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VMC Newsletter

Upcoming Dates:

- Next regular magic meeting is our AGM, scheduled for Tuesday, APRIL 4th 2006
- [NIGHT MAGIC](#)
April 6th, 2006
(Victoria Event Center)
- Patrick Page lecture
April 20th, 2006
- Next Magic Youth International meeting is scheduled for April 21st, 2006
- PCAM 2006 August 9 – 13th, less than 4 ½ months to go!

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Victoria Magic Circle – Ernie Crockford Ring #183

APRIL 4th 2006 – Our Annual AGM
Business portion includes ELECTIONS,
So please come out for this very important meeting!

Plus, as usual, a great line-up of presenters
for part two of the meeting:

Focus on a Magician Donald Dunphy

Teach a Trick Tony Eng

Mini Lecture – Shayne King

Theme COMEDY

Show Time Aaron Peeke-Vout

Refreshments Harvey Davidson

Xcellent Lecture series - Coming April 20th:

Mark your calendars and pinch your pennies folks. On April 20th we have non other than Patrick Page coming to Victoria. This Gentleman and sage in our industry has written a myriad of books and has produced an awesome lecture Video series on just about every imaginable angle of magic, one of my personal favorites, which I keep kind of guarded is his 20 second torn and restored newspaper, that's right, 20 second set up, I am sure it will be revealed that night, and more.

This wonderful night has been brought to us as part of the X-cellent lecture series Booked through Lee Asher, and will prove to be a stellar 'not-to-be-missed' event!

Paul Kilshaw



'Magic is a teacher, a demonstrator of laws of physics and chemistry and of mathematics. It instantly attracts the attention and makes its point in visually exciting fashion'

A Reminder from the Editor of the VMC Newsletter ...

Once again, If you have any announcements, news worthy of sharing, or if you would like to write a 'Special Report' on a magic topic that could be of interest to others and you would like to see it in the newsletter, please either phone me at 381-1997 or email me at theking@thekingofmagic.com, and I will do my best to include your submission in the next issue.



Shayne King

'Magic stimulates laughter and wonder, and as magic causes others to laugh, it helps us to laugh. It takes our minds away from introspection or problems that can't be solved, and focuses us in areas over which we do have control.'

President's Report

Congratulations are in order to Ben L'heureux for officially receiving his IBM Pin/Certificate.

Huge thanks to Mike Brough for being our auctioneer and this annual event brought in \$1,147.00 in sales. 10% will go to our club.

I would also

like to welcome three new Associate members to our club: Dave Bonella; Brian Zutz and Murray Hatfield.

David Mohr has stepped up to be our nomination chairman to select our new executive for next year.

Pat Page is

coming to lecture on April 20/06. Venue TBA. Pat is a "living legend" and he's awesome. You don't want to miss this lecture.

The next meeting will be our Annual General Meeting. This is an important meeting. Please attend.



Tony Eng
PRESIDENT

⁴ PCAM EXCITEMENT

Well everyone, less than 4 and ½ months 'til Christmas OOPS I mean PCAM! I hope you are all beginning to dream, as I am, about the amazing magic & lectures we will see, and the people we will connect with at this summer event. What a great opportunity it is to be hosting this convention in our hometown... Thanks to Ron Bell, Tony Eng, and all the PCAM Team Mates for paving the way and thanks in advance to all of you for your help both before and during the Convention, it's going to be great time!

*We have around 100 registered currently, so we have a ways to go to reach the full convention capacity of 225 attendees. If you have magician friends beyond our club, **please** encourage them (via phone or email) to visit www.pcam.biz and to register soon, as a 'full house' makes for more fun and makes an economically balanced convention as well.*

The PCAM team will continue to keep you informed as to how you can help, both before and during the convention, from

Joy Kruger, Registrations

Magic Youth International Meeting ...



Lucas Kavanagh

The Victoria Magic Youth International met for the third time this year on March 17th at Tony's Trick and Joke Shop. Paul Kilshaw started off the meeting by teaching a very cool bit of mentalism and then demonstrated the legendary Chinese Sticks; Shayne King gave a lesson on the classic Linking Rings and even performed his fantastic six-ring routine. Then we were in for a real treat, at January's meeting Paul challenged the MYI members to bring in a report on a famous magician for this month's meeting. The only member who brought in a report was Greg who prepared a wonderful essay of the legendary manipulator Cardini, complete with video! Shayne then demonstrated some slick card manipulation and to top off the meeting we watched a

video featuring Lennart Green, Jerry Andrus and Whit Haydn! The next meeting will be on April 21, 7:00 at Tony's. Until then make sure you check out the MYI website at <http://vmc2.thekingofmagic.com/html/myi/> we have a forum for online discussion and some cool free tricks online!

'Magic delights people of all ages, the sick and the handicapped, the rich and the poor. It crosses all borders and speaks a universal language.'

Around & About Town ...

Member **Bob Smith** is doing a local music show.

Who: London Bobby

What: Pub-Night Dinner Show -

When: Tuesday, March 28th, dinner at 6pm, show at 7pm.

Where: Executive House Hotel, 777 Douglas St. Victoria tel: 388-5111

Why: To laugh, sing along and have a good time.

