



# THE SILENT MESSENGER

Silent Mora-Ray Goulet  
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April 2015



Jon Sanbonmatsu and Felice prepare to view some of auctioneer Ray Goulet's goods. See Auction Night, page 2.



Ryan Lally and Ray trying to figure out what it is.

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**MAGIC SHOW**

**SATURDAY**  
**MAY 16<sup>th</sup>**  
*at* **3 PM**

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**Next Meeting: Wednesday, April 29, 2015**, at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Watertown, 35 Church Street. **7:30 MEETING. Show planning. Ideas, volunteers, participation needed!**

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## Auction Night



Doc Rogers and Gil Stubbs chat.



This rolling magician's table sold for \$100!



Ray Goulet organizing for the next round of bids.

Auctioneer extraordinaire Ray Goulet took the floor and presided over the sale of many magical items from the contents of three estates. Although attendance was only about 12 strong, bidding became spirited on several occasions. No doubt, those who didn't brave the weather to come missed some real bargains. The rolling magician's table was the big item, in pristine condition. A bag of gimmicked coins drew considerable interest as well. As usual, Ray knew the complete history of nearly everything, although there were a couple of "unknowns" in the pile. Several members went home with armloads of loot and we all had fun.

—Bruce Fenton

*Here's some great stuff that your compeers got inexpensively and you missed by not coming to the auction:*

Sleight Of Mouth Book  
 George Sands Rope Routine  
 Michael Close DVDs (5 Volumes )  
 Birthday Silk Blendo  
 Fred Kaps Lecture Notes  
 Ken Brooke Lecture Notes  
 Michael Skinner 3-Card Monte  
 Change Bag  
 Egg Bag  
 Zinc Stearate  
 Balloon Book

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## President's Report

### It's Showtime!

The date is fast approaching. Preparations for our big show on May 16 are well underway. We still need performers and other help so don't be shy. This is why you have been practicing all this time.

We hope to make some money from this event, but more importantly, it is a great opportunity to connect with our community and show them what we are all about. This could be the first show that some of them have ever attended and we are the local ambassadors of magic. Let's show them something they've never seen before!

Please consider printing and posting our show flyer and place it around your town wherever you can. **You can even share it with your friends online. Anyone can download a big poster here:**

[https://www.dropbox.com/s/xc6cabkc12iife8/IBM Show Poster Final.pdf?dl=0](https://www.dropbox.com/s/xc6cabkc12iife8/IBM%20Show%20Poster%20Final.pdf?dl=0)

Let's get the word out. We're hoping for a packed house, some benefit to the church and spreading lots of good will among the folks in the region.

—Bruce Fenton

## Secretary's Report

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 by our president, Bruce Fenton.

The Secretary's and treasurer's reports were accepted by the members.

It was announced that Alan Wassilak will be guest of honor at The Oceanside Magic Invitational, April 11 on Cape Cod.

