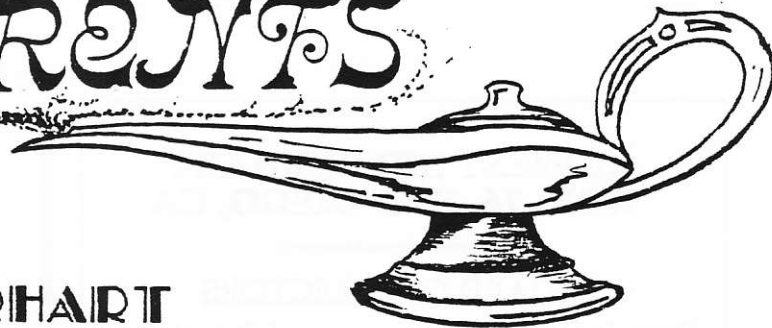


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BONUS LECTURE!

A nice membership BONUS for the end of our membership year (or technically, the beginning), and it's all FREE to Ring Seventy Six Members.

John FEDKO, author, inventor, *MAGIC CASTLE* regular, and owner of *FEDKO MAGIC* in Santa Anna will present his lecture, *"MAGIC CLASSICS"* at our next regular meeting on May Twentieth. (Details inside.) **John** is the inventor of *"Beads of Prussia"*, *"Ultimate Aces"*, the *"Ultra Card Box"*, and the *"Ultimate Bill Box"*, among other effects. He has authored the *"THE MAGIC OF JOHN FEDKO"* and seven different *"MAGIC CLASSICS"* lectures. He is Past President of IBM Ring Twenty and *LOS MAGICOS*, and served three years as Dealer Chairman on the SAM National Convention Committee. He is currently a member of Ring Twenty One in Hollywood and Ring Ninety Six in Long Beach; and many of us got to see his fantastic card and billiard ball work at the Ring 76/96 Exchange Banquet in 1989. So -- pay those DUES and enjoy a special MEMBERSHIP BONUS on May Twentieth.

REMEMBER! No free FEDKO LECTURE unless your membership is current, and no more *MAGICURRENTS* either! Exactly fifty per cent of you are up-to-date as of right now, and I'm delighted to report that two more of our "distant" members have renewed their memberships for the coming year. Thanks to **Ben & Shirley DRUCKERMAN** way up in Bend, Oregon, for staying with us, and to **Harry HARTMAN** in Des Moines, who just *may* be coming back to San Diego (hope so). Now we need the rest of you "local" Ring

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Prez's Mezzage

Almost Summer/Convention Time Again! Hope your plans are made for one or more of the several up'n-coming "Magic Do's" for 91. I know several of you are planning to attend the SAM Convention in Las Vegas; and, as of right now, the Sixty Third IBM Convention in Baltimore is another SELL-OUT, for the sixth year in a row. If you can't go all the way East for this year's IBM, wait until 1992 when it's going to be in Salt Lake City, Utah (July 1 - 4) - almost driving distance!

Meanwhile, don't forget the next *MAGIC CASTLE* Swap Meet on Saturday, June First, and the PCAM Convention in Concord CA, (June 19 - 22). The SAM in Las Vegas is July 3 - 6, and there's always the FISM in Lausanne, Switzerland (July 8 - 13). August brings the Mid-West Magic Jubilee at the Union Station in St Louis (Aug 1 - 4), and then the annual *ABBOTT'S GET-TOGETHER* in Colon, Michigan (Aug 7 - 10). So, pick one out, and attend a Magic Convention this summer. It's probably the most magic fun you'll ever have!

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Members to be just as diligent. Send your twelve dollar check payable to - IBM Ring 76 - to **Peg MARCUS**, P.O. Box 710262, Santee, CA, 92072.

Our old policy of "Bring-A-Raffle-Prize-And-Get-Five-Free-Tickets" is still in effect BUT NOBODY HAS BROUGHT ANYTHING FOR TOOOO LONG! Bring good stuff please, complete, with instructions, and neatly packaged; and trade in for five free raffle tickets.

APRIL MEETING

-- or what you missed

By SHERRY LUFT

Forty Two Members, Seven Guests (three of whom joined), and One Junior were present at the April Meeting. We had a great Dealer Demo from *MAGIC WORKS* by **Jeff MARCUS** at our Pre-Meeting Event. We had a short Business Meeting at which our President presented the IBM Membership Kit to **Pat BERSLEY**. **Loch David CRANE**, producer, discussed his April Twenty Eighth Show, *"TRICKS FOR TROOPS"*. Thanks to magicians, **Jack WHITE**, **Dick BUSH**, and **Dana LAW** for performing with **Loch**.

