No. 58, KNOXVILLE, TN – Smoky Mountain Mystics Meets 4 Thursday at 6:45 PM each month Messiah Lutheran Church 6900 Kingston Pike, Knoxville, Tennessee 37919

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There were some real gems of magic taught in our October lecture by David Garrard. David – from Louisville, Kentucky – published his book "Out of My Hat" back in 2015 and he loaded it with some incredible magic from his repertoire. During the lecture David went through seven of the effects…and only two of them even used cards without a single card being picked, lost and found.

There was a very visual silk transposition between two wine glasses, a torn & restored napkin with the audience volunteer being the hero, a Cards Across using jumbo cards, a very visual coin effect, a great lollipop color exchange, and more. Some of the tips that he gave pertaining to Fantasio Canes and Candles got audible gasps of appreciation from our group.

His tips for using his commercially available Sketch-O-Magic for television and mailing a prediction ahead of time was brilliant since many members already had the effect. And there was a wonderful "Aha!" moment when David shared how he keeps his tie in place without a tie bar or tie tac. Ring 58 had thirteen members and one guest present, and it seemed unanimous that this was one of the best lectures we have ever had at our club.

Tom Vorjohan