



# MagiCurrents

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## August Meeting a Cash Cow of Magic and Autumn Winds Blow in a Chance to Collect Treasures

### President's Message

To all who should see these presents, greetings!



What a fantastic meeting we had last month learning and seeing what our members could do with money magic. I hope that each of you found it as enjoyable and inspirational as I did, and have challenged yourself to learn something new as a result. And if you did find yourself inspired, then you're in luck this month! Our next meeting is our annual swap meet, which is the perfect opportunity to pass along the magic you no longer

do, and to pick up new effects and props to learn and play with.

I also highly encourage those of you who can join us to come to Denny's after each meeting for some fellowship and an opportunity to jam and to practice your latest tricks. While it is not an official part of our meetings, it is often where some of the most valuable learning and teaching occurs, and I would love to see you all there.

Can't wait to see you next week on Monday the 11th for the swap meet!

B"Kesem V'Yedidut!

Josh Sherwin, President, I.B.M. Ring 76



### September Meeting to be Annual Ring 76 Swap Meet

The next Ring meeting will be September 11th and will feature the annual Ring 76 Swap Meet. Members are encouraged to rummage through their forgotten treasures, dust them off, and buy a table. This is also an opportunity for you to discover fantastic magic and bargain prices.

Tables will sell for \$10 each for members and the general selling public is invited with their tables going for \$20. Contact "Magic Mike" Stilwell to reserve your place at [ms70@ring76.com](mailto:ms70@ring76.com).

Members should also remember that this is open to all so if you have friends or family members who are interested in magic this is the place to get them started. There will be excellent buys on magic tricks, books, and DVDs so please tell anyone who may be interested to come take a look.

Sellers can start setting up at 6:30 p.m. and the meeting will start at 7:00 p.m. . See you then.



### Ring 76 2023 Calendar

September 11th - Swap Meet

October 9th - Spooky Magic\*

Nov 13th - Lecture- T.B.A.

December 11th - Holiday Potluck.

\*Opportunity for Members to Perform

Direct any questions concerning the calendar to V.P. of Entertainment, "Magic Mike" Stilwell.

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## Coins, Currency, and Jewelry were the Specials of the Day at the August Ring Meeting

August 17th was the first meeting of the new calendar year for Ring 76. Our church venue was unavailable for our normal meeting day on Monday the 14th so the meeting was moved to Thursday the 17th and fortunately, a good number of members and guests could still attend. Josh Sherwin, our new Ring 76 president, called the meeting to order with 40 people: 28 members and 12 guests.

To begin the meeting "Magic Mike" Stilwell was called up to the stage for a special presentation. Magic Live had just concluded in Las Vegas and he had to drop out at the last minute due to family business. Ring members Michael Johnson and Julia Simms graciously mailed a box to him that was to be opened only at this meeting. It contained a good helping of swag from the magic convention including a "puzzle box," printed material, and a good number of special playing cards. "Magic Mike" gratefully thanked all who thought of him in the San Diego magic community.



After the basic business of the Ring was attended to, President Sherwin turned the meeting over to V.P. of Entertainment, "Magic Mike" Stilwell, who introduced Max Long, a new member, who presented a teach-in. All the members were told to bring a dollar bill and Max, after an entertaining magic routine featuring a dollar bill, taught the Ring, with great patience, how to make an origami Dollar Ring that was invented in the 1960s. As



elemental as this might sound, it took the better part of an hour for all the attendees to coordinate their folding effort. In the end, there were various rings and we were all that much richer for the experience.



The theme for this meeting was "Money Magic." "Magic Mike" introduced our nine entertainers with the first one being "Ms. Charley" Miller, who led off with a version of "Short Change." This was a word problem that dates back at

least to the 1930s, and the concept is older still. It involves \$30 divided between three people but constantly comes up one dollar short. What happened to the last dollar? "Ms. Charley" talked about reality vs. imagination and produced the prediction of the volunteer. They came back to reality and the volunteer counted the bills and they miraculously added up to \$30.



The second performer was Ron Zimmer, a visitor from Florida. He did a wallet routine, followed by a rope routine.



