



Volume 7, Issue 2

7 February 2018

## Words from the Secretary

Craig Colombel [accolombel@zipcon.com](mailto:accolombel@zipcon.com)

The newsletter needs you. I need articles and news events written by you. You do not have to be a member of the club to send articles to be publish. Send me emails([accolombel@zipcon.com](mailto:accolombel@zipcon.com)) on what you would like to see in the newsletter and what you like or don't about the newsletter. Visit our Facebook page and post. Come to the meetings and lectures. It is time for new officers for the upcoming year. **It is time to pay your dues. Dues helps the club bring lectures to the area.**

**We are now meeting at the Kenmore Library at 6531 NE 181<sup>st</sup> Street Kenmore WA 98028**

1. [Table of Contents](#)
1. [Words from the Secretary](#)
2. [Ring of Smoke Report](#)
3. [January Meeting Report](#)
4. [January Meeting report part 2](#)
5. [President's Message by Evan Shuster](#)
6. [Magic Happening and Magic Shops](#)
7. [Mac King Show](#)

**[Back to top](#)**

[accolombel@zipcon.com](mailto:accolombel@zipcon.com)

## Ring of Smoke Report

No Ring of Smoke Meeting in Dec.

The Ring of Smoke meets the first Sunday of the Month at Shawn O'Donnell's in Everett.



## January's Meeting Report

January's meeting theme was – **“Whudjaget?” As in... whudjaget, either as a gift or for yourself over the holidays.”**

Our new president Evan Shuster wanted to change to format of the meetings. To start out with magic, then to the club's business, more magic.

Craig Colombel started the evening bringing out a packet of cards. He showed the cards to the volunteer and explained that red heart cards indicated life and the one black cards indicated death. The cards were mixed faced down by the volunteer. Then he dealt the cards face up one at a time with Craig indicating how the card predicted his coming life span. Went through the whole packet and the black card had disappeared.

Payne informed us that he found a source of super-soft realistic foam food. He showed us a cake that he got and said the company had other food items to sell. Look for “Giant Stress Toys” He also informed us that “Fab Foods” is back.

There was a visitor to the meeting; Matthew Gravelyn, he performed magic as a teen and is now looking to get back in. **Welcome back to magic Mathew, we would like to have you as a member.**

During the business part of the meeting there was discussions on the yearly dinner and the upcoming lectures. Evan then showed a magic video. Two magicians who did a montage of different magic tricks with their interpretation.

Rich Waters told us about a book he read about Lewis Braille the inventor of Braille writing. Rich then informed us that as one can read by touch, one can also tell the difference between red card and black cards. Rich handed a packet of cards to the volunteer. He had the volunteer hold the packet of cards under the table and turn some of the cards over. This produces a packet with some cards are face up and some face down. After having the volunteer mix the cards under the table, the cards were brought out from under the table and when examined all of one color was facing up and all the other was facing down.

Rich then had the volunteer return the packet, so all were facing the same way. He had the volunteer look at the top card and remember and turn back over on the packet. The packet was then placed under the table and cards mix and when brought out from under the table the chosen card was the only one face up.

Evan Shuster had a volunteer pick a packet of cards, then had him deal out four piles, one pile was chosen by the volunteer and had the top card revealed, it matched the card in Evan's wallet.

Jeff Dial told us about visiting his daughter in Chicago and while there visit Magic Inc. Jeff then had two volunteers help him with a Magic lunch bag. Jeff showed the bag empty, but when lunch time comes his lunch (an egg) appeared. Jeff went through a series of appearance and disappearance of the egg following the theme of a lunch bag with the two volunteers.

For Christmas Jeff received lecture notes on rope tricks by Jean Merlin.

Continue next page.....

**[Back to Top](#)**

Continue from page 3

### January Meeting report

Payne had a volunteer cut a deck, count the packet they had in their hand and shuffle the packet. Payne then talked about the meaning and significant of the number 23. Using the different calculations for the number 23 and finally counting down to 23 and that card matching the prediction card

The club members then talked about and showed magic items they received for Christmas.

Come to a meeting a talk, see magic and show off your magic.

\*\*\*\*\*

Remember, to visit the club's website, <http://www.nwringoffire.com> and also visit the clubs Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Northwest-Ring-of-Fire/4296167377105973>

## President's Message

February 2018

There's certainly no shortage of live magic in our area these days.

We have Mark Paulsen's "Magic Monday" at Third Place Books (Ravenna) on the second Monday of each month, Tim Flynn's "That's Incredible Presents..." at Delancey's on 3<sup>rd</sup> (Renton) on the second Saturday of the month.