The Nominating Committee consisting of **Mary BROWN**, **Roy ARMSTRONG**, and **Marcus DAY** was announced. The Committee is open to nominations.

The May Meeting is a **John FEDKO** Lecture which should be a good one. More details to come on the July Installation Banquet. This is in addition to the July Meeting.

Next were five great items in our raffle from *MAGIC WORKS*.

Tricks from *PARADES* in the *LINKING RING* was the evening's entertainment. **Frank HERMAN** started out with a March, 1991, effect, *OLYMPIC JUMPING FROG* using Origami. Then he went into a demo of his new

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VINCENT THE MAGICIAN

by Jim Whiting



item with *"THE MAGIC GLO-LOOP"* sight gags like *"Old Faithful"*, *Dancing Waters"*, and *"HINDU ROPE TRICK"*. He uses this as an acceptance as an entertainer. With the help of **Sunny** he performed *"WAND THRU STRING"*. **Frank** continued on with other penetrations: bracelet, dollar bill, and table knife. Next, **James SWOGER** an April '55 effect, his own invention, called *"ENCHANTING COLOR CHANGE"*. It was a color change using Bill. balls in silk while reading the instructions. It was a beautiful effect! **Dana LAW** performed a slick ball manipulation from January 1979. **Cal MAYERS**, with **Julie**, did his traditional Jumbo Deck. **Bob ALLEN** did a great mental prediction from Nov. 1988, with **Julie HARRIS**. From three sealed envelopes **Bob** guessed the correct number, a geometric figure, and a common object. **Bob INGALLS** did a "take-off" on **Frank HERMAN**'s "whiz whistle". **Ed FORSYTHE** performed from the **Paul MORLEY** Parade of Aug 1947. He did a nice cut and restored and multiplication of a bill. **Jack EVANS** completed the evening with a Dec.'85 effect called *"SILK SHAKE"*. It's a very flashy double silk in a bottle production.

It was a great evening with a lot of good research, and a real treat to have one of the old masters doing his own Parade. Special thanks to **James SWOGER**.

BOARD MEETING

The Board met on May Sixth at **Jan EASTMAN'S** with **Sherry LUFT**, **J.P.JACKSON**, **Bob INGALLS**, **Brad BURT**, **Dick** and **Julie DALE**, **Jeff** and **Peg MARCUS**, and **Paul BARTON**. The

recommended "Slate of Officers" for the coming year was reviewed and confirmed, including a candidate for the Board of Directors position being vacated by **Ed FORSYTHE**. The proposed slate has been forwarded to the Nominating Committee for presentation at the May Meeting. **Don HALBACH** presented plans for this year's *"STARS OF MAGIC"* show at the Scottish Rite Center on Saturday, October Fifth. The show will be sponsored jointly by Ring Seventy Six and the San Diego Blood Bank, and may include an extra performance on Friday, October Fourth. Don has volunteered to act as Producer again and will need assistance from Ring Seventy Six members. The Board endorsed his proposal and will support his efforts.

Planning for the Installation Banquet in late July continued. Several options were proposed and discussed with the only Board consensus that "we will try something different" this year. Banquet locations, prices, and possible menus are being solicited by Board Members. The results will be reviewed and voted upon at the next Board Meeting on Monday, June Third, hosted by **Bob INGALLS**.



(Typical IBM Installation Banquet)

JUNIOR CORNER

by Logan Hale

The May Meeting had a *whopping* fifteen members and two guests show up. It started out with normal business which had talk of another MAGIC CASTLE trip. Also we might get some money together so we can get a special guest lecturer.

After the biz, **Don HALBACH** lectured about *Stage Magic*. He showed us some *great* magic tricks, and even taught us some actual stage magic. **Don** also brought his stage illusion, *THE ZIG ZAG LADY*, which chopped **Bryce HAMMOND** into three pieces.

Then **Bob INGALLS** had us make some "*Six Card Repeats*" and some "*Professor's Nightmares*"; So for the rest of the evening we counted "one, two, three, four, five, six cards," and "one, two, three ropes"

The next meeting will be on June Seventh. It's gonna be a good one, so "be here, or be square!" See ya then.

