



## Words from the Secretary

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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 published. 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. Come to meetings and support your club.

***No Meeting this month because of Covid-19, We will hold an online meeting using Zoom***

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### Ring of Smoke Report

The Ring of Smoke typically meets on the first Sunday of the Month at Shawn O'Donnell's in Everett at 2pm. Recently, attendance has been dropping, so we encourage everyone to get the word out about the Ring of Smoke so that the ROS can remain viable and vibrant for young magicians."

## RING OF FIRE LIVE

Once again we will hold the Ring of Fire Meeting on Zoom. We had a great time last time

Info to sign in

NW Ring of Fire Monthly Meeting LIVE

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/736296076>

Meeting ID: 736 296 076

One tap mobile

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Dial by your location

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+1 346 248 7799 US (Houston)

+1 669 900 6833 US (San Jose)

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## Reviews BY PAYNE

### **Alice's Revenge**

Bob Farmer

Packet Trick

\$15.00

<http://www.murphysmagic.com>

Reviewed by Payne

Back in the early 1990's Phil Goldstein created a marvelous mini mental mystery called B-Wave. Since that time many magicians have tried to improve upon the elegant simplicity of this now classic effect where a freely selected queen is found reversed in a packet of four cards. Most have failed, until now. The ever-clever Bob Farmer has come up with a worthy successor to B-Wave. In his version the selected queen is the only blank card in a packet of four face up queens. The queen is freely chosen by the spectator. There is no force or equivoque used. The spectator simply names a queen and that named queen is the only queen missing from the packet of four cards. It doesn't get any more direct than that. Unlike B-Wave the cards must be kept in a card box or envelope until the chosen queen is named. However, there are no switches or exchanges made. Four, and only four cards are used. This of course makes the cards unexaminable (save for the blank one which Mr. Farmer often presents as a souvenir to the spectator). But this shouldn't be an issue as the cards used in B-Wave and most of its progeny are unable to be closely scrutinized by the audience either.

Those that feel that removing four hitherto unseen cards from an envelope or card case screams gimmicked or gaffed pasteboards should just get over themselves. However, Mr. Farmer has provided in his ample and clearly laid out instructions several handlings for this effect. One of which has the magician clearly taking out the four queens from the deck and openly placing them into the card box only to have the named queen mysteriously go blank when they are removed from the case. He also gives the handling for having the selected queen vanish after cleanly showing the faces of all four queens before placing them into the case. A handful of other variations ideas and handlings are included as well. The reset is instant (if you are using the four cards in the box or envelope method) and the angles good. It can be performed surrounded. Again, if you're employing the basic version where the cards are simply removed from the box you won't even require a table as it can be done entirely in the hands. Making this a great little walk around effect. This is a great little effect and I for one will be using it. I might just even put my old B-Wave out to pasture. Hopefully, Mr. Farmer will see fit to release a jumbo size stage version of this effect in the not too distant future.

## May's Meeting Report

Once again, we had our meeting via Zoom, "Ring of Fire LIVE" We had a mini virtual lecture and then shared magic. The process was set up and hosted by our VP Santiago Naranjo. Much Thanks for his hard work.

The meeting started with a virtual mini lecture by Keith Fields. He talked about his philosophy of magic performances. Performance = Process + Personality. He showed and performed his version of the equal/unequal ropes routine and shared some tips about the routine. He covered some other routines/tricks and at the end gave a link to some free stuff. Thanks to Keith for the great lecture.

Louie Fox informed us about his upcoming appearance on "Masters of Illusions". (May 15<sup>th</sup> episode).

Louie showed the program OBS for Zoom, he answered some questions about using OBS for performing on Zoom.

He then showed his version of Goshman's card through newspaper using cards with pictures and brown envelope.

Payne then showed a Wonder Cutter, a card cutting gig and a book called the "Darkness Corner".

Rich Waters is working on the "Mystery of the 5 Mystic Rings". He has the moves is working on poem.

Jim Lange talked about how doing magic on Zoom one can do things, that is not possible live. He demonstrated using an invisible deck and a deck switch. He suggested that one holds the cards with one side facing the audience, makes easier as you can see the back cards.

Louie Fox showed off his shell collection.

Monty Reed performed a trick called "Jack in the Box" spread the deck and ran his finger along the deck, had someone say stop and a card was chosen. He removed a Jack and placed it into the empty card box. He produced a card from the deck by shaking the deck and the card removed was the Jack, inside the card box was the chosen card.

There was a demonstration and discussion about the new? Ultra-bright thumb lights. One had a USB charger.

James Donahue had a card chosen and the deck shuffle face up and down. The chosen card was found (Queen of Hearts) and in the end all cards was the Queen of hearts. "the Deck that Shuffle itself"

See you next Thursday June 11<sup>th</sup> at 7pm on Zoom See page 2 for info

**MANY THANKS TO SANTIAGO, FOR MAKING THIS POSSIBLE!!**

Remember, to visit the club's website, <http://www.nwringoffire.com> and visit the clubs Facebook page: [https://www.facebook.com/pg/Northwest-Ring-of-Fire-429616737105973/posts/?ref=page\\_internal](https://www.facebook.com/pg/Northwest-Ring-of-Fire-429616737105973/posts/?ref=page_internal)

## **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)

### **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)

### **Brian Cook's**

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

### **FunkyFun Magic Shop- Is Now**

### **Twisted Monkey-Magic Shop**

**1101 Outlet collection Way**

**#1261**

**Auburn WA 98001**

**206-859-8363**

## **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 are a local magician in the Puget Sound area and would like to perform at the venue, please contact Jim Earnshaw at [jim@earnshawmagic.com](mailto:jim@earnshawmagic.com). You can reserve a spot to perform months in advance and he would be happy to hear from you.

### **"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!

