



V — RING 92 — VANCOUVER MAGIC CIRCLE

November 2015

the Charles Howard Ring

THE VANCOUVER MAGIC CIRCLE

PRESENTS

2015 Christmas

POTLUCK DINNER
AND
STAGE COMPETITION



SUNRISE HALL
1950 WINDERMERE ST. VANCOUVER B.C.

DOORS OPEN - 6:00P.M. DINNER - 7:00P.M.

Thursday, November, 26TH. 2015

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello fellow members.

Well another auction has come and gone. Thanks to everyone who came and supported the auction. Special thanks to Dave Carlson (our auctioneer), Brianna Carlson (our runner), Wiley Allen and Marcia Garcia (our accountants), John Smithman (our photographer), and Chris Yuill and Dennis Chan (who took care of the refreshments). Good deals were had by all – it was a fun night!



It is once again time to put your thinking caps on and come up with a costume for our next meeting. This year there will be a trophy for best costume and a prize. The night will start with our Teach-A-Trick session and a surprise. Wiley Allen will be providing our Halloween refreshments. We will then hold our Tip Top and Tootsie competition. It should be a scary and fun night.

The P.C.A.M. and 3 of Clubs Annual Convention is on November 19th through to November 22nd. If you haven't registered, please take a look at the talent who is coming. If you have registered, please make sure you have your hotel reservations because the rates will increase.

Next up is our ever popular Vancouver Magic Circle Christmas Dinner and Stage Competition. Please contact Dennis or myself and let know if

- #1) if you are attending
- #2) who and how many will you be bringing (family and friends are welcome)
- #3) what you will be bringing for food.

Please let us know as soon as possible as the food is the most difficult to organize.

I also need people to help on the decorating committee. Dennis and I have so many decorations that we rarely are able to get them all up. If we had more hands, we could do it. We start the decorating party at 12 Noon. There is also a clean-up crew required. Please phone me at 604-880-2685 if you can help with anything at the Christmas Dinner.

Graham Kita

President, Vancouver Magic Circle

IBM, Ring 92



WEALTHY SQUIRREL PUZZLE

IF YOU'RE A
WEALTHY SQUIRREL,
YOU CAN DISMISS YOUR
CHAUFFEUR FOR THE DAY
BECAUSE THIS PUZZLE
WILL BE DRIVING YOU
NUTS!



LOOK CAREFULLY!

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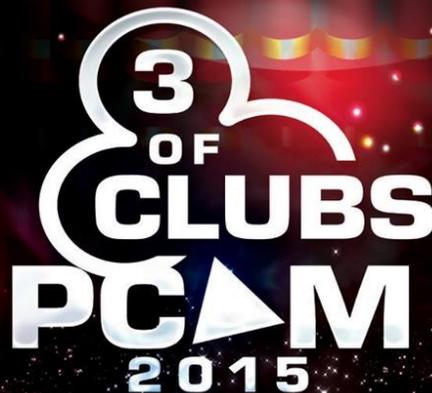
Superstars of Magic *Gala show*

STARRING

MICHAEL DARDANT | BILL ABBOTT | CODY FISHER

WES BARKER | TREVOR & LORENA

AND MORE!



NOVEMBER 21, 2015

DOORS OPEN AT 7:30PM | TICKETS \$15.00
GRAND BALLROOM | COAST CHILLIWACK HOTEL
452920 FIRST AVE, CHILLIWACK, B.C.
TICKETS AT WWW.PCAM2015.CA OR AT THE DOOR

September Report

By: Dennis Chan

After a very busy summer of magic, things went back to "normal." The September meeting is the Vancouver Magic Circle's annual auction. At this year's auction, non-members were permitted to attend with a ten-dollar entry fee. This is the night where members auction off some of their magic equipment that they don't want or use anymore. Some items are brand new and some items are "collector's items." Some members were selling items that they bought at last year's auction that they haven't even used yet.

Items ranged from box magic, silks, DVDs, children's magic, lecture notes, close-up effects and some stage equipment. Dave Carlson was the auctioneer. Wiley Allen was on his computer and was assisted by Marcia Garcia making sure that all items being bought and sold were recorded properly in order to avoid any mix-ups or missing items and that the costs matched the items.

The auction is always a fun-filled event. "Hagglese," the official language of auctioneers could be heard throughout the hall as buyers and sellers tried to get the best price for the items. After seeing many auctions, I could swear that a lot of buyers spent their "month's grocery bill" buying "magic stuff." Brianna Carlson was the "official" runner, making sure that the buyers received their correct items. DVDs were the most popular items on the auction list. The bidding was fast, furious and

"bargain basement deals" for everyone.

