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## August meeting to be favorite trick night

The Monday, August 13<sup>th</sup> Ring 76 meeting will be "My Favorite Trick Night." In most cases it is not really a favorite trick that members present, it is most likely the most recent effect you have learned and are currently working out a routine to make it play better for an audience. So this program is the perfect place to break in that new routine and show off the new trick.

For this program Jack White is dipping into his treasure chest of older magic and will be presenting a very rarely seen Val Evans Jumbo Card Rise. There were only eight of these card rise units ever built and Jack has one of them. We are also trying to coax J.P. Jackson into dusting off one of his seldom seen vintage pieces of magic for this meeting of informal magic. This would be a good meeting to bring a friend who is interested in magic but is not a member.

During the month of August, the new Ring 76 president and the board of directors will meet to plan the meeting for the year ahead. One of the exciting meetings this fall will take place in October when our club will meet at the Del Mar Fair grounds in a tent and present a Halloween style show for those visiting the pumpkin patch and costume sales center. There will be an audience of non-magicians on hand to enjoy the efforts of the Ring 76 members. We will have more information of this meeting in next month's MagiCurrents newsletter.

As Terry Lunceford notes in his president's column elsewhere in this newsletter, he and the board are getting ready to plan the various programs for the year ahead. If you have strong feelings on the kind of programs you would like to see in the coming year, now is the time to let Terry or one of our board members know. It is our intent to keep our meeting fresh, exciting, and interesting for all of our members.

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## Lectures planned for August & September

Magic entertainers will be offered two separate magic lectures and a special "Christmas Magic Workshop" between August 27<sup>th</sup> and September 13<sup>th</sup>. These three lectures will truly offer material that can help performers in every category of magic being presented today.

Monday evening, August 27<sup>th</sup>, Manuel Muerte, who is a member of the very popular magic group named "The Flicking Fingers" will be showing off his talents in San Diego. Muerte and his group have won every major competition they have competed in including FISM and the World Magic Seminar. They were also named performers of the year by the Magic Castle.

Manuel Muerte's lecture will consist of material he does on a daily basis, both close-up and stand-up. He will tell his audience how to make their magic more entertaining and will give a lesson in better misdirection. The feature portion of this lecture will be Manuel's award-winning competition act that he used at FISM.

The lecture will be held at Jack's Magic Place, 4275 University Avenue, at 7 p.m. August 27, Admission is \$20; Syd Segal recommends you reserve your seat early for this event. You can contact him at (619) 300-1344. He is reserving seats in the order that people sign up; so don't wait too long on this one.

On Tuesday, September 11<sup>th</sup>, John Fedko will present the best of the 13 different lectures he has presented in the past 31 years at the Magic Castle in Hollywood. This lecture will contain the best of his close-up, mental, and stage magic. All of the magic effects in this lecture can be performed with ordinary materials and will not require special magic apparatus. John is an excellent magician and understands the value of being able to do outstanding magic with everyday objects.

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## Honors for Bob Elliott at the annual Installation & Awards Banquet, deemed a success by members

More than 100 Ring 76 members and their guests turned out for the Installation and Awards Banquet for the “Honest Sid Gerhard Ring” in San Diego. The event was held Sunday afternoon, July 22<sup>nd</sup>, at the Cottonwood Country Club, in El Cajon, a community just east of San Diego.

Those attending began arriving at 5 p.m. and enjoyed cocktails and appetizers with a buffet Mexican meal served at 6 p.m. During the cocktail hour there was a lot of close-up magic at the various tables. The banquet was held in a giant tent on the 18<sup>th</sup> green of the country club. Several members of the Ring played an afternoon round of golf before the banquet began.

During dinner a special announcement was made that someone was on the telephone for one of our guests. The caller was David Copperfield, who was between shows and was calling to congratulate Bob Elliott on his Special Award of Distinction from Ring 76. Copperfield could be heard via speakerphone and thanked Bob for all of his kindness during his 20 years with the Tannen Jubilee and the Tannen Summer Magic Camp. Copperfield made it clear he was a personal fan of Bob Elliott's.

