

# Legerdemain Digest

RING 313 - THE JOHN FEDKO RING

UPCOMING MEETINGS &amp; EVENTS

**Banachek Lecture. Don't be left out!!!**

**!SPECIAL EVENT!**
**WEDNESDAY  
7/15/09 @ 7:30PM**
**LOCATION: OCMC  
9501 Chapman Ave  
Garden Grove**

**SPECIAL LECTURE:** The one and only, Banachek!! If you have never seen him perform, I don't know where you've been because this magician is amazing. He draws you in, bedazzles you, and *BAM!* You don't know what hit you. Described as the Cream of the Crop when it comes to entertainers Banachek is the worlds leading mentalist. His talents are so incredible that he is the only mentalist to have fooled scientists into believing he possessed "Psychic Powers" only to later reveal he was fooling them.

Banachek has been awarded the Psychic Entertainers award for Creativity, the Psychic Entertainers award for Outstanding Contributions to Mentalism and The Psychic Entertainers award for Entertainer of the year. In the college market he received the Entertainer of the year award two years in a row and the following year the College Novelty act of the year.

Banachek has performed and lectured in every continent but one and every state in the USA but Alaska. His creations are used by magicians professionals and amateurs all over the world. His most recent book, Psychological Subtleties 2 was recently award the book of the year. Banachek's lectures are rare and in such demand that he was asked to lecture at FISM.

As a creator Banachek is sought out by such performers as Penn & Teller, David Blaine, James Randi and Criss Angel. In fact, Banachek is responsible for putting over 75 network TV shows together in the USA. Every single book and DVD Banachek has released has been a best seller.

In this lecture he will teach amongst many things, updated versions of PK touches. He will teach hands on the most realistic metal bending you will ever see and all the great subtleties and misdirection behind every move. Banachek promises this lecture will have something for everyone regardless of your experience or skill level. This lecture will change the way you think about mentalism and magic.. This is the lecture of the year you will not want to miss!!

- Do note, this is a special lecture at a different place and time.

Banachek will lecture on **WED JULY 15, 2009 7:30pm at the Garden Grove Women's Club 9501 Chapman Ave, Garden Grove, CA.** (where OCMC meets). Of course this is FREE to Ring 313 members...we've got you covered.

More reminders: No general meeting this Tues, 6/30 and our July meeting will be a Swap Meet.

## PAST EVENTS

By Philip Henderson

On Saturday, June 20, 2009, IBM Ring 313 hosted its annual picnic. This year the picnic was at the beautiful home of Ring Treasurer Gary Meier. Gary and his wife Robbie set up a beautiful tableau for the picnic. There was an abundance of tents for shade, comfortable seating, and lots of friendly cheer. Even the weather cooperated. The skies seemed to threaten rain; some attendees reported showers at their homes, however we were in a cone of silence with pretty clouds and no rain.

We are grateful for Gary and Robbie's hospitality and generosity. There were many pleasant memories formed by the seventy members and family who attended this potluck event. Don and Donna Soul, from IBM Ring 76 came the farthest distance to attend the affair. Member Jeff Abbit, aka "Abbit the Average," served as Master of Ceremonies. Jeff kept us laughing in between acts by Ring Founder John Fedko, President Kevin Brown, and members Suds, Nick Baker, Nate Kvetny, and Deaf-inately Magic with Steve Longacre and Greg Koppel. The headliner for the day was guest magician, Dana Daniels with his co-star Luigi. Performers, thanks for all your magical entertainment.

Origami artists Joe and Yami kept everyone entertained with their fanciful creations made with precision paper folds. Children of all ages flocked to the origami tent committed to learning how to make some of these masterpieces themselves. Special thanks to Todd Reis and Kevin Brown for their walk around presentations during the meal. In addition to the potluck items, the Ring provided burgers, hotdogs, potato salad, and green salad. Members entertained each other with walk-around magic effects. Door prizes were given to lucky members possessing winning tickets.



## FUTURE EVENTS

**AUG 1: OC Fair Future Magician Contest and Magic Workshop to follow. 11-3.**

**SEPT 12 Ring 313 Junior Meeting:** We have quite a treat! Special Workshop given by Mr. Fedko! This is a don't miss event. Juniors, check your email in a few weeks for details!

**IBM Convention 2010:** Town & Country Hotel and the Balboa Theatre July 6-10, 2010

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** for OC Fair! Free admission to the fair! We need 1-2 hours of your time (to sit at a booth and do, what else, magic)! Space is limited! Please contact me, Kent or Kevin Brown. Sat, Aug 1 from noon-3pm.

## Ring 313 Juniors Corner...

### *Meeting Criss Angel*

Written by Kevin Fogg

Have you ever been a fan of someone who inspired you to exceed in life and to be famous worldwide? Well I know I have. Criss Angel has been an inspiration of me since his show started in 2005. Knowing that he can achieve his dream makes me want to do it also. Magicians today hate him as much as we hate The Masked Magician. Although Criss doesn't expose tricks he illustrates in his show that magicians killed magic with their cruddy presentations. Now he has a show in Las Vegas called BeLIEve. Now we know that he did achieve his dream into becoming a world renown magician, Criss Angel.

