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IBM Ring 313

The John Fedko Ring

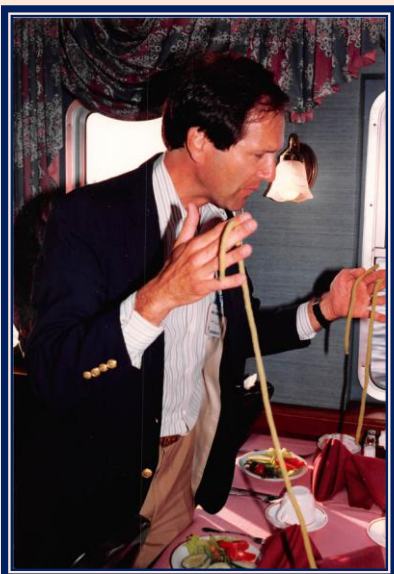
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Message from the "fire eating" President

Many thanks to Kevin Brown for handling the October meeting in his usual Halloween way. What a fun evening, even with our last minute temporary change in location. What a great evening when our members perform for each other. That is what the club is about!

Being an accountant, I am snowed under during tax season; it is helpful to get the upcoming year's calendar scheduled out through April. We think you will like what we have planned for our club.



Upcoming Events for Ring 313

November 25	Al Lampkin, Lecturer
December 16	Party at Chris Wynkoop's
January 27	Greg Wilson, Lecturer
February 24	Eugene Burger, Lecturer
March 31	Chris Randall, Lecturer
April 28	Nick Lewin, Lecturer
May 26	Member's Workshop

Past president Todd Reis and I will be attending a SAM convention in Las Vegas mid-November. The purpose and focus of the two-day meeting is to discuss how to run a successful magic club. Although we have one of the largest (and probably the best) club in the US with 100 members, I think we can always find areas where we can improve. Your suggestions are welcome too. We are always in need of assistance. Right now, we need assistance in Newsletter and the Secretary's area, Juniors Program and overseeing our web site. Christmas Party: December 16 from 6:30-9:30 at the home of Chris Wynkoop (601 Rockford Road, Corona Del Mar, CA 92625). Club will provide coffee and waters, potluck, as done in the past.

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



October 28, 2014

The Night of Halloween Magic was scary for everyone!

What do you expect on the night of a scary Halloween night with the John Fedko Ring? Well, first you expect a good turnout of members. Thank you, more than fifty members and guests showed up. Secondly, you expect scary magical illusions that will make you scream or at least make your hair stand on end. Third, you look forward to cheerful greetings as members enjoy each other's company on this scariest of all nights at Ring 313. Mark that down as accomplished. That is what we expected, and it was delivered frightfully. What we did not expect was that we would have to hold our gathering in the parking lot, without lights, with no way to gain access to the meeting room.

The spirit of Houdini must have been present on October 28, because the first hour (from 6 pm until 7 pm) we gathered in the parking lot, without lights, and with no way to gain access to the meeting room. Fortunately, when we contacted our host, they sent Cheryl Kelly to rescue us. The first words she spoke were, "if you are real magicians how come you didn't just open the lock."

Of course, she was right. Our master of escape was gainfully employed in a magic show. Had Jay Leslie been present, he might have defeated the locks on the doors but then we would be inside the meeting room without lighting or air conditioning. It appears that for a couple of hours on the evening of October 28th there were spot outages of power throughout Irvine. Some traffic signals were not operating. Nonetheless, the main offices of the Irvine Ranch Water District were fully powered up. The lights were on in their section of the parking lot and the building was receiving electricity. Cheryl Kelly, the representative from IRWD used her magic to open the main building for us. We transferred our belongings from the dark parking lot to the lighted lunchroom of IRWD. Then we performed bloodcurdling magic in that room.



Before we started the main event for the evening, President Chris Wynkoop asked for nominations for officers and directors for the coming year. Elections will be held on Tuesday, November 25, 2014 at 7:00 pm. The slate of officers nominated is noted below.