The Elliotts moved to the Southern California beach community of Oceanside in 2005, and Bob has been active in San Diego County magic groups since his arrival. His impact on the local magic scene and his past contributions to magic on the east coast prompted the Ring 76 Board of Directors to initiate this Special Award of Distinction to be given to Bob Elliott. Ring 76 board member Michael E. Johnson began calling on Bob's many friends and former magic students for help and everyone Michael talked to wanted to be part of this event to honor Bob.

California Governor, Arnold Schwarzenegger, a magic enthusiast, sent a special written congratulations, members of the U.S. Senate and the Congress recognized Bob Elliott for his efforts in magic and the San Diego County Board of Supervisors made July 22<sup>nd</sup> Bob Elliott Day. Michael E. Johnson compiled a detailed 50-page booklet with color covers to allow Bob's many friends to comment on what Bob Elliott meant to them. Michael Ammar, Criss Angel, John Carney, Aldo Colombini, John Cornelius, Steve Dacri, Daryl, Marc DeSouza, Gerald Deutch, Devlin, Bob Dorian, Doc Eason, Bob Fitch, Dan Garrett, Paul Gertner, Ace Greenberg, Lennert Green, Bill

Kalush, Richard Kaufman, Ken Krenzel, Bob Little, Harry Lorayne, Simon Lovell, Jeff McBride, Joe Monti, Tom Mullica, Tom Ogden, Darwin Ortiz, Johnny Ace Palmer, David Regal, Charles Reynolds, Rocco, David Roth, Jay Sankey, George Schindler, Tony Spina, John & Pam Thompson, Bill White, Boris Wild, and Phil Willmarth, were featured, along with many others who sent their best wishes and a written salute to Bob Elliott.

Bob's wife, Happy, wrote a moving article for the booklet titled “My life with Elliott: The Great.” It was filled with delicious vignettes from the many incidents that happened to this classy couple in the past 40-years of living with magic. Then came the presentation of a giant 4-foot tall trophy to Bob Elliott as a big thank you from his many friends around the world in magic.

Making the trip to San Diego, was Bob Elliott's longtime friend Tom Ogden, who did a special magic act for the Elliotts, filled with laughs. That was followed by the Installation of new officers for Ring 76: Terry Lunceford, President; Kenny Shelton, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President; Michael E. Johnson, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President; Jack White, Secretary; Richard Ustick, Treasurer; Board members include Diane Lane, Donna Greenbaum, and Blinda Kaesler. Bob Ingalls is the immediate Past President.

The Awards Ceremony for the Ring's various contests were handed out, Bob Pozner won first place in the close-up contest and Randy Kappe won first place in the stage contest. Kenny Shelton received the honor of being the Entertainer of the Year. Jack White was honored as the member of the year.

The award ceremony was followed by an evening with Milt Larsen, who along with his wife Arlene, left the Magic Castle in Hollywood, long enough to dazzle the Ring 76 audience with some delightful comedy magic that included a very funny routine that was originally created by Milt's father William Larsen Sr., with a Die Box and some hilarious patter.

Milt and Arlene donated a variety of prizes to the Ring raffle, and stayed around to talk with guests about their lives in magic and creating the Magic Castle. It was a very special evening for everyone who attended.



**Milt Larsen & growing tie**



**Members gathering**



**Milt Larsen & Die Box**



**Milt Larsen, Bob Elliott, Happy Elliott  
second row: Jeff Pearson, Tom Ogden**



**Happy Elliott, Michael Johnson, Bob Elliott**



**Greg Wauson, Toni Perrine, Alex Greenbaum,  
Randy Kappe, Diane Lane, Christina Ustick.**



**New officers: Terry Lunceford, Kenny Shelton, Michael Johnson, Jack White, Richard Ustick, Donna Greenbaum  
Diane Lane, and Belinda Kaesler.**

# Magic Book Review by Dr. Joel Moskowitz

A Review of



THE AMAZING



We live in an era where we are ever reproducing our history. Consider the millions of digital photos and media dissemination devices: Internet/You Tube/My Space, etc. Imagine an archeologist from some other planet happening onto Earth, the myriad evidences of our existence would doubtless drown their investigations in details. Conversely, stories from our past are lost, hidden, or unrecognized as to significance.

