

Legerdemain Digest



IBM Ring 313

The John Fedko Ring

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Message from the “fire eating” President

Magicians throughout the world mourn the loss of master magicians Dean Dill and René Levand. You can revisit their magical skills on YouTube. They were giants in our business. Many of us were fortunate to see them perform live. Locally, Dean Dill's Shoppe was a magnet for outstanding magicians.

This month Kevin Brown will share some magic with the Junior's prior to our regular meeting. So, Juniors be sure to arrive by 6:15 pm. Please contact Philip Henderson in advance to register for the Junior's Jam Session.

What do you think this Club runs on . . . Magic? Well, it does BUT we need your financial contributions to do what the magic cannot. Thank you for those who have paid promptly. Special thanks to those who contributed in excess of the dues schedule. Your extra donation to Ring 313 is appreciated. If you have not paid yet, please send your dues payment using the *Self-Addressed Stamped Envelope* you received in December. In addition, please help us by purchasing raffle tickets from Josh Serrano, our Rafflemeister! He is doing a great job.

Magician Ryan D. Schell is rebuilding the Ring 313 website. If you are interested in assisting, please contact him directly. We post flyers for upcoming events and the monthly newsletter. Let us know what you think of www.Ring313.org. We are grateful for the hard work Ryan D. Schell is giving for the benefit of The John Fedko Ring. He will miss many of our meetings due to a recurring schedule conflict, but give him a warm thank you when you see him.

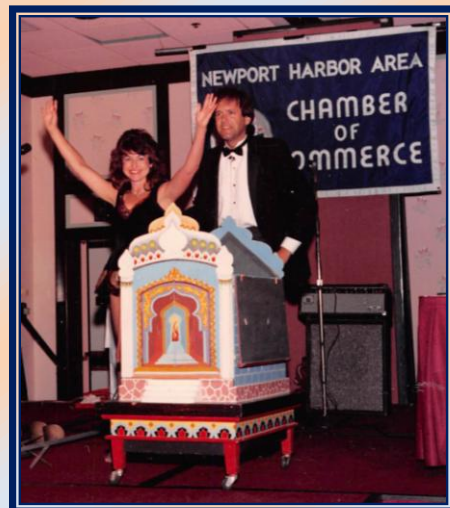
This month we welcome as our guest lecturer **Maestro Eugene Burger**. Not only was he the award winning Youth magician in the 1950's, but he received a Special Award for Theory and Philosophy from FISM in 2012! He has joined with Jeff McBride teaching magic in Las Vegas for more than a dozen years. You are in for a treat.

Chris Wynkoop,

Proud to be the RING 313 President

MAGIC CASTLE ANYONE?

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. Call me at (949) 929-0829 or email at Chris@WynkoopCPA.com



Members: We need your help in taking our club to the next level.



We are seeking new blood to help lead the John Fedko Ring. We have a talented board of directors, but the same gentlemen and lady do the work year after year. Our Ring's success is due to the many magic loving members who support the Ring. Let's keep **The John Fedko Ring** one of the top Rings in the world. We need your help to do this. If there is an area you would like to volunteer for, or to know more about, please contact me. Chris Wynkoop: chris@wynkoopcpa.com or cell (949)929-0829.

Joint I.B.M. and S.A.M. Ethics Statement

The International Brotherhood of Magicians and the Society of American Magicians join in recommending that all magicians adhere to the following code of ethical conduct

Oppose the willful exposure to the public of any principles of the Art of Magic or the method employed in any magic effect or illusion.

Display ethical behavior in the presentation of magic to the public and in our conduct as magicians, including not interfering with or jeopardizing the performance of another magician, either through personal intervention, **or the unauthorized use of another's creation.**

Recognize and respect for rights of the creators, inventors, authors and owners of magic concepts, presentations, effect and literature, and their rights to have exclusive use of, or to grant permission for the use of by others of such creations.

Discourage false and misleading statements in the advertising of effects and literature merchandise or actions pertaining to the magical arts.

Discourage advertisement in magical publication for any magical apparatus, effect, literature of other materials for which the advertiser does not have commercial rights.

Promote the humane treatment and care of livestock used in magical performances.

