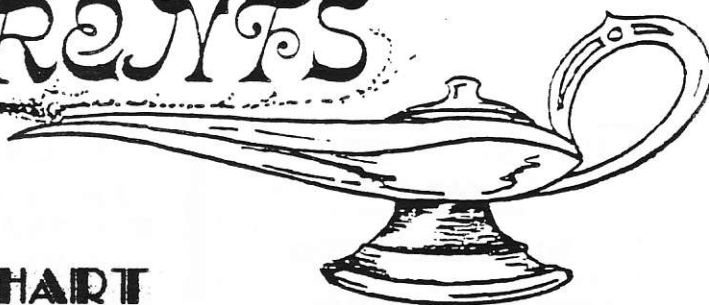


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RING 76, SAN DIEGO, CA

SEPTEMBER 1989

HURRY!!

IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS for the annual Ring 76/Ring 96 Exchange Banquet. **THIS SATURDAY NIGHT!!** -September Sixteenth. Last year Ring 96 President **Bill McILHANY** said that they were really gonna have to "GO SOME" to outdo the show we did in Whittier. WELL - it looks like they will! Just got the Ring 96 Newsletter, and it announces that the Ring 96 performance will feature: **Roy ZIMMERMAN, Pete MULONEY, Chris WYNKOOP, Tommy GARBIN, Lesley MANNING**, a special guest and **Bill McILHANY** (Himself) with *THE FRAME OF LIFE AND DEATH* just as he saw **Bill NEFF** do it at the SAM/IBM Convention in 1964! That should make it a spectacular show, and after a sumptuous feast too.

The flyer, with all the details and your RSVP slip were in last month's *MAGICURRENTS* - so dig it out and send me those checks NOW! Then you won't miss out on a fun evening when "we" don't have to perform. Or better

yet, grab the phone right now, and call me at 569-0096 to get on the reservation list. Then pay at the door on Saturday Night. That's *THIS* Saturday Night, Folks! Social Hour starts at Six P.M. or so with the Roast Beef/Sea Food Creole Dinner about Seven Thirty - and all for only

twenty dollars per person which includes tax and gratuity - and **BRING THE FAMILY**. Kids ten and under are only nine dollars each. **IN ANY CASE - YOU GOTTA HUSTLE** - cause it's gonna be an evening to talk about.

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Prez's Mezzage

ADAPT (Alcohol and Drug Abuse Prevention Task Force) is presenting The **RED RIBBON JAMBOREE**. It's a country-wide event to celebrate drug and alcohol-abuse free living. The highlight will be a "Comedy Jam" and Specialty Acts (That's us, folks) Contest. Details may be obtained from the flyer which will be distributed at the meeting. It is a great spot to try out some material, or even better, get some stand-up experience in front of a crowd. All you need is 5-6 minutes and an anti-drug and/or alcohol abuse theme. The prizes are decent enough to warrant some serious effort in develop an act. We'd love to see a magician win the Specialty Act Contest. Some of the things that have been performed at the meeting are very appropriate bases for a themed act. So, go to it and do it!

The dinner should be a great event. See you there and/or at the meeting. Attending at least one is mandatory.

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LEAD STORY (Cont. from Page 1)

Membership is now at ninety seven with four renewals and two new members just before, during, and after the last meeting. Welcome to **Craig STONE**, **Mary BROWN** and **DAN CASTLE**. See you all at the banquet. (**Jessie JUDGE**, **Mike MOSHER**, **Ruben PADILLA**, **Tony PHAM**, **Danny THOMPSON**, and **Josef RENNLEITNER** where are you?? PLEASE COME BACK TO US!)

AUGUST MEETING
---or what you
missed

The magical pace has slowed a bit in San Diego but everyone is still "glowing" and reminiscing about the BEST magic convention ever! Now it's time to start making plans for St. Louis in 1990 - the UNION

STATION is a nifty place!