Who has not fantasized about stumbling on a Picasso at a garage sale? Wandered dusty used book shelves hoping to stumble on a signed first edition of a book by Houdini? Author Sandra Evans and her husband having completed mortgage payments on their 200 year old former coach house noticed that “The Amazing Chang” had owned the house for forty years (1919-1960). This was the beginning of Ms. Evans personal crusade of research into his career.

Not an aficionado of conjuring per se (she has been a big band vocalist/musician since 1968) anything ‘show business’ fascinated her. The reader of her superb investigative work, “**The Amazing Chang**”, published by the author, February 2006, printed by TW Printing Associates Limited, Royal Leamington Spa pp 176 will be rewarded by the story, the artful illustrations, photographs, reference citations.

Samuel Lewis Webster Whittington – Wickes M.I.M.C. (1893-1970) may have had to change his name to Chang (The English name being too long and atheatrical). He

had several pseudonyms: Seekhett, as a youth; later Cellsus, The White Wizard and ultimately Chang. Ten name changes or more in his lifetime!

With the tenacity of a CSI detective, Ms. Evans interviewed citizens of the locality where Chang was born and lived and researched local records. She presents the reader with the tapestry of the formation of a world class illusionist. Inspired by Servais Leroy, also a runaway as was young Chang, he later admired the style of Chung Ling Soo and Dante. But he created his own effects. He was, suggests Evans, the Harry Potter of his time. “The Boy Magician” metamorphosized when he changed, for a brief time, his name to Vern-Lewis. The Lewis was his second name. Ms. Evans doesn’t have an explanation for “Vern.” Could it have been Dai Vernon? Another name change, following his service in World War I, from Paul Vernon was announced in The Magic Circular to thenceforth to be “Cellcus, The White Wizard,” aka Vernon Cellcus.

This scion of a wealthy timber family fell to a butcher’s daughter. Freda, his bride, was interested in palmistry. Did she read good omens in their life lines? The couple united matrimonially and professionally. Continuing his development, Chang, benefited from being the protege of Chris Van Bern (Life Member of the Inner Magic Circle and President of the Society for the Investigation of Psychic Happenings). Other models for his performance were Hyman Goldstein (stage name: Horace Goldin) a Polish Jew and Chung Ling Soo (a Scotsman from Brooklyn).

Compliments also are in order for the art work. The text is adorned with colorful reproductions of not only Chang’s advertisements but that of Horace Goldin, and Chung Ling Soo, as well as Leroy, Talma and Bosco, Chang’s agents. Photos of the locality where Chang was born and lived are pleasurable as well.

Ms. Evans writes that this talented illusionist/entertainer had other interests: He was accomplished at the violin and piano and was gifted in the repair of and restoration of musical instruments. He included Charlie Chaplin as a personal friend, as well as J.B. Priestley. The latter’s novel “Lost Empires” featured a stage magician (the technical details, it may be inferred, were provided by Chang).

Chang’s son, David Wickes, has followed in his father’s love of stage. He is an award winning Golden Globe film director/screen writer. He is famed for directing many BBC television series and numerous cinema box office hits. He has acclaimed Ms. Evan’s biography of his father which he asserts has captured his father’s personality perfectly.

"Sandie" describes herself as a 'novice author' not much interested in history during her own schooling. These self-descriptions no longer apply. She has proven her diligence at investigating a colorful master of the art of prestidigitation. Her literary efforts are no simple Internet harvesting. Rather she employed interpersonal interviewing combined with persistence. The leavening factor in this biography is the author's love for the history of a class performer by someone who herself is a star of theater. Albeit her specialty is song. "The Amazing Chang" is a lyric chronicle and is highly recommended.

