

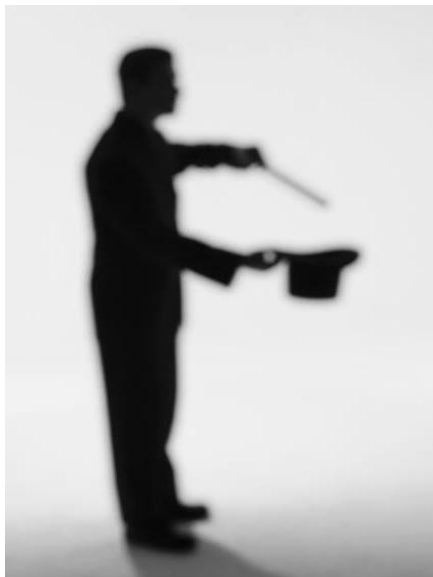
# Legerdemain Digest

RING 313 - THE JOHN FEDKO RING

## UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

### March 31

Members! Our next general meeting will be all about YOU!! Do not miss "Magician's Choice" night on Tuesday, March 31, 2009. Everyone bring your favorite magic tricks to share in small groups. It will be optional if you would like to divulge your secret. Also, if you would feel so inclined, you may share your trick with the entire room.



### Welcome NEW Members!!

*Craig and Quinton Fults*

*Ruben and Caroline Garza*

*Randy Gonzalez*

It is always a pleasure to see new faces at our meetings! Welcome to our lair, er, I mean club. The Ring is our name and magic is our game. We hope you find all that you are seeking in our wonderful club full of activities, contests, lectures, and most of all MAGIC.

*(editor's comment: JUNIORS RULE!!)*

## PAST EVENTS:

by Philip Henderson

*The full version of this article will appear in the Linking Ring.*

Dennis Forel, master balloon artist, is a lung man. He uses his diaphragm to inflate his balloons almost instantly. He uses a few less than one hundred balloons for each performance. Forel uses balloons to



create wonder. He "is not a balloon bending machine, he is an entertainer who uses balloons." Dennis has more than 100 animals in his repertoire, including a miniature teddy bear riding a tricycle, all made with one balloon. Forel began his career making magic with balloons on March 15, 1975. He has been studying and perfecting the craft of using balloons to entertain audiences ever since. It is a pleasure to see a magician comfortable with his artistry and thoroughly enjoying shar-

ing good times with his audience.

Forel is able to improve the quality of his performances and to understand what parts work best for different audiences by observing the audience during his performances. Magicians who fail to learn from their audiences, ultimately fail as performers. Forel said that the "critical eye of the audience tells him whether he is successful." If the audience recognizes his creation, then he did his job—if they say it looks more like a dog than a horse, then he has more work to do.

Prominent in Forel's work were the stories he told. The stories last the same length of time it takes to create the balloon animals. Dennis Forel was impressive with his patter, simple and direct moves, graceful temperament, and power to command the audience. We were delighted with his lecture. No animals were harmed during his performance and the juniors selected souvenirs from the samples.



# MAGIC NEWS YOU COULD USE

## Magic on TV Schedule

Monday Nights

My Network TV

8/7c Masters of Illusion

9/8c Magic's Biggest Secrets Finally Revealed

More schedules can be found on

<http://www.tvmagicguide.com/>

\*if any member watches programming that is related to magic, please send me a review (summary and opinion). I will publish your review in the next newsletter (as long as there is room). Your review can be as short or as long as you want it to be. Email your reviews to [Ring313.editor@gmail.com](mailto:Ring313.editor@gmail.com).

## The 5 Biggest Mistakes Made by Beginning Magicians

By Wayne Kawamoto

1. **Arrogance and Acting Smarter Than the Audience**
2. **Humiliating or Embarrassing Volunteers**
3. **Inadequate Preparation**
4. **Not Properly Structuring a Show**
5. **Wearing a Character Costume** (that doesn't reinforce the magic)

The full article can be found at  
<http://magic.about.com/od/beginningmagic/a/041708mistakes.htm>



**Magic Castle Swap Meet is  
Saturday, May 2, 2009**

## RING JUNIORS

**Hey Jazzy Juniors! Remember, whenever there is an opportunity to perform your magic, GRAB IT! For example, our next general meeting is a wonderful chance for you to shine. You will get great support and feedback from our members who have been performing for years. You all should be jumping at this chance to participate!!**

**Also, at our next few junior meetings (2nd Saturday of each month), we want to work on our ROUTINES! The end of the year is notorious for contests and I believe that now is the time to formulate your act.**

