

### **SLMC Monthly Get together November 2015**

The monthly get together of the SLMC for the month of November 2015 was held at the "Vishmithapaya" on 29/11/2015 commencing around 10.00 am. The following Members were present. Ajith Jayasinghe, Amarasiri Wijesinghe, Asanka K. Pathirana, Chrisantha Silva, Dinesh Thangavel, Emil Eranga, Gayan Wickramage, Hiran Seneviratne, K. A. D. Pushpakanthi, K. W. Silva, Lalith Wickremasinghe, M. K. Wimalasena, Priyantha Gamage, Rajitha Ratnapala, Rohan Jayasekara, Ronald de Alwis, Sambuddika Rathnayake, Shelton Jayasekera, Sujeewa Hewapathirane, Suranjith De Soysa, Thusitha Jayasekera, W. A. K. Weerawardena, W. S. Botheju, Wilhelm Perera, Yogitha Anthony.

The notices of absences were received from Chandrasena Gamage, H. D. N. Gunasekeraand & Lilani de Mel. The GS welcomed the members and invited the President Rohan to address the gathering.



The President Rohan mentioned about the planned new look for "Vishmithapaya" in 2016 and informed that the construction work of the stage on the ground floor would start next week. Thereafter he shared some of his experiences at the "Thailand Magic Extravaganza" held in Bangkok in October. He said that it was a grand show with new acts never seen before. He mentioned how

some of the magicians gave an outstanding performances by combining magic with other acts such as dancing. He emphasized the importance of attending these international events whenever possible.



After President's speech. the Treasurer Wijesinghe requested all members to settle their dues before the end of December 2015.

It was the time for the Star Performer for November.



This month's Star Performer was Sanjeewa Hewapathirana. It was a complete magic show with lots of various tricks performed by an experienced magician. The show consisted, silk magic, producing silk from tube box, umbrella production, rope magic, umbrella change. He further did ball magic, rope magic, paper magic, money production and coin magic with the selected assistances from the audience. At the end of the show Sanjeewa gave valuable advices and instructions on "performing magic". He was kind enough to show the secrets of some of the tricks performed.





Dinesh Thangavel started the member performances for the day by performing a card magic and this was followed by K. W. Silva with a rope magic. Asanka K. Pathirana was next with sponge balls. This was followed by Priyantha Gamage with silk magic. Finally Emil Eranga performed a card trick with a pack of cards and his mobile phone.

The treat for the day was sponsored by Asanka K. Pathirana.

The proceedings of another interesting day came to an end around 12.00 pm.

-Chrishantha-

# **EDITOR'S MAIL BAG**



### Received a letter from the Past President Joy De Silva, appreciating the current 'Wands'.

Being a former editor of 'The Wand' who produced hand written 'Wands' using his, "surveyor's lettering", Joy was aware of the difficulties an editor faces, in doing a monthly periodical with minimum contributions from the membership. Being the editor I'm elated to go through his letter containing excessive praise and feel embarrassed to reproduce the entire letter.

He stressed in his letter the need of members' contributions and interactions to keep a periodical of this nature alive and interesting. While going through the past 'Wands' of 1960's & 1970's you realize how active the membership those days.

Joy ends the letter saying; "Finally let me congratulate HDN for producing "Wands" to match international standards." Major part of the credit should go to Gayan who's colourful formatting & page setting made it possible to keep 'The Wand' in par with any other magazine; and the efficient teamwork that get it printed and distributed in time.

Thank you Joy......! Such words of appreciations from seniors of your caliber are strength to us

## New Stage of the 'Vishmithapaya'

Soft opening of the New Stage @ 'Vishmithapaya' too will be done on the 27<sup>th</sup> Members day.



### **December Birthdays**

2<sup>nd</sup> A.D. Gunsekera

4<sup>th</sup> Palitha Jayasinghe9<sup>th</sup> Wilhelm Perera

14<sup>th</sup> Amarasiri Wijesinghe

18<sup>th</sup> Trevor J. Anthony

19<sup>th</sup> Trevin Hannibal

22<sup>nd</sup> Noel Ananda

23<sup>rd</sup> Udara Ariyasinghe

25<sup>th</sup> Ms. K.A.D. Pushpakanthi

27<sup>th</sup> Sumangala Silva

29<sup>th</sup> Keerthi Weerawardane

30<sup>th</sup> Bimal Perera

Birthday boys & girls Come and celebrate on the 27<sup>th</sup> - BRING YOUR TREATS!!