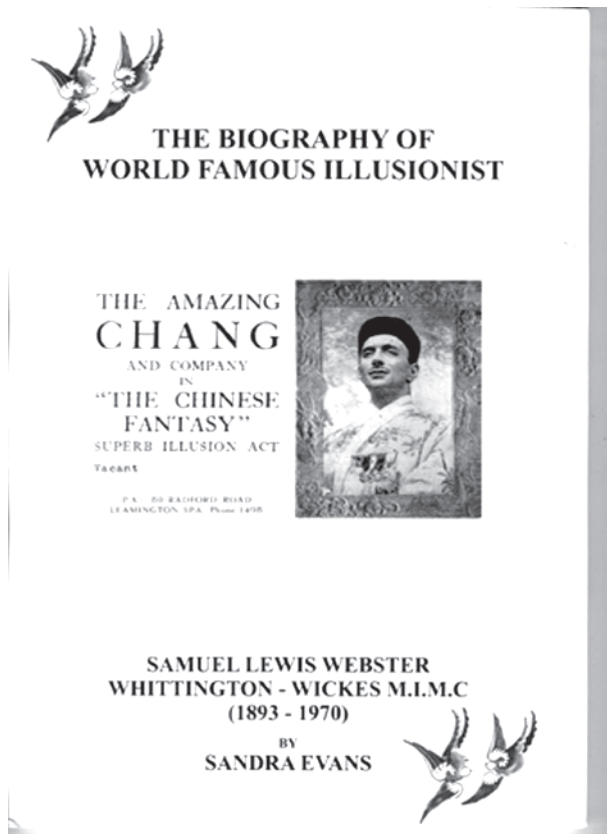
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The Ring 76 meetings are held on the second Monday of each month at Jack's Magic Place, 4275 University Avenue. The social hour begins at 6:30 with the meeting starting at 7 p.m. sharp.

Also a word of "thanks" to Don Soul, the Ring 76 Webmaster, who recently caught an error in our online Web page and got us back online. Apparently there was a mix up in service providers and after a period of being off line, the trouble was found and everything is back to normal.

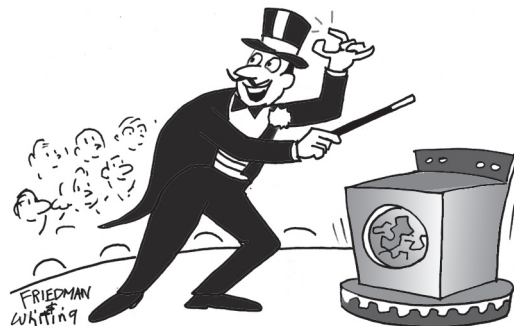
Remember, you can go to our Website for the latest information on Ring 76 activities and news. It is located at [www.ring76.com](http://www.ring76.com).



**PRESTO!**

## "MagiToon"

by Jim Whiting & Ellen Friedman



"And NOW! The mysteriously vanished socks will Reappear!"



## Ring 76 member, Marcus Day Dead at 61

As many of you know, Marcus Day, a longtime member of Ring 76, had been receiving treatment for cancer for nearly a year. Marcus received word from his doctors in early May that the treatments were no longer effective in battling the fast moving disease. He went to Texas to visit his 95 year old mother in early June, and shortly after his arrival there, he was placed in a rest home for treatment of his weakened condition. Marcus died at the rest home on July 5th, he was 61.

His longtime friend and business partner in used magic books, J.P. Jackson, has written a moving tribute to his buddy Marcus Day. That tribute follows:

Marcus Day, of San Diego, California, died July 5, 2007, of cancer. He held I.B. M. # 43836R and was a long-time member of the Honest Sid Gerhart Ring 76, in San Diego. He was also a member of the Magic Collector's Association and the L.A. Conference on Magic History.

Educated at the University of Texas, Austin, as an Engineer, he later earned a Law Degree from the University of San Diego. He specialized in construction litigation and had a very significant part in the recent rewriting of Ring 76s Constitution and By-Laws.

As a young boy in Longview, Texas, he was captivated by watching a performance by Willard the Wizard, at his school and later, even more influenced by seeing Bill SIROS, perform his fabled open-air, floating lady illusion in the street of Longview. He often chuckled about how his mother let him skip school to see the full SIROS magic show.

His magic interests were rekindled when he went home to Texas and found a beat-up copy of: *The Boys Book of Magic*, in his old bedroom bookcase. He rapidly became an avid and knowledgeable magic bibliophile. He specialized in historical and biographical books and antiquarian "How-To" books with especially, attractive pictorial covers.

He met his long-time magic friend and business partner at the magic shelf of a used book store in San Diego, in 1987, and joined the I.B.M. in 1988. He attended his first Magic Collector's Weekend in the spring of 1989, and his life was never quite the same.

