

# Mordecai's Journal



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### Meetings:

Second Monday of every month except December

Angelo's on Main

289 South Main Street  
West Hartford.

(I-84 exit 41)

## January Meeting: Christmas magic

Since we don't meet in December, we miss Christmas. Theme host **Angelo Chirico** says ho-ho-hold on! Ring in the new year with Christmas-themed magic, or maybe show off some magic that Santa brought you. The meeting starts at **7:30PM**. Join the officers for dinner at **6:00PM**.

## Minutes of November Meeting

12 November 2012 7:28 PM      18 members attending  
1 guest

MI **Dan Sclare** presiding. Dan opened with a moment of silence Sec'y's Rpt. Accepted as published. Treasurer's Rpt: submitted.

Old Bus.: Dan sent slides to **Bruce Kalver** who sent some images back.

Dan visited with **David Oliver** last Friday. We missed SAMCON, but hope to sell wristbands at this weekend's Gathering. Thanks go to **Steve Wronker** for setting up the blog and the ability to buy wristbands online. Over \$8000 has been collected so far. [Over \$10,000 by print date.] Donations have been coming in from all over the world.

New Bus.: Steve lamented the diminished Magic Week activity in recent years. He volunteered to head up a committee to coordinate NMW activity in future.

G&W: **David Margolin** is out of the hospital and back with us tonight.

Adjourned 7:45 PM

Tonight's main event was a lecture by the excellent **David Corsaro**. The title of his lecture was "The Business of Being Awesome," and this lecture was.

## When Last We Met



**David Corsaro** discusses his wares.

Marketing is David's business, so this lecture was full of proven facts for marketing your magic career. The major points raised were:

- Creating Your Brand,
- Building Your Brand, and
- Monitoring Your Brand's Health.

This was information we all could put to use immediately.

He also threw in some great tricks. The highlight was "A Damn Good Trick" which got a phenomenal reaction. (You'll have to ask someone who was there to tell you about it.)

Again, David set aside a portion of his notes/material sales as a donation to our David Oliver Fund. A great lecture by a great guy.

There are still some members that have not paid their 2012-13 dues. For those who have not yet paid, please make payment (\$20) at the January meeting. If you do not plan to attend, send your dues to

Soll Levine  
34 Round Hill Rd.  
New Britain, CT 06052

## From The President's Hat

Dan Sclare's column

Wishing all of you a happy, healthy and magical new year!

Please plan to attend the David Oliver fund raiser Jan. 19th. Wear purple and your wristbands. Check out our ad for the program book.

More information can be found at <http://letsdomagic.org>  
All money raised will go to David.

Let's make this a year of sharing. Share your skills and talents. Share magical information you find on the internet and in publications for our news letter or meetings. I purchased some "The \* Sphinx" magazines and will be sharing Assembly Reports from the past for our newsletter.

For S.A.M. members consider becoming a Life Member. go to find more information:  
<http://magicsam.com/presidents-welcome/s-a-m-life-membership>  
*[that's all on one line]*

See you at the meeting.

Magically yours,  
Dan Sclare  
CCMA President/Historian

## From The Past: Sphinx—July 1934

The picture would not reproduce well, but it contained reports from Baltimore Assembly #6, Omaha Assembly #7, Boston Assembly #9, Western Connecticut Assembly #20 (whatever happened to them??), our own Northern Connecticut Assembly #21, and Southern California Assembly #22.  
This is a transcription of 21's report:

### Northern Connecticut Assembly—21

The May report which failed to come in was due to the lack of ambition of your correspondent. At the May meeting the following officers were elected for the fiscal year 1934-35. Walter A. Schwartz, President. John N. Thornton was elected Vice-President, but tendered his resignation at this month's meeting and in his place the Assembly elected Herbert Peterson. Mary Schwartz was re-elected to the Secretary and Treasurer. Walter Wodzynski, Sergeant-at-Arms.

This was supposed to be 5 and 10 cent night and as a result four of our large gathering did such tricks. Namely — Walter Schwartz, Vin Boyar, Walter Wodzynski and Dwight Wheeler. Some one started card tricks and then that was that. Hey, you guys there was no trick slated for the next meeting and I suggest mental effects.

Walter Schwarz almost had his leg broken after doing Moe's Dancing Hair. He also gave us a full report on the Convention.

This assembly is planning an outing which will be held at Grove Beach. You will hear more about this later through your medium (no spirits). — F. Bassett Mordecai.

### The Central Connecticut Magicians Association

want to give you a

"DO Magic For David Oliver"  
purple wristband

for your donation in supporting our friend,  
former member and fellow magician.

Magicians all over the world, including some of the biggest names in magic are wearing their purple wristband.



Are you wearing your wristband?

Donations to help David  
can be made at:

[domagic4davidoliver.blogspot.com](http://domagic4davidoliver.blogspot.com)



Our ad that will appear in the program book at the benefits.

# “Let’s DO Magic!”

## A Special Night Of Magical Entertainment

• To Benefit Our Friend, David Oliver •



**Peter SAMELSON**

From Broadway’s hit show  
“Monday Night Magic”



**Lyn DILLIES**

America’s Premier  
Female Illusionist



**Eric DeCAMPS**

From NYC’s  
“Pure Magic: A Performance  
of Contemporary Conjuring”



**Mike BENT**

Boston’ Magazine’s  
“Best of Boston”



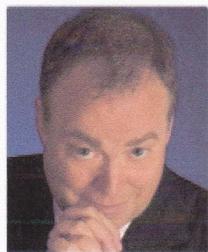
**Steve KRADOLFER**

Founding producer of  
The Mystery Lounge



**Joe HOWARD**

From Boston’s longest-running  
magic show, The Mystery Lounge



**Jon STETSON**

America’s  
Master Mentalist



**Chipper LOWELL**

From Los Angeles, Two-time  
“Comedy Magician Of The Year!”

**Saturday**  
**January 19th, 2013**  
 Matinee 2:00pm • Evening Show 7:30pm  
 at  
**Clark University • Daniels Theater**  
 950 Main Street • Worcester, MA

**\$20 Adults • \$10 Age 14 and Under**

For Further Info & Advance Tickets:  
[www.letsdomagic.org](http://www.letsdomagic.org)  
 203-877-0157

**Plus! Music by The Andrew Riordan Jazz Project**

These world-class magicians are coming together, for the first time in one very special show, to help Boston-area magician, and their dear friend, **David Oliver**. More than just a talented magician, for more than 25 years, David Oliver has mentored, directed and taught many of today’s finest young magicians from around the globe. Recently, he was diagnosed with a rare lung disease, and the only treatment is a double lung transplant. In an effort to assist their friend in dealing with mounting medical bills, these stars of magic have put together this show, to help a friend who has always been there to help them. Please join us in giving back some magic to a very magical friend. **Let’s Do Magic for David Oliver!**

All proceeds from the performances go directly to assist David Oliver. Thank you!