MAY MEETING

Back on our regular Third-Monday-Of-The-Month schedule on May Twentieth with a special meeting event: **John FEDKO** will present the seventh of his *MAGIC CLASSES* Lecture Series, and will have lots of his "FEDKO MAGIC" items for sale afterward.

We'll start about Six Forty Five with a fun, round table by **Paul BARTON**, Past President of the North County IBM Ring 292, which he calls "*TRICKS FROM YOUR TRASH*", or easily made effects from stuff you almost threw away.

Business Meeting at Seven Thirty P.M.

which will include nominations for next year's Ring Officers, followed by the usual raffle. **John FEDKO's** lecture will start promptly at Eight P.M. and your dues must be paid up for the 1991/1992 year to attend. This is a "Members Only" event, and a nice rebate on your membership.

SLEIGHTLY NEWS 'ROUND TOWN

☆ Looks like we will have *ORFO COOKIE MAGICIANS* in San Diego County starting May Twenty Fourth thru late July. They'll be working on Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays all the way from far south San Diego to Encinitas, and way out to Ramona at Big Bear, Vons, Ralphs, Luckys, and Fedco Markets. Watch for 'em.

☆ **Larry FRANKEL** and **Mark HALBERG** did some good stuff at the recent "*ALL ABOUT KIDS*" trade show at the Convention Center. They worked on Saturday and Sunday, doing a couple of hours of close-up each.

☆ And **Dana LAW** will be doing a voluntary "turn" for the USO on June Fourth with two or more hours of Comedy Magic for Servicemen, family and kids at the USO's Tuesday Night Dinner.

☆ Here's where you can see on-going magic by more of our regular performing members:

→ **Curtis CLARK** is at the *FUD-DRUCKER's* in La Mesa on Thursday Night from six to eight P.M.; at the *FUDDRUCKERS* in Mira Mesa on Friday from five thirty to eight thirty P.M., and at *THE GATHERING* in Hillcrest on

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Saturdays from seven thirty until eleven P.M.

CROSS TALK

- ➔ **Ken DEWOODY**, one of our newest members and a member of Ring 292 as well, is performing at *MAMAS & PAPAS* in Vista on Friday and Saturday from six to eight P.M.
 - ➔ Skipper **Frank HERMAN** is at *Le PEEP* Restaurant in Del Mar for Sunday Brunch.
 - ➔ **Monica MEFFORD** is still at *THE GATHERING* on Thursday Night and, also, at the *HOTEL DEL CORONADO* for Sunday Brunch.
 - ➔ **Joe MYSTIC (McGRIEVEY)** is still doing his brunch thing at *T.G.I.FRI-DAY's* on Sunday.
 - ➔ **Angelo ODDO** is at "*THE MARINER*" Club on Thursday Night from four to six P.M., and appears again on Sundays from five to six P.M.; and, in between, at the Thirty Second Street Naval Base Enlisted Men's Club on Fridays from six to eight P.M.
 - ➔ Last, but not least, **Magic Mike STILWELL** still going strong at the *CORVETTE DINER* in Hillcrest on Tuesday and Wednesday nights from six to Nine Thirty P.M.
- ☆ And **Stan ALLEN's** *INSIDE MAGIC* tells us to look for a **Sigfried and Roy** photo story in the May issue of *HOUSE & GARDEN* magazine

- Fun "Magic Workshop" at the regular North County SAM/IBM meeting in Carlsbad on May Seventh. Three different performers in each of three different categories (*Professor's Night Mare, Linking Rings, and Spongeballs*) doing their routines and Q & A's afterwards. Lessee - that's nine pieces of rope changing lengths, eighteen to twenty four Linking Rings, and far too many sponge balls to count! I hear it was a great program. **Terry RUNYON** was elected as President in the process, and our own **Jan EASTMAN** elected as Vice President. Their next meeting is on June Fourth at the KING'S TABLE Restaurant in Vista.
- A good, big handful of our members at the Ring Twenty One "*DAY OF MAGIC*" on May Fourth at the UCLA Campus in North LA. Very close to a "sell-out" with brisk Dealer activity, lots of great lectures, a full evening's show (far better than average), and a nice buffet afterward. Watch for next year's. They keep getting better and better.
- Orange County Magic Club will have "Close-Up" and Guest Night at the May Meeting on the Twenty First, Red-White-and-Blue Magic on June Eighteenth and a Flea Market on July Sixteenth.
- And again from **Stan ALLEN's** *INSIDE MAGIC*, the news that **H. P. LOVE-CRAFT** will be back at *SEA WORLD* in Mission Bay this summer starting June Fifteenth for three or four twenty minute shows a day.



