

# The Servante

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Next Monthly Assembly Meeting Thursday January 17, 2018, 7:00 pm
Annual Installation Banquet
Mexican Inn - 1625 8th Ave, Fort Worth, TX 76104



The January 2019 installation of officers banquet will be held at the Mexican Inn restaurant located at 1625 8th Ave, Fort Worth, TX 76104 at 7:00 pm on January 17, the Assembly's regular third Thursday meeting night. You may recall that this is the same location where last year's Installation Banquet was held.

Attendees can attend the banquet without reservations. Guests simply

order and pay for the food they desire at the restaurant. For use of the restaurant meeting room, everyone in attendance should buy a meal.

Also a small admission charge of \$5 per person cash will be collected at the door to pay for various banquet costs. Special entertainment will feature the Magic of Michael Squires (photo on the right), Dallas Magic Club's 2018 Magician of the year.

## **DECEMBER MEETING FEATURED MAGICAL CHRISTMAS PARTY**

Over twenty magicians and guests were in attendance at the December SAM Assembly 138 Alliance of Illusionists Monthly Assembly Meeting. The meeting featured a Magical Christmas Party. Attendees feasted on a wonderful meal of pulled pork sandwiches, coleslaw, trimmings, and a wide variety of deserts. Those wishing to participate then enjoyed a congenial gift exchange. Next officers for the 2019 Assembly fiscal year were elected:

PRESIDENT: Joey Byers VICE-PRESIDENT: Mark Jones
ADMINISTRATOR: Lisa Fulce COMMUNICATIONS: Bruce Chadwick
SERGEANT AT ARMS: Cindy Bighorse HISTORIAN: John Hale
MEMBER-AT-LARGE: Pierce Brooks

Fort the evening entertainment, longtime club member Al Fox did a great job with a Christmas act that included a short change bill routine based upon "Horn Swaggled" handling. He followed that with an original Christmas tree silk hank routine, and finished with a "will the cards match" Christmas themed "Peace, love joy to all" effect.

For the second half of the program, Oregon magician Jeff Martin had the audience in stitches with his torn and restored newspaper, ball and silk manipulation, multiplying billiard ball routine, and borrowed dollar bill that vanished and reappeared inside an egg, which of course was first discovered inside an eggplant! Jeff is one of the chief ramrods of the "ICE!" exhibit at the Grapevine Gaylord Hotel and Convention Center. It was a delight to have Jeff. His enthusiasm for magic and his love for our art is profound. It was a joy to watch him work.



Al Fox and Jeff Martin



#### **TIME TO PAY 2019 ANNUAL DUES**

Active, Associate, and Junior members pay Yearly Membership Dues to the Assembly to help it fulfill its purpose. Money amounts for dues are set by the Executive Committee and are payable the first day of January of each fiscal year. Dues are currently only \$20 per person.

So that dues are handled in a consistent manner and current contact information can be maintained for all members, dues and membership information are collected exclusively online through the Assembly's Internet website. Simply go to www.sam138.com and click on "Dues."

Assembly Bylaws state that members who fail to pay their Yearly Membership Dues before the first day of March are automatically suspended from the Assembly. Suspended members are no longer members in good standing and their name badge shall be removed from accessibility. Suspended members may not attend Monthly Assembly Meetings or other Assembly sponsored events until past dues are paid.

A member whose dues are unpaid for less than two years may pay his back dues and thereby be reinstated and retain continuous membership. A member in arrears for two years or more must reapply for membership and previous membership is no longer continuous.

### **TAOM 2019 NEWS**

The 2019 annual convention of the Texas Association of Magicians will be held in San Antonio, Texas next Labor Day Weekend, Friday afternoon August 30 through Monday morning Sept 2.



Current convention stars include Richard Turner, Oscar Munoz, Nick Lewin, Scott Pepper, John Cornelius, Stuart MacDonald, Joe Givan, Carol Lee Massie, James Dimmare, Mahdi Gilbert, Chris Capeheart, and Earl Nelson.

The convention will be held at the beautiful Hilton Palacio del Rio, set on the banks of the San Antonio River Walk. Use the discount code TAM for the special \$149 room rate. Also the hotel is just down the street from the Magik Theatre where the evening shows will be held. Seating is according to registration date. For more details, http://taom.org/2019