### NOTICE

# **Annual General Meeting - 2016**

The AGM is scheduled to be held in February/March 2016. (Exact date will be notified)

#### Resolutions

Further to the first notice appeared in November Wand, Members are reminded to send resolutions to be tabled at the A.G.M. to the Address of the VP, Suranjith De Soyza AGM before 10<sup>th</sup> January by Registered post.

Suranjith De Soyza

77/18-A/31, Sausiri Uyana,

Walawwa Road, Homagama

#### Dues

Hony. Treasurer reminds that, the financial year ends on 31<sup>st</sup> December 2015, Members are kindly requested to settle their dues before the end of the year. Please contact the treasurer at **038721023 / 0779879274**.

# SLMC on Air....!

Sri Lanka Magic Circle featured in 'Rupavahini Shanida Ayubowan' Programme on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> December. President Rohan, President Emeritus Ronald, Senior VP. Shelton, Lady Magician Roshini and the youngest magician Yasith participated on behalf of the SLMC, in whole morning programme entirely devoted for the **Sri Lankan Magic & Magicians.** The presenter was Amantha Wjesuriy and the discussions covered the history of Magic in Sri Lanka, current situation and the future expectations. Substantial time of the programme was allocated for the fascinating magic acts by all who participated.

Brother Magician Nihal who watched the programme from States sent the following message just after the programme. "Thanks for your timely information. I just completed watching the programme live from USA. Enjoyed with all the familiar faces along with the Budding Magicians. Great .....! "





# Yasas, was there at the opening of the House of Magic Studio City, Macau

Energetic young TVP, IBM Ring 139, Yasas Gunaratne attended the Grand Opening of the Franz Harary's House of Magic at the Studio City, Macau; on 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2015.

Yasas says "It was a great experience. I was given the rare chance, to be on back stage at the grand opening show. It gave me an opportunity to see everything behind the stage with exposed view of illusions. I got the experience of my life. Also I was lucky to have an exclusive Interview with Franz Harary."







Performers of the opening programme with Franz

Yasas with Franz

In front of the Studio City



### Macau, Studio City, House of Magic & Franz Harary

Macau is a small peninsula in mainland China, across the Pearl River Delta from Hong Kong. A Portuguese overseas territory until 1999, it reflects a mix of Portuguese and Chinese influences. Its giant casinos and extravagant malls have earned it the nickname, the "Las Vegas of Asia."

Today Macao, officially known as the Macao Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China, is an autonomous territory on the southern coast of the People's Republic of China. Under the policy of "one country, two systems", Macau is one of the world's richest cities, and as of 2013 its GDP per capita by purchasing power parity is higher than that of any country in the world. It became the world's largest gambling centre in 2006 with the economy heavily dependent on gambling and tourism.

Studio City Macau is Asia's first leisure resort to integrate television and film production facilities, retail, gaming and hotels. Studio City Macau held its grand opening on 27 October 2015.



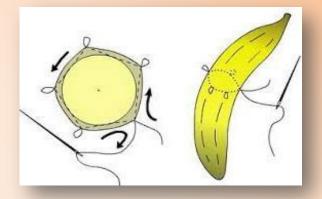
"Franz Harary's House of Magic." The \$40-million attraction will be permanently housed within Studio City Macau. With four live performance theaters each designed to offer a unique experience, the attraction is expected to entertain millions of guests each year. Franz Harary has over 30 years of experience designing large scale illusions. He began his career working with Michael Jackson and has gone on to collaborate with other world famous artists such as Madonna. He has also been instrumental in developing attractions for Disney, Universal, and many other theme parks. Harary is one of just few professional magicians and illusionists with the expertise and international prominence needed to anchor an attraction like the House of Magic.

### Trick of the Month

# Slice a banana without peeling it.

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<mark>පිටතට හානියක් වී නොමැති නමුත් ලෙල්ල ඉවත් කිරීමේදී පිහියකින් පෙති කැපූ අකාරයට කෙසෙල් මදය පෙති වෙන් වී ඇති</mark> අාකාරය දැක ගත හැක.



# CHRISTMAS 'POT POURI' 27th December 2015

Remember last year Rohan, VP. Special Projects, initiated the SLMC X'mas Party......? Let us continue the tradition. This year it is going to be a Christmas 'POT POURI' on Sunday 27th.

Please bring whatever food Item or Soft Drinks to the party. Confirm what you intend bringing by calling Rohan or Suranjith On 0777 158864 / 0777 208660.

Thanks in advance.

You may bring your immediate family, but please confirm with us. Come prepared to perform & take part in party games. Come one, Come all, Have a Wonderful evening full of Magical Moments. 3.00 pm to 7.00 pm.