Just after the convention, **Ken EVANS** of San Diego's **RABBIT MAGIC** acquired an extensive magic collection in the LIA area. After a month of sorting, inventorying, and cataloging, it was offered at auction at our regular August meeting. Fifty one members and thirteen guests were present to hear plans for the Annual Ring 76/96 Exchange Banquet, a tentative public show fund raiser in January and a proposal to sponsor a future **LINKING RING** "Parade" article. **Sigrid O'BRIEN**, as defacto Ring Historian, presented President **Dick DALE** with a beautiful photo album containing lots of her great camera work of convention activities - this has got to be continued! More letters of "Thanks-for-your-convention-help" from Committee Reps **Bill WELLS** and **Mike STRATMAN** were read to the Ring membership and **Dick DALE** presented membership packages to **Lorin STEWART**, **Bernard KLEINKE** and **Marc HALBERG**. **Dick** also announced his recent appointment as the "Magical Liaison" member of the Mayor's "Alcohol And Drug Abuse Task Force (ADAPT) and will be coordinating efforts to find "abuse alternatives" in the entertainment field for the greater San Diego. We also heard a quick report from **Don HALBACH**

who is coordinating efforts to reactivate the San Diego Junior Magician Group which will be sponsored by Ring 76 for under age "fourteen-ers" so they can grow up to be "I B M -ers". About fifteen prizes went out during our monthly raffle and we happily accepted two renewals and one new member during the break, which was also the time to preview the auctionables. Unlike most used magic collections, about seventy five percent of this one came with original directions and a great deal of original packaging from from **SUPREME KEN BROOKES**, **MAGIC PLACE**, **UNIQUE MAGIC STUDIO** and even some early **ABBOTT** piec too - Tables, Close-up, Coins, a ton of cards, Club, Stage and some interesting Chemical Magic. **WHAT AN AUCTION IT WAS!**

Three plus hours and many, many dollars later, the last of seven huge boxes was hauled out by pleased buyers, and we added a tidy sum to our depleted treasury. **Ken EVANS** was very generous with the commission for the Ring, and **Brad BURT** did yeoman duty as the trusty and lone Auctioneer. Thanks **Ken** and **Brad** - you guys moved a lot of magic! (Rumor has it that two people alone spent over \$900.00 - NOW THAT'S AN AUCTION!!)

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Our regular Ring 76 Auction is still planned for the February meeting on the nineteenth (this was a special one) so if you don't like what you got in August - bring it to our auction in February. And, lest I forget, many, many THANKS to **Ralph MAUZY** for donating his laminating machine and supplies for the pre-meeting laminating service. Many members availed themselves of this extra goodie and should have very classy membership cards clipped to themselves at the next meeting.

BOARD MEETING

The Board met on September Fifth with **Dick DALE, J.P. JACKSON, Frank SYREN, Brad BURT** and **Sherry LUFT**. With great regret, the Board accepted a letter of resignation from Vice President **Mike STILWELL**.

Mike intends to continue to support the Ring as he done so well in the past; but, due to personal problems, can no longer serve in office. In accordance with the By-Laws, the President is tasked to appoint a successor to fill the unexpired term of an officeholder. After some discussion of possible candidates for the office, **Brad BURT** was appointed and has accepted the office of First Vice President.

Future meeting plans were discussed at length and included the **Hank MOREHOUSE** lecture in October, a Ring 76 Swap Meet in November, a Pot Luck Dinner for our regular meeting on December Eighteenth, the Annual Xmas Show for the American Legion folks, a Public Show-Fund Raiser in January, and our Annual Auction in February.

Next Board Meeting is at **J.P. JACKSON's** on Monday, October Second.

SEPTEMBER MEETING

...what's coming

FLASH from **Don HAL-BACH**, our Junior Magic Group Coordinator - The first meeting of our new Junior Group is scheduled for Friday, September Fifteenth at Seven P.M. at **Brad BURT's** Magic Shop on Convoy Street. Notices have gone out to over a dozen potential members, and we are looking for more. Call **Don** at 549-8516 if you have any other "under fourteen-ers" and tell them about the meeting.