Officers

President	Chris Wynkoop
Vice President	Victor Cohn
Secretary	Philip Henderson
Treasurer	Chris Wynkoop

Directors

Raffle Meister	Josh Serrano
Junior's Program	Annie Young and Kent Kwan
At-Large	Jay Leslie, Kevin Brown, and Todd Reis



Our scary host for the evening was **Maestro Kevin Brown**. He had plenty of new material for us on this night. He borrowed a quarter from a spectator who then inked his initials on the coin. Kevin proceeded to swallow the coin. When it was clear to all that the coin indeed was swallowed, Kevin attempted to cough the coin out of his throat. However, on the way back the coin took a detour. Using a surgical clamp, Kevin safely extracted the coin from his right nostril. The spectator confirmed that it was the same coin but refused to accept it back. **Chris Wynkoop** needed a strong cup of coffee to keep awake all

night long. He brought a Starbucks double shot but at first put in too much sugar. Not at all upset, he punched a hole in the bottom of the cup and spilled out the excess sugar he did not want for his beverage. Not a drop of coffee fell to the floor, so our host is still pleased with our visit.

Josh Serrano, our new Raffle Meister, demonstrated his ability to mix extravagant stage lighting with music. His "light show" was spectacular. New member **Ken Gerenraich** demonstrated his new "vegetable" chopper. A spectator nearly lost his head in the process. Gerenraich provided a safety cloth to prevent blood from splattering the walls and carpet. New member **CeCe Lane** showed us the "squared circle" has an endless supply of goodies for everyone assembled. She produced everything except a kitchen sink. Those in the front row cleaned up on candies and cookies.



Philip Henderson asked a volunteer to choose eleven cards from a deck of Tarot Cards. Henderson asked the volunteer to remember one card, calling that card his friend. After a few magical passes, Henderson asked the volunteer if the new top card was indeed the card he silently chose.

Steve Longacre brought an electric miracle. This item had three colored lights (red, green, and yellow). No matter how much spectators attempted to confuse the switches on the miracle item, the light that was selected would illuminate.



Judson Wells and **Solomon Rurup**, two Junior members put on a complete

magic show using each other as assistants. In one effect Wells swallowed a lifesaver that magically reappeared on a wire that had previously been wrapped around his throat.

New Junior Member **Rabby Yang** put his reputation and health on the line with a hidden spike illusion. He placed



an eight-inch spike under a brown paper bag then challenged a spectator to hide the spike from him. We were relieved that the young magician was able to keep both his reputation and his right hand . . . of course he magically avoided impaling himself on the hidden spike. **Dave Peltier** and his beautiful assistant Cleopatra (aka **Gary Meier**) proved that the powerful magic of the ancient Egyptians still rock the world.

Thanks for everyone who performed on a scary Halloween night at the John Fedko Ring. We are again grateful that past president **Kevin Brown** stepped forward to lead us in this evening of fun and entertainment. Kevin is our leader in the weird, bizarre, and bloody magic tricks, effects, and illusions.



John Fedko Ring Holiday Party

Remember to mark your calendar for Tuesday, December 16, 2014 6:00 pm for our annual holiday party. This year is a potluck affair at the home of President Chris Wynkoop.

Please RSVP no later than Saturday, December 13, 2014. You may contact Secretary Philip Henderson to get your name on the list. Henderson will send you the address and directions to the event.

POTLUCK INFORMATION BELOW

Bring your spouse and other family members as you wish and enough food to share with six people. If your surname begins with the letters **A through N** please bring salads or desserts. If your surname begins with the letters **O to Z**, please bring a side dish or main course.



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



We need new blood to help run our ring. We have a talented board, but the same dudes end up being the only ones to do the work. The reason for our Ring's success is we have many magic loving members and we have a board that eagerly does the necessary preparation. Let's keep this 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.