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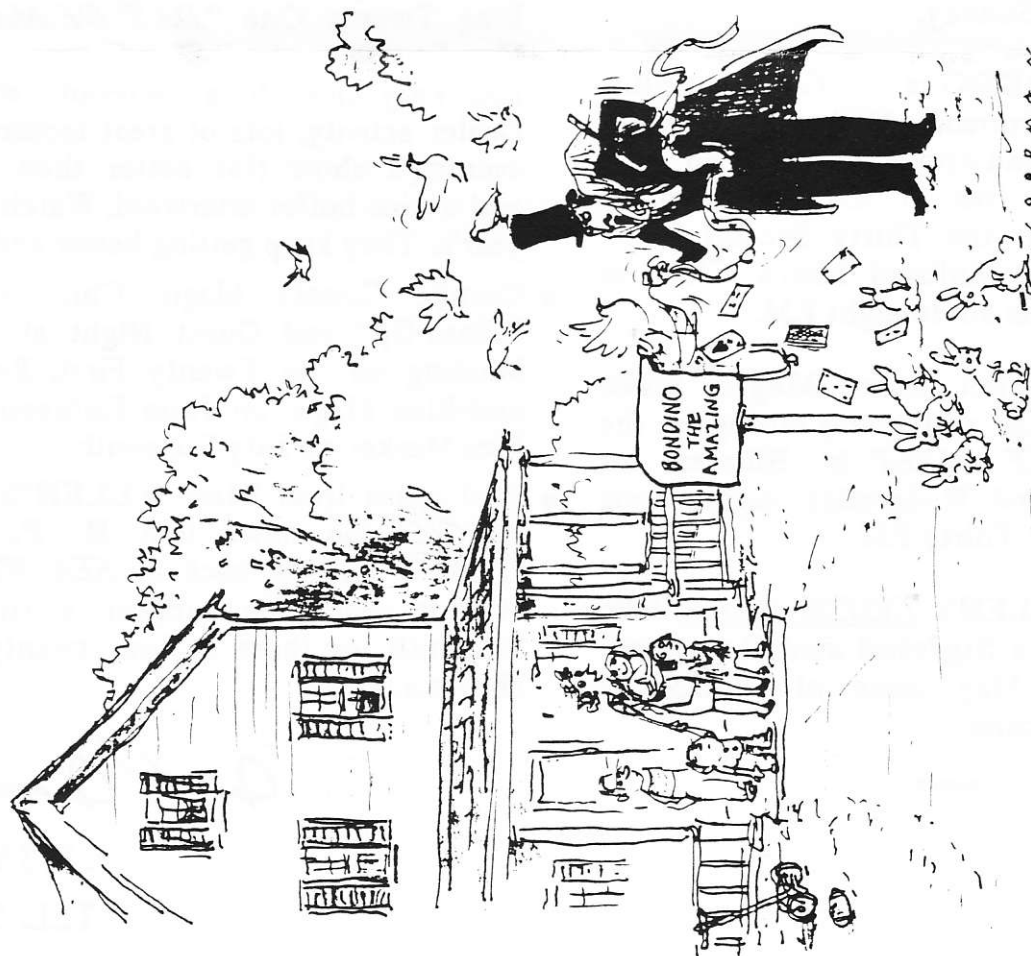
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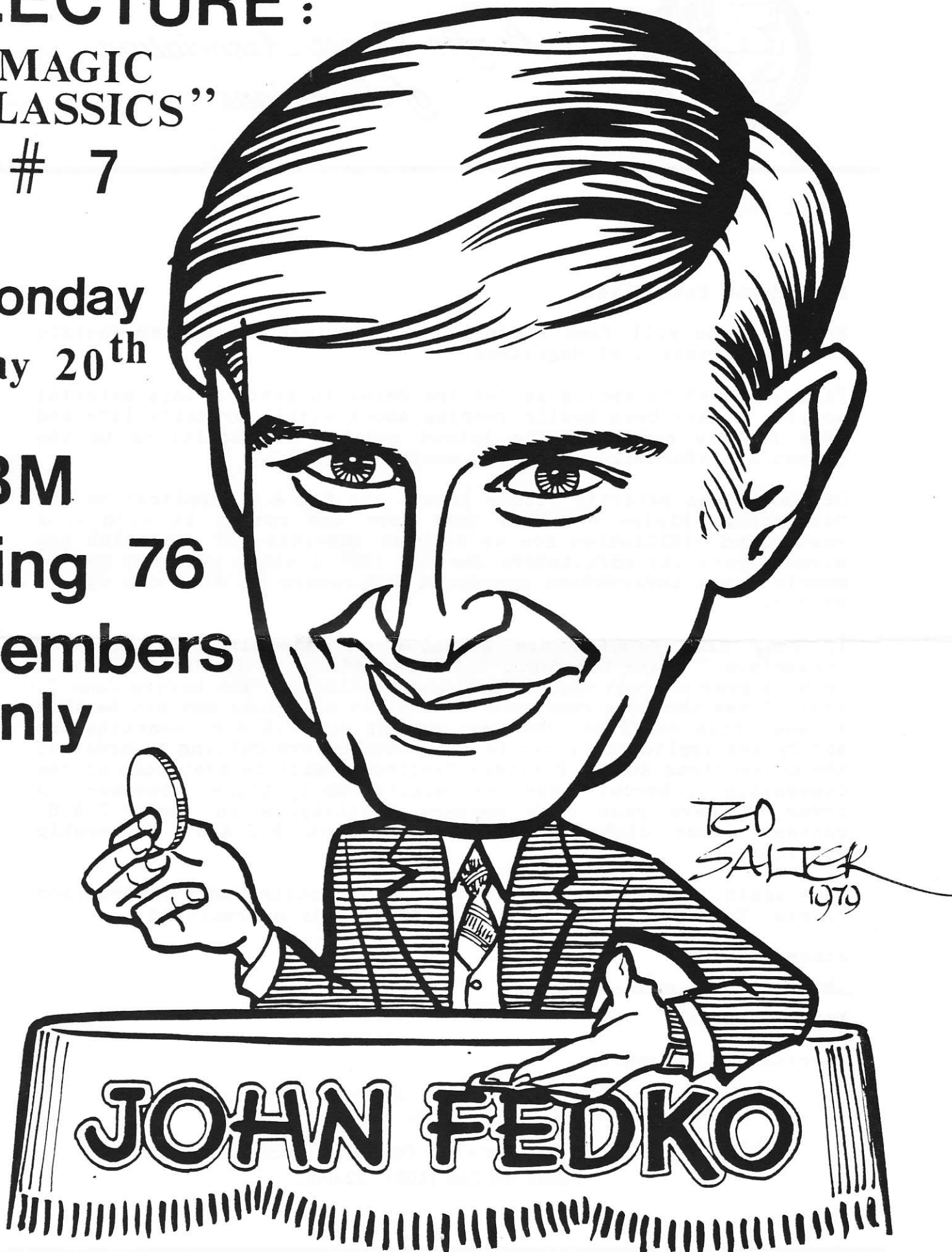
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Pacific Coast Association of Magicians

