



# Legerdemain Digest

## IBM Ring 313

### The John Fedko Ring

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### Message from the *Fire-Eating* President

The January meeting was a fun-filled evening of magic. Many thanks to Vice-President, Victor Cohn for setting up the snack table. This will be an ongoing feature of our meetings. If you like our "festalboard," show how much you like it by eating and contributing to the fund to support the snack program. Better yet, talk to Victor to see how you can contribute to the feast.

Shoot Ogawa was his usual fantastic self! We are so lucky to be in an area where many talented magicians also call home.

Gregory Wilson will be our February lecturer. If you have not seen him perform, you are in for an evening of excitement and great magic. Gregory is a high energy, talented and personable magician. You can learn a lot from him. He has an ability to describe his secrets in a way that will be helpful to your future in magic. I urge you to make plans to attend his workshop just prior to our meeting. The workshop is limited to the first ten magicians who sign up. Contact Todd Reis for details. Todd can be reached by telephone at (714) 673-7320 or email him at [tr3d@hotmail.com](mailto:tr3d@hotmail.com). First come, first served. I have attended Gregory's workshops. I learned some skills I could use right away.

Please consider becoming a Sponsoring member of the Ring. You can do this by contributing a little extra (Contribute above and beyond your Ring 313 dues). This will enable the club to do more for the members by means of lecturers, workshops and additional quality programs at the annual picnic. In some years, we have hired performers to highlight the entertainment portion of this annual event. Please look at our financial statement in this newsletter. You'll see that we spend every dollar we receive in a worthwhile way. The more funds we receive, the more the club can do for you.

I like the spirit, comradeship and energy of our club, let's keep it up!

Not all of you are members of the Academy of Magical Arts, Magic Castle, however sometimes you want to visit the Castle with family or friends. Please remember that I am a member of the Magic Castle. Any member desiring a guest pass, need only to give me a call or drop me an e-mail request and I will help you get your reservation to the Magic Castle.

*Chris Wynkoop*, President, The John Fedko Ring

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**Please Note: Videotaping of lecturers is only allowed with the direct permission of the lecturer. Please observe this courtesy.**

### **Coming Events at Ring 313**

**February 26, 2013**

Gregory Wilson, two-time FISM winner with card magic

**March 26, 2013**

Chris "Magic Smith" Smith former Ring 313 President lectures

**April 30, 2013**

Master of the Pasteboards magician Richard Turner takes center stage

**May 28, 2013**

Card Workshop with members.

## Welcome NEW Members

Welcome to you all!

**Dan Habel** (a twenty-year member of Ring 96, has joined our Ring. Please give him a warm welcome to our club. Ask him to show you some magic and he will give you a great big smile! **Ray Karch**, aka "KARCH" has joined our Ring. Many of you will remember his performance at our 2011 Holiday Party. Karch is a mentalist. He is preparing to go to the next FISM contest in Italy. We seem to have plenty of members who have mental going for them. New Members to the Ring have a **red arrow** on their name badges. When you see that red arrow, please introduce yourself; that applies if you have a red arrow too! The name badges help to break the ice, please get to know the Ring members by name. **For additional information about FISM 2015** <http://www.fismitaly2015.org/>

### **IBM Ring 313 Officers and Directors for 2013**

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**Please consider donating tricks and equipment to our Raffle Coordinator (**Michael van Horn**) or Junior's Program Coordinators (**Kent Kwan and Annie Young**) as is appropriate. Thank you!**

# You can become a Sponsor for Ring 313 in 2013

Here is how to become a Sponsoring Member.

IBM Ring 313 is your club. You can participate in many ways. Some folks have put themselves forward as leaders, serving as elected officers or members of the board of directors. Many members help by inviting friends to join us as either members or guests; that is a important method of ensuring the success of the Ring.

Some folks participate by purchasing Raffle tickets or donating items for use by the Raffle boss. Others are eager to perform or to teach sleights or effects. These members immediately step forward on member performance nights. Still others find a way to help by staying late to put the chairs and tables back in place. Your cooperation and participation make the Ring fun and educational! Thank you!

There is another method that some members can use to help Ring 313 ensure that we remain a quality ring that thrives with excellent programming. Not everyone can participate in this way, however those who can will make a big difference in the overall enjoyment of membership in Ring 313. This new method is to become a **Sponsoring Member of IBM Ring 313**. Sponsoring Members donate funds in addition to their annual dues. As a Sponsoring Member, you celebrate that you can support the club in a way that many of our members cannot. We promise your money will magically be used for fun and education in the club.

Please consider becoming a Sponsoring Member for 2013 in the following categories.

**Mesmerzing Sponsor**

**\$50 level**

**Linking Sponsor**

**\$100 level**

**Houdini Sponsor**

**\$150 and above**

If you are able to help in this way, we will acknowledge your support in every way that is magically possible. Your name will be listed (if you desire) as a Sponsoring member. Sponsoring payments can be made in a lump sum or quarterly. Please arrange your plan with Treasurer Chris Wynkoop.

