

Well, it's now January. And on a 15-degree night, we had a good 50 members, junior members and guests in attendance. As is our custom, January's topic is One-per-Person. Everyone's name is put into a paper bag and everyone performs one trick until everyone has performed or we run out of time and have to leave the library. Well this year, we ran out of time. But as you will see below, there were a lot of performers.

Dave Levitan did David Williamson's Torn & Restored Card Transposition. Eric Greenberg did Cash Cabaret, a triple prediction using money. Bob Dorian did Don't Blink where he waved a scarf over a wine glass that contained a miniature deck and, one by one, the aces appeared. Ed Hass did the Lorayne Poker Deal. Steve Morisi did Royal Flush by Paul Harris. Mike Maione performed an original creation where jumbo cards, randomly selected by a spectator revealed themselves by "talking" to Mike. Zack Mandel predicted the bottom card of a shuffled deck. TJ Tana performed Jeff McBride's linking ring routine, although, without music. Steve Rodman attempted 52 Card Repeat, but thank goodness he left the stage early or else we would still be there. Magic-Al Garber cut a piece of string and restored it inside his mouth. Zack Manel's dad, Harry did David Hoy's Tossed Out Deck. Bob Lusthaus did RSC (Randomly Shuffled Card) to Pocket. Bill Krupskas did Mark Leveridge's 1-2-3 Jumbo Cards Across. Chris Ward did Daryl's Hot Shot Cut and card production. Billy Gray did that old Emerson & West classic, Flipped Out. Steve Heller (aka Prof. Sparkle) did Troy Hooser's A Charming Chinese Challenge. Steve's wife Brenda (aka Brenda) did WOW. Ziggy did an impromptu Mental Epic. Don Engstrand, who was sworn in earlier as Ring 244's newest member, performed an original creation he calls Hypnotic Aces. Vinny Moccia, who forgot and showed up unprepared, did not disappoint and performed a torn and restored toilet set cover. Kevin Rhodehouse performed Gregory Wilson's Foreign Exchange. With his travels, he's probably the first one to actually perform this effect in each of the countries whose currency is represented in the effect. Greg, if you are reading this,

maybe you can confirm if that's a true statement. Last up was Bill White who performed the effect Bob Elliott performed when he auditioned for the club many moons ago. He borrowed a deck of cards. He had a spectator chosen using the most random of methods. Really! He was asked to leave the room and to reverse any card in the deck. While he was outside, Bill did the same thing. When the spectator returned, Bill and the spectator revealed that, through some magical method, both reversed cards matched!

Man, what a night! But you know what, we saw some really great stuff.

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