

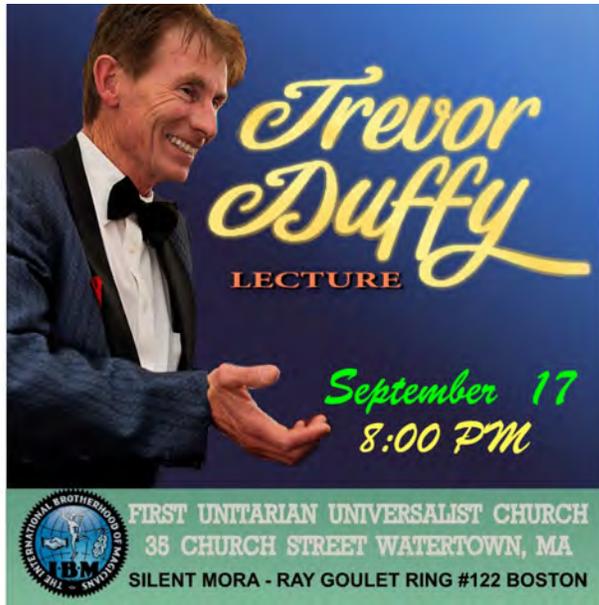


The Silent Messenger

Silent Mora–Ray Goulet Ring 122

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Please note: Our next meeting is Tuesday Sept 17, not the last Tuesday of the month. This is to accommodate Trevor Duffy's lecture after our regular Meeting on the 17th.

The evening's theme was to take a closeup effect and adapt it to the stage.

Daryl Vanderburgh presented a packet trick he bought as a teenager. He loved it so much that back then he made a stage version using large cards. To our amazement he said he painted the cards (mostly court cards) by hand with a tiny brush, copying from the originals. This was before computers, copy machines, and indoor plumbing.

With a kingly background story Daryl got a great reaction from the audience. The trick is called Arabian Knights.

New member Fred Sears performed a coin flip mentalism trick where three times, while holding a closed box containing the coin, he correctly determined the flip of a coin by Ryan.



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Kevin Butler performed a Martin Gardner self-working card trick. A volunteer was given a 1/2 deck of cards to shuffle and then given the other 1/2 deck of cards to shuffle. He chose which 1/2 deck to give back to the magi. The volunteer then cut some cards from his 1/2 deck and set them aside and then placed his remaining cards on the table. The volunteer selected a card from Kevin's 1/2 deck and Kevin shuffled his cards after the selection was made. Kevin's 1/2 deck was placed on top of the cards on the table. The Volunteer then counted the cards he had cut and placed aside. Using that number, the volunteer's card was found.



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Alex Moorehead performed a card trick. He thumb-riffled a deck of cards and had volunteer say stop. He then showed the card stopped at to the volunteer to remember. He told the volunteer that he was going to ask him a question and he could lie or tell the truth and he would then discern if the volunteer was telling the truth or not. (I think he talked about "tells" and how gamblers can pick up whether a person is bluffing when playing poker.) He gave three examples. The first—was it a black card—a 50/50 chance of guessing right. The second was is it a high card, a 1/3 chance of guessing right, and finally what was the value of the card. He was right on all three. Alex said you could use a marked deck or a Sy Stebbins or other stack and do this as a mentalism trick rather than as a "tell" trick.



Ryan Lally performed a card trick he learned from the book *The Greater Artful Dodges of Eddie Fields*. His volunteer pushed a packet of cards out of the middle of the deck, looked at the card on the bottom of the packet and placed the packet on top of the deck. Ryan was then able to identify the chosen card. The trick uses the Pop Force.

Bob Filene performed a modified version of the jumbo roulette trick he performed at the previous meeting. Bob's volunteer, Daniel Barbas, was given \$2.00 cash to bet with, bet four times on the color of a card and unfortunately lost each time. Bob said he had become able to sense card colors by holding his hand over them. He then proposed one more bet on four facedown cards. Bob correctly predicted that all four were black cards. To show Daniel that Daniel in fact had powers as well,



Bob moved into an impromptu Out of This World with jumbo cards where Daniel amazingly predicted almost all black/red cards correctly.

—Bob Filene

About Trevor Duffy

Trevor Duffy is an award-winning magician and innovator of magic, residing in Johannesburg—a fulltime professional entertainers for private and corporate events, as well as having worked at one of Johannesburg's top restaurants for 11 years. He has developed a unique blend of comedy and magic that you will see in his new lecture, Negotiating the Barriers. His magic encompasses close-up and platform shows, effects with coins, thin cards, banknotes, and special innovations with clothing and playing cards. Don't miss his lecture on Tuesday, Sept. 17 at 8 PM.

2019 2nd Annual Northeast New England Magic Contest \$200 Cash Prize for First Place

Wellesley Community Center, 219 Washington St, Wellesley, MA 02481

Sunday, November 17, 2019

2:00 PM. Admission is free for spectators.

Interested contestants who wish to compete should contact Magic88.mjl@gmail.com for contest details.

Dues Are Due!

Dues are \$35 for the email version of *Silent Messenger*; \$45 for postal version. Bring your dues to our next meeting or go online. Venmo: Daryl-Vanderburgh, dvanderburgh8@gmail.com, or (508) 314-5271. Zelle: (508) 314-5271. Or send your check, made out to IBM Ring 122 to: Daryl Vanderburgh, 31 Stonebridge Rd, Wayland, MA 01778.

Ring 122's Dan Bybell to Lecture at SAM

Wed. Sept. 11th at the Puppet Showcase Theater, 32 Station St., Brookline. Brief business meeting at 7:30 PM, followed by Dan Bybell's lecture. This is a "magician's only" event. There is no charge for SAM Assembly 9 members and a \$15 charge for visiting magicians.

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