

The Silent Messenger

February 2025



Ring 122 January Ring Report

Our first meeting of 2025 included a new member, Jim Vetter, and a guest magician from Hawaii, Kenn Serrano. What was also interesting is we had only one member, Kevin Butler, who attended via Zoom and the 8 other attendees were physically present!

The meeting started with a recap of recent Ring activity, including Jeki Yoo's lecture. There was a discussion of us presenting a magic show for kids in March and a magic class in July at the Library. Then we got into our presentations.

Kenn Serrano performed a card manipulation routine, producing fans of cards from his bare hands.

Michael Charles performed ball manipulations, then the manipulation of CDs. Michael explained the sleights and special CDs needed to do this unique trick.

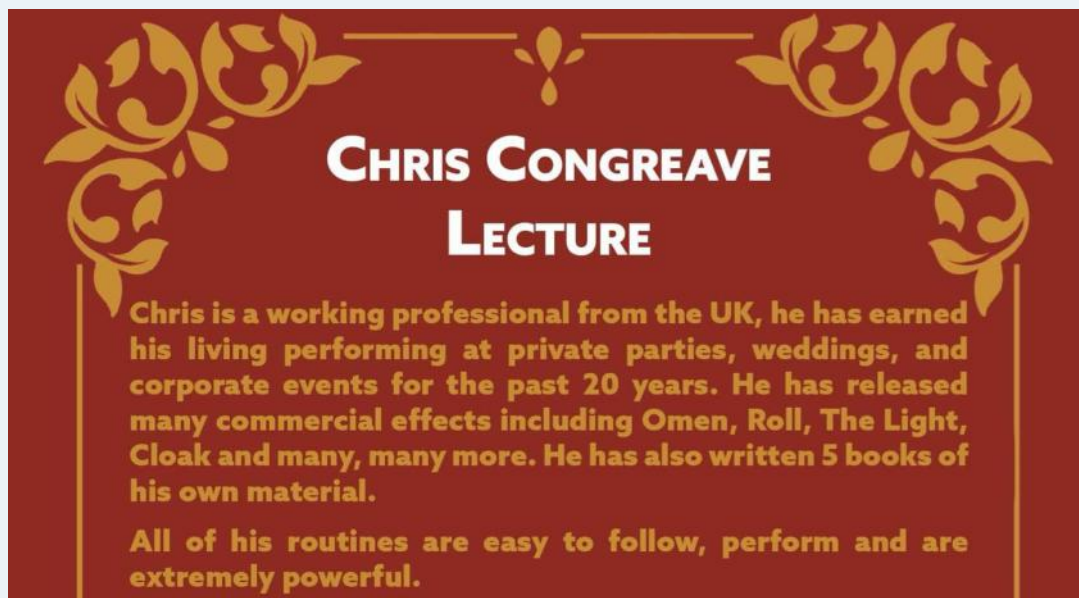
Marc Ross showed us an original concept of his using the Quiver switch wallet and cards. He had Jim sign a card then Marc folded it and put it in the wallet. Then Marc placed a coin in the wallet and it changed places with the card.

Jim Vetter, our new member, performed a nice mind reading routine using inspirational postcards and clever patter. After four members chose a card, Jim was able to determine the image each person had on their cards.

Pat Farenga performed a comedy card prediction using one Jumbo card (the prediction) and a full deck of cards that was tossed, dropped, and thrown at and around the audience.

Kevin Butler performed a nice variation of the "Dig Deeper" or cross-cut force trick with cards that was created by Ryan Schultz.

Thus the curtain closed on the lecture and our meeting.



**CHRIS CONGREAVE
LECTURE**

Chris is a working professional from the UK, he has earned his living performing at private parties, weddings, and corporate events for the past 20 years. He has released many commercial effects including *Omen*, *Roll*, *The Light*, *Cloak* and many, many more. He has also written 5 books of his own material.

All of his routines are easy to follow, perform and are extremely powerful.





President's Report

Hi Compeers!

We have a pretty full calendar of magic for the remainder of the year. A fine mixture of performance, lecture, and opportunities for member improvement of their magical craft. I hope you will all take advantage!

Our February meeting will be an opportunity for feedback. Perform an effect you've been working on and have an opportunity to receive feedback.

At our March meeting on Monday, March 31st, we'd like to have a Teach-In! Volunteer at our February meeting to teach an effect to your compeers via Zoom at our March meeting. We will be on Zoom just for March since the room is unavailable. We will also do some planning for the April Member Magic Show.

This April, we will have a new form of community outreach, our first Mini Member Magic Show at The Medford Library! This event is open to the public and has been posted on Eventbrite! Please feel free to share the flyer for this event to your social media channels. We are hoping to offer this community magic show two to three times a year as a way of connecting with our logical community and perhaps enticing some new members!

Also in April 12th is our Spring Magic Show with SAM 9 in Belmont! Mikey Lee is organizing this show for both clubs. This is always a lot of fun and members often meet for dinner following the show.

This May in association with SAM 9 we are co-hosting UK magician Chris Congreave for a lecture. This lecture will take the place of our May meeting and will be on a THURSDAY, not on Monday, Thursday, May 15, 2025, at 7pm at The Medford Public Library in our usual room. There will be a nominal cost for members as we are paying toward both his fee and hotel room for the night. Non-member magi are welcome to buy tickets. We expect this lecture to be as popular as the Jeki Yoo lecture but with room for more seats!

Coming in June we will have our Annual Elections as well as being part of The Medford Public Library's Fairy Tale Ball. Ring 122 is volunteering to perform magic as part of the festivities on June 8th as part of the Fairy Tale Ball, 1-4pm. Marc Ross, Pat Farenga and I are interested in performing, and you can email me if you'd like to perform. We don't need more than three people but it's always good to have an extra volunteer just in case.

Lastly, this summer, Ring 122 is back again at The Medford Library for a 1-Day Magic Workshop Program. This will be in July or August. The date is TBD as the Library is still finalizing their plans.



**IBM Ring 122 President
David Penn**

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March - Teach in **Zoom** only! **June** - Favorite Unusual
April - Member Magic Show Props/Elections
May - Chris Congreave **July** - No Meeting
Lecture (5/15 Thursday!) **August** - BBQ

Our next meeting is **Tuesday,**
February 24th at
7 PM on Zoom and at the library!



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