Max Long, who earlier showed infinite patience teaching us to make monetary jewelry, was the next entertainer. He took out a dollar bill and explained the special security devices to avoid counterfeiting. Max took out a green silk and put it back into George Washington's nose with tweezers.



The fourth entertainer was Mark Booth who did a "Zupan Magic Money Machine" that was built by BS Industries. He began by taking out a wooden chest and assembling a money machine. Putting in a crank, he transformed pieces of paper into currency from different countries. This would have been the basic "Adam's Magic Money Maker" but Mark's routine went far

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beyond the original presentation and was an entertaining show unto itself.

To everyone's pleasant surprise, the next performer was **James Thayer**, who does an excellent job managing the membership information and maintaining the Ring website but is seldom seen in front of the audience. He amazed all with an Origami bill routine.



Following Misha was **Michael Callahan** who darted around the room filling the air with the "Illusion Spray" from a can. Then he displayed a Walking Liberty 50-cent piece, openly transferred it to his shirt pocket and it magically passed through to his closed hand. Of course, it was all under the influence of the "Illusion Spray." For Michael's finale, he told the story about his cat waking him up in the morning and inserting a playing card into his wallet. He asked a spectator to name a card, opened his wallet, and showed the card matched the one called out by the spectator. Michael awarded her two dollars and provided the anecdote of M and M's to come out of the spell.



The sixth entertainer was "**Mr. Funtastic**" who decided to take a magic trick he had performed previously and elevate it with the addition of music. It was a coin effect with disappearing and appearing coins.

**Misha Osinovskiy** was the seventh performer, whose coins appeared and rolled across his hands and then disappeared. It was an excellent display of coin manipulation, an all-but-lost art these days.



"**Magic Doc**" Pearson ended the evening with a preview of of the act that he will be performing at Burning Man. His first comic effect was a

"lost in translation" routine with a glass, change bag, and Red Bull puppet. The magician followed the directions from a recording. The ending was the Red Bull drink. Next, he presented a sleight of hand effect and then a cups and balls routine with a "science is cool" theme.

Following all the money manipulations the meeting ended with a fun opportunity drawing where valuable magical paraphernalia was awarded to members and guests whose "number had come up."

The next meeting will be Monday, September 11th, and will be our annual Swap Meet. Contact "Magic Mike" Stilwell to reserve your table now. Email him at [magicmike@ring76.com](mailto:magicmike@ring76.com).

**Shery Luft**, acting Secretary

## This Month's "Money Magic" Performers



"Mr. Funtastic"

Misha Osinovskiy

Mark Booth

"Ms. Charley Miller"

Max Long

Michael Callahan

"Magic Doc" Pearson

Ron Zimmer



Special thanks to **James Thayer** for providing us with these fantastic photos of our August meeting.

## "Days of Future Past"

Many of us started performing magic many years ago. While we are all good-looking and seasoned professionals today, there was a time when the world was young. From time to time MagiCurents will show the less-than-seasoned side of members.

If you want your picture posted please send it to [Ring76ibm@yahoo.com](mailto:Ring76ibm@yahoo.com). You do not need to have your name listed. Sometimes it is fun for us to guess!



## October is Spooky Magic

The October 9th Ring meeting will feature "spooky magic" in honor of the season. Members are encouraged to "dig up" their frightfully spooktacular effects to entertain members and guests.





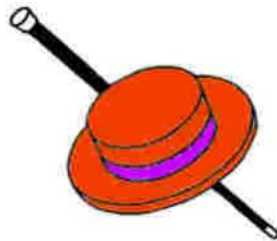
## New Logo Design Sought

At the last Board meeting it was brought up that the membership might be interested in Ring swag: polo shirts, hoodies, playing cards, and water bottles, all with “Ring 76” emblazoned on them. It was also discussed that the current Ring 76 logo that honors *Honest Sid Gerhart* might need to be updated.



[For those of you not familiar with the history of Ring 76 we suggest you read the post at the Ring 76 website: <https://www.ring76.com/html/history.html> ]

While this logo represents the magic and style of our Ring namesake, many have felt that it lacks the pizzazz of the 21st century. For that reason, the Board is calling on the skills and talents of Ring members to design a new logo: one that will honor the past, be in tune with the present, and that you would be proud to wear on all of your Ring 76 swag.