April 22, 1991

Dear Magic Enthusiast,

Enclosed you will find a number of items concerning the Pacific Coast Association of Magicians.

First, I wish to apologize for the delay in getting this material to you. I have been busily running about within my daily life and have finally completed the latest updates and additions to the packet of information you find enclosed.

Of number one priority please locate the P.C.A.M. Application for Membership. Please complete this form and return it with your roster and affiliation fee as soon as possible. If your club has already paid the affiliation fee for 1991 I thank you, but please complete the information requested and return it so I can update your file.

If your club members are planning on attending the P.C.A.M. convention "Share the Magic", in Concord, it is imperative that I receive your current application and affiliation fee before June 7, 1991. Given the time constraint I realize all clubs may not be able to meet this deadline. However, as per the P.C.A.M. Constitution and Bylaws applications may be submitted before calling to order of the conventions Annual Business Meeting. I will be available at the convention to accept these last minute applications. Remember, in order to have your club members participate in the P.C.A.M. contests your club must have a current P.C.A.M. Membership Application.

Once again, my apologies for the delay in getting this information to you. Your prompt response will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

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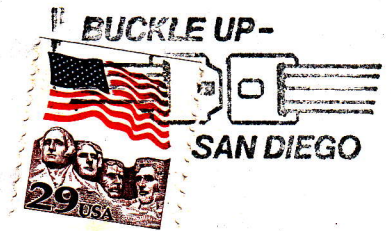
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