

No. 58, KNOXVILLE, TN – Smoky Mountain Mystics
Meets 4th Thursday at 7:00 PM each month
Knoxville First Seventh Day Adventist Church Annex
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The March meeting is always fun because it is just after the Winter Carnival convention, and we get to show each other new tricks and things we learned. This year's convention was filled with some great acts and more lectures than ever before. But first, we had nominations for officers. Many of the positions went uncontested. Ballots will go out in the next month, and the new officers will take over in May.

We had two guests (Pete Geoffrion and Victor Agreda, Jr.) and 21 members attending. Jack Wilson showed a card packet Lie Detector effect that he was reminded of by something he saw at the convention. John Hopper did the AT&T Miracle using an Invisible Deck with Ed Ripley's daughter, Anna, making a selection over the phone. Bill Osburn was so impressed with McGiver's Magic backdrops, that he showed us the progress he has made and how simple they are to make.

Charlie Fenn presented a Joe Mogar item that he picked up at the auction the opening night where a silver dollar turned to gold, then he did his favorite Wild Columbini effect (Out of Order) where shuffled and mixed packets all match. Michael Messing was coerced into doing Wolf's Magic effect Run Wolf Run which he is wanting to sell. Tom Vorjohan then showed one of Wolf's new "economy line" effects with a ball and tube.

Ed Ripley did a couple variations of Tenyo's Split Pencil and then repeated it with a borrowed bill rolled up. Ken Muller was pleased to present Roger Lovins' Cognition Deck routine and fooled several of the magicians at the meeting. And finally, Pan Walker discussed the concept behind a trick that works with static electricity and how others deal with humidity and a naturally moist body and hands.

Tom Vorjohan