In January we had a local performance from Franco Pascali (for which I received mixed reviews), and the 2018 edition of The Portland Magic Jam, featuring Richard Osterlind, David Stone, Pop Haydn, and Rocco Silano (for which I received positively STELLAR reviews).

Mentalist Maritess Zurbano performs on January 30<sup>th</sup>, at the Jewel Box Theater.

In February, Vitaly performs at the Clearwater Casino Resort in Suquamish, Matthew Laslo will be at the Broadway Performance Hall in Seattle, and The Twisted Cabaret, featuring magicians, jugglers, and sword swallowers, will be at Hale's Palladium

John Carney, Mike Caveney, Tina Lenert, and The Great Kaplan will be featured at this year's Moisture Festival (not to mention bubble master Tom Noddy, who delivered one of my all-time favorite lectures of the past).

The Can-Am Conjuring Lecture Series kicks off the new season on March 3<sup>rd</sup> at Shawn O'Donnell's (with Eric Jones), and Mac King is performing in Everett that very same evening (Hey!! ... afternoon lecture, dinner at Shawn's, and then Mac King in the evening... what a day!).

Hometown hero and craftsman extraordinaire, Mel Babcock, was featured in the February issue of Genii magazine.

In October we will host the 2018 Three of Clubs Convention.

The list goes on, and on...

My point is that the local magic scene is very much alive and well, but what it needs most is... YOU.

Your participation in these events is what keeps the magic alive, and keeps the performers and lecturers coming back. Your attendance and participation in the magic club meetings (did you know that there are three local clubs, both IBM and SAM?) is what makes the meetings interesting. The more who participate, the better the attendance, and the better our chances of increasing our membership numbers going forward.

So, get involved... invite a friend... bring your child and/or significant other. Learn some magic, perform some magic, and maybe even teach some magic.

If you recall the story of Peter Pan, you'll remember that Tinkerbell faced an untimely demise without believers. That very same fate could be our own unless we support our local magic clubs, and get out to support the lectures, conventions, and local performances.

Thanks for reading this, and special thanks for your membership in The Northwest Ring of Fire, and your continued support for live magic.

Best regards,

Evan

<http://nwringoffire.com/>

Haec aut bene aut male cedent  
"This may, or may not work."

accolombel@zipcon.com

---

### 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](http://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

1707 Main Street  
Vancouver, WA 98665  
360-448-9022

#### Brian Cook's

[WWW.MAGICCRAFTER.COM](http://WWW.MAGICCRAFTER.COM)

#### FunkyFun Magic Shop

Capital Mall  
625 Black Lake Blvd  
Olympia, WA, 98502  
<http://Funkyfunmagic.com>  
[Funkyfunmagic@gmail.com](mailto:Funkyfunmagic@gmail.com)

### Magical happenings

**Magic Monday!** Magic Monday is an hour of magic, conjuring, & prestidigitation which stars magicians from the Northwest region on the second Monday of each month. Location: Ravenna Third Place Books in the Ravenna neighborhood of Seattle. 6504 20<sup>th</sup> Ave. NE, Seattle, WA. Time: 7-8pm Magic Monday is not only a great place to see local magicians doing what they do best; it is also a great place for YOU to perform. It happens the second Monday of each month. If you want to hone your magic skills, get in touch with Mark Paulson, the producer of this venue ([mark2061@yahoo.com](mailto:mark2061@yahoo.com)). It is a wonderful chance to perform for an appreciative audience. It's been standing room only all year.

If you wish to perform contact Mark at: [mark2061@yahoo.com](mailto:mark2061@yahoo.com) or on Facebook at <http://www.facebook.com/thirdplacebooksmagicmonday?fref=ts>

#### **"That's Impossible Presents" (Seattle's Best Magicians)**

That's Impossible Presents a Night of Magic, Mystery, and Comedy, with your host: Tim Flynn Magic.

2nd Saturday of Every Month. Hosted at Delancey's on 3rd in Renton. Doors open at 7:45, Stage Show begins at 9pm. Food & Drinks are available. Table-side magic before the show from real magicians!





MAGIC OF MAC KING at Everett Theatre on Mar 3, 2018 8:00 PM

Mac King is a comedy magician who has performed on television specials, often as a co-host. He has his own family-friendly show, "The Mac King Comedy Magic..."

<https://www.etix.com/ticket/p/6990595/magic-of-mac-king--everett-everett-theatre?cobrand=everetttheatre>