



# Louisville

## MAGIC CLUB

### JANUARY NEWSLETTER

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Larry Hibbs honored with Lifetime Achievement Award!

# JANUARY MEETING

**HAPPY NEW YEAR  
2023**

We meet at Panera Bread on Poplar Level Road starting at 5:30 prior to the meeting!  
3131 Poplar Level Rd

**Tuesday, January 10th**  
**7:00 PM**

**Kosair Charities Center**  
**982 Eastern Pkwy, Louisville, KY 40217**

New Year, New Tricks! Bring something you got for Christmas or are trying to learn and perform for the club!

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Tuesday, February 14th**  
**7:00 PM**

**Kosair Charities Center**  
**982 Eastern Pkwy, Louisville, KY 40217**

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**Friday, February 24th**  
**Kayla Drescher**

**7:00 PM**  
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# OUT OF MY HAT | MICHAEL RAYMER

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



HAPPY NEW YEAR! It's time to make those resolutions and I hope that magic plays a part in your resolutions. I myself plan to really focus on my magic this year and improve my knowledge and skills. I also want to really grow our Louisville Magic Academy and have several classes teaching young people the art of magic. I have a library full of magic books, videos, and lecture notes, and I will be really looking through them to discover some "forgotten classics." I also received several new effects in the last couple of months, some are collectibles from auctions and some are new effects so I'll be working on some of those and making routines that fit my personality.

We've already worked with Kosair to book every second Tuesday of the month for our meetings and I plan on having a jam session every month at different locations around town just to get together and help each other and hang out. So come hang with the President at the Presidential Magic Jam.

Even though I was sick, I had the opportunity to attend the Cody and Friends Christmas Show because it's important to support our members and I've known Cody since before he was a teenager. It's great to see how he has become an advocate for Autism.

Our meeting in January will be a Teach-A-Trick night. We ask that you do not teach any commercially available effects to protect the inventor (you can still share something cool) but share something that can be found in Tarbell or other books. However, if you need help with something you've purchased or received as a gift, bring it along and we'll work to help you. We usually have stations that people can go to for Sponge balls, Cards, Coins, Ropes, etc. This is also a great night to share something you are working on and get some feedback.

In February we'll have our 2nd Tuesday meeting, but we will also have a lecture by Kayla Drescher on February 24th. Kayla will be performing at Cody's Cody and Friends all Female show in February the very next night. Joanna will also be performing on this show so let's all go out and supports our magicians. During COVID we had a ZOOM lecture by Kayla and everyone who attended said it was one of the best lectures we've ever had.

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Looking ahead to March we'll have a gentleman come talk to us about 3D printing magic effects and show some of the props he has made, and invented, and may even have some for sale. Michele and I saw him in Cincinnati and I was amazed at what can be done with a 3D Printer. It definitely shows how thinking outside the box can create some wonderful magic.

We also want to take a road trip to Somerset KY, to see Rodger Lovins' magic collection. So if you'd like to do that let us know so we can start planning transportation and working with Rodger to find a time.

Well, here's to a successful 2023. Remember to invite anyone with a sincere interest in magic to come and join us.

-Mike



# 2022 HOLIDAY BANQUET

photos by Matt Sohl



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# CAPE TOWN'S COLLEGE OF MAGIC: A ONE-OF-A-KIND MAGIC SCHOOL



You can't wave a wand and make intolerance, hardship and violence disappear. But you can use magic to try. We learned that after visiting a remarkable school in Cape Town, South Africa. It's called the College of Magic. While it's not an accredited institution, it is a real-life Hogwarts, a school filled with students ranging in age from 10 to 18, and more importantly, reflecting South Africa, they come from privilege and poverty.

Pick a canard, any canard - sleight of hand; juggling; ventriloquism; card tricks — you can learn it all at the College of Magic. But what the school really teaches is also the great superpower of magic itself: rethinking the limits of possibility.