Special thanks to

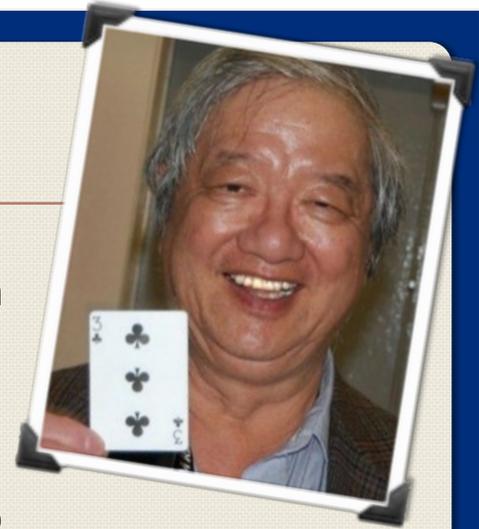
Dennis Hewson and to the late Munro MacKenzie for their donations from the auction which went toward the legacy fund.

Members were reminded of the Halloween themed meeting, the PCAM/ Three of clubs convention in November, the 2016 roster book and the Christmas pot luck dinner. Stephen Braybrooke signed up a new member. His name is Chris Estrada. Welcome to the club Chris.

Many thanks to Wiley Allen for making new laminated bidding cards. Dennis Chan provided the refreshments and he also sold raffle tickets. John Smithman, the club's official photographer took photos of the evening's events. Thanks to Chris Yuill for driving Dennis Chan to and from the meeting.

"Deal" of the evening...! There were plenty of oatmeal and chocolate chip cookies made by Dennis Chan which he packaged twelve to a bag, cost: one dollar a bag with a 50 % discount if you were a magician. Ha ha . They were sold-out within minutes. The money went towards the club's refreshment fund.

There were 30 members and 3 guests in attendance.



-I'm Dennis Chan



VANCOUVER MAGIC CIRCLE AUCTION NIGHT



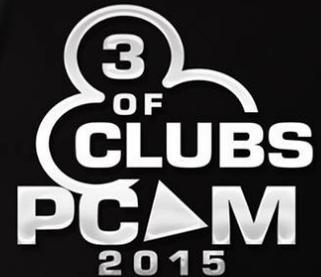
The Annual VMC Auction Night is a wonderful opportunity for fellow Magicians, colleagues and friends to come together, share stories and trade secrets, enjoy one another's company and...buy back some of the stuff you regret having sold at last year's Auction!

Childrens Magician Of The Year Show

*Free Show
No Cost*

Starring

NO KIDDING!



**THE GREAT
ZUCCHINI!**

NOVEMBER 21, 2015

DOORS OPEN AT 1:00PM | TICKETS FREE!!

GRAND BALLROOM | COAST CHILLIWACK HOTEL

452920 FIRST AVE, CHILLIWACK, B.C.

KIDS ARE FREE, ADULTS FREE WITH A KID

VISIT WWW.PCAM2015.CA FOR MORE INFO

October Report

By: Dennis Chan

The October meeting started with a Teach-a-Trick session coordinated by Kelvin Ng. The instructors were Dennis Bauyon and Sammy Doupe-Smith. Both did balloons. Matthew Jones demonstrated some rubber band techniques.

The October meeting is always Halloween themed. There is always a Halloween costume contest whereby the winner is determined by the amount of applause by the members. Billy Bales Hsueh was the MC for this event. The contestants were Graham Kita, Wiley Allen, Gary Spence and Ana Spence. The winner was Wiley Allen, He won a Halloween pumpkin head with four aces standing on a Halloween book. This is a small novelty trophy created by Karen Eskilson, Thank you Karen. This will be a standard trophy for Halloween meetings.

The costume contest is always a fun event. There is also a competition called the Tip Top and Tootsie trophy. This trophy is awarded in recognition of excellence in a Halloween-themed magic performed by an adult or junior member. At least one magical effect (close-up, parlour or stage) with a Halloween theme must be performed.

Billy Bales Hsueh was the MC for this event as well. He read the rules. The competitors were Adrien Pierard, Kelvin Ng and Jeff Christensen. The winner was Jeff Christensen. Kelvin Ng came in second place. Congratulations to Jeff and to all the competitors. Billy Bales Hsueh tallied the scores.

Many thanks to John Smithman for creating an inventory data spreadsheet for the club's library. The spreadsheet contains all the reserve books, non-reserve books and donations from various members. Members can now scroll through the inventory list and select the books that they want to borrow. E-mail the librarian and he will bring the books to the meeting. This will save the librarian from

bringing a whole box of books to each meeting. The only books that are available for borrowing are the non-reserve books. The reserved books are available for viewing at the librarian's home. The library will be updated as more books come in. This will start in March.

Wiley Allen provided the refreshments.

The business portion of the meeting included the Christmas potluck dinner and the gift exchange. The Children's Magician of the Year contest will be held in late December. Details to follow. Dennis Chan was signing up people for the potluck dinner.

Dale Brown donated some books and some VHS tapes to the library. Thanks Dale.

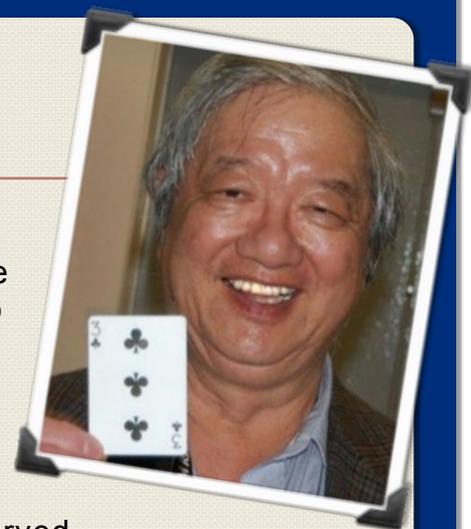
There was a Halloween display put on by John Smithman and Graham Kita. The display included bloody arms, bloody hands, plastic knives and swords and other scary Halloween paraphernalia.

