

The Silent Messenger

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Ring 122 December Ring Report



A jolly time was had by all at our 2nd annual holiday dinner at City Works! With little business to discuss, we moved to the most important business of all - food, drink, and fine company. I don't believe anyone left disappointed by our Yankee Swap either.

We wish you all a magical New Year!



(From Bottom Left, Clockwise) David Penn, Mikey Lee, Dan Bybell, Daryl Vanderburgh, Michael Charles and Guest, Sandy, Fred, Pat Farenga, Daniel Barbas.

March Lecturer - Rick Holcombe

Rick Holcombe is an underground LEGEND in the world of coin magic, with over 500,000 views on YouTube. His Innovative thinking continues to impress both veteran magicians and those brand new to the game.

The lecture is free for Ring 122 members, \$10 for in-person guests.



Check out [his Website](#) and some of [his product selections!](#)

Health and Wellness

Jerry Schiowitz of Framingham suffered a stroke in December and is recovering with the help of his family and medical professionals. At this time he is unable to receive messages through his devices, so if you want to pass anything along, email ibm.ring122@gmail.com and we will pass it along to his family.

We wish him a speedy recovery.



Magic in Boston

Our very own Mikey Lee performed in the January's [Boston Magic Lab](#)—Kevin Butler and Daniel Barbas attended and it was a fantastic show! Not only that, but it was started by Ring 122 member Felice Ling.

If you haven't checked out the Magic Lab, be sure to put it on your radar. It is a small venue so it sells out quick. There is always a new mix of magicians trying out brand new effects on their unsuspecting audience.



Mikey Lee



(From left to right) Lars (MC), Jonathan Vale, Linda Hung, Mikey Lee, Matthew Adamson, Felice Ling



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Our new meeting space is the
Medford Public Library,
2nd Floor (in the Auditorium)
and on Zoom



The Library is our new meeting place, and our meetings have now changed to Mondays in order to secure the space.





President's Report

Happy New Year!

A good time was had by the eleven compeers and guests that took part in our annual holiday dinner at City Works on 12/18. This is a fun tradition and the Yankee Swap is always a hoot!

It seems that we had three new members join Ring 122 in 2023 which is a positive trend! Welcome to all! I recommend that our goal for 2024 should be to double that number. Our new meeting space should attract new magi to our group as we continue to offer lectures and also have some member teaching member opportunities. For example, next month our theme is money magic. Members who would like to demonstrate or teach a money effect should email me (penn.d@comcast.net) this month. 3-4 people would be great!

After a lecture by award winning magician Rick Holcombe in March, April's theme is "Magic You Purchased But Never Performed Before!" I've already begun working on an effect that I saw Alan Wassilak perform years ago. I think I bought the materials at least five years ago at a Dollar Store. The second week of January, I finally handed over the materials to a friend of mine that makes puppets so my version of Snake in the Basket could be finally realized. But I think I have an idea where Alan came up with this effe when I was re-reading an article about Ring 122 founder Ray Goulet. According to the article (and from what I witnessed), "Ray was the master of card tricks and illusions, vanishing and re-appearing eggs, and a snake in a basket that could find a card chosen by an audience member." I'm looking forward to seeing what effects members can dig up that they never opened or learned. Let Ring 122 be your muse!

This month I'm super excited that our next lecturer, Evan Northrup, will be appearing in-person at our new space in the Medford Public Library! Members that wish to enjoy dinner at [Snappy Patty's Restaurant](#) [454 High Street Medford MA, 02155] prior to the meeting should send me an email so I can make a reservation for 5. Members are paying for their own meal and I offered to pay for Evan's. Our business meeting will be at 6:45pm and then Evan's lecture will begin promptly at 7pm. Paid members of Ring 122 are welcome to attend in-person at no charge, in-person guests are also welcome for \$10 per person. Evan is a talented, multidisciplinary performer and magician and a native of Salem, MA. He is a "designer of the impossible!" I loved Evan's show last year at the Off Cabot Theater with Joel Acevedo and Tyler Twombly and I know you will come away with a gem or two to inspire you in 2024!

Finally, Mikey Lee has agreed to help organize Ring 122's Spring Magic Show at the UU Church in Belmont. This was a hugely successful event last year and we are hoping to make this year's event even better! If you are interested in helping out, please email Mikey Lee.

Here's to even more (magic) in 2024!



**IBM Ring 122 President
David Penn**

Upcoming Meeting Themes

February: Money Magic Effects

March: Rick Holcombe Lecture

April: Magic you purchased but never performed before!

May: Election nominations/
Lecturer TBD (Potentially Felice Ling to discuss her inspirations for her NY and other recent magic performances.)

June: Elections/Present an Original Effect

July: No Meeting

August: Summer BBQ/Show/
Magic Auction

Our next meeting is **Monday, January 29th at 6:45 PM** at the

Medford Public Library

2nd Floor (in the Auditorium)

and **on Zoom**



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