

**No. 244 Long Island, New York - Frank Garcia Ring
Meets 1st Thursday, Syosset Public Library, Syosset, New York
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The theme for our March meeting was “Classic Book Night”, in which our performers were encouraged to perform their favorite miracle that they learned from a book. Unfortunately, with the threat of yet another reasonably major snowstorm and some scheduling conflicts, many members failed to appear. Lately, Mother Nature has not been too kind to Long Island. The evening was lead off by our host, Roy Miller. Roy performed a cute effect in which a spectator guessed a number which ultimately led to the selection of Roy’s name from a list that included everyone from Einstein to Churchill. Zach Mandel was up next with a great effect called double deuces from Al Leach’s book entitled “For Card Men Only”. Zack followed up with 100 Second Aces from “The Collected Works of Alex Elmsley”, a no gimmick version of McDonalds Aces. A very funny moment ensued when Magic Al managed to pick Zach’s pockets while he was serving as Zach’s volunteer from the crowd! Bob Weinowitz was up next with a little money magic. First he pulled a credit card from his shorts (don’t ask... you had to be there) and then transformed blank pieces of paper into hard, cold greenbacks! Our president, Harry Mandel, followed up with a mentalism card effect using a prop made by the late Al Logarmasino. Roy Miller then demonstrated how to determine who is lying and who’s telling the truth with the assistance of Mike Goldman and Terry Oberman. Al Garber wowed us with a nice rope effect that he learned as a kid (seems like only yesterday...) and followed up with a rope effect called “Pin-Up Time” from a book by our Ring’s namesake, Frank Garcia. Al managed to put his blood, sweat and tears into the effect. No really... he stabbed himself with the pin so bad that the white rope was bloodstained! The things we do for our art! Terry Oberman performed Michael Weber’s Red/Black, nice oil and water effect. Mike Maione closed the evening with his new effect “Diary Presage” based on a principal described in Tarbell 5. Be sure to look for it in your local magic shop in the months to come.