Please take the time to think of a design you feel represents your Ring and present your ideas to newsletter editor **Richard Ustick** at [Editor@Ring76.com](mailto:Editor@Ring76.com). All ideas will be considered, including rough sketches or just general concepts. The winning design will become the new Ring 76 logo and its creator will receive a \$50 gift card. We value the input of our members!



## Shavings from the Board

The Ring 76 Board of Directors meets via Zoom the fourth Monday of every month, except in December, when there's no meeting. The purpose of the Board is to manage the business of Ring 76 and input from the membership is always welcome. Any member in good standing is welcome to drop in.



Many Board members logged on early to discuss the recent Magic Live convention in Las Vegas and to swap stories and show the treasures they acquired. The meeting officially began at 7:00 p.m. and, as President **Sherwin** was to be late, it was helmed by V.P. of Entertainment “**Magic Mike**” **Stilwell**.

Sgt. at arms **Mark Booth** gave us the attendance of the general meeting: 40 people, including 28 members and 12 guests. This was an impressive sum given that the meeting this month was on a Thursday and not the usual second Monday of the month. Librarian **Gary Salisbury** told us that the library has the machine to convert VHS tapes to digital formats better suited to modern viewing. The Plex server has an impressive amount of this digital material and can be used by members only (See library report, page 5). V.P. of Entertainment “**Magic Mike**” **Stilwell** announced the meetings through December and suggested possible future lecturers and the entertainment for the December Holiday Pot-luck, one of the most popular meetings of the year. The Board also settled on the price for Swap Meet tables for the September meeting (see page 1). Ring Treasurer **Miguel Garcia** reported that the treasury for the Ring was healthy and that dues had been paid promptly. V.P. of Membership **James Thayer** confirmed this, saying we have 76 active members, with only a few still unpaid.

With that, the New Business was addressed.

Misha floated the idea of having representation at the various arts and cultural events San Diego is noted for. This would be a way for the Ring to make its presence known outside the magic community.

The Board agreed to continue to have the business part of general meetings kept to a minimum and conducted at Board meetings instead. This leaves more time for actual magic at the meetings. The Board will also be looking at having additional magic get-togethers for casual performing and teach-ins besides the regular meeting nights.

**Gary Salisbury** suggested that the Ring may benefit by offering swag in the form of shirts and pullovers as well as updating the Ring logo for things like playing cards. It was agreed to bring this to the membership and get their input on the proposal. (See article, this page.) The member who comes up with a winning design will get a \$50 gift card.

The meeting ended at 8:24 p.m.

*Sherry Luft*, acting secretary



# Ex Libris

By Gary D. Salisbury



Welcome to Ex Libris, my monthly newsletter article about the IBM Ring 76 Library in San Diego.

‘Ex Libris’ (Eh-cks LEE-breese), means ‘From the Book.’ Generally, you will see this term used on bookplates to denote that it came from the library of its owner. For example: “*Ex Libris: Gary Salisbury.*”

This is where we talk about your library as well as do book and video reviews. Yes, your library! If you are a Ring 76 member in good standing, then this is your library! So be sure to stay in good standing by paying your dues on time.

Someone recently asked me, “*What is the Ring 76 Library?*” I responded, “It is currently over 1,000 volumes of magic books and over 2,000 magic magazines, all available for check-out. It is 178 magic audiobooks, 2,169 magic instruction videos, 22 full length magic movies, 4 albums of magic music (some royalty free), 1,769 magic performance videos (many classics), 11 podcasts (that we co-host), 12 magic TV series, a photo warehouse (where we will save all our Ring 76 activity photos) and all this is available for streaming from the *Ring 76 Magic Media Server*. It is also a museum for a collection of historic Ring 76 memorabilia from one of our founders, Honest Sid Gerhart. It is a magical learning source unparalleled in the entire IBM organization and it is funded totally from donations and fund-raising efforts that I have engaged in for you.”



## WHAT'S NEW AT YOUR LIBRARY?

**Library Donations-----ON GOING**  
*Nick Benevento* - Bag of magic stuff. Thank you, Nick!

*Dr. Whiting* - 8 boxes of mentalism materials valued at over \$1,000! WOW!!! Thank you very much, Dr. Whiting.

