottom of the newsletter and in the secretary's message box.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MEETING SCHEDULE FOR 2012

December – "I've Never Really Done this Kind of Thing Before." – You've had all year to get ready, now do something you've wanted to do, but never have.

Make sure to check the website for upcoming events and lectures.

<http://www.nwringoffire.com/index.html>

2013 NWRP Meeting Themes

January - **Who Lives in a Pineapple Under the Sea?** – Sponge ball magic and workshop. Everyone bring your super softs and we will perform and **workshop** together.

February – **Couch Potato Night** – Bring a favorite performance video you have been impressed by and we will watch magic together.

March - **Guess Who's Coming to Dinner?** - Magic at the dinner table or when you are out at a restaurant. **Lesson** – A thing of terrifying beauty – the Gilbreath Principle.

April - **Backwards and Forwards** – Tricks using the Gilbreath Principle

May – **Not Playing with a Full Deck** – packet tricks and effects that require less than a full deck of 52.

June – **Prop-Position Me** – Show and tell night. Bring a prop with you are particularly enamored, perform or demonstrate it. **Lesson** – One ahead principle.

July – **One is the Loneliest Number** – Tricks using one ahead Principle.

August – **You've Got Mail** – Effects with envelopes, stamps, mail boxes, etc.

September – **Make a Beautiful Noise** – Magic set to music.

October – **I'm Not Dead Yet** – Themed magic around life, death, and the undead.

November – **Why Don't You Just Read the Directions?** – Effects requiring the spectator(s) to follow your directions. **Lesson** – False calls, multiple outs, redefining what happened.

December – **Liar, Lair, Pants on Fire** – Application of false calls, multiple outs, and redefining.

Once again Payne has been willing to share his reviews he writes for MUM. Thank you Payne for your generosity

A Disappearing Deck

Ron Wilson

A deck of cards disappears from its box

Available From: The Magic Apple

<http://www.themagicapple.com/>

\$22.95

Reviewed by Payne

After a rousing round of card tricks you slip the nearly smoking deck back into its cardboard case.

“C’mon” pleads the enthusiastic audience “Show us another”.

You shake your head and hold up your free hand to make the universal gesture of “not tonight”

“Please” they continue to plead.

You acquiesce and tell your adoring fans “all right, just one more” as you bring the card box, which has been in full view the entire time, to the center of the table. But after a magical gesture, you tell the audience you’ve changed your mind. “There’ll be no more tricks tonight as I haven’t any cards” with that you tear the card box to pieces showing that the cards have mysteriously vanished.

That in a nutshell is Ron Wilson’s *A Disappearing Deck*, a trick that to some of our older readers might seem vaguely familiar. As if they read about it somewhere before. Those magi in possession of a Minch like memory will recall that this trick originally appeared in the July 1972 issue of *Genii*. Those in possession of that issue need only turn to page 313 to see how this was originally done and discover its drawbacks.

First off it is best done while sitting at a table as there is lapping involved. There is a stand up version of the vanish. But this method requires a jacket with easily accessible outer pockets making this effect all but undoable by those black “hoodie” ripped jeans wearing “street” magicians referred to in the tricks instructions.

Secondly the gimmick, which is mostly destroyed each time, requires three card boxes to make. One part of the gimmick can be reused but the other half that is eventually torn up and thrown away is constructed out of two separate card cases. So if your going to do this trick with any regularity at all you’ll be going through a great many decks of playing cards to keep yourself supplied with the necessary raw materials.

You do receive a dozen boxes already made up and ready to go, as well as a regular matching deck of Rider Back Bikes (in red or blue). But after these are gone one assumes that you are expected to make up your own replacements as detailed instructions on how to construct the gimmicked boxes are included with the trick.

If vanishing a deck from its box isn’t enough for you there is also included at no extra charge Tony Clark’s *Deck Through Table* routine. This is a variant on the old salt shaker through table trick that we all know and love. This is, in my opinion, is a much stronger use for the *A Disappearing Deck* and a way to present this time honored feat in a close up performance where the introduction of a salt shaker might seem incongruous.

This trick might be a nice change of pace for a magic club meeting a gathering of family or friends or a formal close up set but I believe many full time workers will find it too cumbersome for real world performing situations. It would be cumbersome to use in a strolling or multiple show type environment as you would need to bring with you several of the prepared boxes which would take up a lot of room in your close up case. You also need to reload the pack into a new unvarnished card box before each set as well. But if you think you can live with these drawbacks and need the new hobby of pasting card boxes together to keep yourself supplied with enough gimmicked boxes to regularly perform this effect then give this trick a try.

MAGICAL HAPPENINGS

That’s Impossible

Tim Flynn is looking for performers, If interested contact Tim at 206-290-7767 or on Facebook at notification+khiuhkim@facebookmail.com

Magic Mondays at Third Place Books in Ravenna.

December - Jeff Dial, Jim Earnshaw, Philemon Vanderbeck, Master Payne, Fredrick Turner

January - Mark Paulson, Manny Eckert, Master Payne, Fredrick Turner

February - Mark Paulson, JR Russell, Jim Earnshaw Master Payne, Fredrick Turner

Remember if you want flight time at the longest running magic show in the PNW contact Fredrick at fredrick@blarg.net

An Offer to the members for this Holiday Season.

As you may or may not know one of our own, Brian Cook, has his own business making and selling magic props. Below is a offer to the club from him.

To any of the club members who would like to make a purchase from MagicCrafter in December I will give them 10% off and free shipping. The website is www.magiccrafter.com and to contact me directly at briancookmagic@msn.com for purchase information.

If you have not visited Brian's website of his business you need to do so. Let's support him.

Again the Website is WWW.MAGICCRAFTER.COM.

And Brian can be reached at birancookmagic@msn.com

Thanks Brian for your offer.

Magic Shops in the Area

Below is a list of the Magic shops in the Area

None have paid for this listing and if anybody knows of others let me know and I will list them.

Seattle's Market Magic Shop

Pikes Place Market

1501 Pike Place #427

Seattle, WA 98101

www.marketmagicshop.com

(A store that many know about. In existence for 30 years)

Terjung's Studio of Gifts

4547 Calif. Ave SW

Seattle, WA 98116

(This is a gift store with a counter in the back where they sell magic)

Lakewood Costumes

5932 Lake Grove ST SW

Lakewood, WA 98499

<http://www.clownshop.com>

(Mainly Costumes and Clown items, they have a counter where they sell magic)

Dave's Killer Magic Shop

910 NE Minnehaha St. Ste 1

Vancouver, WA 98665

1-888-360-6244

Brian Cook's

WWW.MAGICCRAFTER.COM