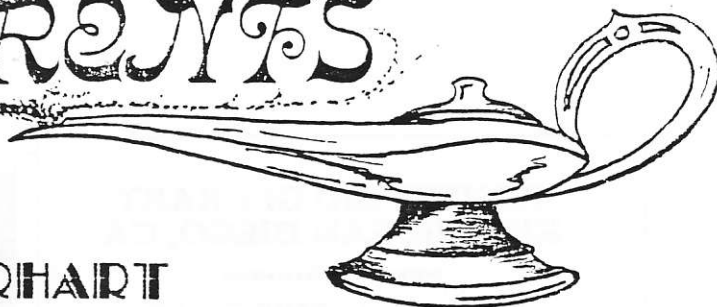


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## EXCHANGE BANQUET

A nice, cozy private room at *EL ADOBE* Restaurant in San Juan Capistrano, a tasty meal, fantastic service from the restaurant staff, a very big crowd (no empty chairs at ALL), lots of festivity and fellowship, and a superb show by members of both rings - all added up to another stellar Exchange Banquet with Ring 96, Long Beach on September Fifteenth.

An absolutely GREAT turnout: chairs had to be added for late comers until the room was packed to capacity and, even then, more came. Sorry that a few folk had to eat in the Main Dining Room, but more chairs were added after the meal, and everyone got to see the show.

San Diego's Vice-President, **Bob INGALLS**, did a fantastic job as M/C for the evening; and a masterful job in coordinating the different acts, and the many, last minute changes. He introduced Long Beach President, **Gene GLOYE**, who provided a nice welcome and some good thoughts on our banquet tradition. San Diego President, **J.P. JACKSON**, added his welcome and presented pla-

ques to the Ring 96 members who had performed at last year's Exchange Banquet. Only **Roy ZIMMERMAN** was present to accept and went home with an armload of appreciation for himself and the other Ring 96 performers: Past President **Bill McILHANY**, **Tommy GARBIN**, **John FEDKO**, and **Pete MULONY**. **Gene GLOYE** expressed appreciation on behalf of the absent Ring 96 recipients, and turned the program

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## Prez's Mezzage

Last month I paid tribute to those Ring Members who consistently perform at our meetings. Now it is time to commend and thank others who regularly give charitable performances within the Community.

**Pat RAVENEL** has recently joined **Sherry LUFT** and **Jessie JUDGE** in their monthly show at the Naval Hospital. Others who have donated their time to many, many organizations include: **Dick DALE**, **Loch CRANE**, **Dave NELSON**, **Tom CLAYTOR**, **Ed FORSYTHE**, **Ed RAYMOND**, **Cal MAYERS**, **Jim WHITING**, **Jack MARKLEY**, **Jack EVANS**, **Larry FRANKEL**, **Jan EASTMAN**, **Don HALBACH**, **Bob INGALLS**, **George EDWARDS**, **Fred & Ursula ROHR**, **Jeff & Peggy MARCUS**, all the guys at **Mike STILWELL'S "MAGIC ENCOUNTERS"** and many more. (If I left your name out, it's only because I wasn't made aware.)

So - MANY THANKS to all of you, named and unnamed, for sustaining MAGIC and our organization so well in the public eye. And, this is especially appropriate during the month of National Magic Week and our public show on October Twenty Seventh. Now, go "Do Some Magic". It brightens lives!

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back to M/C **Bob INGALLS**. San Diego Secretary, **Sherry LUFT**, immediately grabbed her steno pad and went to work. She has done an outstanding job in providing us with the following report of the program.