*Gary Salisbury* - Two custom-made wands and two magic effects (from his personal collection) for door prizes valued at \$210.

I would like to give a big magical ~~Thank You!~~ to everyone who has donated to the library in the past. We need your DVDs, VHS tapes, and video downloads. They will be put on the *Ring 76 Magic Media Server* so you will still be able to watch them or check the physical media back out. Please help. Sharing is good! Sharing is fun!

Does anyone have *Kenton Kemper’s Wonder Words* that they could donate to the library? It will cost us \$127 if I have to buy this important work that we need.

**Funding & Expenditures-----ON GOING**  
We made \$55 from the *50/50 Opportunity Drawing*, \$31 from the *Door Prize Drawing* but spent \$130 on books and media.

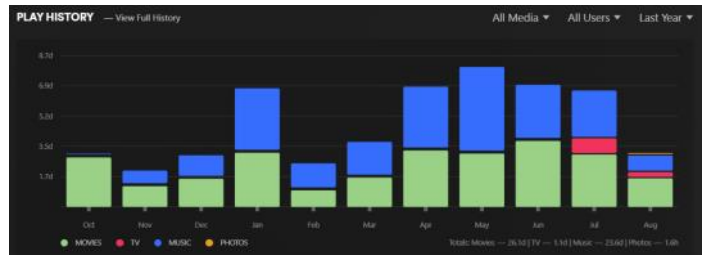
**Ring 76 Magical Arts Library-----ON GOING**  
The library purchased a new hard-back book at Magic Live! called “*You Are All Terrible*, aka *Tarbell #9*” by Harrison Greenbaum. It is available for check out.

**Ring 76 Magic Media Server-----ON GOING**  
The server was moved from Dave Chiu’s house back to mine and a major renovation is underway. The new categories are:

- Magic Audiobooks
- Magic Instruction
- Magic Movies
- Magic Music
- Magic Performances
- Magic Podcasts
- Magic TV Shows
- Ring 76 Photos & Videos
- Ring 76 PDF Files (pending)

There is a ton of work to do and I am progressing slowly. When it is done, I will need to go back through our entire video collection to make sure all videos have been digitized, are on the server, and inventoried. This is a huge job!

Here is the utilization report for the Ring 76 Magic Media Server over past 12 months. Videos are in green, audiobooks are in blue (under music), and Magic TV Shows are in red. The new orange section shows Ring 76 Photos & Videos access.



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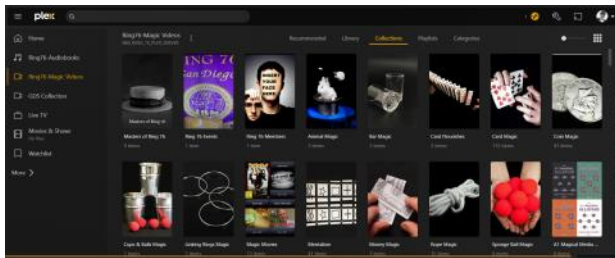
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Do you have an account on the Ring 76 Magic Media Server yet? Why not? It is the best thing since Netflix and it's FREE for members of IBM Ring 76!

We purchased a royalty-free music CD, an audiobook and six DVDs for the Ring 76 Library & Magic Media Server.

- Music CD - Music for Magicians & Artists Vol. 1
- Audiobook - The Skinner Tapes by Michael Skinner
- DVD - 25 Amazing Magic Tricks with a Stripper Deck
- DVD - 25 Amazing Magic Tricks with a Svengali Deck
- DVD - Complete Card Magic, Volume 3
- DVD - Complete Card Magic, Volume 4
- DVD - Complete Card Magic, Volume 5
- DVD - Complete Card Magic, Volume 7

How would you like to be featured on the Ring 76 Magic Media Server? Just forward any of your performance videos to me and I will put them on the server under our Ring 76 Member's section where everyone can see you work your magic. Come on, this will be fun. I would like to see at least one video from every member here.



