

ORANGE COUNTY MAGIC CLUB



December

OCMC Holiday Potluck

**At the Anaheim Community Center
Wednesday, December 14th, 2022**

250 E Center St, Anaheim, CA 92805

Doors open at 7:00 for Meet & Greet
Potluck starts at **7:15**

Officers:

President..... **Julian Devero**
Vice President..... **Brad Erickson**
Secretary..... **Joy (Nishijima) Fujita**
Treasurer/Webmaster..... **Phil Ureno**
Sergeant at Arms/Librarian..... **Harrison Kaplan**
Newsletter..... **Robert Widmer**
Raffle..... **Jaron Lee**

Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays from the OCMC Board!

Remember to RSVP and let Joy know what you will be bringing to the Holiday Potluck Dinner.

You can email Joy at ljn224@ymail.com .

November's Magic Show

At the Anaheim Community Center

November's Magic Show at the Anaheim Community Center was a huge success. There were approximately 40 people in attendance and everyone was excited for the evening.

George Reis was our MC for the evening and did an incredible job of introducing each of the night's performers and with the assistance of Joy and Jaron, announcing the winners of the multiple door prizes.



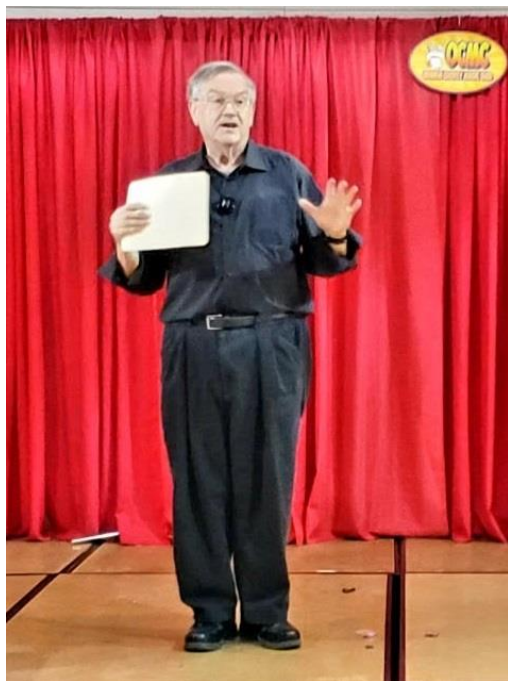
Jaron started off our stage show in character as Percival McTavish, a wizard hailing from the Hogwart's School of Magic. Starting off with his signature flying card, he continued to dazzle all the young and young at heart. A young member from the audience assisted Jaron with a card routine. Jaron seeking to find a chosen card, seemed to run into just a little difficulty; however, Jaron, always prepared, had the Wizards Code with him, which helped him reveal the chosen card. The audience loved it!



Just as Jaron got the audience warmed up, our own Vice-President Brad Erickson took the stage. Brad knows

how to work a room; after taking color ideas from the audience, Brad magically produced a flower bouquet featuring those colors.

Next, all Brad just wanted was a peanut butter & Jelly sandwich; however, suddenly, he had 2 jars of peanut butter and zero jars of jelly, then vice-versa, Brad, never did get his peanut butter sandwich, nor his favorite beverage—Strawberry juice, he just had to settle for a magically produced glass of tomato juice. The good news is that our wonderful MC George Reis found and enjoyed a well-deserved delicious peanut butter & jelly sandwich.



Ed Smith took the stage after Brad and embraced the holiday season with a delightful Thanksgiving themed magical effect. Ed had 5 audience members join him on stage. Ed had 5 sheets of paper with Thanksgiving themed pictures including the cornucopia. With the sheets upside down and the pictures not visible to everyone, each of the assistants selected one of the sheets to hold. Each assistant held the sheet up on

front of them and Ed took a pair of scissors and cut each sheet in half. He retrieved the halves, mixed them up. Then had the assistants randomly choose two halves to get back to hold.

In the end, each person two halves matched. A very nice way to start our Thanksgiving season.

Jason Burke took the stage next getting the random members of the audience involved to assist Jason in picking a card from a deck given to an audience member to hold. It could not be more random, Jason turned his back to the audience and tossed scrunched up paper balls of various colors into the audience, whomever was able to grab one of the balls was to give Jason one characteristic of the card to be determined. The 1st person selected a color, the 2nd a suit, the 3 a low number; Once a number was determined, Jason retrieved the deck of cards from the audience member to find one card reversed, the card matched all the characteristics given by audience members, but, there was more. Those audience members with paper balls came up on stage to unscrunch their paper balls to find the chosen card scrawled across all three balls. Amazing double-climax! The audience loved it.



Our special guest star for the evening took the stage next performing a classic magic routine with a castle, a magic wand and a couple blocks. Larry calls up a father and daughter from the audience to assist. Larry a.k.a. Zeezo told the story of 3 guys pursuing a beautiful princess. Zeezo move the blocks from the castle to the

dungeon; however, shortly thereafter, block A a.k.a. Bennie, disappeared from the dungeon. Larry's volunteer opened a sealed container to reveal a notification: Check the castle. Larry revealed the Bennie (Block B) has incredibly returned to the castle.

Our final performer for the evening, Club President Julian Devero really hit it out of the park. Julian's act combined the classic Chinese linking rings, knotted scarves, and card fans with a strikingly visual umbrella production routine that surprised, enthralled, and astonished the entire audience. From there Julian performed a beautiful sliding knot routine, and ended his performance with the classic Disappearing Bandana comedy routine.





Everyone was wondering, how was the club able to put such a wonderful show together on a limited budget; George explained these finances in a very visual magical way—He took a \$5 bill from the cash box, and changed it into a \$100 bill; except, George was only able to change it into a \$1 bill. Either way, it all worked out and everyone had a fantastic evening.