Our regular September meeting comes just after the Ring 76/Ring 96 Exchange Banquet on Monday, the eighteenth. **Brad BURT** will hold a Dealer Demo or "What's New In Magic" seminar as a pre-meeting event from Six Forty Five to Seven Thirty, a short business meeting at Seven Thirty, the usual raffle and into our entertainment. Meeting Theme is **MENTALISM** or other "strange" magic -- so break out the Annemann & Dunniger, the Dr.Q Slates and come prepared **AND PERFORM**.

VINCENT THE MAGICIAN

by JIM WHITING



SLEIGHTY NEWS 'ROUND TOWN

★ **Dan FRECKS** and **Wayne ALBERT** will soon be "MAKING GOOD" at **BALLY'S HOTEL & CASINO** in Las Vegas. They will be appearing in the "CATCH A RISING STAR" Show on the Fourteenth, Fifteenth & Sixteenth of September. They're also appearing at **EARTHQUAKE CAFE** on Mission Center Road with **Dan** on Friday, **Wayne** on Saturday and both for a double on Sunday. WAY TO GO, GUYS!

★ **Stan ALLEN's** great *IN-SIDE MAGIC* tells us to watch for the **Andre COLE** Show touring throughout Southern California in September. You can catch it in Long Beach on the Seventeenth, Rancho California on the Twentieth, Irvine on the Twenty-First and Twenty-Second, Redondo Beach the Twenty-Third, and in Santa Ana on the Twenty Fourth.

★ The next *Magic Castle SWAP MEET* is set for Saturday, November Fourth. If you've heard it was going to be in October, NOTE THIS CHANGE! It has been rescheduled to coincide with "THE CONFERENCE ON MAGIC HISTORY" sponsored by the Mulholland

Library of Conjuring and Allied Arts on the Second, Third and Fourth of November, 1989. (See Flyer in this issue of *MAGICCURRENTS*) This is a "collectors" type function (one of the very first on the West Coast), and may be of interest. Conference coordinator, **Joan LAWTON**, tells us that registration is almost full, but there are still a few spaces left. The Conference starts the evening of the Second (Thursday), goes all day the Third, breaks for the Swap Meet on the Fourth and continues with Champagne and Dessert Social on Saturday. The Swap Meet is always worth the trip up - try the "Conference" too!

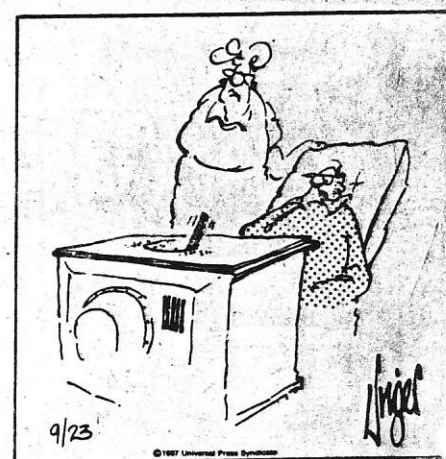
★ *THE GATHERING* is definitely ALL that we've been telling you, and MORE. Spent a great evening there recently with old class-mates from the fifties and enjoyed an exceptional dinner (moderate prices) and **Mike CALLAHAN's** incredible table magic. When it slowed down he was able to join us at our table for some of his almost-too-good-for-laymen work - it was great and my guests were duly impressed. Also watched **Craig STONE** do his thing behind the bar on a different evening, and he, too, has fantastic and truly entertaining material. **Dan THOMAS** also offers a perfect selection of wines to go with the

ever-changing and always-good menu: not too expensive and from all the "right" vineyards. Can't recommend this fine establishment too highly for an evening's outing with magic on Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and now Sunday nights, too.

★ Course, my friends from the fifties were quite taken with *CORVETTE DINER*, as well, so don't forget our other magic place with performances from seven to nine P.M. on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays featuring **Magic Mike STILLWELL** and **Joe MYSTIC McGRIEVEY**.