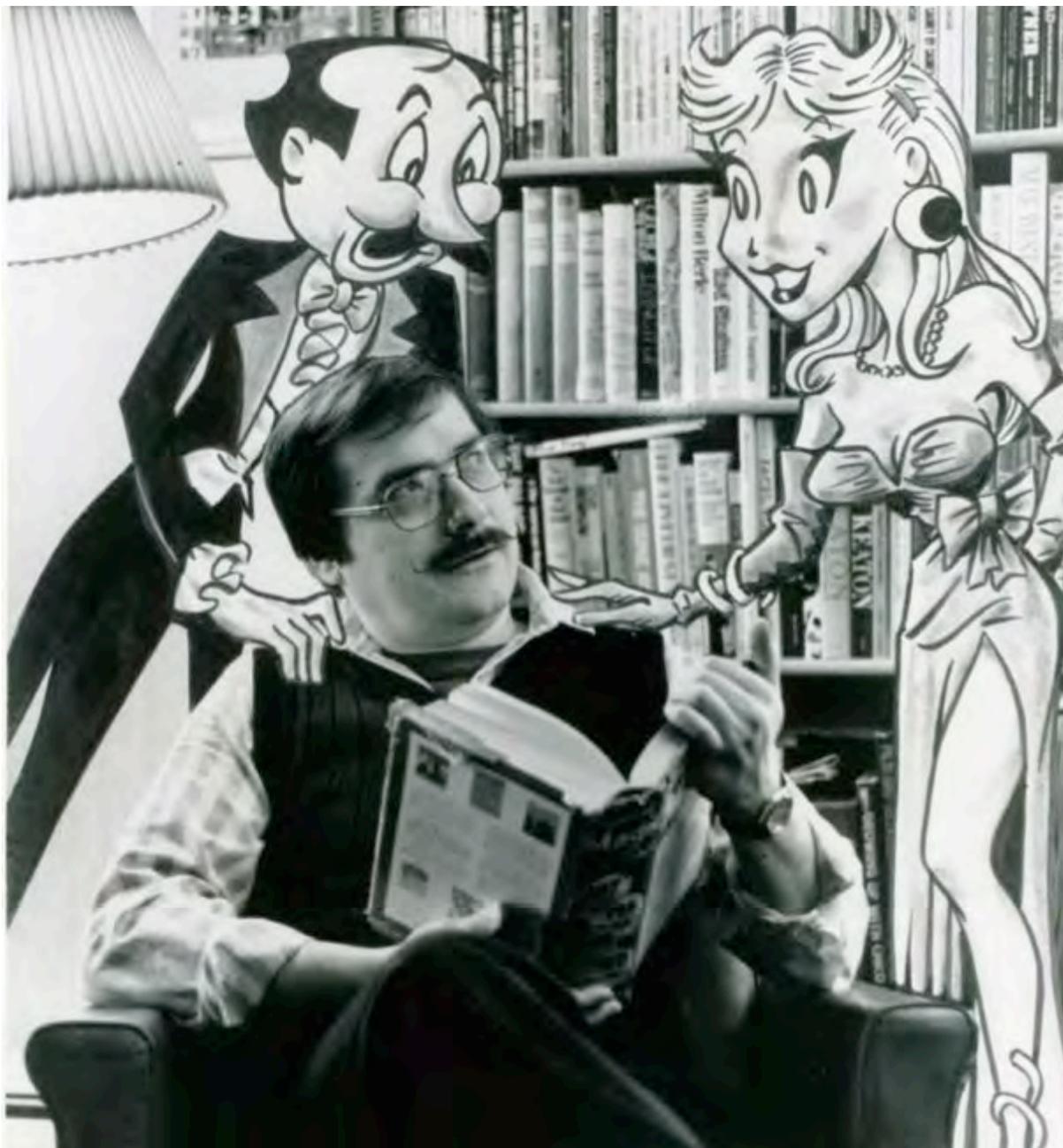
Gil Stubbs provided a link to all of his shows on Wellesley Cable Television.  
<http://www.wellesleymedia.org/Stubbs-magic-show.html>.

Bruce Fenton issued a call for performers and crew for the upcoming Magic Show on May 16th at the Unitarian Church.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50.

—Debbie O'Carroll

## Compeer Alan Wassilak Honored



The Oceanside Magic Invitational conference honored Alan at their April 2015 convention on Cape Cod. Here is what they wrote about Alan the Uncanny.

“Alan Wassilak is a cartoonist, an illustrator, writer, magician, and a student of history. His credits include illustrating promotional and educational material for the magic trade. As a magician, Alan

occasionally performs a comedy act as "Alan the Uncanny". He attended Massachusetts College of Art, majoring in graphic design and graduated in 1971 with a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree.

He is a member of the Society of American Magicians, the International Brotherhood of Magicians, the Magic Collectors' Association, and the New England Magic Collectors Association.

Beginning in November of 1983 he started drawing the comic strip "Basil the Baffling & Chloe" for M-U-M Magazine. He has also contributed magic ideas to magic magazines and articles to The Yankee Magic Collector.

The Oceanside Magic Invitational is proud to welcome Alan Wassilak as our Special Guest and Honoree for this 2nd annual convention. His work has quietly touched and affected thousands of magicians and magic lovers over the years.”

## The Chinese Threat to American Magic

Here's a humorous take on geopolitics and magic from satirist Jon Stewart.

<http://thedailyshow.cc.com/videos/t9y012/lose-your-illusion>



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