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Annual Pot Luck Dinner

It's time for the Annual Pot Luck Dinner and get together. This year's gathering will be at same locale as last year's: Rancho Villa Village in El Cajon. As with all our past annual get togethers, you are encouraged to bring family and friends to this festive event. Ring 76 will provide the holiday ham and everyone is invited to bring a favorite dish or dessert. While your best side dish will really make the meal special, bring an appetizer or dessert if you would prefer.

The following are what we are planning to have at the meal:

- Holiday Ham (Ring 76)
- Appetizers
- Salad
- Side Dishes
- Desserts
- Plates/Cups/Napkins

If you would like to confirm what you plan to bring, call Jim Fry at 554-0335.

As with all our gatherings, please feel free to bring your

special magic along to share with those attending the Pot Luck Dinner. In keeping with the season, bring holiday magic, stories or mysteries for the kids of all ages.

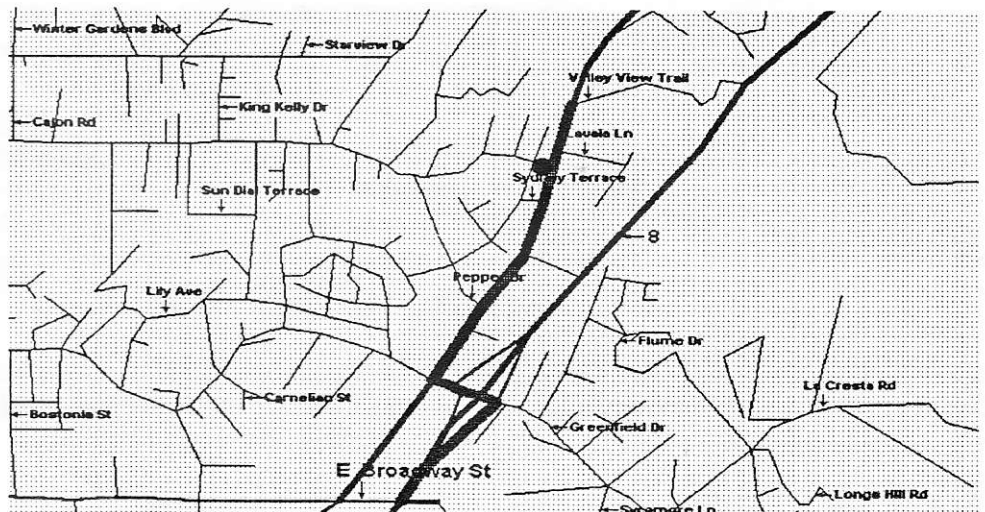
The festivities begin at 6:30 p.m. Monday, December 11.

Directions to the Annual Pot Luck Dinner are shown below.

We are looking forward to seeing you and your family at this merry gathering of mystical magi's.

DIRECTIONS:

From points west of El Cajon, take route **8 East** to the last exit in El Cajon, **Greenfield**. At the bottom of the ramp turn **left**, cross back under Route 8. At the first stop light, **East Main Street**, turn **right**. Continue past the first stop light (Pepper Lane) to the top of the hill to Rancho Villa Village (**12970 Highway 8 Business**) on the left. Turn left into Rancho Villa Village and park.



PRESIDENTIAL PONDERINGS

By Rick Waterhouse

Dear Brethren,

Well, the Holidays are upon us. Perhaps its the cold that makes us all come a little closer at this time of year. 'Course, here in San Diego, perhaps not. Whatever the reason, it is a magical time of year. On behalf of my family, I would like to wish you and yours the best of holidays.

Pot Luck

Once again our December meeting will be held at Dick Bush's Rec Room in the form of a Pot luck dinner. These potlucks are very informal entertaining times, and I hope that you'll join us. Please feel free to bring the family. There will be no business meeting or formal program this year, just visiting, eating, informal magic, Kibitzing, and some holiday horsing around.

Location

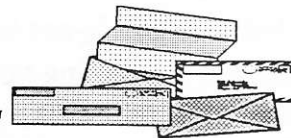
Anyone who showed up at the last meeting saw that we were not at the Hungry Hunter. Apparently, the management has changed and the old managers did not leave instructions about what to do with us for the interim managers. As a result, I called during the day to remind them that we would be coming at the usual date & time and was told that there was no way they could accommodate us that evening because they just had too darn many parties booked upstairs. Frankly, I think that that's a crock. I will be contacting the new manager (who started work on December 1st.) sometime next week. If the new manager seems "Club Friendly" then perhaps we'll stay awhile longer. But, I think it might be time to consider a new meeting venue. I also get the feeling that it might be time to move a bit further west. This is your club, what do you want? What would you suggest?

Well, I guess that's about it. Like all of you, this is a busy time of year for me. That, I think, just about covers this year. I look forward to writing to you in the new year – 1996. Until then...

HO HO HOcus Pocus,

Richard B Waterhouse

Member Happenings



Guess who has gotten themselves engaged? Our own Rick Waterhouse and Marcia! Unbelievably, the happy couple is planning a 1995! wedding (are they going to have time to prepare a side dish for the Pot Luck Dinner?). Our best wishes to the joyous couple.