How much: \$25 dinner and show

Only six tickets left! Call (250) 479-1828

On a completely different note, member **Don McCulloch** is taking flying lessons! **Joy Kruger** has completed Group Fitness Training and is now subbing at various rec centers around town.

We need YOUR help! To keep this column informative (and to keep us all 'connected', please let us know details of what you are up to, so we can publish you the next 'Around and About Town'. Email your news to: joykruger@shaw.ca or call 381-1997.

'Magic is an astounding developer of personality! It helps a person think on his/her feet, develop his/her command of language and gives a sense of confidence. It builds the ego and establishes a rapport between people of different generations and nationalities.'

ROUND TABLE REPORT:



David Attwood

Round
Table
Co-ordinator

The last Round Table session we were focusing on close up miscelanous magic. This was a great jam session with David Mohr, Ray Parker, Benoit l'heureux, Justin Louie, Lucas Kavanagh and myself hammering out some fun routines. We discussed, levitating a ball of paper, David Mohr performed "Mine and Yours" Lucas performed a unique twisting the aces routine Ray Parker pulled out an old illusion that he created where a box with no sides is used to produce a packs of cards. Next Round Table will be on April 20th at 7pm. The topic of discussion will be packet tricks and card magic. The meeting will be held at the Malahat Lounge 105 Gorge Road East, buzz #80 for the lounge and someone will buzz you in.

Just a reminder to everyone that these meetings are only open to members of the Victoria Magic Circle. Family and friends will have to wait for the annual Open House to come to the Hat. Some of the newer members may not realize this criteria for the Round Table sessions. Again. I would ask that all members that come to the Round Table sessions be extra vigilant in cleaning up after themselves and minimizing the clean up that is needed to be done by myself or Bob Reilly. Let's not allow the caretaker any opportunity to find fault with our meetings.

Dave Attwood

'Magic itself is a friend, a lifelong hobby of endless variety which gives one entrance into an age-old fraternity existing in all parts of the world. It fills one's leisure time with an activity with unlimited room for growth of technique and knowledge.'



Our newest Associate Members
Brian Zutz (right) and Dave Bonella



Our latest Active Member
Benoit L'heureux

'When they get together, Magicians are brothers of a kindred spirit who enjoy one another's company, have a common frame of reference and endlessly amuse and entertain each other with variations on familiar themes.'

'With its novelty, surprise, variety, humor and challenge, magic recreates the wonderful of the child where everything is fresh and new. Magic is the last stronghold of the imagination. As science makes wonders recede - magic will always be there.'

A NON-CLUB EVENT BELOW, but enjoyed by club & non-club members alike!:

NIGHT MAGIC

Mark your Calendars folks, Night Magic is once again approaching. For full details on this event please visit our web site www.nightmagic.org - we have a brand new look !!

April 6th 2006 is the date, and doors open at 7:00. Show time is 7:30 PM. Aside from your favorites Paul Kilshaw, Shayne King, and the incomparable Tracy Tanis and Zoltan, we are also featuring , Diamond David Attwood , and The very different magical Stylings Of David "The Great Giffoni" Gifford aka *Fantastico*.

We are really going to miss Ray Parker this time around , Ray has other commitments in jolly old England. We wish him well and a safe return. Tickets can be purchased online, (<http://www.nightmagic.org>) or from me directly (Shayne at 381-1997) or Paul at 382-5071. You can also get your tickets at Tony's Trick and Joke Shop 688 Broughton Street Victoria. VMC members get in for half price at only \$5. VMC tickets must be purchased in advance. We don't want to upset anybody paying the full price at the door.

PLEASE HELP US PROMOTE THE SHOW BY DOWNLOADING THE POSTER FROM THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS <http://www.nightmagic.org/nightmagicposter.pdf>

We hope to see you at the Show



**Submitted by Shayne King,
VMC Newsletter Editor & Co-conspirator of Night Magic**

The italicized quotes throughout the newsletter are from the writings of Abe (Doc) Hurwitz. These were part of my 'Focus' on Shari Lewis and father Abe (Doc) Hurwitz at the March 7th Month Meeting. I hope you find them as meaningful as I do!

-- Joy Kruger



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A note from Murray and Teresa

Thanks to all of the club members that have given us your support since we took over Tony's Trick and Joke Shop. It's been another month and more magic continues to make it's way into the store. It's amazing the amount of new material that's out there and feel free to let me know if there's ever anything you'd like to see on the shelves.

We have several

new books in the store that are classics - **Jim Steinmeyer's "Device and Illusion"** features plans for several innovative illusions and 5 or 6 smaller routines. **Andrew Mayne's "Solo X"** is a great starting place for a number of new illusions (including the walking thru a mirror that I performed on the Firefighters show this year). The new **"Royal Road to Card Magic"** is out on **DVD** and will be in stock within a few

days. This is a 5 volume set by R. Paul Wilson and promises to be a great resource material for beginners and pro's alike. For those who were looking for **Ghost Discs** they're back in stock and also **Criss Angel's Masterworks DVD** is coming and features the much talked about "Coin in Can" that he featured on his tv show. Stop by the shop soon. We look forward to seeing you.

Murray

*Murray Hatfield
and
Teresa Midbo*