## Raffle Knews . . .

Raffle coordinator, Michael Van Horn, received a donation of a box of Magic books, video tapes, and magazines from **Robert N. Clarke** of Lake Forest, California. Van Horn will select the best items from this collection for use in the monthly raffle and donate some items to the Junior Magicians of Ring 313. At our meeting on January 29, 2013, Raffle winners included Jay Leslie, Chris Wynkoop, **Paul Miles** (twice), **Tom Knudson** (twice), Victor Cohn, SUDS, Roy Ball, Mike Miller, Barry Matas, and **James Hjorth** (five time winner).

Michael van Horn reminds you that you cannot win unless you purchase a raffle ticket. Each ticket you purchase helps the Ring to invite high quality lecturers to visit our club. Thank you for participating. It is fun to hear your numbers called. Ask James Hjorth, he won five times in January!

# 2013 IBM Convention News

**REGISTER TODAY**

**[www.Magician.Org](http://www.Magician.Org)**

This is your Opportunity to attend the **85<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL I.B.M. CONVENTION** and see: Michael Finney, Mike Chao, Mike Douglas, Mike Michaels, Mike Bent, Mikaël Szanyiel, Mike Giles, Tony Chris, Mike Dardant, Curtis Cam, Diamond Jim Tyler, Rich Bloch, Jean Paul Olhaberry, ...and more!

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If you 19 or under, come early (July 15, 2013) and attend the 1<sup>st</sup> **I.B.M. Lance Burton Teen Seminar** – Hosted by **Jeff McBride** and **Eugene Burger**. Lectures, Workshops and Special Guests! Teens may attend the Lance Burton Teen Seminar at no additional charge if registered for the convention.



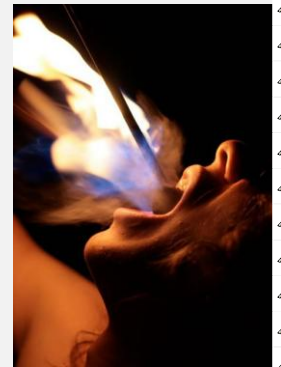
## LUNCH BUNCH

Every Friday afternoon the **LUNCH BUNCH** meets at Carrows Restaurant in Huntington Beach. More than twenty local magicians break bread and share new ideas about magic. If you haven't been to the lunch bunch recently, put it on your calendar. You can practice a new effect or teach something to an eager audience. Come join us and have some fun with magic! The Friday Lunch Bunch of magic begins at 12 o'clock on the zenith.

**Carrows Restaurant, 16931 Magnolia St, Huntington Beach, CA 92647  
(714) 848-1995**

Chris Wynkoop is the new President of IBM Ring 313. He is a tax accountant and magician known for his fire-eating abilities. **Which of the statements below is false?**

- A. Worked at the Magic Island many years ago
- B. He is a distant relative of Alexander Hermann
- C. He performed in a magic show with Harry Blackstone, Jr.
- D. He organized a magic show in which the audience was made to "disappear" because of a falsely triggered fire alarm.





The answer is B, Chris Wynkoop is not related to Alexander Hermann.

## Secretary's Notes . . . What's happening at the Ring?

**February 26, 2013** we will welcome the amazing magic of FISM winning card magician, Gregory Wilson, a local guy who has made it big in magic. Gregory Wilson has lectured and performed workshops for Ring 313 on several occasions. This visit will give you some new ideas that he has created for his upcoming European Tour. Wilson will be presenting a hand's on workshop immediately before the lecture, contact **Todd Reis** for details (714) 673-7320.

**March 26, 2013** meeting will feature a lecture from the famous "Magic Smith." Chris Smith. Known to many performers as Magic Smith, he served as President of IBM Ring 313 in 1998. He is visiting us from his new home in Las Vegas, Nevada to demonstrate how he develops ideas into performance winners. Bring your own magic ideas to show how you can produce magic using ordinary objects.

**April 30, 2013** has a very special performer from Texas, Mr. Richard Turner. Turner is regarded by many as the best card magician alive today. He serves as a consultant to the U.S. Playing Card Company to help them develop playing cards that meet the demanding standards of magicians and professional card players. We are honored to host this special lecture from a master of the pasteboards.

**May 28, 2013** we will continue our tradition of hosting a pasteboards *sleight-of-hand* practice session. Members will demonstrate to each other favorite methods of manipulating playing cards to the amazement and delight of audiences young and old. Bring a couple of decks of cards, including at least one deck that you can destroy so you can practice some of the favorite handlings that separate real magicians from ordinary card cheats.



**Jon Armstrong, Martin Lewis, Daniel Sylvester, David Regal, Joyce Beck, Jack Medlevine, and Alfonso**, visited Ring 313 in 2012 to share their love of magic with us. We are grateful for their service to magicians. Look at these names again. Notice that in addition to being among the best performers in America, that each person on this list is a local resident of southern California. We could add many more names to this list, including some of our own members and former members. Think about that for a minute.