He was also a drag racing and NASCAR enthusiast and regularly attended racing events and car shows in Southern California. At the time of his death he was carefully restoring his 1966, Plymouth Satellite.

Marcus Day is survived by his wife of 35 years, his mother who is (95), and a brother. He was my pal, business partner, convention roommate, advisor, mentor in many things and most of all he was my friend. **J.P. Jackson**

*Photo by Jeff Marcus*



**Marcus Day**

**TO LIVE IN HEARTS  
WE LEAVE BEHIND  
IS NOT TO DIE.**

**THOMAS CAMPBELL**

## Lecture Series Continued

The lecture notes that John offers will contain everything he explains during the lecture. Following the lecture, John will have a short dealer's show featuring his latest commercial magic that is available. John is retiring from manufacturing his world famous instructional magic videos and will have a 70% to 90% video discount at this lecture. This is going to be John Fedko's farewell magic lecture tour.

The lecture will begin at 7 p.m. Tuesday evening September 11, at Jack's Magic Place, the cost is \$20 at the door, seating is open for this lecture so we encourage you to arrive early and reserve a good seat. You will definitely learn some new magic that you can put into your fall and holiday magic shows.

On Sunday, September 16<sup>th</sup> from 2 to 8 p.m. David Ginn, and Steve Harmer, will present their special "Christmas Magic Workshop;" this will be only one of five such workshops on the west coast. Now is the time to start planning for those holiday bookings, and David has put together a program that will help you with everything you need to know to be a successful holiday performer. This workshop is designed for magicians, clowns, ventriloquists, and other variety entertainers. Start planning now for the lucrative holiday party season ahead.

Each registrant will receive a free copy of David Ginn's new Christmas Magic Workbook, filled with over 50 pages of routines, ideas, and ways to work Christmas Party Shows. This book is not for sale at magic shops or via the Internet. A selection of Christmas magic props, books and DVDs will be on sale at special prices. David will accept checks, cash, and credit cards. Because this will be one of the only Southern California appearances for this daylong workshop, we are expecting a large turn out, so we suggest you make reservations in advance for this one-of-a-kind event.

The cost is \$35 for advance reservations \$45 at the door. Your spouse is free with your paid admission. Junior magicians are \$35, with one parent free. You can e-mail registrations with credit card to: [david@ginnmagic.com](mailto:david@ginnmagic.com). The workshop will be held at Jack's Magic Place, 4275 University Avenue. If you can't reach David, you can e-mail your reservation to Jack White at [prestoone@cox.net](mailto:prestoone@cox.net). There will be a one-hour evening break in the workshop for dinner.

If you want to jump-start your holiday season with new material and new ideas for booking your attraction, then don't miss this afternoon and evening workshop for Christmas Magic Shows, this is one of the few opportunities to attend this program on the west coast.

## Ring 76 members take part in Padres Blood Drive

On Friday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>, the San Diego Blood Bank conducted their annual Padres Blood Drive at Petco Park. Two Ring 76 members, Len Cardoza and Kenny Shelton helped to entertain baseball fans that rolled up their sleeves to give the gift of life, blood.

While the baseball game did not start until early evening the blood drive began early on Friday morning. There was a great deal of television news coverage and there were donors on hand from 8 a.m. until early evening.

Len Cardoza, a longtime Ring 76 member, was on hand from mid-morning through the noon hour with his brand of close-up comedy magic.



**Len Cardoza & jumping hank**

Padre fans and blood donors were especially surprised when Len's white pocket-handkerchief would suddenly fly out of his pocket and into the air. Len would love to make it out to our monthly meetings, but he no longer drives at night so we don't see him very often. But if it is a daytime event you can count on Len taking part.

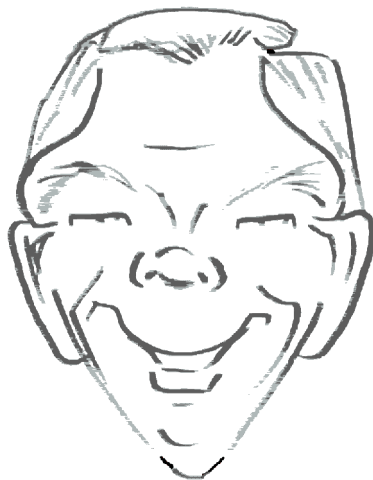
Kenny Shelton arrived early in the morning and stayed around doing magic and juggling for those waiting their turn in the donor room. Kenny was still there when the last donor's were being called, so he spent the entire day working his special brand of magic.