Each organization expects its members to adhere to the foregoing ethical principles and to educate non-members to the need to adhere to these ethical precepts.

RING 313 OFFICERS and DIRECTORS 2015

President Wynkoop is wearing two hats. He is eager to pass on the Treasurer's duties to another member. You do not have to possess a CPA to handle our finances. Please step forward to spread the work. Secretary Henderson is also producing the monthly newsletter. He is eager to find an understudy to work on the newsletter to provide a creative addition to this publication. Even if all you want to do is prepare a page or two on each installment, Henderson will be grateful. He is unable to produce the newsletter during the summer. He is working at the Orange County Fairgrounds as head oxen teamster. He will be grateful if someone will step forward to produce one issue for July or August 2015

One vacancy needs a creative hard-working volunteer. The **Sergeant At Arms** is responsible for setting up the meeting room before and after each meeting. In addition, the Sergeant At Arms is responsible for maintaining order during the meeting, which means keeping heckling to a minimum and laughter to the maximum. Let us see if we can change some of the names next year to give other members the opportunity to serve a leadership role in the Orange County magic community.

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Maestro Bill Pearce led a Broken Wand Ceremony at our January 27, 2015 meeting in honor of long time member David Gray. David was also active in Ring 96 and OCMC; he was a stalwart in magic in Orange County. We are grateful for his participation in The John Fedko Ring. Thank you Bill Pearce for honoring our good friend with the Broken Wand Ceremony.

David Montgomery Gray
December 27, 1942—January 5, 2015



RING LITE is resurrected

We meet on the **2nd Tuesday** at **Knowlwood Restaurant in Irvine**

Thanks to members **Kevin Brown** and **David Peltier** RING LITE is back in business. RING LITE is an opportunity to show work in progress. This informal workshop gives magicians of every ability a platform to perform and eliminate problems in a new effect before you present it to the public. If you desire to learn a card sleight or teach a new method, this is the place for you.

RING LITE starts at 6:30 ish in the evening at Knowlwood Restaurant on Sand Canyon Avenue next to the 5 freeway. We continue until the restaurant closes at 9:00 pm. All you have to do is show up ready to workshop any effect you desire.

CARDS

COINS

ROPES

MENTALISM

CUPS & BALLS

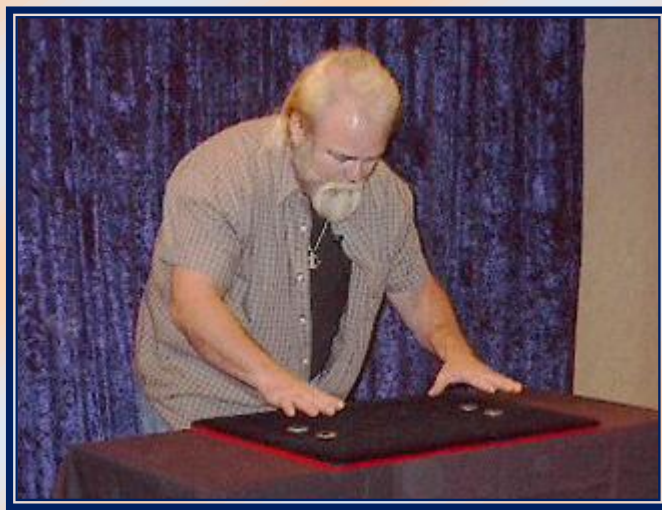
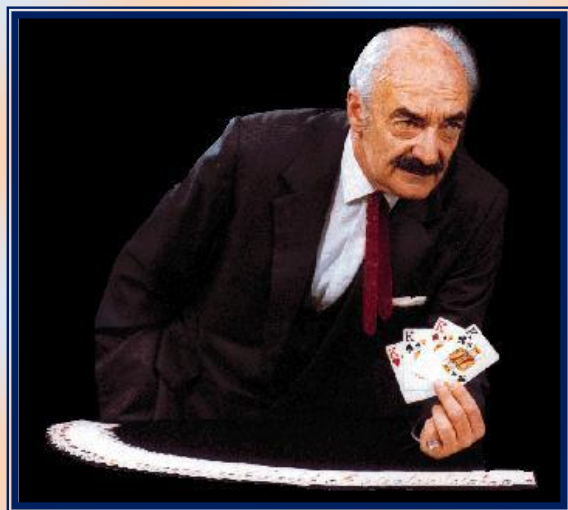
DICE



