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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It was a small but mighty group of just six members gathering the week before Thanksgiving; the holiday had many members traveling, and Jack Wilson even drove all the way from Pittsburgh that morning to be there on time! No business was discussed, so we went right into the "Mysterious Magic."

Jack had bought David Copperfield's book while in Pittsburgh, and he brought it in for a little "show & tell." It is a wonderfully produced book with great stories of some of David's treasures in his collection and gorgeous photographs by Homer Liwag. Michael Messing did the "Lazy Magician's Card Trick" from Garcia & Schindler's book, "Magic with Cards" where the spectator did all the work. Bill Osburn showed his own version of Lenz Law magnetic field principle with a copper tube and a ball.

Bill Sturgis showed an effect from Mercy Magic called "Numerology" which was a little more dressed-up version of the binary effect with cards and various numbers on it. We were excited to have Kyle Copeland at this month's meeting; we got an update about his daughter, Cora, and were happy to learn she is doing better – our thoughts and prayers remain with the family. He performed Color Monte and did "Thought Echo" from Card College Light with two selections found. Afterwards he discussed the advantage of using the Science Friction rough & smooth. Michael Priestap closed the performances with a comedy version of Any Card at Any Number...which it wasn't. Even with a small group, we had a great time and 100% participation.

Tom Vorjohan via Jack Wilson