**Kenny Shelton with Ninja Rings**

The blood drive itself was one of the most successful to date for the Padres. Just over 425 pints of blood were collected for the critical period that covered the Fourth of July holiday when

traffic accidents and emergency demands for blood are at a high level. Ring 76 is proud of both of our volunteer members who gave of their time and talent to help make this blood drive so successful.



## Message from the Ring 76 President

Let me begin my new job as President of Ring 76, by thanking everyone who took part in the planning of our Installation and Awards Banquet in July. Everyone I have talked with had a great time. Kenny Shelton and his father worked closely with the folks at the Cottonwood Country Club and made sure everything went smoothly on that end. Michael E. Johnson pulled the tribute to Bob Elliott together and made it work. Richard and Christina Ustick took care of collecting the money, paying the bills and for sending out notices for the event itself. We thank Bob Ingalls for bringing Milt Larsen to San Diego for this event and to all of you who joined us for the banquet itself.

It is my honor to say congratulations to all of the members who took part in both the close-up and stage contests earlier this year. Our top winners were Bob Pozner in close-up and Randy Kappe in the stage competition. These folks have set an example for the rest of us, and remind us all it is not too early to start practicing for next years Ring 76 competitions. I almost forgot to thank Diane Lane for making up the certificates for every member who took part in the close-up and stage contests.

Normally the Ring 76 President and the board of directors have the schedule of meetings lined up by this time. But because of my schedule for the month of July we are behind and will get to that business of planning the meetings for the coming year, later this month. A complete list of meetings will appear on our Website later in the month and Jack White will post the theme of the coming meetings in our monthly newsletter.

For our August meeting, we will take up the theme of "Favorite Trick Night." It simply means bring a favorite trick, close-up or platform and present it for our members. These evenings always turn out to be a lot of fun and an opportunity for everyone who wants to perform to do so.

In talking with our members I have noted that a great number of you will be attending the MagicLive Convention in Las Vegas, later this month. This is the third such convention put on by Magic Magazine and each one seems to get better and better. As President of Ring 76, I want to encourage each one of you to attend magic conventions around the country. I hope as many of you as possible will be able to attend the combined I.B.M. / S.A.M. Convention next July, in Louisville, Kentucky. From everything I read in the magic journals I receive, it is going to be a truly great magic convention.

I can also assure you the year ahead at Ring 76 will be an exciting, fulfilled 12-months of magic. I want to hear from you about your concerns and what you like at our meetings. We can only get better if we work together, and I am looking forward to working with each one of you.

*Terry Lunceford*  
Ring 76 President



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## News

For those of you who attended the Del Mar Fair and saw **Terry Godfrey**, you know he has a great act for the entire family. After 21 days at one fair location you would think that would be enough, but not for Terry; since Del Mar he has appeared at the Sonoma County Fair in Santa Rosa, California, then it was on to the Hood River County Fair in Oregon and, as you read this newsletter, Terry will be appearing at the Deschutes County Fair in Redmond, Oregon; his next stop will be the Clark County Fair in Ridgefield, Washington. Terry expects to be back in San Diego about August 15<sup>th</sup>.

**Sebastian** has been putting on his new magic show on Friday and Saturday evenings at the Vaudeville Candy Shop on El Cajon Blvd in the Hillcrest area. He invites members of Ring 76 to drop by and take in one of his shows and enjoy the magic.

In May, Conley's House of Magic, sponsored a contest in Las Vegas for "America's Funniest Magician" and we are happy to report one of the top winners was none other than our own **Joe Mystic**. The contest took place at the Orleans Hotel and Casino and was hosted by the Families Entertainers Workshop. Congratulations, Joe, on another well deserved award. We should also tell our members that Joe cleaned out one of his warehouses and has found an extra P.A. System and is allowing Ring 76 to use it for meetings. We all say thank you, Joe!