It was nice to see Joe Finkler, a member whom we haven't seen for a long time.

Long time member and faithful supporter of the Vancouver Magic Circle, Adrien Pierard has left the club and will be working in the US. He will be keeping in touch with the club. Good luck Adrien.

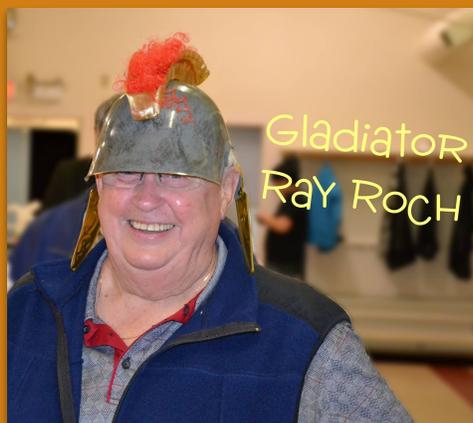
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There were 28 members and one guest in attendance.



-I'm Dennis Chan

Halloween Fun with the VMC!



Bag - O - Tricks

3
OF
CLUBS
PCAM
2015



AWARDS

Competitions

Award Ceremony



THE SOCIETY of AMERICAN Magicians

The Carl Hemeon Assembly #95

Magic Dinner Show Live 2016

an ALL Inclusive Evening of Gourmet Chinese Cuisine, Comedy and Unforgettable Magical Entertainment

Starring



Trevor & Lorena Watters



STEVE "The Pretty Good"

Hilarious Comedy / Magic Illusions / Wild Antics / Amazing Magic

New and unforgettable, Trevor and Lorena Watters are becoming the next hottest comedy magic team on the entertainment circuit. Their show has been described as priceless and fun. Picture the "Carol Barnet Show" or "I Love Lucy" with magic tricks and you would understand why they are the most sought after magical comedy duo. With over 20 international awards including the Siegfried & Roy "Golden Lions Head" from the World Magic Seminar in Las Vegas and the F.I.S.M. North American Stage Magic Championship, Trevor and Lorena take their audiences on a roller coaster ride of comedy, magic and audience participation. Trevor and Lorena Watters are truly two of a kind!

The Steve the Pretty Good show takes the classics of magic and gives them a unique and funny twist and then transforms his audience into hilarious magical assistants. Does someone get sawn in half? You bet. Can he make some one float? Absolutely. Will people be amazed and laugh, a lot? No doubt about it.

+ Pre-Dinner Professional Close-Up Magic by The Society of American Magicians #95!

+ 9 Course Chinese Gourmet Banquet!

+ Award Winning MC Jeff Christensen!

Friday, January 22, 2016
6:00 pm - 10:00 pm

Floata Chinese Seafood Restaurant,
400 - 180 Keefer St.,
Vancouver, BC

Free validated parking on site.

All Tickets at eventbrite.ca
Magic Dinner Show Live 2016

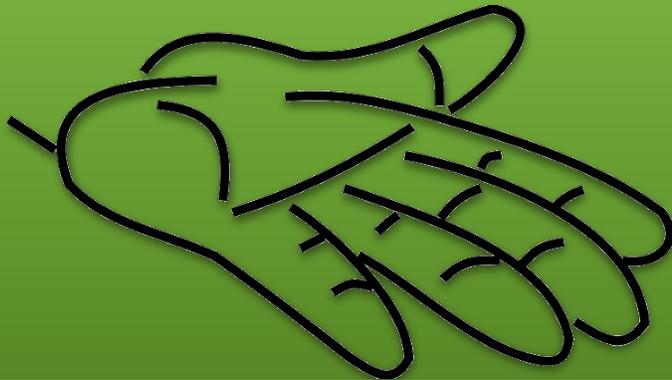


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Generous Gestures

Congratulations to VMC Member James Hanson for his thoughtful offer to those in need... Way to go James!



“Those who can, do. Those who understand, teach.”-Kim Marshall

Your Dues Are **Due!**

Dear VMC Members,

Each winter as the DEW settles on the ground, we DO our DUE diligence and ask members to pay their DUES as they are now DUE. Please don't wait until they are overDUE and we are forced to DO something about it.

Here is the (super-easy to remember), fee structure for 2016:

Adult
one year
\$35.00
three
years
\$90.00

Junior
one year
\$25.00
three
years
\$60.00

**Senior (65
or older)**
one year
\$25.00
three years
\$60.00

Associate Member
one year \$35.00
**Out of Town
Member**
1 year \$20.00

Thank you,
The Executive DUEDES

If you have paid for multiple years in the past, your membership card will indicate when future DUES are DUE!