Auditions

Smoke -N- Mirrors Magical Productions is starting to work on their next performance to be held Saturday March 9th and Sunday March 10th in the city of Westminster. There will be a total of two evening performances and one matinee. At this time they have three fifteen minute spots to fill. They will be holding auditions on Saturday January 6th from noon to 3 PM. At the Westminster auditorium on the corner of Hoover & Westminster Blvd. Anyone interested must call and register with Smoke -N- Mirrors before January 3rd. To register call (800) 355-5453 or in Orange County please call (714) 847-0040.

(Note: This announcement was sent to MagiCurrents from Smoke-N-Mirrors Magical Productions and is neither endorsed nor sanctioned by Ring 76.)

Confidential to DS from RW I remembered, it must have been my keyboard that forgot. Thanks so much for your help at MHD.

November Meeting

by Greg Wauson

Magicians like to be surprised and our October meeting started off with a big one: due to a scheduling conflict with the restaurant where our club meets we were unable to meet there. And we found out just a couple of hours before our scheduled starting time. Our quick-thinking president called several businesses in the area and found an ice cream parlor which accommodated us. He posted a notice with the new location for the night at our usual restaurant and we were in business.

Our pre-meeting consisted of a review of Magic Heritage Day. The overwhelming consensus was that it was a big hit and accomplished its goal of raising the public awareness of *Ring 76* and promoting magic in San Diego. **Rick Waterhouse** thanked everyone who contributed their time and effort to the event and reviewed the highlights. He mentioned several *Ring 76* members met with a representative of the San Diego Historical Society several days after Magic Heritage Day and were told how pleased the Historical Society was with the event. Their volunteers had a very enjoyable afternoon and were thrilled seeing Villa Montezuma used as a public venue.

Treasurer **Jim Jolly** reported the club made a profit of \$42 from Magic Heritage Day. That's not much but the intent was not to make money but just to break even. Most of the profit came from **Don Soul's** caricatures and the evening seances. Additional revenue was made from the sale of snacks and drinks. More income would have been generated if we had an outside donation box; it was intended but was simply forgotten.

A hand-raise vote was taken and overwhelmingly we decided to consider presenting a Magic Heritage Day next year.

Greg Wauson mentioned he had called T.C. Tahoe but could not catch him home. He will continue to call.

Joe Mystic told the attendees about the Petrick and Mia magic show and lecture planned for November 22. Its \$6 admission fee for the show and a total of \$12 for the show and post-show lecture was certainly reasonable. It faced stiff competition, though, from being scheduled on the same evening as a two-hour "World's Greatest Magicians" show on TV.

Rick Waterhouse mentioned his interest in bringing Jay Scott Barry to San Diego for a lecture.

Rick then set up a TV and VCR and played several videos of old-time magic pros. One of the highlights was Cardini's brilliant performance with cards, balls and cigarettes. Also very entertaining was Harry Blackstone Sr.'s dancing handkerchief and buzzsaw illusion. A German illusionist named Kalanag was shown with a baffling levitation of a female assistant.

Next were shown clips of several of the entertainers at Magic Heritage Day, thanks to the filming efforts of **David Lane**. **Joe Mystic**, **Monte Stratton**, **Kalamar**, **Loch David Crane**, **Rick Waterhouse** and **Greg Wauson** were shown with their fine performances.

(JANUARY'S MEETING: SMALL PACKET TRICKS TEACH-IN)



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At The Castle

DEC 11 - 17

E. CLOSE-UP: Hiram Strait
L. CLOSE-UP: Harry Monti
E. PARLOUR: Earl Nelson
L. PARLOUR: Jim Bentley
PALACE: Tina Lenert
Nicholas Night Show

DEC 18 - 24 (cont)

Danny Cole
Victor & Diamond

DEC 25 - 31

E. CLOSE-UP: Loren Michaels
L. CLOSE-UP: Jim Patton
E. PARLOUR: Jim Warren
L. PARLOUR: T.C. Tahoe
PALACE: Billy McComb
Dale Hindman
Victor & Diamond




(Our thanks to Mr. John Scalan of the Magic Castle for this up-to-date information.)

DEC 4 - 10

E. CLOSE-UP: Fred Catiller
L. CLOSE-UP: Jason Tong
E. PARLOUR: Gary Frank
L. PARLOUR: Michael Hack
PALACE: Brad Cummings
Jody Baran Show

DEC 18 - 24

E. CLOSE-UP: Loren Michaels
L. CLOSE-UP: Jim Patton
E. PARLOUR: Art Benjamin
L. PARLOUR: T.C. Tahoe
PALACE: Billy McComb

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11 - Pot Luck Dinner 12970 Highway 8 Business El Cajon, CA		12	13	15	16
17	18 Chanukah 		19	20	21	23
24	25 CHRISTMAS 		26	27	28	30
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Next Meeting
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6:30 P.M.

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