Keep Magic Alive in Orange County using Nine Methods

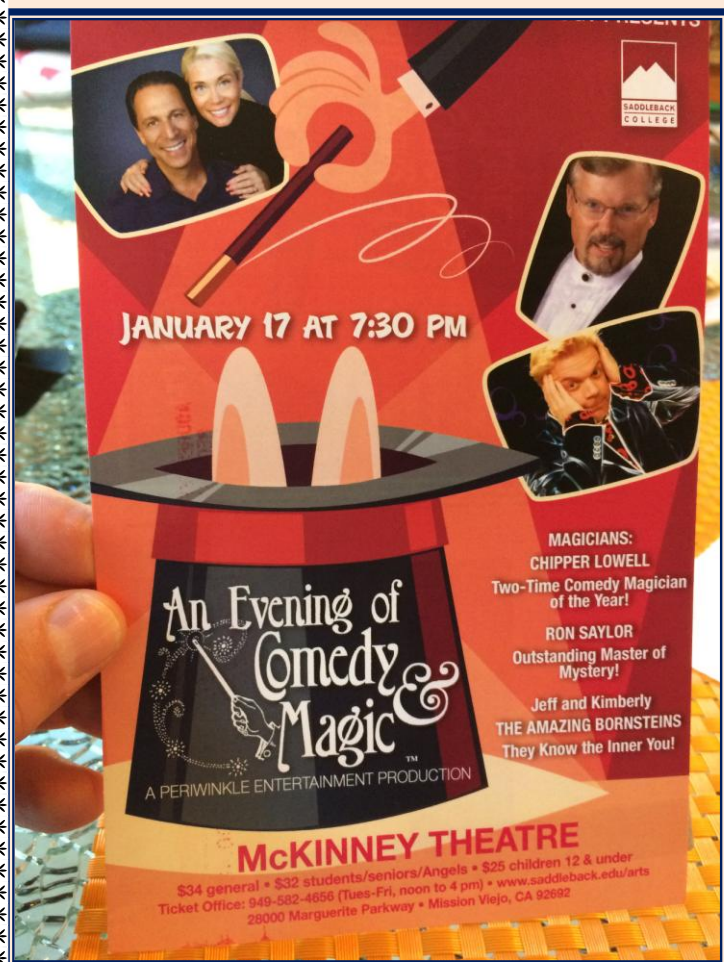
1. Bring young people to the next Ring meeting, children and grandchild count too!
2. Tell president Chris Wynkoop that you want to volunteer to serve as a mentor to a young magician.
3. Tell vice-president Victor Cohn that you want to visit a local high school drama department to demonstrate magic as a performing art.
4. Notify treasurer Chris Wynkoop that you are prepared to donate money for scholarships for young magicians.
5. Call secretary Philip Henderson and sign up for a leadership position in the Ring. We will be holding elections in November; it would be great if we had at least two candidates for each position.
6. Contact board member Todd Reis and let him know that you want to donate magical effects that you no longer use to a young magician. Next, volunteer to help this young person perfect the performance of the effect.
7. You have enjoyed the performance of magic your entire life, choose a meaningful way to pass on the love you have for the art.
8. Let Jim Greene know that you are going to sign up to perform Magic at the Mall this holiday season. Jim Cardman Greene has arranged this event for several years at a local mall. This is a terrific opportunity to show live magic to the public and to recruit new members at the same time.
9. Promise yourself that you will teach several of your favorite magical effects to at least three people who are not magicians before December 31, 2014. When you teach a magic effect to a layman, he or she begins to think about becoming a magician.

There is a real MAGIC in enthusiasm. It spells the difference between mediocrity and accomplishment.

Norman Vincent Peale

A Little Bit of This and a Little Bit of That

See Ken Gerenraich for more information about "An Evening of Comedy Magic"

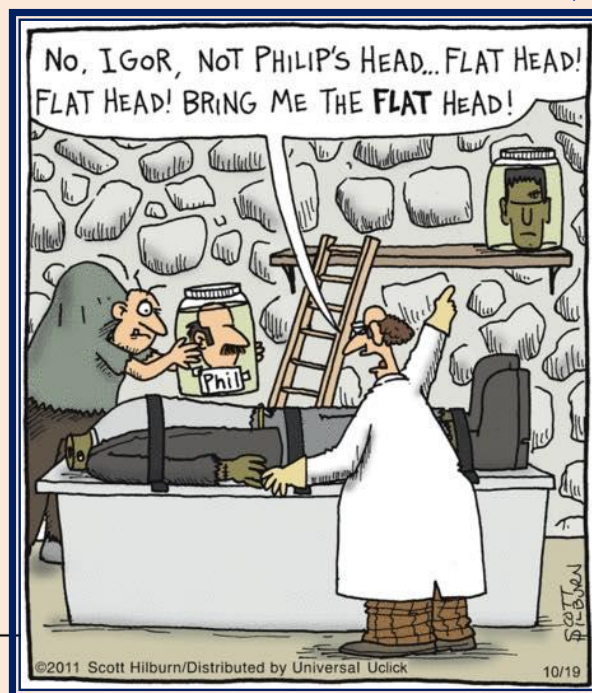


The Orange County Magic Club (OCMC) meets the third Wednesday of each month at the Garden Grove Women's Club building. Meetings begin at 7:00 pm. Come join them for an evening's fun with magic! Meet fellow magicians and share the joy.

Secretary Philip recently misplaced his head. He normally removes his head while sleeping. During Halloween, someone must have taken Philip's head for a costume. If you discover Philip's head, please notify the Legerdmain Digest editor.