Tired of high cable TV bills? Wanna watch free movies & TV? You've come to the right place. We've got a bunch of them here on the Ring 76 Magic Media Server and you can start watching right now, all courtesy of PLEX! There is a wide selection of gandora to choose from.



BOOK REVIEWS

You Are All Terrible

By Harrison Greenbaum



(from Tannen's web site)

Now shipping! A complete sell-out at Magic Live 2023! This product is ineligible for any discount codes.

Step into the twisted and brilliant mind of "the hardest working man in comedy" (TimeOut NY) and the "Funniest. Magician. Ever." (Society of American Magicians) with You Are Terrible: The Book by Harrison Greenbaum! Be one of the first readers to laugh and learn from what's sure to be the most talked about magic book in years.

A masterclass on the performance of magic and comedy, this 204-page volume will give you hard-won secrets on making your magic more original and making your comedy funnier. (But even if you're not a comedy magician, this book is still designed to make you a stronger performer.) With a foreword by Mac King and a final word from David Copperfield, You Are All Terrible: The Book is a showman's guide to making your magic unforgettable. Learn from the expert insights Harrison has gained while touring his show around the world, from the Comedy Cellar to the Sydney Opera House, from the Kennedy Center to the National Comedy Center, from tiny basements to the theater where he currently headlines Cirque du Soleil's Mad Apple in Las Vegas. You Are All Terrible: The Book is jam-packed with invaluable knowledge that will elevate your magic to new heights, or your money back! (We will not give your money back.)

Are you ready for a gut-busting, jaw-dropping journey filled with magic, wonder, and Venn diagrams? Uncover the secrets of one of the most prolific magic performers of our time and grab your copy of You Are All Terrible: The Book today. It just might be the funniest magic book you've ever read.

This book is now available for check-out from the library.

AUDIOBOOK REVIEW

The Skinner Tapes

By Michael Skinner



The Skinner Tapes are one of the most influential recordings that have become available for the modern magician. This 10-CD & 2-DVD set contain the personal audio correspondence from Michael Skinner to Allen Okawa. The CDs contain so much for the magician to study, there's tips on some tricks right through to full routines on others with patter, explanation and more.

This set of CDs, available to the magic fraternity thanks to Richard Kaufman & company, captures a real insight into the thinking of one of the greatest close-up magicians ever, Michael Skinner.

This audiobook is available for streaming form the Magic Media Server under the Audiobooks section.

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**VIDEO REVIEWS**

**25 Amazing Magic Tricks with a Stripper Deck**

By Royal Magic

The Stripper Deck is one of the most ingenious magical tools ever devised. This broadcast quality DVD teaches you how to use the special secret of the Stripper Deck to perform 25 miraculous feats - just as if you were a professional sleight of hand artist.

With DVD technology, learning magic is easier than ever. By freezing frames and jumping to specific explanations and performances, it becomes simple to master the fundamentals of these marvelous magic tricks.

This DVD will teach you how to:

- Force someone to choose a card you already know!
- Cut directly to any card in the deck after it was shuffled.
- Cause a card to mysteriously rise from the deck!
- Magically separate the red and black cards from a shuffled deck - in seconds!
- And much, much more!



**25 Amazing Magic Tricks with a Svengali Deck**

By Royal Magic

Makes difficult sleight of hand ever so easy! Quickly master new tricks With DVD Technology, these tricks are extremely easy to learn. By freezing frames, jumping to specific performances and explanations, mastering these tricks becomes elementary for everyone. Includes Svengali Deck.



**Complete Card Magic, Adv, (Vol. 3)**

By MagicMasters

Your magical journey into Complete Card Magic gets advanced with fourteen all new mysteries. Volume Three contains effects that are better than some full routines, but it doesn't end here. Card expert Gerry Griffin takes you step-by-step through more amazing mysteries.

- *The Ace Challenge* - Four cuts all produce the ace of spaces, or do they?
- *Twisting the Aces* - The aces appear, even the stubborn ace of spades.
- *Marked Deck* - Your home-made deck looks normal, or does it?
- *Amazing Ace Thru Four* - Turn these cards over, then change their color.
- *Back to Basics Poker* - Five cards with no faces become a Royal Flush.
- *Magnetic Finger* - Find cards, thru a hanky, with your magnetic finger.

