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The MagiCurrents Staff wishes Ring 76 continued success in the New Year, and Peace and Prosperity for all of its members.

May the power of the magic you put forth be more than entertaining; May it touch someone in a special, constructive way.

..... *editor*

Ring 76 2017-18 Calendar

- Jan 8 New to Me*
Joe Mystic Mini-Seminar
Feb 12 Close-Up Competition
Mar 12 No Theme*
Malcolm Campbell Mini-Seminar
Apr 9 Teach-a-Trick
May 14 Stage Competition
Jun 11 No Theme*
Jul 8 Installation Banquet
*Opportunity for Members to Perform

Our regular monthly meetings are at 7:00 pm on the second Monday of the month. The next meeting is on Monday, January 8 at 7:00 at the Mission Bay Boat and Ski Club

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Direct any questions concerning the calendar to V.P. Entertainment Richard Ustick, ru9@ring76.com.

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MINUTES OF THE DEC 10, 2017, RING 76 ANNUAL HOLIDAY BANQUET, POTLUCK AND MEETING.

The meeting was held at the San Diego Mission Bay Boat and Ski Club on Sunday, rather than our regular Monday meeting day for the convenience of the members who normally work on Mondays. There were 21 members and 39 guests in attendance.

The event started at 6:00pm with socializing and setting up the food for the buffet. President **Joe “Mystic” McGrievy**, arrived in full Santa Claus regalia, together with his wife as Mrs. Claus.

There was an excellent turnout of Ring members, their families and friends, several kids, many new faces, and also some that we have not seen for a while. Among those attending was past President **Derek Ostovani** who has returned to the San Diego area, and Sylvester the Jester.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Richard Ustick (V.P. of Entertainment), who pointed out that Santa was in attendance, and would perform magic after the meal.

POT LUCK

Richard Ustick orchestrated the pot luck which followed. There was plenty in quantity and variety. Richard expertly carved the turkey (well, at least he didn't harm himself or any other Ring member.)

RAFFLE

Sal Barajas raffled several lots of items, some of which were donated. One included a School for Scoundrels Shell set, another a Zombie Ball, and another a portable performing table that Joe Mystic had donated. The lucky winners were happy. There will be more raffles at upcoming meetings.

ENTERTAINMENT

Next, **Joe Mystic** performed his kid's magic show. One effect was the story of three ropes, with

the help of a young assistant named **Mia**. **Rocky** assisted with a miser's dream routine. His reactions to the coins produced from his body were funny and great, but then he had a hard time leaving the stage and wanted to keep the coins. Some big kids, including **Sherry Luft, Greg Wauson, Derek Ostovani** (who played the birthday kid) and **Mary**, Craig Blackwood's wife, also assisted.

Joe ended the set with an effect with a long rope that he cut on one end, tied the ends with a knot, and then proceeded to slide the knot to the other end of the rope, and untying it several times to show the ends at the new location. Finally untying it and the rope was restored.

After the show, Joe announced that he will go over the whole show in detail at the January Ring meeting. He will discuss his script and sequencing rationale to combine the separate effects, creating the overall show.

Ken Intriligator, Secretary



HAPPY HOUR



Santa and Mrs. Claus Sign In



Meet and Greet





POTLUCK



RAFFLE



Sal Barajas kicks off the raffle

ENTERTAINMENT BY JOE MYSTIC



Joe shows how to use the rings





Water, water everywhere ..



What's knot to like about this trick



The Birthday Boy



That's saying a mouthful



Wanderful trick



There's another one



But why can't I keep the coins!



But that can't be



Finale

Thanks to Joe for sharing his entertaining program with us! Come to the January meeting to hear his scripting rationale.



SHARE A NEW TRICK AT THE JANUARY MEETING

The suggested theme of the January meeting will be “New to Me.” This will be your chance to perform something you’ve recently acquired or learned. It can be anything in the way of magic.

You do not necessarily have to follow the suggested theme; You may choose any category of magic to perform.

As usual, members will be asked to vote for their favorite performer and the votes will be counted toward the year-end Performer of the Year. award.

....Richard Ustick. V.P. of Entertainment



SHAVINGS FROM THE BOARD

There was no Board Meeting in December.



FOCUS ON THE LINKING RING

Once in a while, an advertised product or service which appears in the Linking Ring catches my eye.

Such was the case for the customized magic kits by Custom Magic Kits, custommagickits.com). Their kids’ magic kits can be purchased with your name/logo on them. Seems to me it would be a great gift to give the Birthday Boy to keep your name attached to the show you did.*

Check it out on their website.

.... Editor

* This commentary is not to be considered an endorsement of the product.

NOTES AND REMINDERS



MagiCurrents offers paid advertising for magic-related items from non-members. The rate is \$60.00 per page per issue.

Remember, we are looking for product reviews. It doesn't matter if you liked what you paid for or not, we want your opinion for the benefit of the rest of the members. If you're not a writer, we can arrange a short sit-down to gather the facts and write the review.

Have magic to sell, stage equipment to rent? Looking for something to buy or rent? Need a ride or have room for a passenger to an out of town event such as the Magic Castle?

Have a special skill or service another member might use? Need a temporary assistant?

Advertise it at no cost to Ring 76 members in MagiCurrents

LIBRARY REMINDER

Ring 76 has a large library of books DVD's, even VHS tapes covering every phase of magic. All of the materials are available for members to check out and use at home.

Kenny Shelton, our Librarian, regularly brings a sampling to our meetings and those are available for immediate check out. You may not know that the "Library" link on our website leads you to a complete list. If you find something there that you would like to use, contact Kenny at magicjugglerks@gmail.com. Tell him what you want and he will bring it to the next meeting.

The intended publication date of each issue of MagiCurrents is the Friday 9 days before the monthly meeting.



Submissions from officers, reporters and other members are due the Wednesday before the publication date. If you want *your* newsletter on time, please be prompt!!

Thanks to all who contributed to this issue of MagiCurrents!

..... editor