**See you soon!**

**-Annie**

## Special Thanks

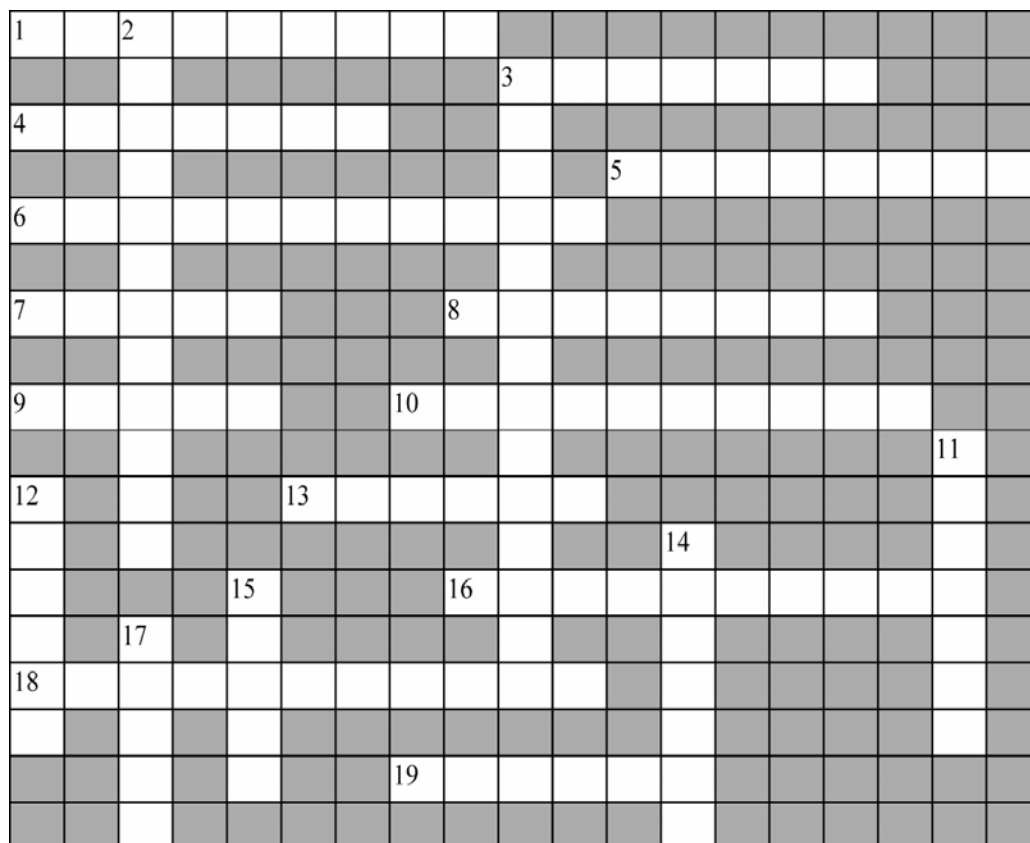
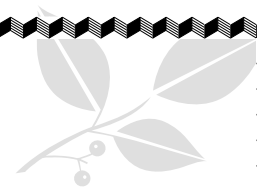
Thank you to all newsletter contributors from the past few months (Philip Henderson, Kevin Brown & Kent Kwan). More thanks goes to Dave Peltier for doing the raffles and Jay Leslie for volunteering to be our Ring Photographer!

## Raffle Spotlight

Attention! Attention! We have a sneak peak at the next major prize for our April general meeting. Drum roll please....

**"Insight"** (a mind reading wallet that allows you to do small miracles)!!! Break open that piggy bank! Work that extra shift! Bring your cash and buy that winning raffle ticket! Gotta have INSIGHT!

# Magic Crossword Puzzle



## ACROSS

1. Premier Cups and Balls performer and only 29 inches tall
3. Night of Ring 313's general meetings
4. Died on Halloween 1926
5. Ring 313's first president
6. Began as a private home built in 1909 by Rollin B. Lane
7. Youngest First Place FISM Winner
8. Alexander, Adelaide, Leon
9. Origin of the word "magic" (Persian)
10. Harry Sr. and Jr.
13. Running commentary as you perform magic
16. Dante's famous catchphrase
18. Chriss Angel's famous catchphrase
19. "The Professor"

## DOWN

2. William Robinson
3. Ben Robinson's book about the Bullet Catch
11. World's Strongest Magician
12. Robert Harbin's magical creation
14. Richard Pitchford
15. Current Ring 313 president
17. Majority of Ring 313 members attended his class



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## Magic Calendar

Regular meetings are held at the Irvine Ranch Water District building, 15600 Sand Canyon Avenue, Irvine.  
Directions and a map are available at [www.Ring313.org](http://www.Ring313.org).

Tuesday, <b>March 31</b>	7 PM	Ring 313 <b><u>Regular Meeting</u></b> : Magician's Choice Night
Saturday, <b>April 11</b>	2 PM	Ring 313 <b>Juniors Meeting</b> at Annie & Kent's, Santa Ana
Tuesday, <b>April 14</b>	7 PM	Ring 313 <b>Lite Gathering</b> at Knowlwood's, Irvine
Tuesday, <b>April 28</b>	7 PM	Ring 313 <b><u>Regular Meeting</u></b>
Saturday, <b>May 9</b>	2 PM	Ring 313 <b>Juniors Meeting</b> at Annie & Kent's, Santa Ana
Tuesday, <b>May 12</b>	7 PM	Ring 313 <b>Lite Gathering</b> at Knowlwood's, Irvine

### *Your Ring 313 Officers and Board Members*

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