- *Stabbed Coincidence* - They stab their card right between matching cards.
- *Riffle Stop Poker* - Riffle, flip, and twist the cards into a Royal Flush.
- *Acrobatic Aces* - Aces jump piles, until one gets stuck in the middle.
- *Card Warp* - Two cards folded together go thru a time warp.
- *Coney Island Caper* - Hungry enough to eat a playing card hot dog?
- *Homing Card* - Find their card in your pocket, not once, but twice.
- *Rub-away Cards* - Rub cards into your pocket, right thru the fabric.
- *Triumph* - Will you lose their card in the deck, or will you Triumph?



**Complete Card Magic, Pro (Vol. 4)**

By MagicMasters

Your magical journey into Complete Card Magic gets really exciting with TEN new mysteries. Volume Four goes above and beyond average card magic routines. These effects are sure to impress. Card expert Gerry Griffin takes you step-by-step through TEN expert card mysteries.

- *A Very Good Hand* - Turn a hand of five blank aces into a Royal Flush!
- *Oil and Water* - Jacks and aces magically separate like oil and water.
- *Chicago Opener* - Their card turns blue in your red deck. Amazing!
- *Jacks or Better* - Their chosen card jumps right between the Jacks.
- *The Sound of your Cards* - Listen. Your cards tell you where their card is.
- *Simple Arithmetic* - Two wrong cards can make the right one. Awesome!
- *The Ambitious Ace Thru Five* - Five cards rise to the top with a powerful finish.
- *One Last Card* - Their card is always in the last place you look.
- *You Ain't Going to Believe This* - You lose their card, but it finds its way back.
- *Fancy Ace Cutting* - Four crafty ways of finding your friends, the aces.



**Complete Card Magic, Expert Extreme (Vol. 5)**

By MagicMasters

Complete Card Magic Volume Five is extreme! You will see and learn the best of the best in card mysteries. This DVD includes TEN expert effects that will become your favorite showstoppers.

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- *The Collector* - Four Aces capture three selected cards in the deck.
- *The Man from New York* - When you cut to the Aces, you un-shuffle the deck.
- *Here, There, and Everywhere* - If your cards are their cards, then where are yours
- *Gambler's Thumbs* - Catch a card cheater by watching their thumbs.
- *Chameleon Card* - A card changes color in their hand and in mid-air.
- *The Most Ambitious Card Mystery* - Many ways to make their signed card rise to the top.
- *Gerry's Jumping Coin Trick* - Add some flare with magical jumping coins.
- *Optical Illusion* - Change Aces into Kings and back again. Incredible!
- *Computer Deck* - Turn your deck into a hi-tech cardboard computer.



- *Real Magic* - The amazing Aces outsmart the rest of the deck.

**Complete Card Magic, Techniques (Vol.7)**  
By MagicMasters

Complete Card Magic includes over 100 cutting edge mysteries and techniques, from beginner to expert extreme! Now, in Volume Seven, you are ready for the best in card cuts and sleights. Card expert Gerry Griffin takes you step-by-step through 31 expert card techniques.

Cuts - Cutting the cards is more than dividing the deck. Add flare and control with TEN famous CUTS!

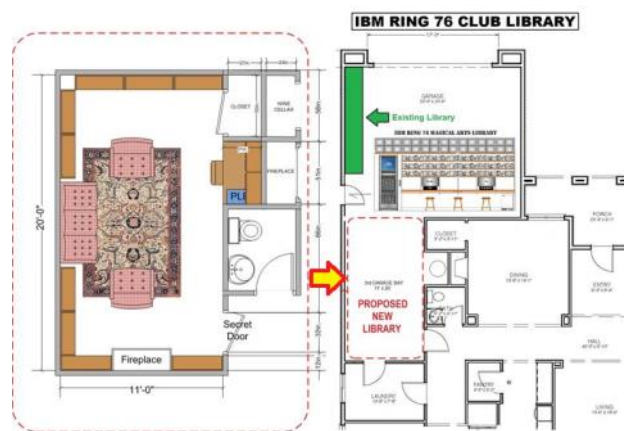
1. *The Octopus Cut*
2. *Gerry's One-Handed Cut*
3. *The Blind Swivel Cut*
4. *The Kick Cut*
5. *The Scissors Cut*
6. *The Charlier Cut*
7. *Erdnase False Cut*
8. *The Double Undercut*
9. *Double Undercut to the Table*
10. *Gerry's Undercut to the Table*

Sleights - Sleight of Hand is the key to card magic success. Master these 21 SLEIGHTS and amaze everyone!