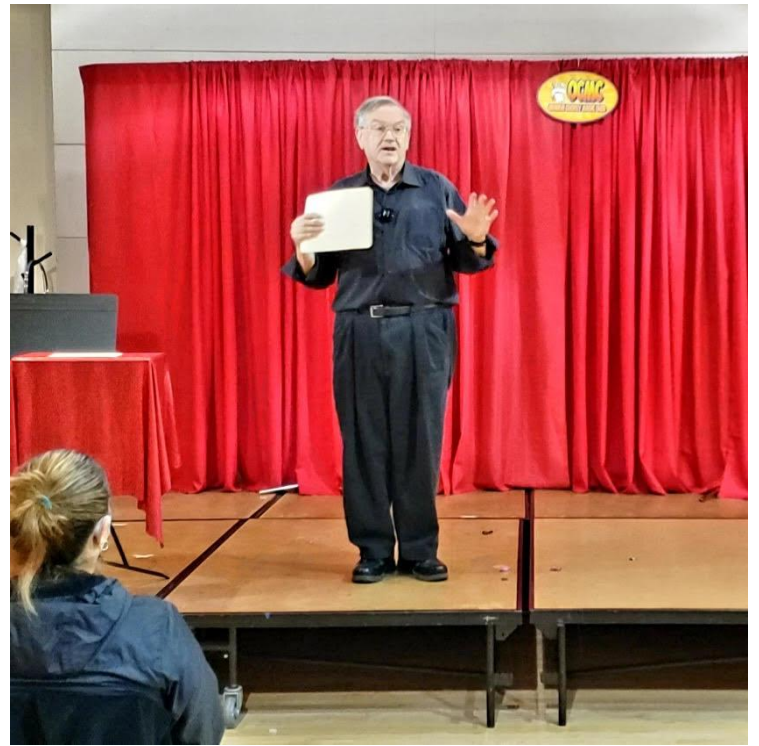
Jaron Lee a.k.a. Percival McTavish





Brad Erickson





Ed Smith





Jason Burke





Larry Campbell a.k.a. Zeezo





Julian Devero



George Reis

Master of Ceremonies



.2023 Dues can now be paid



Thanks to all those who paid their dues!

If you would like to pay your 2023 club dues, visit Phil in the back of the room next to the OCMC display to pay.

Meanwhile, as Phil says, Keep Calm and Pay Your Dues!

Cash, Check, or Credit Cards accepted.

OCMC December Potluck / Board Elections / Show & Tell

December Holiday Potluck will be on Wednesday, December 14th. During after the potluck, we'll have a Show & Tell, and members will have a chance to perform an effect for the group.

We'll also vote on the 2023 OCMC Board; so, if you are interested in running for a position on the board, please email Joy at ljn224@ymail.com to let her know the position you are interested in.

Hope to see everyone there Wednesday, December 14th at 7:15!



2022 OCMC Schedule



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| December 14th, 2022 | Potluck, Board Elections, and Show & Tell |
| January 11th, 2023 | Lecture: Joyce Basch |

Upcoming January 2023 Lecture

Our 1st meeting in 2023 will feature a lecture by OCMC member Joyce Basch on Patter and Scripting.

Joyce has created many magic tricks for children and Spanish speaking audiences. She has also created and marketed a unique Magic trick using Baseball Cards.

In the July 1998, 'Linking Ring' Journal, Joyce, was the first female Magician featured in a Parade. The Parade's title was changed from "One Man Parade" to "Joyce Basch Parade." The 16 pages covered Magic effects with original patter and original presentation.



**Joyce Basch,
"Ms.gician"**

She is a Magic Castle Performer and the first Magician in the world to perform on all seven continents. At Acapulco's Las Brisas Resort, Joyce performed at a private party hosted by Stephen Spielberg.

During the 1980's, she taught Magic privately and through City and College Community classes.

More recently, Joyce has been a Magic Consultant for a Los Angeles Theater production.

She has been a past treasurer and was the first female president of Orange County Magic Club as well as a past president of IBM Ring 96.

Joyce has been an award winner at several Magic conventions

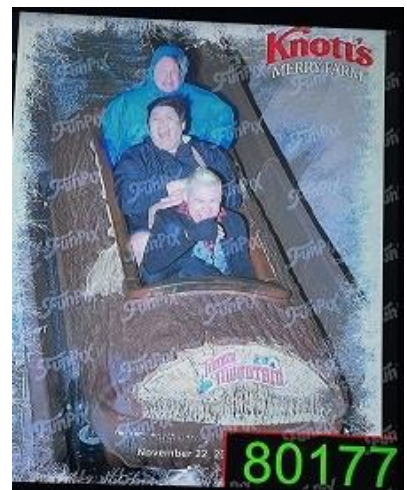
Joyce's lecture on Patter and Scripting in January is sure to be a fantastic event to start the new year.

Mark your calendars and we hope to see you Wednesday, January 11th, 2023 for Joyce's lecture at our usual meeting location, the Downtown Anaheim Community Center.

Other Events in the Area:

Ring 96 is hosting a magical lecture by Robert Baxt in February.

Some members of the OCMC Board took some time off to visit Knott's Berry Farm.





Many Happy Winners!

All guests at our Winter Magic show in November were entered for a chance to win one of many exciting door prizes.

The Grand Prize for the Evening were six tickets to the Long Beach Aquarium.

MC George Reis with assistance from Jaron & Joy announced the prizes and winners throughout the night.

It was an exciting evening.



Quote:

"Scientists have calculated that the chances of something so patently absurd actually existing are millions to one.

But magicians have calculated that million-to-one chances crop up nine times out of ten."

— **Terry Pratchett** —