**WATCH THE VIDEO**

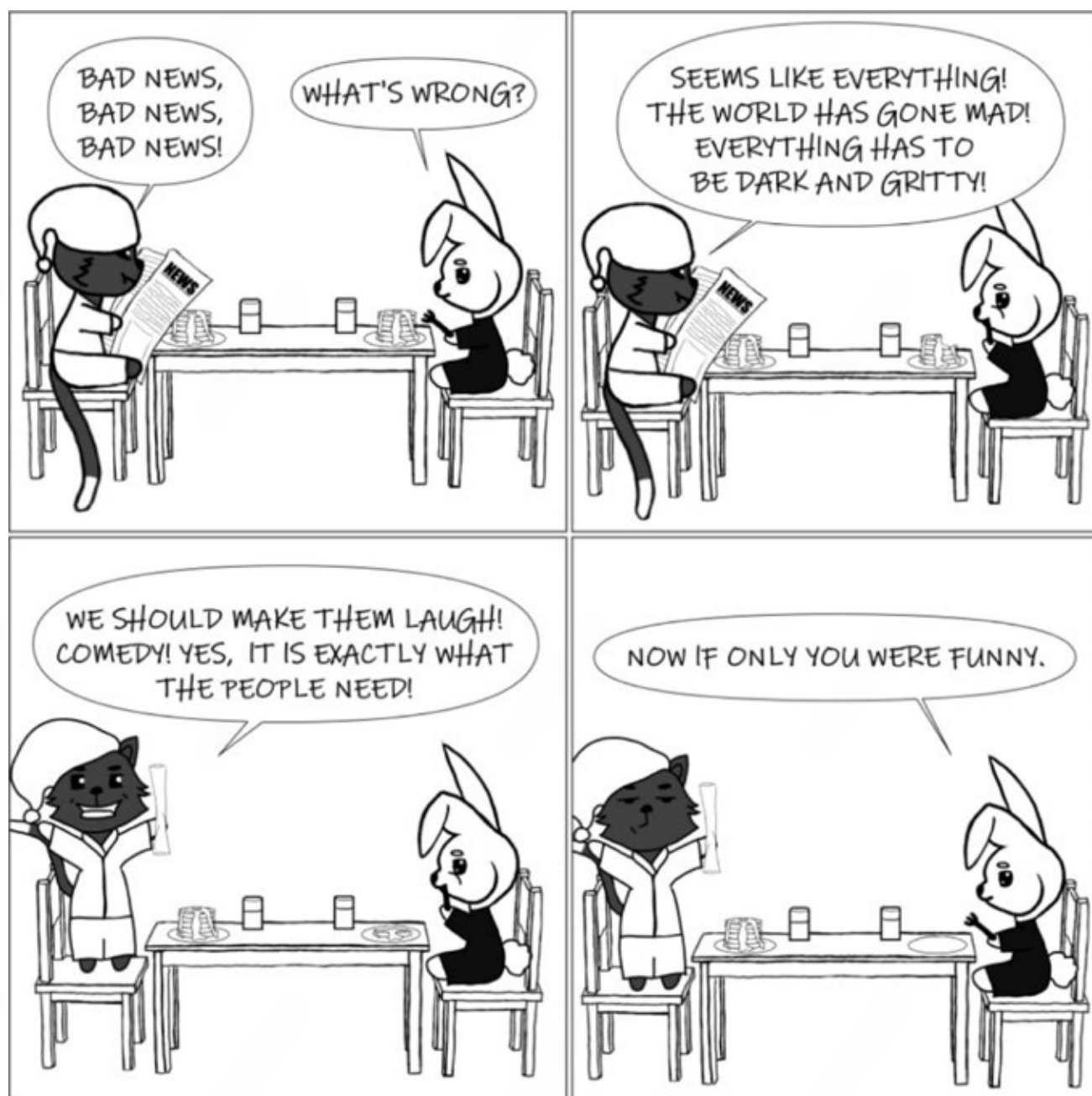
# CODY & FRIENDS PHOTOS

photos by Don Yeoman





# SMOKE & MIRRORS SERIES



## FROM THE EDITOR | MATT SOHL



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JANUARY!

The New Year is one of my favorite times because as I say every year, a New Year Resolution was what got me back into magic and performing for the club! So if you find yourself needing to work on your magic, this is the best time to start. Everyone else has resolutions and you can use their motivation to help fuel your own motivation.

Overall, I think we have a lot of great things planned for this year. I think we will see more meeting times outside our scheduled monthly meetings! That excites me as magic is supposed to be seen out in the community and not just at the meetings. With more gatherings, I think we will be able to pull in more members and ensure the survival of our club long after all of us are gone.

Those are my thoughts as we go into this new and unknown year. I hope it blesses each and every one of you with new and beautiful things.

See you soon.

-Matt





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