Though she is a San Diego resident these days, **Belinda Kaesler** again put together the "Magic Day" at the Orange County Fair in Costa Mesa, on July 21<sup>st</sup>. We are told that event was a great success, with many Ring 313 members on hand to help out at a booth that made I.B.M. membership



forms available to interested parties. There was also a magic contest at the Youth Building featuring future magicians of Orange County. The contest was open to young people 7 to 18 years of age. Belinda would like to see a similar program put into place at the Del Mar Fair for San Diego County Magi.

**Loch David Crane** attended the I.B.M. Convention in Reno, Nevada, in late June and was inducted into the "Order of Merlin" having served the I.B.M. for 25 consecutive years of membership. Loch has just released his list of shows on his latest Magic Tour. August 5<sup>th</sup> a Hospital Show for Veterans' at Sturgis, South Dakota; August 7<sup>th</sup>, A show for the Rapid City Boys Club in Rapid City, South Dakota; August 8<sup>th</sup>, a show for the Brothers of the Third Wheel Club, Rapid City, South Dakota. On September 1<sup>st</sup>, he will begin his motorcycle ride from Oceanside, California to New York City, doing magic along the way, with that tour ending on September 11<sup>th</sup>. We all say Good Luck, Loch!

The Corvette Diner on 5<sup>th</sup>, Avenue in Hillcrest, a longtime hub for top magic entertainers, will move in 2008, to a new location in Point Loma. The Corvette Diner is famous for its 50's look and sound and is also famous for featuring magicians that include Magic **Mike Stilwell** and **Diane Lane**. The restaurant management says the reason for moving is because the current location has become too congested,

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and they need more parking for their guests.

Tickets for **Milt Larsen's** "It's Magic Show" at the East County Performing Arts Center in El Cajon are now on sale. General seating is \$35.00; the show is set for Friday evening, September 28<sup>th</sup>, included on the bill are **Goldfinger & Dove, Amos Leftkovit, Bruce Block, John Shryock & Mari Lynn, Mike Caveney, and Tom Ogden**. The show will be playing at various venues throughout Southern California, from late September until early November. This is always a great evening of magic for the entire family.

The Trick Shop in Oldtown, Temecula, will be holding magic classes with comedian and magician **Rocky Osborn**. The classes will be every Saturday in August; the four-week series will cost \$150. The classes are conducted at the magic shop from 5 to 7 p.m. For people 9 and up. For more information and reservations call (866) MAGIC-04.

One of **Jack White's** first official duties as the new International Vice President of the I.B.M., is to go to Malaysia, and represent the I.B.M. at the opening of the Genting Highlands theme park. Genting is a city of entertainment, perched on the top of a mountain and reached by cable car. Magic is the theme for this amusement park, five star hotel and casino complex. Jack will leave in early September and be back in time for the Sept 10th meeting. He should have some interesting stories on his return to San Diego.

## Coming Attractions


**Monday, August 13, Ring 76, favorite trick night. Meeting begins at 7 p.m. Social hour at 6:30. Meetings held at Jack's Magic Place, 4275 University Avenue.**

**The One-Time Only—West Coast USA Tour!**

# Christmas Magic Workshop

Starring Magician/Author  
**David Ginn**

With Special Guest  
**Steve Harmer**




An all-day event featuring FOUR HOURS of FUN and FUNNY education about working Christmas Party Shows as a magician or clown. You'll learn NEW TRICKS and COMEDY ROUTINES perfect for your holiday parties, whether secular or church programs ... plus the TEN MOST IMPORTANT THINGS about working Christmas shows! You'll experience a complete Christmas show performed by one of David's friends, plus lots of never-shown kidshow magic presented by DAVID GINN himself. David Ginn books, DVDs and props will be on sale at reasonable prices, and each attendee will receive David's Christmas Magic Lecture Book ABSOLUTELY FREE!

Remember, this event will NEVER appear in your area again! If you do Christmas shows for fun or profit, make it a point to be there! \$35 advance or \$45 at the door.

**Date: Sunday, Sept. 16 City, Location: San Diego**

**Time: 2 to 8 p.m. Sponsor: Jack's Magic Place**

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