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# VMC Newsletter

## Upcoming Dates:

- Next regular magic meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, MARCH 7th 2006
- [Magician's Against Hunger](#), Mar 1st and 2nd, 2006 (Victoria Event Center)
- Next Magic Youth International meeting is scheduled for March 17th, 2006

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## Victoria Magic Circle – Ernie Crockford Ring #183

### MARCH 7th 2006 VMC Meeting

Focus on a Magician Joy Kruger on a Lady Magician  
Teach a Trick Harvey Davidson  
Mini Lecture Eric Bedard  
Theme COIN MAGIC  
Show Time Tony Eng  
Refreshments Frank Sanz

## Xcellent Lecture series. Coming in April

Mark your calendars and pinch your pennies .. folks .. for the date 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



**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](mailto:theking@thekingofmagic.com), and I will do my best to include your submission in the next issue.



[Shayne King](#)

**President's Report**

We had a terrific turnout for the "Silly Billy" lecture. It seems there are more people turning out for the Children entertainers rather than the hard-core sleight of hand lecturers.

We had an excellent annual auction. Many thanks to Mike Brough for being our

auctioneer. I don't have an official report but I'm sure we must have sold some \$1,000 worth of magic. Many thanks to others who helped: Kerry Zado, our treasurer; and bagger Harvey Davidson.

Due to an overload in prep work for PCAM 2006, the Mirth & Magic Show will be cancelled.

There is a recommendation by the Executives to cancel the Comedy Competition for this year.

I don't mean to harp but for those of you who have **NOT** registered for PCAM 2006, you're going to be missing one of the **BEST** conventions, ever, and its right here in Victoria.



[Tony Eng](#)  
PRESIDENT

<b>THANKS TO ALL WHO HAVE SENT IN YOUR DUES -</b>	<i>If you haven't yet, please send them to:</i>	Kerry Zado, Treasurer, C/O Tony's Trick & Joke Shop, 688 Broughton St. Victoria BC, V8W 1C9
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## Magic Youth International Meeting ...



Lucas Kavanagh

The MYI met for the annual auction on February 17 at Tony's Trick and Joke Shop, and what a night it was! There were some great deals on all sorts of magic props and books. Thanks to Paul Kilshaw and Shayne King for doing an excellent job of running the auction. The next meeting will be held on Friday March 17, 7:00 at Tony's Trick and Joke Shop. Don't forget at January's meeting Paul Kilshaw challenged the MYI members to prepare a presentation on a famous magician. The best three presentations will win a prize from Paul! Also remember to bring a trick to perform for the other members! In the mean time check out the MYI website at <http://victoriamagiccircle.com/html/myi/> and join the discussion in the forum!

## Around & About Town...

Derek and Beverly Peach are again departing for a three month adventure teaching English abroad, this time in Peru. They will no doubt bring back some amazing artifacts to add to their intriguing multi-cultural home decor.

Eric Bedard is again cruising for another 7 weeks performing magic aboard Princess Cruises, followed by 3 weeks at home, and then, yes, more cruisin'.

Doug Poruchny has been busy (as usual!) serving the real estate needs of many Victorians but of late he has been putting a lot of time into some very exciting PCAM promotions and advertising planning.

Ron and Raye Bell will soon be taking in the tropical warmth, ocean breeze, sights, activities, food and ports-of-call on a lovely two-week Caribbean Cruise.

Tony and Ann Eng are busy re-arranging their home: their tenant has recently vacated after many years of renting, and now Ann is developing her own quilting studio in the basement.

Rob Brown did some great sleuthing to find us a great deal on bus transportation for PCAM, and Frank Sanz has done a lot of work organizing the Audio-Visual needs of the Convention, as well as the Security needs.

Dave Attwood has been busy with producing ['Magicians Against Hunger'](#) which happened March 1st and 2nd.

Don't see your name here? I would LOVE to hear what you are up to so I can submit it in Around and About Town in the next newsletter. Please email / call me and let me know at [joykruger@shaw.ca](mailto:joykruger@shaw.ca) or 381-1997



**Cool Magic Dude**  
Eric Bedard

## ROUND TABLE REPORT:



**David Attwood**  
Round Table Co-ordinator

The last Round Table session we were focusing on close up mentalism magic. This was a great jam session with David Mohr, Ray Parker, Benoit l'heureux, Bob Briton, Justin Louie, Rob Brown, Ed Silva-White and myself hammering out some extremely tight mentalism routines. We discussed, mental epic down with slips of paper and utilizing the one ahead technique, the center tear, Ray parker did some cold reading and performed an amazing mentalism effect with esp cards and a regular deck of cards. Rob Brown pulled out an amazing book read utility tool, performed an amazing prediction where he predicted exactly what coin Ray would pull out of his pocket full of change and then what coin the Ray would pull out of Rob's own pocket, with even the year that the coin was minted. Mr. Brown continued to amaze us all with more Richard Osterland material. I then performed a book test with a crossword puzzle book. Everyone contributed to the night and we all walked away with more than what we came in with.

Next Round Table will be on March 20th at 7pm. The topic of discussion will be miscellaneous 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 we have had some issues with the state of the lounge after functions. 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. Thanks.

For a test of his own fortitude the magician brought the biggest, strongest-looking man up on stage to assist him. He handed the man a rubber mallet and told him, "When I put my head down on this block, hit me as hard as you can. Don't worry, it won't effect me at all." The man says, "Okay." The Magician put his head down and said, "Go ahead." Ten years later, the magician woke up in a hospital from a coma and yelled, "Ta-Da!"

## A note from Murray and Teresa



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Wow - does the time ever go fast. We're already a month and a half in and it feels like we just took over the shop yesterday. It's been a lot of work but huge thanks to Tony and Ann for their support, guidance and assistance in making the transition as easy as it could possibly be. Thanks also to the members of the VMC who have supported us all the way. We have a number of new items in the shop and more coming all the time so come on in and check it out. Some of the items of note include:

    Seriously Silly Billy For those who either missed David Kaye's Lecture or didn't have the opportunity or funds to buy his book we have several copies of Seriously Silly. This is a must for the kids

show performer. Actually there's information in here for any performing magician or clown. It contains a lifetime of experience and includes theory, information and a number of excellent routines.

    We also have Silly Billy's Feather Wand as well as his Inflatable Wands - the perfect give-a-way for your young helpers. Anyone at the lecture knows how powerful these are. We're also awaiting shipment of his Silly Wands.

    On the close-up front we have just added Richard Pinner's Kids Kards. This is a great routine where you explain that after performing for a group of kids at a school (hospital, daycare, etc) you recieved a deck of

cards that they made for you. You show a deck of hand drawn cards (they really look like kids drew them with crayons) and then right in front of their eyes you change them into a regular deck...and that's not all. You can then have someone select a card and you can instantly divine their chosen card. We also have added several larger items including a nice set of Multiplying Bottles and a Jumbo 3 Card Monte. If you've seen Goldfinger and Dove perform this you know it can be a show stopping stage effect.

See you at the shop...

Murray & Teresa



Murray Hatfield and Teresa Midbo