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## SLMC MONTHLY GET TOGETHER SEPTEMBER 2012

The monthly get together of the SLMC for the month of September was held at '156' on Sunday the 30th of September starting around 10.00am.

The following members were present Messers: Ronald De Alwis, Rohan Jayasekera, Priyantha Gamage, Samantha Nananiyakkara, C. Gamage, Hirangani Fernando, Trevor Anthony, Mathew Phelan, Devsiri Fernando, Ranjith Saipitkorale, Aviska Perera, Alex Perera, C. Heendeniya, Shelton Jayasekera, M.U.D Cooray, Ranjith Silva, Suranjith de Soysa, Ajith Fernando, Sanjeewa Hewapathirane & Ms.K.P.D.Puspakanthi

01 Guests – Hemarsha Nelum Kumari, Daughter of M.Hiranga Fernando

M/s Naminda Warakagoda, Pushkumara, Joy and Bothaju were excused as they had informed the Secretary Devsiri that they are unable to attend due to various reasons.

The Secretary Devsiri welcomed all those who were present and thanked the members who had come from distant places and those who had turned up after some time. He also informed members about the demise of one of our past presidents Mr. Noel Wickramasingha who was known as the 'encyclopedia of magic' and requested the members to express their thoughts and views about him. Rohan, Chandrasena Gamage, Wijesingha, Ronnie and Shelton expressed their views. C. Gamage said that late Mr. W's body should have been kept at our premises even for a short time. Ronnie explained why it was not possible. C.G also proposed that our building can be named "Vishmithapaya" as suggested by Mr. Arisen Ahubudu.

A new member Ms. K.A.D. Pushpakanthi administered her oath as conducted by VP Rohan.

There was only a few performers for that day. Ranjith Silva opened and he showed a few coin slight followed by young Avishka Perera who performed an effect on paper to money and pen through currency note. Our young card expert Mathew then performed a card trick.

VP Rohan delivered another lecture on presentation.

After the President's address the members gathered for the teaching session conducted by VP Shelton. The topic for the

day was 'Coin magic'. At this class members were taught the correct ways of palming and various basic palms such as the classic palm, finger palm, thumb palm, thumb crouch palm and when and where to use them. Shelton also taught them various vanishes such as the French drop (Tourniquet), drop vanish. He also showed and explained a few coin tricks such as a vanish of a coin and a continuous production of coins using a silk. Two effects of 'coins across' were also shown and explained.

The get together terminated around 1.00pm.

Shelton Jayasekera.



Picture shows young Avishka Perera who performed an effect of paper to money and pen through currency note

### Only 23% have attended

President regretfully states that only 23% of the membership had attended the last meeting. Members should reserve the last Sunday for Magic Circle Get togethers & should turn up by 9.00 AM to get the best of our Training Programmes.

Members who have not turned up at all during 2012 should write to the Hon'y General Secretary, Sri Lanka Magic Circle, 7 Francisco Place, Moratuwa & explain why they are not turning up and or, whether they wish to terminate their membership.

**Next MEMBERS DAY**  
Sunday Sept. 28th

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# Kids Party Centre



On a suggestion made by VP Rohan it has been decided to set up the Kids Party Centre in our building. Hereafter we hope to rent out the premises for people to have birthday parties and such events.

We are now in the process of finding goods needed to equip this Party Centre. For e.g. Children's chairs, tables with underclays etc. We also hope to fit extra fans as the inside of the building gets

very warm when there is a large gathering. It is planned to rent the premises for a minimal fee of around Rs. 2,000/-.

On an experimental basis a birthday party of a child was held recently at this venue. With this experiment we have been able to assess what is needed and also the drawbacks of the premises.

Dear members, your suggestions and your cooperation in setting up this Party Centre are earnestly requested.



## Special Notice to Performing Magicians

With the setting up of the Kids Party Centre SLMC itself will need the services of Magicians. Magicians who wish to perform through the SLMC at this venue and elsewhere are kindly requested to indicate their willingness, give their tel nos and email addresses and let us know what their charges are for a magic show. This will help us to give our potential customers a choice.

Also if you are able to provide other party services like face painting, clowns, popcorn, candy floss, bouncers, balloons etc. please inform the General Secretary.

## Arrears of Subs & Service Fees

Ordinary & Junior Members who have not turned up for over 12 months and who are in arrears of Annual Subs & Service Fees over 2 years will be terminated & arrears written off by End of October, 2012. They could rejoin only after settling arrears.

Life Members who are in arrears of Service Fees for over 2 years will be transferred to Life Member Reserve List. Thereafter within one year may not qualify to be Life Members.