We are awash with famous performers. We live in a special place. Looking forward, let's see who is on our radar for 2013. **Shoot Ogawa** (now a local), **Gregory Wilson** (Orange County resident) **Magic Smith** (former President of Ring 313), **Richard Turner** (former Southern California magician now living in Texas), and **Johnny Ace Palmer** (Orange County resident). We live among a wealth of great magicians. We must show our gratitude for this abundance of outstanding conjurers.

## SHOOT OGAWA Dazzles

January 29, 2013

was the first meeting of the Ring for this year. We were fortunate to start the year with one of the top performers in the world, Mr. Shoot Ogawa. He began by performing some of his awarding winning routines using playing cards, coins, and ropes. After dazzling the members with his effects, Ogawa painstakingly described the methods he used to create the magic. Ogawa's methods are sensible and practical; in his hands, they are diabolical. He described a four coin production effect where each coin was produced using a different principal thwarting any spectators attempt to discover his methods. Members eagerly questioned Ogawa to get detailed explanation of angles, sleights, and special handling of coins, ropes, or pasteboards. Everyone was pleased with Ogawa's responses. Guests and members left the meeting with big smiles on their faces. Ogawa's lecture is highly recommended.

### IBM RING 313 Profit and Loss Statement (January-December comparisons)

Prepared by Chris Wynkoop, Treasurer

<b>Income</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>2011</b>
Dues, Members and Guest	1,650.00	2,292.00
Dues, Members, Guests, Swap meet	325.00	100.00
Raffle Income	737.05	328.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>2,712.05</b>	<b>2,720.00</b>
<b>Expense</b>		
Picnic	158.71	268.83
Awards and Engraving	195.03	0.00
Bank Charge	74.00	138.00
Christmas Party	25.90	0.00
Dues and Subscriptions	-30.00	0.00
Juniors	28.75	0.00
Lecture Fees	1,750.00	1,950.00
Newsletter	26.00	136.32
Office	233.71	0.00
Postage and delivery	21.30	52.80
Supplies, Secretary	72.37	120.95
Lodging	-93.50	86.90
Youth related	0.00	311.60
Total Expense	2,648.48	3,065.40
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>63.57</b>	<b>-345.40</b>

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## Wizard's Calendar

Regular meetings are held at the **Irvine Ranch Water District Building, 15500 Sand Canyon Avenue in Irvine**. Coastal Fertility building in the Community Room. Directions and map at [www.Ring313.org](http://www.Ring313.org).

<b>Tuesday, February 26, 2013</b>	7 pm	<b>Gregory Wilson, the real deal!</b>
<b>Tuesday, March 26, 2013</b>	7 pm	<b>Chris "Magic Smith" Smith former President IBM Ring 313</b>
<b>Tuesday, April 27, 2013</b>	7 pm	<b>Richard Turner, cardician extraordinaire, consultant to U.S. Playing Card Company</b>
<b>Tuesday, May 28, 2013</b>	7 pm	<b>Playing card workshop, hands on practice of your favorite sleights</b>



## Is Magic an Art?

Whether you call yourself magician, conjuror, juggler, prestidigitator, cardician, miracle worker, clown, mentalist, illusionist, mime, escape artist, puppet actor, mystic, fakir, you practice an ancient art that is developed to entertain, surprise, and educate audiences young and old. Is magic an art? If you have to ask, then you will never understand the answer!



# GREGORY WILSON

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## IBM Ring 313 Hosts an evening with Gregory Wilson Tuesday, February 26, 2013 at 7:00 PM

**Community Meeting Room IRWD**

**15500 Sand Canyon Avenue, Irvine, California**

IBM Ring 313 hosts a special evening of entertainment, practical magic effects, and hands on work from an international favorite, Mr. Gregory Wilson. He is a two-time winner for Close up playing cards at *FISM*. He took 3<sup>rd</sup> place at Lisbon in 2000 and then earned 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the Netherlands in 2003. Gregory visited our Ring in 1999, 2001, and again in 2006. He is a local Orange County guy who has no life; for Gregory there is only magic. Come ready for an evening of fun and excitement.

### What are audiences all over the world saying about Gregory Wilson?

*"Where's my watch?" "He's not Mark Wilson's son!" "Magician, magician, are you kidding, the guy is hilarious. I couldn't stop laughing. Where's my watch?"*



### The JOHN FEDKO Ring

"IRVINE RANCH WATER DISTRICT NEITHER SUPPORTS OR ENDORSES THE CAUSE NOR ACTIVITIES OF ORGANIZATIONS WHICH USE THE DISTRICT'S MEETING ROOMS THAT ARE MADE AVAILABLE AS A PUBLIC SERVICE."





Cartoon of location of new meeting room for **IBM Ring 313**. We meet in the Community Room of the Coastal Fertility building at **15500 Sand Canyon Avenue**. Entrance is from the northbound side of Sand Canyon Avenue only. If you arrive from highway 5 and are headed south on Sand Canyon, then make a U-turn at Waterworks Way and turn into the parking lot serving both locations. Our new meeting room is about 50 yards from the former meeting room. *Cartoon is not to scale.*