★ And again from **Stan ALLEN**- watch *PENN TELLER* promote their new movie *PENN & TELLER GET KILLED* on NBC's "THE TONIGHT SHOW" with Jay Leno on Thursday, September Twenty-First.

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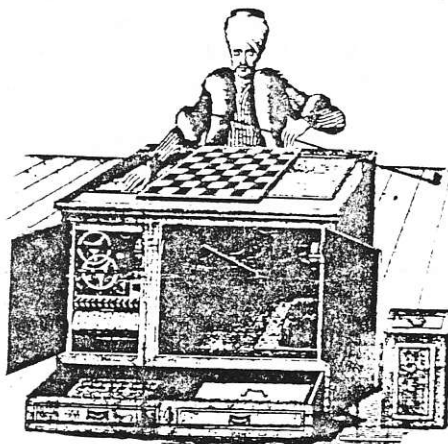
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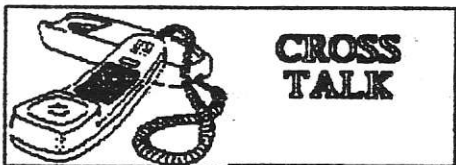
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- Orange County Magic Club will sponsor a lecture by **Eric LEWIS** on "Children's Magic" on Tuesday, October Seventeenth and then another by son **Martin LEWIS** on Tuesday, November Twenty First. They meet at Seven Thirty P.M. on the Third Tuesday of the month (day after our meeting) at **OUR REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH**, 12301 Magnolia Blvd., Garden Grove, Ga.
- **Bill McILHANY**, President of Long Beach's Ring 96, reports that the "Al Peller" collection will be auctioned by Ring 96 sometime in the near future. Al's widow, **Trimi**, was present at our August Meeting/Auc-

BENT OFFERINGS By Don Addis



tion and was impressed with the proceedings. The collection includes a large variety of cards, coins, Close-up, a large **SQUARED CIRCLE FLIP-OVER RABBIT VANISH**, a set of carved wood nesting boxes, **LINKING RINGS**, **CHINESE STICKS** and working tables. This, too, will be worth a trip north - stay tuned.

- Ring 96 will host the **Eugene GLOYE** lecture on "**HISTORY OF PLAYING CARDS IN MAGIC**" on Saturday, October Twenty First. **Gene GLOYE** is a magic historian and writes the "**OUR MAGICAL HERITAGE**" column in "**Linking Ring**". His lecture will present a fascinating review of the use of playing cards (straight and gaffed) throughout the history of magic and will include a display of rare cards from his

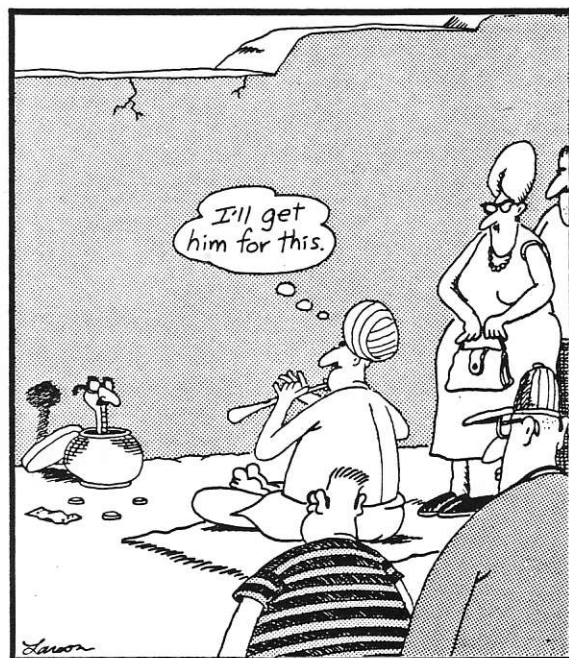
collection. Ring 96 meets on the third Saturday of the month at the Iacoboni Library, 5020 N. Clark Avenue in Lakewood, CA. Their program starts at Eight Thirty P.M.