Long Beach's **Roland KHAN** used comedy in his predictions. He had two people choose musical selections, and then rendered the

answer on his musical saw. It was beautifully done with the use of a violin bow. He followed his saw work with a very funny *SNAKE IN THE BASKET*. The snake located an incorrect card, went back for another look, threw out the entire deck in three squirts of cards, and finally came up with the correct choice. San Diego's Junior Magician President, **Logan HALE**, was the first prize winner in the beginner's category at Tannen's Summer Magic Camp recently, and treated us to his award winning performance. With *"NEW YORK, NEW YORK"* as his background music, he stretched his gloves to produce a fake dove, changed the fake dove into a real one in his hat, and turned the real dove into a silk. He turned his wand into two silks and finished with a very nice *TWENTIETH CENTURY SILK* effect - it was great, and he looked very good! San Diego's **Jack EVANS** brought his *"CHOP SUEY"* character out of retirement, after many years of retirement, complete with gorgeous *"Mandarin"* robe and full make-up for an elegant Production Box routine. It was all done with the usual **Evans'** elan and hilarious bits of business in a Chinese accent. He is to be commended for the effort involved - a true professional. Long Beach's **Joyce BASCH** performed a clever POM POM POLE routine with a sports theme, and went into a classy nine-card-repeat effect using Base Ball cards.

San Diego's **Jeff MARCUS** charged "on"

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### VINCENT THE MAGICIAN

by Jim Whiting



with a rush and a bluster to provide a brief commercial message about the "*KITCHEN HELPING HAND*" using a *DISECTO ARM CHOPPER*, lots of carrots, a shy, female helper, and the fastest patter ever. He was gone in three minutes, and it was funny. San Diego's **Dave (CALIGARTI) NELSON**

did some beautiful work with cards and silks, and produced a full glass of wine as his opener. He cut through a jumbo card, folded lengthwise, <sup>around a long ribbon</sup> leaving the ribbon intact, did some showy silk knots, his linking silken loops, and a color changing flower. He performed some of his nice coin manipulations, and a bouquet of -silks complete with paper throw-out coils, and a giant Rabbit-in-Hat silk at the end.

Long Beach's **Jack (COWBOY) COREY** dazzled us with "*TRAVELING SILK*". It must have gone around his body about a dozen times before sneaking over his shoulder and into his upper pocket. He did a very nice collection of rope effects, including linking, unlinking, knots, stretching, shrinking, transposition into one long rope, and finished with a neat Silk-On-To-Rope effect. San Diego's **Sherry LUFT** and **J.P. JACKSON** did a "double" with some items from his "Collector's Corner". **Sherry** presented Himber's "*SILVER ROCKER BOX*", circa 1949, and used it to produce some lovely silk scarves. **J.P.** performed the **Paul Fox** "*CANDY BOWL*", complete with miles of paper streamers, and a giant cage production containing **Logan's** fake dove.

San Diego's Vice President, **Bob Ingalls**", interspersed all the acts with his own neat effects, clever bits of humor, and nice introductions for every one in true professional M/C style. He opened with a Card Cascade item which left only the chosen and signed card in his upper pocket after the entire deck had shot up and out into the air. He treated us to some fun handling of "*ROCKY RACON*",

and amazed us with a burned and restored piece of paper called "*SHRIEK OF THE MUTILATED*".

It was a truly fine event, and the umpteenth annual in the long, long standing tradition between Rings 76 and Ring 96. Everyone left at a reasonable hour, well fed and well entertained. Til next year - Thanks Ring 96!

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## SEPTEMBER MEETING

...or what you missed

Forty four members, eight guests, and one junior at our regular meeting on September seventeenth. Dr. **Bob ALLEN** conducted the pre-meeting event which was in two parts: "Halloween Party Stunts" and "An Easy Seance"; both well received. The **Mike ROGERS** Lecture was reconfirmed for October Eighth at our regular meeting room. Ticket sales for our Public Show are going at a good pace, and advertising space is still available in the four page Show Program. There will be a lot of good publicity for the show including a TV promo on Friday, October Twenty Sixth.

**Cal MAYERS** led off our "*Halloween Magic*" theme with the help of **Julie DALE**. He correctly identified her card with a candle, jumbo cards, a regular deck, and his mystical powers of concentration. **Bob ALLEN** used a very exotic "*TAROT*" deck which was "guarded by the spirit of the box" that contained it. **Logan HALE**, our Junior President, helped to select a card, and then couldn't open the box. **Bob** used a glass eye on a chain to identify, not only **Logan's** card, but its location in the pack - and then the box opened. Spooky! **Dick DALE** followed with a beautiful Halloween story about a Halloween Show experience he had which he and **Julie**

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will always remember.