1. *The Triple Lift*
2. *The Glide II*
3. *Transferring the Break*
4. *Rub-a-dub Vanish*
5. *Palming*
6. *Jordan Count*
7. *The Frustration Move*
8. *Elmsley Count*
9. *The Card Fold*
10. *The Biddle Move*
11. *The Pass*
12. *The Glide*
13. *The Break*
14. *The Siva Count*
15. *The Revolve Change*

16. *Catching a Glimpse*
17. *Hammon Count*
18. *Flourish and a Pass*
19. *The Double Lift*
20. *Braue Reverse*
21. *Table Palm*

*Note: We are missing Complete Card Magic, volumes 1, 2, and 6. Can you please help me locate them so we have the complete collection? The above videos are currently on the Magic Media Server for you to stream.*



This design will double the shelf space and provide a comfortable place to enjoy researching the library.

We have accomplished a lot and have so much more to do but let's face facts. I am 77 years old and do not know how much longer I have left so I need to do the prudent thing and start grooming the next librarian. We need someone who can be as passionate about this project as I am. Someone who is willing to give their time, energy, and space for the library. Someone who is willing to make themselves available for the membership 7x24. If you think this could be you, then let me know and we will talk. I am looking at this as a long-term apprenticeship. Maybe a year, maybe two or three. I will stay on as long as I can but who knows? I do promise you that it will be "A Most Excellent Adventure!"

**LIBRARY CHECK OUT PROCEDURE**

Members may contact me 7x24 either by e-mail at [librarian@ring76.com](mailto:librarian@ring76.com) or by cell phone (voice or text) at 619-569-6035 to let me know what you would like to check out. (If you do not hear back from me within 24 hours, there may have been a technical problem so call me.) I will make sure the item(s) get to the next monthly meeting or you can pick them up at my home in Blossom Valley.

There is a limit of four items per month. You will need to sign the library card attached to the item along with your phone number. We ask that you return the items to the library on or before the monthly meeting for the following month (for example: If you check out a book at the July meeting, it should be returned on or before the August meeting). If need be, you can keep the book or video again if nobody else has requested it but you must sign for it again.

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Our objective is to build the best magic reference library in the entire IBM organization worldwide but we need your help to do that. Please return over-due books & videos and donate regularly to your library. The library is here so YOU can learn how to perform magic. Use it!

Non-urgent communications will always be done via my *Ex Libris* newsletter article while more urgent communications will be done by a *Ring 76 Librarygram* emailed to:

[ring76members@googlegroups.com](mailto:ring76members@googlegroups.com).

Have a magical month, my friends, and we will see you again in the next newsletter. In the meantime, email me with your thoughts about the library. I would love to hear what you want the library to acquire next. Your input is critical for the library working properly for you.

*Gary Salisbury*



IBM Ring 76 Board Member-at-Large

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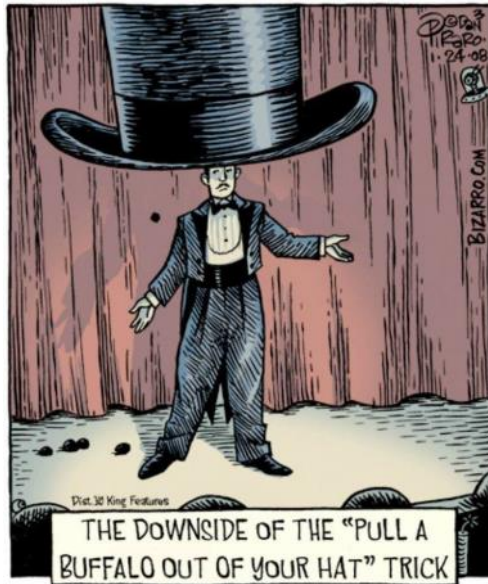
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*Objective: To build the best magic reference library in the IBM organization world-wide.*

