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INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF MAGICIANS RING 92

THE MAGICAL MINUTES

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ANNUAL CLUB PHOTO RETAKE AT MARCH MEETING

The next meeting of IBM Ring #92 – The Vancouver Magic circle takes place on Thursday March 27th, at the Sunrise Community Hall in Vancouver. Doors will open at 6:30 for socializing and workshop starting at 7:00pm. This month’s workshop will cover music in magic and will be hosted by **David Watters**. We encourage people to bring their music CD’s, tapes as well as their ideas. The business portion of the evening is scheduled to start at 8:00pm.

Because the annual club photo taken at the February meeting did not turn out, we have scheduled a retake following the business meeting. This will be welcome news for those who could not attend last months meeting. We encourage everyone to turn out and help make this one of the best-attended photos ever. Please dress for the occasion and bring your smile.

Following the refreshments, the planned entertainment for the evening will feature Past President’s and One Trick Night. Everyone attending is asked to bring a trick to perform.

February 2003 Installation Banquet



David Watters presents Dennis Chan with the Presidents Award

IBM Ring #92 – The Vancouver Magic Circle held its annual dinner for the installation of the newly elected 2003 executives on Thursday, February 20th, 2003. 32 people were in attendance for the delicious buffet dinner at the Best Western Sands Hotel. The dessert table alone contained many goodies that were out of bounds to any waist watcher. Quite a number of people who could not attend the dinner came in to participate in the club photo and to watch our feature event of the evening, the Ray Gamble Trophy competition.

After Dinner, David

Watters presented certificates of appreciation to various members for their contributions to the club in 2002. The phone committee was lauded for their hard work; **Graeme Kingston** for editing the Magical Minutes (our monthly news letter); **Rob McKay** for his diligent work as Trophy Chairman; **Rod Chow** our club photographer; **Anderson Chow** for developing our website; **Jeff McLeod** and **Karen Eskilson** for the Children’s Magician of Year, and picnic; and **Ray Medway** and **David Wilson** for their excellent work on the 2002 Weekend of Magic, a very active year. **David Watters** then presented the President’s Award for superior service to **Dennis Chan**.



Ray Culos presents Munro MacKenzie with the David Culos Memorial Trophy

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ALL MEETINGS OF THE VANCOUVER MAGIC CIRCLE ARE HELD AT THE SUNRISE COMMUNITY HALL LOCATED AT 1950 WINDERMERE STREET, VANCOUVER, B.C. (unless otherwise stated)

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TIDBITS FROM THE TOP HAT!



Congratulations to Jeannie & Gary Savard on the birth of their new baby daughter Madison! Gary says that Madison is already part of the act. Congratulations also go to Jose Almenares who was recently married to his lovely bride Eileen Wang! They were married in a small ceremony late last month and plan on honeymooning in China. Wedding bells were also chime earlier this month for Jiri Slovencik and his lovely lady Jennifer. At the time of this writing they are on their honeymoon down in Mexico.

It was exciting to see Canada's Julie Eng featured on the front cover of February's issue of the Linking Ring magazine. Tony Eng, IBM territorial Vice President of British Columbia and father to Julie has not stopped smiling since the issue hit the stands. If you have not seen the issue yet, stop by Tony's Trick and Joke Shop 688 Broughton Street, Victoria and he will be more than happy to show his copy. In the same February issue IBM Ring #92's very own Gerry Hennessey, had a three-page feature article titled "Stand Out, Get Noticed & Get Booked (pages 73-75)". Kudos to you Gerry, awesome article, and nice picture too!

We have just pulled out from the Top Hat that out of town member Doc Eason has been nominated for 2003 lecturer of the year by the academy of magical arts and sciences. Good Luck Doc!

If you have any Tidbits or interesting magic news, please let us know so we can share with the rest of the club! Phone the Tidbit hotline at 604-617-8047 or email vmcnews@ibmring92.com.

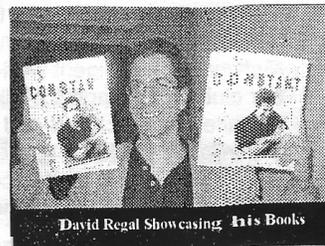
Plans are underway for the 2003 Children's Magician of the year show, competition for the Wilf Rutherford Trophy (Best children's appeal show). The Studio Theatre at the Shadbolt Center has once again been chosen to host this year's show. The facility was used for the first time last year to rave audiences alike because of its intimate and up close atmosphere. If you are performer, please register your name through trophy reviews by both performers and its intimate and up close reviews by both performers and its intimate and up close interested in becoming a your name through trophy any executive member. Deadline April 20th, 2003.

Tickets will be ready for distribution at the March 27th meeting. All seats for the event are only \$5.00 each. Get yours early as last years show sold out. The program book for the children's magician of the year show is also under production and we are now accepting advertisements for interested individuals. Please contact Juan Garcia or David Wilson for your prime advertising spot.



Everybody loves David Regal

47 magic enthusiasts attended a fun evening of comedy and close-up magic when David Regal brought his lecture "Close-up and Personal" to Douglas College in New Westminister. David presented his signature Cups & Balls routine and the all-new Sudden Deck routine; where a flattened bicycle card box is cleanly shown on both sides, then folded up into a card box where magically a deck of cards appears from inside of the card case. David mystified and delighted the room living up to the reputation as 2002 Lecturer of the year.