Who is the dude with all that sparkle? Free raffle tickets if you can name him and provide proof. Hint, he is a long time member of Ring 313 and often wears a vest that looks as if it could double as a checkers board. Peace and Love Brother!





Our friend **Marcia Harris** was recently honored as an Amazing Women in recognition of her volunteer work in the city of Long Beach. Here she is dressed as Fanny Bixby of the Long Beach Bixby family. Also in the photograph is Leopold, a puppy she is training to become a service dog. Give her your warm congratulations the next time you see her.

RING 313 OFFICERS for 2014

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President	Chris Wynkoop	Chris@WynkoopCPA.com	(949) 929-0829
Vice-President	Victor Cohn	Victor@Cohnmail.net	(562) 252-2580
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Junior's Program	Annie Young/ Kent Kwan	aykwan@gmail.com ReallyHotPants@gmail.com	(714) 966-1652
Webmaster	Cornelius Wilson	kryptic001@gmail.com	949.606.6279
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Director	Todd Reis	Tr3d@hotmail.com	(714) 673-7320
Director	Kevin Brown	Glyphman@cox.net	(949) 347-0305

PLEASE Note: Our November 2014 Lecturer, **Maestro Al Lampkin**, wrote an article for the October 2014 Linking Ring. On page 64, you will enjoy reading Al's thoughts on "How to Build Your Business." Please show respect and memorize the article before the lecture. You will be tested at the door to see if you remember every word. Everyone capable of this feat will be denied admission. We don't suffer show offs in this club. Of course, if you are able to recite the article backwards while balancing on a unicycle, then you will be ushered in the room on a golden chariot.





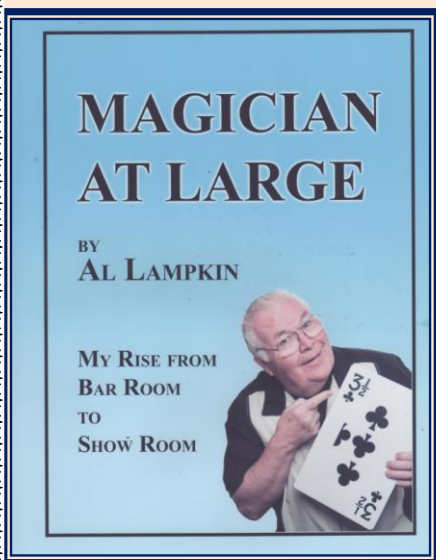
Tuesday, November 25, 2014

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The Magic of Al Lampkin



Al Lampkin has been entertaining audiences for more than four decades. He began entertaining before you purchased the corporate necktie you are wearing. He has done it all, cruise ships, restaurants, stage, television, parties, any where someone wants humor and magic you may discover the headliner is no other than Al Lampkin.



Al is a recent past president of Salt Lake City Utah's IBM Ring 193. He understands and loves magic just as you do. We are honored, and pleased, that Mr. Al Lampkin accepted our invitation to entertain and educate the magicians of the John Fedko Ring.

Our meeting starts promptly at 7:00 pm, doors open at 6:00 pm.

"Al will deal out more tips and tricks than you can shake a wand at. From children's shows to cruise ships, Al has done it all. He will reveal the methods he uses to secure bookings from the audiences he prefers!"

"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. Please welcome new members, **Paul Navarro**, **Rodney Detrick**, **Larry "Zeezo" Campbell**, **Frank Yee**, and **Rabby Yang**. Rabby Yang is a Junior member. He is a high school student at University High School. Rabby has some exciting plans for himself. He wants to start a magic club at his high school and is curious about what he must do to become a Junior member of the Magic Castle. Many of you know Zeezo and Frank, but if you don't know these two young fellas, give them a warm welcome to the John Fedko Ring.



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



This message is from Houdini. It is written in invisible ink. If you correctly interpret his message, then you are truly a great magician.

I can see you. I know what you are thinking. Stop it now!
A large amount of money will come your way. Will you
accept this money; only the spirits know. This money may
not be the gift you expect. Your spirit thrives on love not
on money. Bool Gotchal

Thank you, Eric Weise



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Who is this “young magician?” If you were at our October meeting, you will know his name.



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, November 25, 2014	7pm	Al Lampkin
Tuesday, December 16, 2014	6 pm	Holiday Party at the Home of President Chris Wynkoop
Tuesday, January 27, 2015	7 pm	Greg Wilson
Tuesday, February 24, 2015	7pm	Eugene Burger

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**