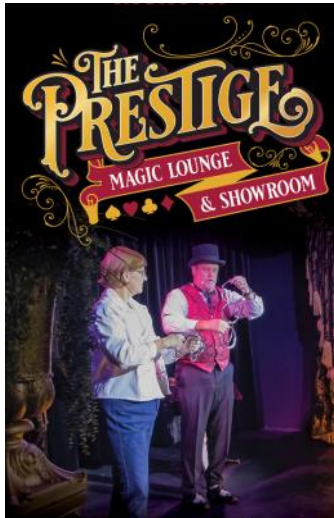
*(Disclaimer: Much of this material is my own but I sometimes copy material from other sources, with and without credit, and then merge it with my own commentary to give you a better and more thorough source of information. Thanks to all who have knowingly and unknowingly contributed.)*

**ADDITIONAL PARKING NEAR CHURCH**

As Old Town is a popular tourist destination, particularly in the summer months, parking for our meetings is at times difficult. A couple of members have tipped us off to a small public parking lot that is located on Harney St. near Immaculate Conception Church. It's on the southwest corner where Harney St. intersects with Juan St. The address to put in your GPS is 4075 Harney St., San Diego. That should take you right to the driveway to enter this small, tucked-away, parking lot. See the included photo.







**Grand Opening!**

New to San Diego! The Prestige Magic Lounge and Showroom has arrived in the Gaslamp Quarter!

827 4th Ave  
Formerly, Illusions Theatre and Bar

Experience a 3 course dinner prepared by Award Winning Chef John Hornibrook featuring delicious entrée choices including:  
Roasted Prime Rib  
French Onion Chicken  
Vegetarian Lasagna  
Gourmet Mac and Cheese



Dinner is served in our grand showroom. Spirits and specialty drinks available. Witness highly acclaimed, award winning magicians amaze and dazzle every night!



**SAVE 50%**

Use Promo Code:  
**Prestige50**

We are excited to be here and to celebrate we are offering 50% off EVERY night!

This promo code may end without notice. Cannot be combined with other offers.

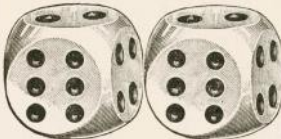
**VEGETABLE IVORY DICE**



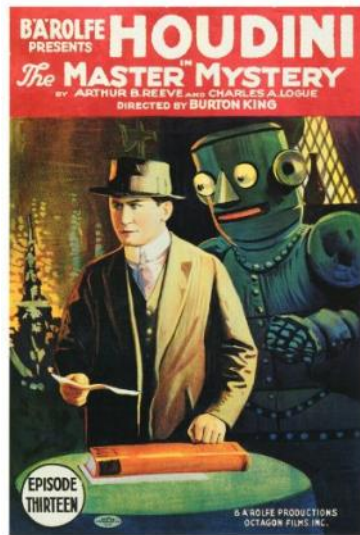
These dice are special first quality, high grade finish and polish. Deep sunk in black. In color and practical use just like the genuine ivory dice. Made in three sizes—7-16 in., 1/2 in. and 3/4 in. **PRICES POSTPAID.**

No.	Size	Per pair	Per doz.
8116	7-16 in.	.19	2.30
8117	1/2 in.	.15	.60
8118	3/4 in.	.20	1.00

**CELLULOID JUMBO DICE**

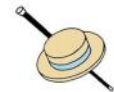


These Jumbo Dice are made of composition, covered with bright colored celluloid. Come in red and green, with white countersunk spots. Size, 1 inch square. **No. 8110. PRICE EACH..... 7c**  
3 for 18c, 65c per dozen postpaid.



**RING 76**

THE HONEST SID GERHART RING



MEMBERS ONLY FACEBOOK GROUP

**See you at the Swap Meet on September 11th**

Ring 76's meetings are held at the recreation hall of the Immaculate Conception Church in the Old Town area of San Diego at 2540 San Diego Avenue. Unless otherwise specified, the doors open at 6:30 p.m. and the meetings begin at 7:00 p.m.