On June 7<sup>th</sup> my mom and I made a long journey up Big Bear Mountain, packed with Criss Angel merchandise for him to sign. Waiting 9 hours wasn't as bad as it sounds considering I think Criss Angel is the best. When he pulled up in his 2010 Escalade we knew it was him, because the only cars that were coming in at that time were 2001 Hatchbacks. Seeing him for the first time almost made me puke. The reason he came up here was because Big Bear Choppers were giving him 3 motorcycles. So we went shopping at the little shop they had that was filled with merchandise. I, of course, stacked up on that. Then the time came as I waited in line for hours waiting to meet him, my time came and my head was spinning there he was Criss Angel. He signed a lot of things that I had and got a picture. This summer I hope to see him again in his live show in Vegas. Meeting Criss Angel was a moment I will never forget.

## Message from our President.....



Our year is passing quickly and we have already had so many amazing times. From great lectures, member participation nights and now topped off with our fabulous picnic. But there is still more to come. I like to urge all of you to participate in all our ring has to offer.

Besides our regular meeting, the second Tuesday of each month we hold our "Ring Lite" meeting. Members gather at the Knowlwoods Restaurant's "tool room" and discuss, practice, demonstrate, and improve their magic. This is a very casual get together and is open to all 313 members. For more info. contact me.

The juniors have their own special monthly meetings hosted at the home of Kent, Annie, and Collette Kwan. This is an opportunity for our junior members to hone their magic skills, to learn, to teach and to session with each other.

The month of July is shaping up to one of our busiest.

On July 15th Ring 313 is co-hosting with O.C.M.C. one of the finest mentalist in the world, Banachek. This is a bonus lecture for us and will be held at the Garden Grove location of O.C.M.C. Of course this lecture is free to all Ring 313 members. Don't miss this one!

On the July 28th we will hold our annual swap meet. In the past this has been a very popular event and this year for the first time we will combine with O.C.M.C. This is a great chance to buy, sell or trade all that unused magic that you have stuffed in your closet. If you would like a table at our swap meet it's simple. Call or email me (Kevin Brown) 949 347-0305 and request a table. The fee is a donation of a magic item valued at \$10.00 or more to our future raffles. But call soon space is limited.

Finally I would like to take a moment to say what a wonderful picnic that we had this year. Held at the amazing home of Gary and Robbie Meiers. There was plenty of good food, good magic and more laughter that I have had in quite awhile. Our show was emceed by our own Jeff Abbit who did a great job, and was complimented by the fine performances of Steven Longacre & Greg Koppel, John Fedko, Nick Baker, Suds and Nate Kvetny. Add to this the hilarious Dana Daniels and Luigi the Psychic Parrot and a great time was had by all.

I would like to thank everyone that worked so hard to make this years picnic the great success that it was. In particular I would like to thank Gary and Robbie Meiers and family for their incredible generosity in hosting this year's picnic. Thank You!

*Sincerely, Kevin A. Brown Proud President of I.B.M. Ring 313*



## MAGIC DAY – Future Magicians Contest

*Are you a budding magician? Do you like pulling things out of a hat? Here's a fun day to show your skills and learn a few new tricks.*

**When:** Saturday, August 1 at 11am.

Check-in 30 minutes before performance time at the Fun Zone Tent information desk.

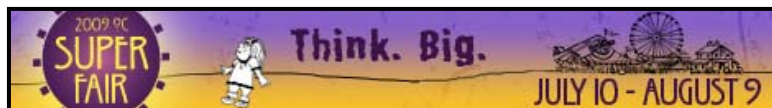
**Who:** Future magicians, ages 7-18. Limit – 10-minute performance.

Pre-register by calling the Fun Zone contest hotline at 714.708.1519, July 29-31. Or email Annie at [aykwan@gmail.com](mailto:aykwan@gmail.com). Leave your name, age and daytime phone number. One free

admission ticket, valid for that day only, will be waiting for you at the Will Call booth located at the Main (Blue) Gate. Ask for the "Future Magician's" envelope. Performance will be judged on difficulty, originality and creativity. Judging and awards ceremony will be immediately following the competition. You may use an assistant, background music and simple props.

**Where:** Fun Zone Stage

Something Special: IBM Ring 313, will be holding a free Future Magicians' Workshop in the Fun Zone Tent, August 1, noon to 3pm.



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Questions? Comments? Corrections? Ideas? Magical articles? E-mail the editor at [Ring313.editor@gmail.com](mailto:Ring313.editor@gmail.com)

## 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).

*** <b>REMINDER</b> ***	—	<b>No Regular Meeting</b> for June
Saturday, <b>July 11</b>	2 PM	Ring 313 <b>Juniors Meeting</b> at Annie & Kent's, Santa Ana
Tuesday, <b>July 14</b>	7 PM	Ring 313 <b>Lite Gathering</b> at Knowlwood's, Irvine
Wednesday, <b>July 15</b>	7:30	Banachek Lecture @ OCMC mtg Garden Grove Women's Club
Tuesday, <b>July 28</b>	7 PM	Ring 313 <b>Swap Meet</b> (OCMC members invited)

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

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