**René Lavand and Dean Dill, experts at the art of magic.
They inspired us to be the best we can be.**

René Lavand September 24, 1928-February 7, 2015

Dean Dill March 8, 1947-February 7, 2015





Tuesday, February 24, 2015

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The John Fedko Ring Presents



Eugene Burger



We start magic promptly at 6:00 pm with a special Jam Session for Junior Magicians. Our meeting will be called to **(dis)order** at 7:00 pm.

Join us to welcome to the John Fedko Ring, Maestro Eugene Burger. By definition, magicians are pretty special people, but Eugene Burger is considered exceptional even by other magicians. He has written fifteen best-selling books for the trade, starred in eight instructional videos, lectured extensively to magicians' groups in over a dozen countries, and his writings have been translated into several languages.

Burger's deep understanding of the psychology and philosophy behind the magic have won him international accolades, cover stories in conjuring magazines, and four awards from the famed Magic Castle in Hollywood. Find out why this engaging entertainer is in constant demand for private parties, corporate functions and special events. Discover for yourself what the Chicago Tribune hailed as the "delightful excitement" that is uniquely Eugene Burger.

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."

Welcome NEW Members

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.

New Raffle Ticket Prices starting October 28, 2014

\$2 donation gets you 4 tickets

\$4 donation gets you 10 tickets

\$5 donation gets you 15 tickets

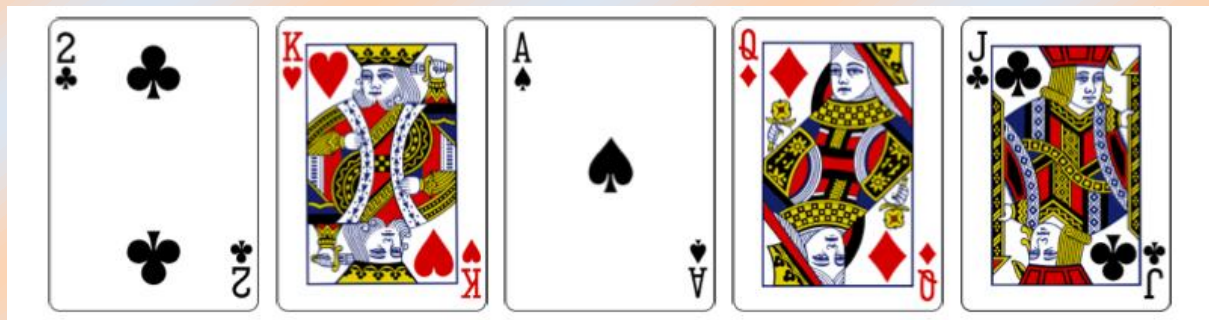


Junior Magician's Jam Session!

Tuesday, February 24, starting promptly at 6:15 pm, we will host a Junior's Workshop to practice close up magic effects. The evening's session will be led by **Kevin Brown**, famous for his magical mysteries including **Mentalist** **Magical Effects**.

Kevin served as president of the John Fedko Ring in 2008, 2009, and 2010. He is an accomplished magician and designed the close up table we use at the club. Come have some fun and learn to perform a new magic trick. Please contact Philip Henderson to register for this event. We merely need an accurate count to make certain we have enough materials for everyone.

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Why are these magicians having so much fun? Where are they? Can any magician join them?



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.

Tuesday, February 24, 2015	7pm	Eugene Burger
Tuesday, March 31, 2015	7pm	Member's Workshop
Tuesday, April 28, 2015	7pm	Nick Lewin
Tuesday, May 26, 2015	7 pm	To be announced

Are you Hungry for Some Magic?

Join us at The Lunch Bunch. We meet every Friday whether rain, snow, sleet, or sunshine. We are at Carrows Restaurant. Come have some fun with your favorite Orange County Magicians. You can practice a new effect or teach something to an eager audience. You love magic. Make this a regular Friday activity. This is a great opportunity to get to know some of the top magical performers residing in Orange County. The fun begins at 11:45 am and continues until at least 2:00 pm. Stay as long as you like.

