

No. 58, KNOXVILLE, TN – Smoky Mountain Mystics
Meets 4th Thursday at 6:45 PM each month
Messiah Lutheran Church
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Our August meeting had ten members and one family guest attending. We are looking forward to taking a “field trip” to the Darren Romeo Show in Pigeon Forge on September 15, and we are sad to announce that our incredibly creative Ed Ripley will be moving to Albuquerque for the coming year. Good luck Ed!

The theme for the evening was “Under Your Hat” and it was presided over by Jack Wilson in the absence of our Program Chairman, Michael Priestap. Bill Osburn started with a safety talk using an arrow on a card that pointed in all different directions for the story. John Hopper changed a blue metal goblet of water into red, green and yellow silks. Kyle Copeland did the Sketch-O-Magic and the Critter Nitter. Kyle also showed David Gerard’s new book, Out of My Hat, and we are excited to have him coming to lecture for us on October 19.

Jack Wilson did a trick from his very first magic book, “It’s Magic?” by Robert Lopsdire which he received in 2nd grade; he “mesmerized” a person so they were unable to lift their leg. Jack passed the book around for everyone to see the antique! During Show & Tell, Michael Messing showed the recently released book by Jim Kleefeld, “Kid Show Matters” that he is looking forward to studying. We were happy to have Eric Smerdon back at our meeting, and Ben Young had dared him to perform “Touching on Hoy” by Luke Jermay. And to end the meeting, Jason Murphy did a Change Bag routine where he vanished Kyle’s wedding ring and made it reappear in a ring box which was nested in three draw-string bags. A great evening was had by all.

Jack Wilson/Tom Vorjohan