



# The Servante

Official Newsletter of the Alliance of Illusionists Bruce Chadwick SAM Assembly 138

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Next Monthly Assembly Meeting Thursday November 17, 2016, 7:00 pm  
Illusion Warehouse - 3917 McCart Ave - Fort Worth, Texas 76110  
Three Blocks North of Seminary Drive - Across Street from School

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## CATEGORIES OF MAGIC

### THURSDAY NOVEMBER 17 MEETING TO FEATURE GENERAL MAGIC



The November main core activity of the Bruce Chadwick SAM Assembly 138 Alliance of Illusionists will feature a discussion about the various categories of magic. Members will be invited to perform an array of various magic routines and the category of the trick (such as appearance, vanish, transposition, transformation, etc) will be discussed. Different ways magicians have traditionally categorized magic effects will also be discussed. Please bring and perform your favorite magic routine!

Also the proposed election for the 2017 club year will continue to be discussed. If you are interested in serving the club in one of our vital leadership roles, please contact Larry Brown at 817-341-1235 or lbrown@stateofficial.us. The meeting will start at 7:00 pm at the Illusion Warehouse, 3917 McCart Ave, Fort Worth, 76110, across the street from the Rosemont 6th Grade School. Additional parking is available at the school. Please note that the pot luck dinner has been discontinued, but drinks will be available for a donation.

### OCTOBER MEETING FEATURED SPOOKY MAGIC!

The October meeting of the Bruce Chadwick SAM Assembly 138 Alliance of Illusionists commenced on October 20, 2016 at the Illusion Warehouse magic shop. Nineteen members were in attendance for a magical evening featuring "Spooky Magic."

After a couple of brief announcements and the nomination of officers to serve the Assembly in 2017, Larry Brown started the meeting with a quick book review of Christian Sheldon's HAUNTQUES. The incomparable Margaret Clauder was up next as a scarecrow clown talking about Farmer John and his exploits with a Mismade Jack-o-Lantern routine. Margaret is always so much fun when she performs. Bruce Roberts performed a remarkable routine with an appearing ashes effect. Our other Bruce (Bruce Chadwick) then presented a Homer Hudson version of the Visible Vampire block penetration effect. He also displayed an old Thayer version of the trick, a couple of other contemporary models, and talked about the effect's history.

One of the highlights of the evening was Hal Hudgins with his unveiling of Nome, Alaska's Oswaldo the Great's unappendaged finger. Pickled in a jar of flesh preserving liquid, like an Artisian Diver Oswaldo's finger moved up and down in the container. The routine was clever, mysterious, and most fitting for the night's pleasantries. Bronson Chadwick talked about some of his ideas on how to use the "blow book" to make the traditional magic coloring book trick spooky and unique. Al Fox had the group dying with laughter as he presented "Rusty the Psychic Cockroach." Failing to spell out the name of the spectator's chosen card, Rusty was forced to "spill his all" and squirt out the proper name of the card. Trust us. You just had to be there!

Doug Wyatt completed the evening's performances with his version of the classic Joe Karson Zombie Ball and Rafie Rondon reminded the group about the February upcoming "Joey to the World" creative ministries conference. See [www.joeytotheworld.com](http://www.joeytotheworld.com) for more details. The night was fun, enjoyable, and presented in the "spirit" that makes Assembly 138 great!

## OFFICER NOMINATIONS

The SAM Assembly 138 members in attendance at our October 20 Monthly Assembly Meeting nominated the following individuals to serve as Assembly 138 officers for 2017:

President - Bronson Chadwick  
Vice President - Roy Burson  
Administrator - Al Fox  
Sergeant at Arms - Cindy Bighorse  
Communications - Bruce Chadwick  
Historian - Larry Brown  
Member at Large – Unknown at this time

The Assembly will also honor additional nominations. Both nominees and those making nominations must have reasonable affiliation with SAM Assembly 138.

Due to the special circumstances to determine a proper election process for 2017 Assembly officers, our Assembly may recommend the following:

1. All officers nominated and elected to serve as 2017 officers for SAM Assembly 138 should be members in good standing with the national Society of American Magicians organization.
2. All officers nominated and elected to serve as 2017 officers for SAM Assembly 138 should have some reasonable affiliation with the Bruce Chadwick SAM Assembly 138 Alliance of Illusionists.
3. Following the Bylaws of SAM 138, the seven officers to be elected should include a President, Vice President, Administrator, Sergeant at Arms, Communications, Historian, and Member at Large.
4. There should be a nomination process to include all nominations from national SAM members in good standing and who have reasonable affiliation with the Bruce Chadwick SAM Assembly 138 Alliance of Illusionists.
5. The nomination process should be left open for a reasonable period of at least a couple of weeks so that additional nominations can be tendered. The nomination process should have a deadline so that an official ballot can be created.
6. Some Assembly 138 members are homebound, others have occupations that cause them to travel extensively, and others may not be able an election in person for other reasons. Therefore in addition to voting in person at the election, early voting should be allowed. Also a period of at least one month should be allowed for votes to be cast.
7. Votes shall be cast only by official paper ballot. This ballot shall be made available at magic club meetings, for download from [www.sam138.com](http://www.sam138.com), or be distributed by other means. Voters should be required to indicate on the ballot reasonable evidence that they are both national SAM members in good standing and also affiliated in a reasonable way with the Bruce Chadwick SAM Assembly 138 Alliance of Illusionists.
8. In addition to submitting their ballots in person at the time of the election, voters should have the alternative to submit their ballots by US Mail, courier, or other method.