**Brian TEMPLETON**, with the help of **Jeff MARCUS**, did a mental telepathy effect using different events in **Jeff's** life to result in a predicted number. Nice effect! **Jack MARKLEY**, as usual, had some wonderful Halloween items in his "bag of tricks". First was a dollar bill, folded lengthwise, which stood up by itself, and then the dancing toothpick. This was followed by a nut on a string suspended inside a capped bottle which determined the gender of the holder - boy or girl. A nice update of the ol' sex detector which many of the turn of the century "greats" used as give-aways in their full evening shows. **Jack** brought out his "Spook-Key" which turned over by itself and finished up by magically changing a picture from black and white to color saying "Happy Halloween". What great stuff!

**Dr. Carolyn BAUER** told us a great "Humbug Witch" story with a soft, sculptored puppet. Then **Jack EVANS** told us his story about a miniature window from an old haunted castle, and proceeded to push a length of ribbon through the glass in several different spots, and then repeated it with a length of rope. It was his own effect and very nice. **Don HALBACH**, with the assistance of **Julie DALE**, drew an outline of her hand on a sheet of paper and then burned it. The ash appeared on Julie's palm mysteriously. **Don** also did a funny skit with **SKIPPY**, a hand puppet who loved Bubble Gum. **Jim SWOGER** performed "Tijuana Brass" with his brass key version of "Spook - Y". The "Pres", **J.P. JACKSON**, used a single slate and cards to demonstrate a little spirit writing. He had a card chosen and wrapped the blank slate in a sheet of newspaper. The name of the card appeared on both sides of the slate.

**Loch CRANE** was the end of the program with a repeat of the "arm twisting" illusion. He also did a "Needle thru the Arm" with lots of blood and finished with a **George SANDS** rope effect. Another great MEETING !

## BOARD MEETING

The Board met on October First at **J.p. Jackson's** house with **Bob INGALLS**, **Sherry LUFT**, **Jan EASTMAN**, **Dick & Julie DALE**, **Mike KLICMAN**, **Don HALBACH**, & **Jeff & Peggy MARCUS**. Topics discussed included: publicity and ticket sales for the Public Show on the Twenty Seventh, the October Meeting Swap Meet, and the November Lecture by **Hank MOOREHOUSE**.

- The Board came to agreement on the following issues:
- Table fee for sellers at the Swap Meet on October fifteenth will be eight dollars for Members and twenty dollars for Non-Members.
- The **Hank MOOREHOUSE** lecture will be free to Ring Members and fifteen dollars for Non-Members.

The next Board Meeting will be at **Dick DALE'S** on Monday, November Fifth.

## OUR PUBLIC SHOW

**Don HALBACH** and **Mike KLICMAN** have done a monumental job in planning, organizing, booking, coordinating and bringing to reality the big, **BIG PUBLIC SHOW** on Saturday, October Twenty Seventh. **WELL DONE, GUYS!** - You're almost home free. **Mike** has enough back-stage help, but could use a couple of more folks to assist with ticket-taking, etc. See him at the meeting to volunteer. See **Don HALBACH** too. He will have more show posters to pass out, so take a few and go "paper" your nearest shopping mall.

NOTE: Those of you who have been selling tickets. Bring the money and the unsold tickets to the meeting on October fifteenth.

**REMEMBER:** In addition to acts listed on the Poster (See Flyer.) **CAMERON & COMPANY** are also booked with a full illusion Show. So spread the word and beat the drum! It's gonna' be a gooder!

## OCTOBER MEETING

...or what's coming

COME ONE! COME ALL! It's *SWAP MEET* time again! At our regular meeting on Monday, October Fifteenth. Doors will open at 6:45 and there will be no pre-meeting event. We will use that time for "Sellers" to unload and unpack and "Buyers" to look. **BUT, PLEASE,** no actual buying until after the break and raffle. Otherwise, we'll never get the business stuff out of the way. Meeting starts promptly at seven thirty with the usual break, raffle and then the buying, trading, swapping, etc. will start around eight P M or so.

