

No. 58, KNOXVILLE, TN – Smoky Mountain Mystics
Meets 4th Thursday at 7:15 PM each month
Knoxville First Seventh Day Adventist Church Annex
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We had 14 members and 8 guests at the December meeting and finger food frenzy. One guest of Roger Reeves, Carrol Vinson, showed interest in joining the Ring in the near future. After enjoying the potluck finger foods, we were treated to some magic by six of our members.

Jason Rieger performed the Ickle Pickle product “Santa and his Elves” to begin the magic. Tony Wilhelm and his wife did a fifteen-minute show that included some humor with a large puppet and ended with Tony’s prediction of what five randomly selected audience members wanted for Christmas.

Wayne Bromberg showed a multiple-balloon wreath that he has been twisting for the Christmas season. Michael Priestap had a card selected and then showed that it was in his pen. Jeff King did a prediction involving four objects. A spectator chose an object, then read a card with information about each object that concluded by revealing the object she selected. To end the performances, Bev Coffey had a spectator pick a random number from the serial number on a dollar bill. His prediction matched the selection.

This year’s gift swap was...interesting. What a friendly group they were for this “Dirty Santa” swap. In year’s past, we’ve had coveted gifts trade around the room with each new participant. However, this year we only had a total of four gifts that were stolen. The most sought after item was a grab “box” of effects. The other item that was traded more than once was “The Vortex of Refreshment.” There were a couple of books that exchanged hands. Maybe the problem was that no one wrapped up a ten dollar bill this year!

The members of Ring 58 are all looking forward to a fantastic 2013 filled with magic including our 39th annual Winter Carnival of Magic that we will be hosting in March.

Tom Vorjohan