- And last, but surely not least, Member **Mallory VAN SLYKER** announces a permanent meeting place for the **COACHELLA VALLEY MAGIC CLUB** at the El Paso Shopping Center in Palm Desert. Visitors are always welcome on the third Monday of the month (regrettably, same as our meeting night), but stop by and help to support this soon-to-be new IBM Ring.

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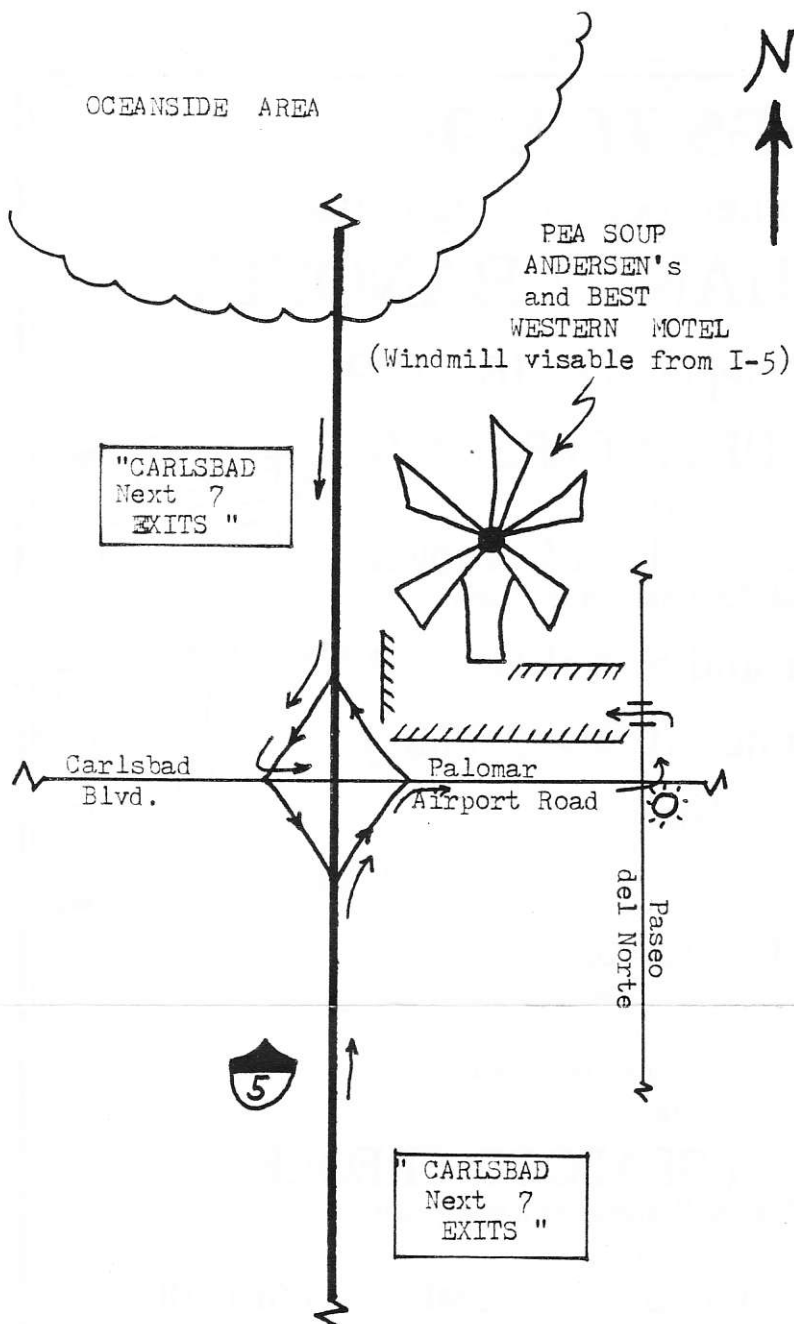
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