"Seller's" Table has been set by the Board at eight dollars for Ring Members and Twenty

Dollars for Non-Members. Please pay at the door. Ring Members have priority due to space limitations. **REMEMBER,** if you plan to be a "Seller" you must call **J.P.JACKSON** at 569-0096 or **Brad BURT** at 571-4749 to reserve a table. And you better **HURRY.** Space is going fast. There is usually room for about ten of our long tables, after that it gets too crowded. Sellers so far are **J.P.JACKSON, Jim SWOGER, Dick DALE, Loch CRANE,** and **Bob INGALLS,** so it looks like room for a few more. Also, remember, it is a SWAP Meet, so if you don't have enough junk for a whole table, bring an item or two and walk around looking for trades. And don't forget, we will have our usual **AUCTION** in February so come to our **SWAP MEET** and clear out all your little stuff.

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## SLEIGHTLY NEWS 'ROUND TOWN

BY DICK DALE

Baxters	<b>Dick DALE</b>	Sunday Brunch
Corvettes	<b>Mike Stilwell</b>	Tues. & Wed.
Gathering	<b>Mike CALLAHAN</b>	Thurs.
"	<b>Curtis CLARK</b>	Fri.
"	<b>Terry LUNCEFORD</b>	Sat.
Loves, Chula Vista	<b>Craig STONE</b>	Wed.
Marriott, S.D.	<b>Craig STONE</b>	Sunday Brunch
Sluggo's	<b>Jeff MARCUS</b>	Sun.
T-Bird	<b>Curt ANGOVE</b>	Mon.
Island Saloon, Cor.	<b>J.C.WAGNER</b>	Sat. & Sun.

## CROSS TALK

- From **Stan ALLEN's** *INSIDE MAGIC*. Watch the tube for a "*Quantum Leap*" episode featuring magic either Friday, October Twelfth or Friday, October Nineteenth. It's called "*THE GREAT SPONTINI*" and includes a "*TABLE OF DEATH*" illusion and "a comedic sawing." "*QUANTUM LEAP*" runs in San Diego on Channel 39 at Eight P.M.
- **Jan (Sandy Jay) EASTMAN** joined the Magic Club Lecture Circuit for the first time recently when she gave her lecture, "*ASPECTS OF CLOWNING*" to the Magic Club in Palm Desert. Old friend **Mallory VAN SLYKER** ( past Ring Seventy Six Member ) has been busy building a new IBM Ring up there, but managed time to book **Jan** on September Seventeenth for her first ever lecture for another Magic Club. She was well received, and they loved her and her props.
- Ring Ninety Six, Long Beach, will feature antique "Magic Lantern" slides on Spiritualism at their regular meeting on Saturday, October Twentieth. President **Bill McILHANY** recently obtained a set of glass slides some of which belonged to **Frederick Eugene POWELL**, and others belonged to **HOUDINI** and were used in public lectures exposing fraudulent spirit mediums. Ring Ninety Six meets at the Iacoboni Library, 5020 N. Clark Avenue in Lakewood, and the program starts at Eight Thirty P.M.
- Orange County Magic Club will hold their annual "Installation of Officers Banquet", and the "*FLOYD BALDWIN CONTEST SHOW*" at the *CLAIM JUMPER RESTAURANT* in Fountain Valley on Saturday, November Third. Call **Bill PEARCE** at (714) 962-7087 for more details.
- Ring Twenty One, Hollywood, announces that the Fourth Annual "*POOF, TOO*" show will be held on Saturday, October Twentieth, at the Hermosa Community Theater in Hermosa Beach, CA. Showtime is at Eight P.M. and features **Christopher HART, HILLEL, Jim KOPPERMAN, "The Magic Plumbers", Whit HAYDEN, and "ASIAN EXPRESSION."** Tickets are *Eight Dollars for adults and Five Dollars for kids.*
- **Stan ALLEN's** *INSIDE MAGIC* also reports "*THE INTERNATIONAL MAGIC AWARDS*" will be aired between October Twentieth and Twenty eighth in prime time. So far the show includes **Mark WILSON** and **Peter REVEEN** with **Harry BLACKSTONE JR.** as host. Celebrity guests will introduce winners in several magical categories who will perform and receive their awards. Check your TV Guide.
- *MAGICIAN'S GUILD OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (MGSC)* will hold the November Meeting on the Sixth at *THE KING'S TABLE* Restaurant. It will be a dinner meeting for members and families only (no guests, please) with the theme "Something Old, Something New."
- And Last, but hardly Least - Some dates you may want:
  - ⇒ Nov. 8/10 - Yankee Gathering III in Salem, MA
  - ⇒ Nov. 19 - **Hank MOOREHOUSE** lecture at IBM 76 in San Diego.
  - ⇒ Dec. 4 - MGSC Swap Meet meeting in Carlsbad.
  - ⇒ Dec. 17 - Ring 76 Xmas Pot Luck Dinner / Meeting in San Diego
  - ⇒ Feb. 7/9 - Sixtieth Annual Columbus