## *Pencil*

## *Sketch*

## *Portraits*

Our member Dinesh Thangavel is not only a Magician and Juggler, he is also an experienced Artist. You can get a pencil sketch of yourself done by him when you come for the monthly meeting. He charges a very low price for members.

Picture shows one of our members M B Ranjith Silva alongside the portrait done by Dinesh.



## CHOO MANTAR 2012

International Magicians Convention Choo Mantar 2012 will be held from 12th to 14th December 2012 at the Ravindra Bharathi A/C Hall Hyderabad, India.

The highlights of the Convention are as follows.  
 Lecture cum Demos on Magic  
 Contests for Seniors and Juniors  
 Gala Show by well reputed Magicians  
 Dealer Stalls  
 Open Forum  
 Street Magic

As you may have noticed this Magic Convention starts on the magical date 12-12-12

Members are kindly invited to contact VP Rohan for further details.



T h a n k y o u

Terry

VP Terry Amarasekara donated a Magician's Performance Table to the SLMC at the last Board meeting. This fills a long felt need we had. It had been personally designed and fabricated by him.

## Members News

### Baby Born

Member Namindu Warakagoda's wife has given birth to a baby on the 10th of October. We wish the parents and the new born all the very best.

### Family Funeral

Member Hirangani Fernando's father Dhamadasa Fernando expired and the funeral was held on the 10th of October. Members with email were informed. President Ronald, Rohan Jayasekera, Devsiri Fernando, A Wijesinghe, M U D Cooray, C Gamage were some of the members who visited the funeral house and attended the funeral.

Incidentally since SLMC had only a sympathy banner in English, a new one in Sinhala was done and used for the first time at this funeral.

### Health

We regret to note that several of our members are suffering from ill health. Some of them are Nelson Jayawardena (his wife too is not well), Joy de Silva, W S Boteju, M Cader and Boyd Rodrigo. Magic Circle wishes them recovery and looks forward to seeing them at a meeting soon.

### New Videos

Our member Noel Ananda who is in Oman has uploaded 3 new videos to Youtube. You can watch them by going to the following links.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mmJqwVQnB-c&feature=plcp>

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4lcSigKJXjI>

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TTbJhSj7W7w&feature=plcp>

# New member



K.P.D. Pushpakanthi who is attached to the Sri Lanka Police joined the Magic Circle at the last monthly meeting. She works at the Police Communications Centre and resides at Boralesgamuwa.

Picture shows Pushpakanthi being administered the Oath by Vice President Rohan Jayasekera.



# Vishmit hapaya

Stemming from an original suggestion by Mr. Ansen Alubudu, our VP C Garage mentioned that our building should be named Vishmithapaya. This was discussed at the last Board Meeting and formally proposed by the General Secretary and unanimously adopted.

Therefore the official name of our premises from now on is VISHMITHAPAYA.

*Vishmithapaya, SLMC dilemma.. dilemma...*



# Birthdays this month.

## October

- 1st Suranjith De Soyza
- 3rd Ajith Kodagoda
- 5th Manoj Rajapakse
- 6th R.D.Salpitiakorale
- 7th Royston DeZylva
- 16th Kamal Silva
- 17th Chandra Jayatilake
- 20th Gamindu Kodagoda
- 22nd Ronald De Alwis
- 29th Rohan Jayasekera



*Bring your B'day treat on Sunday*

# Coin Magic

## Mini Contest

The Mini Contest for Coin Magic will be conducted at the next monthly meeting on 28th October. All members are encouraged to come and perform a maximum of three minutes.

Through participation in Mini Contests we hope to build up members to take part in the Amateur Magicians and Magician of the Year contests which are scheduled for 2013. VP Contests Suranjith has made all arrangements as usual and contestants will receive certificates and gifts.

# DAVID BLAINE WRAPS UP HIGH-VOLTAGE STUNT IN NYC



NEW YORK (AP) Daredevil David Blaine has finished what could be called his most electrifying stunt.

The magician emerged shortly before 9 p.m. Monday after spending three days and three nights standing in the middle of 1 million volts of electric currents at New York's Pier 54.

A spokesman says Blaine was able to walk with assistance, speak and kiss fiancée Aizee Guinochet (ah-LEE'-zay gwee-noh-SHAY') before being taken to a hospital to be examined.

The 39-year-old Blaine wore a chainmail bodysuit as a barrier between himself and the currents, emitted by Tesla coils.

The stunt was called "Electrified: One Million Volts Always On." It was streamed on YouTube, with help from Intel Corp. Blaine's past stunts include hanging upside down over Central Park and being encased in a block of ice.