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

Editorial Comments by Philip H. Henderson

(Please note that the comments below represent my personal opinion.)

Magic in Orange County California is at risk.

The Orange County Magic Club may be the oldest club for magicians in Southern California. Many members of Ring 313 have been active members of OCMC for decades. Recently OCMC has suffered a series of setbacks. Let us, the magicians of The John Fedko Ring, find all the ways we can to help the Orange County Magic Club thrive in the months and years ahead.

A large part of the solution to OCMC's current situation will occur when the club discovers a way to recruit and retain young magicians. The John Fedko Ring is headed the same way as OCMC. We are "aging in place." Our future, and the future of OCMC, are linked. In order for Ring 313 to continue its excellent programming, we need to recruit and retain young magicians who will provide the creative leadership we need for our future. Many of the issues faced by our sister club would be ameliorated if they had an influx of young magicians to add vitality to their organization.

Please note that the Ring Officers of 2014 and 2015 were identical. We are honored to serve the Ring in these positions of trust. We are eager to perform the work that must be done between meetings to assure successful events. Nonetheless, there is a great deal of talent among our membership. Many of you have held leadership positions in your career choices and in magic organizations. I humbly ask that you step forward to provide support for Ring 313 and for the magicians still active with the Orange County Magic Club. The John Fedko Ring is fortunate that we can meet at the IRWD without having to pay a monthly rental charge. We are fortunate that a core group of members step forward each year to keep the leadership alive. We are lucky. Our future should not depend on good luck. We can secure our future by recruiting and retaining younger members and by using the talent we have within the John Fedko Ring.

I have been told that the youngest performers don't want to hang out with a bunch of old guys. Instead, the best of the young crop of magicians meet each other on the Internet. They want the flexibility of being with each other 24/7. They don't have to pay dues and travel to attend a boring meeting. If that is what they think of us, then we have an opportunity to show them something different. We can show them what makes membership and participation in OCMC and RING 313 important as they explore their love of the art of magic.

We must engage the young magicians on their own turf, the Internet. Then we can inveigle them to visit our meetings to observe what we have going on. I am convinced that the magic tricks that they learn on the Internet are merely tricks . . . not real entertainment. Magicians do not perform tricks; magicians give their audience the sense that a miracle has occurred before their eyes. Ring 313 and OCMC have something special to offer young magicians, cumulatively, we possess thousands of years of experience performing live magic. You cannot get that experience online. Please step up to help OCMC thrive again. Please step up to assume leadership roles at the John Fedko Ring. Magic will continue to thrive when you do your share!



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"The John Fedko Ring"

Dues Notice for 2015



This is your Dues notice for calendar year 2015. Please complete the form below and send it with your remittance to the attention of Philip Henderson, Ring Secretary. Your cancelled check is your receipt. **The increase last year was our first dues increase since 1999.** Thank you for your support of the club.

2015 Dues Schedule

Regular membership	\$40.00
Regular membership plus spouse.	\$60.00
Junior membership (Under 18 years on January 1, 2015).	\$25.00
Junior and parent	\$45.00

Please make Annual dues payment payable to **IBM Ring 313**.

Check number _____
Date of check _____
Amount enclosed \$ _____
Name of spouse (or parent for juniors): _____

Ring 313's monthly newsletter will be sent to you via electronic mail. Please write legibly the complete email address you want us to use. If you have no way of receiving Email, then please note below and a printed copy will be mailed to your mailing address. Every printed copy mailed costs about \$1.20 in stamps and supplies, or about \$14.50 per year for each member. Help us reduce these expenses to a minimum. Thank you!

Please update your address, telephone number and provide your email address for the 2015 Member roster. We want to be certain to have the most up to date information for all our members. Thank you.

Name _____
First Name Middle Last Name

Street City Zip Code

Preferred Telephone _____ (home/office)
(Area code) Number

Email address _____

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. If you arrive from highway 5 and are headed south on Sand Canyon make a U-turn at Waterworks Way and turn into the parking lot serving both locations. New meeting room is about 50 yards from former meeting room. Cartoon is not to scale.

