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NEWSLETTER

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Dec. & Jan Club Meetings: were held in spite of a wind storm that left many in the dark, and January's meeting accompanying several inches of snow. Smoke & Mirrors (chaired by Telemus our 2007 club President) is fast approaching, tickets are in demand now. Steve Hamilton will be our MC, coming along side 7 great local performers to benefit The Burned Children Recovery Foundation.

Performing in Jan. were: Philemon, Don Bloomer, Dave Callahan, and Zinger. Sterling Dietz accepted the VP's challenge to perform at the Feb. meeting.

Next regular meeting will be, **Feb. 8th, 7:00pm**, at the Blue Ridge Fire Station, 18800 - 68th Ave. W., Lynnwood. Remember name badge or \$support NWRF \$1.

Lectures:

Alain Nu will be visiting in our area on **Feb. 10th** at 3:30pm. Alain will reveal some of his professional secrets regarding mystery & mentalism. He'll discuss & demonstrate one of his signature effects; bending metal, some over-the-phone mentalism, etc. Lectures are \$20 for paid NWRF members, \$8 for each junior ROS member and \$25 for all others. Join us, at Shawn O'Donnell's restaurant in the downstairs meeting room. 122 - 128th St. SE, Everett, WA.



Eric Evan doing Parlor & Street Magic here in April.
Rafael Benatar from Spain, here perhaps mid-May.
Allan Ackerman known for card sleights in June '07.

2007 Membership's due see our Treasurer, Roger Needham, at the next; event, lecture or regular meeting.

NWRF club jackets now available, but you must act fast. This would be the fleece zip up jacket that comes in black, navy, dark gray and light gray. It would have the ring of fire logo on the back. Exact price, \$36.54 each, XXL is \$2 extra and XXXL is \$3 extra. Having a name embroidered on the front would be an extra \$7.50 but it's optional for each individual. For more information email Rich Waters at rufustc2000@hotmail.com

Thank you to our members; Don Bloomer, Rich Waters, Evan Shuster, Philemon and Jim Rodgers, for entertaining on the behalf of our club at the Annual Lynnwood Tree Lighting event. They did a great job.



The **NW Ring of Smoke** had another nice gathering of about 40 people. The Vanishing Salt Shaker was entertainingly taught by Rich Waters as was a reverse discovery card effect by Bruce Meyers. Thanks to a supportive Market Magic discount on sponge balls Shawn O'Donnell taught the basic vanish move after fooling the pants off everyone in the room with his sponge ball routine. Everyone went home with a sponge ball to practice with as well as a deck of cards donated by Evan West. Several young performers entertained us and all did a respectable job. This reporter was authentically impressed. Each performer was awarded a magic book or prop, which were donated items by area magicians, to take home. Two of the performers Adam T., who performed a very good Cups & Balls, as well as Scott R. who performed a well rehearsed & baffling card routine, were each awarded a framed magic poster donated by our host Shawn O'Donnell. We will meet again at Shawn O'Donnell's restaurant on Feb. 18th at 2:00pm.

Contributed by:

Bruce Meyers

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

The Christmas Party, at O'Donnell's. Was fabulous: the food was catered by Shawn O'Donnell's (*photo Rt.*) restaurant. Then interactive entertainment was provided by Jeff Evans (*photo below Rt.*), & the Ring's 2007 officers were installed. Awards were presented to; Brian Cook for Magician of the Year, and to Bruce Meyers as The Presidents Choice award. The traditional "Vanishing White Elephant" gift exchange took place as well as some great socializing with a capacity crowd, it was fun for all!



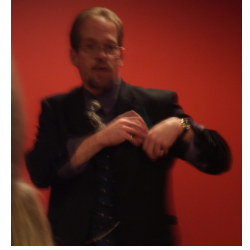
Smoke and Mirrors, an evening of Magic & Mystery, is Saturday night, **Feb. 3** in the beautifully restored historic Everett Theatre. The Everett Theatre is located at 2911 Colby Avenue in downtown Everett. There is a fantastic lineup of talent. The show starts at 7:00pm, but get there early! Tickets are \$15 for adults & \$12 for children. All proceeds will benefit the Burned Children Recovery Foundation. You can buy your tickets at boxoffice@everetttheatre.org or the box office at (425) 258-6766. Bring your friends and neighbors for a great show and support a great cause at the same time.

Contributed by:

Don

Bloomer

Our first lecture of the 2007 series was kicked off with Steve Dobson this last Saturday, January 20, 2007. Steve Dobson's lecture showed us practical worker's effects, moves & dodges, skills & feints and magic that you will proudly add to your own repertory. Steve has been a successful close-up performer for over 30 years. He has played restaurants, conventions, parties, cruise ships and clubs from Hollywood to New York. A lifetime Member of Fechter's Finger Flicking Frolics and a repeat performer at the Magic Castle, Dobson is a talented and hard-working artist, constantly developing fresh, innovative and usable ideas.



Wanted: I live in Lake Forest Park and have seen your magic club perform down at Third Place Commons each month. I have been very impressed with the performances I have seen. I was interested in finding a retired magician who might be interested in teaching a magic class to kids at an alternative school in the Shoreline area. It would be a volunteer position. The school is Rm. Nine Community School a k-8 program.

Thanks for your help if you know of a contact.

Sincerely,

Michelle LeMoine

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