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Next Monthly Assembly Meeting Thursday May 18, 2017, 7:00 pm
Illusion Warehouse - 3917 McCart Ave - Fort Worth, Texas 76110
Three Blocks North of Seminary Drive - Across Street from School

Your Favorite “Go To” Trick

Daddy always said, “A good magician always has a trick in his pocket.” Interesting philosophy from someone who wasn’t a magician! All magicians should have that special trick ready to go wherever when someone says “Do a trick.” What trick do you do? The SAM Assembly 138 invites you come to the May 18 meeting and perform your favorite “Go To” effect. It will be an evening of informal fun and fellowship and we’ll begin promptly at 7:00 pm.

A STATEMENT FROM THE FORT WORTH MAGICIANS CLUB INC.

For several months now there has been a group of fellow magicians meeting at the Illusion Warehouse on the third Thursday of the month. Late last year this group expressed interest in possibly becoming the representative meeting of Society of American Magicians Assembly 138, the Bruce Chadwick Assembly. There has been some back and forth discussion between the two groups over the last several months, but we have not been able to resolve the issue until now.

As many of you know the Fort Worth Magicians Club Inc. is a non-profit corporation that exists independently from any national magic organization. For decades it supported the International Brotherhood of Magicians Ring 15 (Ren Clark Ring). For approximately the last ten years it has also met concurrently with Assembly 138. In any event, the club has remained completely independent both in form and in fact from these organizations.

After discussion with the executive committee a vote was taken (and passed) at the April meeting to no longer meet concurrently with Assembly 138. What does this mean for you, the club member? Nothing, there will be no noticeable change. You are not required to have a membership in any national organization to belong to the Fort Worth Magicians Club. Essentially, what this means is that no official S.A.M. business or administrative duties will be conducted by the Fort Worth Magicians Club. This will allow the Fort Worth club to focus on and strengthen the I.B.M. Ring and we hope to see both organizations thrive under this new arrangement.

The official S.A.M. Assembly 138 meeting and all official business will no longer take place concurrently with the Fort Worth Magicians Club. If you wish to participate in voting for officers, writing by-laws or any other such official business of the organization then you will need to attend the meetings currently held the third Thursday at Illusion Warehouse. All administrative work, business affairs, and related items will take place there. If you are a member of Assembly 138 and wish to participate in the direction of the Assembly then you will need to attend these meetings to participate.

As mentioned above there should be no noticeable change in the Fort Worth Magicians Club. The Fort Worth Magicians Club has been and will remain independent and therefore no change of the bylaws is necessary. We wish the S.A.M. Assembly 138 much continued success and hope to see it grow. We have many members who participate in both groups and hope to see the Assembly continue to flourish in its new location. We are of the opinion that this change will ultimately benefit all in the local magic community.

Regards, The Fort Worth Magicians Club Executive Committee



**Ross Lampe, President
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c/o Jeff Hallberg, Trustee
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April 29, 2017

Dear SAM National President Jeff Sikora and SAM National Council:

The 2017 Fort Worth Magicians Club officers concur with Assembly 138 that the elected officers of the FWMC are only the officers of the FWMC.

The Fort Worth Magicians Club has also decided that it "shall no longer meet concurrently with the Bruce Chadwick SAM Assembly 138" and "The Assembly is free to schedule its own independent monthly Assembly meetings and elect its own officers." The Assembly has affirmed Larry Brown as President, Bruce Chadwick as Vice-President, and Al Fox as Secretary-Treasurer.

To this end, we the 2017 elected officers of the Fort Worth Magicians Club Inc now consider this matter closed. We ask that Jeff Sikora and the National Council of the SAM once again give full recognition to SAM Assembly 138 and its officers Brown-Chadwick-Fox, reinstate the Assembly's ability to have voting rights on the national level, and allow the Assembly to have its meeting reports published in M-U-M.

The Fort Worth Magicians Club wishes the Assembly the best in promoting the magical arts.

Sincerely,

Ross Lampe, 2017 President
The Fort Worth Magicians Club Inc.



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RE Fort Worth TAOM Convention Bid 2020

Dear Texas Association of Magicians Board of Directors:

Fort Worth was proud to host the 2014 Texas Association of Magicians convention. Based upon our traditional "five major Texas city rotation" and the fact that the TAOM organization itself is hosting this year's convention in Frisco, it will be Fort Worth's turn to once again host the convention in 2020.

Therefore we the members of SAM Assembly 138 submit our offer to the TAOM Board of Directors to host the 2020 TAOM Convention in Fort Worth, Texas.

It is important that the TAOM Board understand that this bid comes only from Fort Worth SAM Assembly 138. While our Assembly has extended an invitation to our sister Fort Worth TAOM member club the Ren Clark IBM Ring 15 as well as The Fort Worth Magicians Club Inc (not a TAOM member club), so far neither club has indicated interest in helping our Assembly host the 2020 convention. If their interest changes over the next year or so, certainly our Assembly 138 will welcome their participation.

Either way, Fort Worth looks forward to making the 2020 TAOM Convention one of the best conventions in TAOM history.

Sincerely,

Bruce Chadwick, Secretary
Fort Worth SAM Assembly 138