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The David Culos Memorial Trophy for the Golden Rabbit Award, awarded annually to a member who has unselfishly given of their time & efforts for the advancement of the Circle had several nominees (an honour in itself). -**Ray Medway, Dennis Chan, David Wilson, David Watters, and Munro MacKenzie.** Ray Culos, David Culos's father, was in attendance to present the trophy to the 2002 winner, **Munro MacKenzie.**

After the award presentations, past president **Ray Medway** swore in the new 2003 executive; **David Wilson** – President, **Juan Garcia** – 1st V.P., **Karen Eskilson** - 2nd V.P., **David Watters** – Secretary, **Dennis Chan** – Treasurer, and **Doug Smith** - Sgt. at Arms. Karen rendered real credence to the song "The Lady in Red." Lovely. The gavel changed hands and the new order took over.

David Watters showed off the new club vestments—a tasteful golf shirt, a great vest complete with a 30cm crest on back as well as small crest on front, and a comfortable cap. Agata McLeod (Jeff's wife) had been very instrumental in the design of the garments and colour choice.

By this time 45 members had assembled so we retired to the boardroom for the annual club photo. We had a professional photographer take the photo. Imagine our chagrin when we learned a week later that the pictures did NOT turn out. President **David Wilson** has arranged a re-shoot at our next meeting.

Next up was the Ray Gamble Trophy competition—a 10-minute maximum with a previously unopened deck of cards and a close-up mat. It was done on a beautiful gamblers table built by **David Watters.**



Matthew Johnson receives Ray Gamble Trophy from David Wilson

Jose Almenares, last year's winner was the M.C. for the event. The competitors were **Kelvin Ng, Matthew Johnson, Jeff McLeod, Andrew Yeo, David Hamil, Gerry Hennessey, and Chris Taylor.** What wonderful manipulation and dexterity. The judges really had to be on their toes to reach a decision—the eventual winner was **Matthew Johnson.**

Raffle prizes for the evening included; two lovely books authored and donated by Ray Culos called "Vancouver Family of Italians", (an inside look on the effect of the Italian immigration on Vancouver's cultural mosaic); three delightful ceramic clown figurines donated by **David Murdoch** and all the decks of cards that were used by the competitors in the competition. **David Watters** won the 50/50 draw of \$61.00.

As a special treat we witnessed the video taping of **Rod Chow's Money Magic Wish Maker** act. Rod plans to use this as a competition entry tape for the IBM convention in Las Vegas this summer. Good luck Rod.

Munro MacKenzie Ring Reporter

CONJURER'S CALENDAR

A MONTHLY GUIDE TO MAGIC AND EVENTS IN OUR COMMUNITY

THURSDAY, MARCH 27TH, 2003

IBM RING #92 - VANCOUVER MAGIC CIRCLE
REGULAR MEETING
WORKSHOP 7:00
BUSINESS MEETING 8:00
GROUP PHOTO RETAKE 8:30
PAST PRESIDENT'S AND ONE TRICK NIGHT

FRIDAY, MARCH 28TH, 2003

PAVEL LECTURE
7:00pm – ROOM 2203
DOUGLAS COLLEGE
700 ROYAL AVENUE, NEW WESTMINSTER, BC
FOR RESERVATIONS CALL
DAVID WILSON @ 604-467-7887

THURSDAY, APRIL 24, 2003

IBM RING #92 - VANCOUVER MAGIC CIRCLE
REGULAR MEETING
WORKSHOP 7:00
BUSINESS MEETING 8:00
CHARLES HOWARD TROPHY – GIMMICK CARDS

SATURDAY, MAY 3RD, 2003

IBM RING #92 - VANCOUVER MAGIC CIRCLE
CHILDREN'S MAGICIAN OF THE YEAR SHOW
WILF RUTHERFORD TROPHY
1:00pm - STUDIO THEATRE
SHADBOLT CENTER
6450 DEER LAKE AVENUE, BURNABY, BC
ALL SEATS – \$5.00. FOR TICKETS CALL
DAVID WILSON @ 604-467-7887

THURSDAY, MAY 22ND, 2003

IBM RING #92 - VANCOUVER MAGIC CIRCLE
REGULAR MEETING

FRIDAY, MAY 23 & SATURDAY MAY 24, 2003
STAN KRAMIEN'S SIXTEENTH ANNUAL
NORTHWEST MAGIC JAMBOREE
BIG TOP RANCH, NEWBERG OREGON
CONTACT STAN AT 503-277-2478

THURSDAY, JULY 31 – SUNDAY AUGUST 3, 2003
PCAM 2003 CONVENTION
EXECUTIVE HOTEL & RESORTS
COQUITLAM BC

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IBM RING #92 - The Vancouver *Magic Circle*

LECTURE SERIES PROUDLY PRESENTS:

Pavel



PAVEL'S ORIGINAL MAGIC is both astonishing to watch and easy to perform. He is the author of several books on magic and is known around the world for his magical creations.

For decades now, the name PAVEL has been synonymous with some of the most innovative mag ever invented. Pavel has mystified and entertained lay audiences the world over with his fantastic magical inventions while at the same time, delightir and inspiring magicians at his countless lectures all around the globe with the compelling secrets of his magic. Pavel's magic has taken him around the world from the most prestigious venues to the set c TV's Ed Sullivan show... and now he's sharing his award winning magic, and the ingenious thinking that makes it all work, with you.

Pavel's brand-new lecture "HOW TO INVENT A NEW TRICK" features a large range of his latest amazing visual creations using general props such as ropes, cards, silks, coloured discs, etc. Not less

then three-dozen various effects are performed and explained. All are clearly detailed in "100% MAGIC - 100% PAVEL".

Friday March 28, 2003

7:00pm

Douglas College - Room 2203

700 Royal Avenue, New Westminster, BC

Pre-registration: \$20.00 VMC Members/\$25.00 Non-members

Admission at the door: \$25.00 VMC Members/\$30.00Non-members

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