Magi-Fest in Columbus, Ohio.

⇒ Feb. 18 - Ring 76 Annual Auction in San Diego.

⇒ Mar. 18 - **Warren STEPHEN'S** Lecture in San Diego.

⇒ Mar. 21/24 - Desert Magic Seminar XIV in Las Vegas.

⇒ Apr. 10/13 - Magic Collector's Weekend In Chicago (Well, some of us are going.)

⇒ Jun. 19/22 - PCAM Convention in Concord CA.

⇒ Jun. 29/Jul. 2 - Sixty Third IBM Convention in Baltimore, MD.

⇒ Jul. 3/5 - SAM Convention in Las Vegas.

⇒ Aug. 1/4 - Mid-West Magic Jubilee at Union Station in St. Louis.

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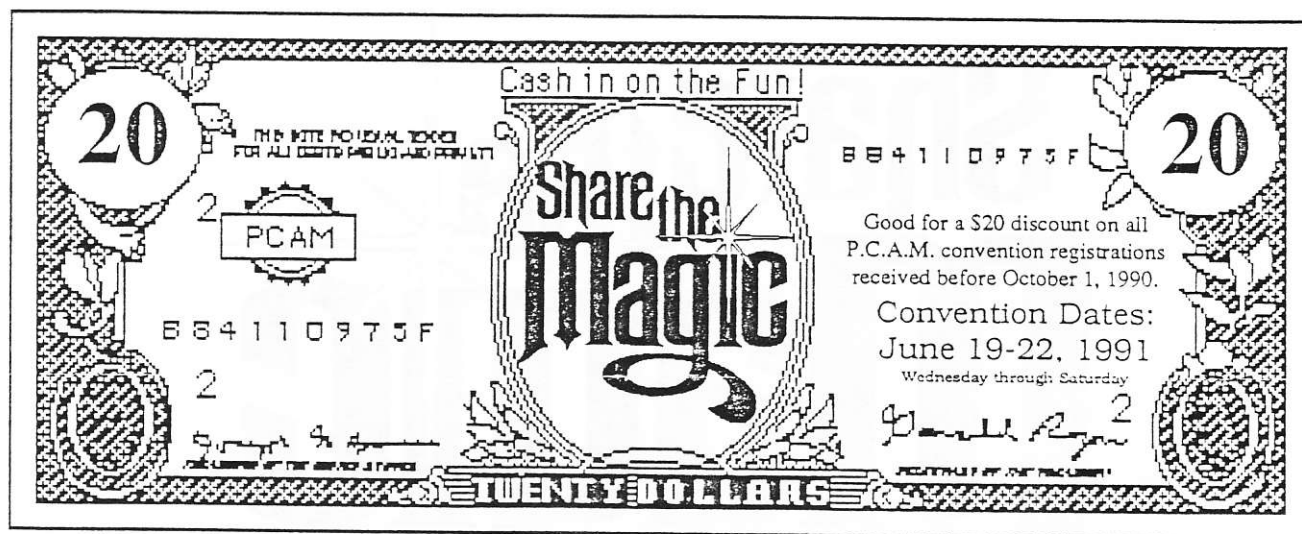
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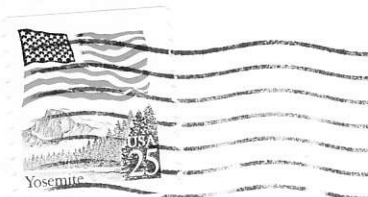
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