



**MAGIC  
ACROSS  
TEXAS**

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## Message from the President



Wow! This year's convention is only a few days away. Time sure has flown by quickly this year.

I believe we have a great lineup covering every aspect of the Magical Art of Magic.

I don't know about you, but I always look forward to the TAOM Conventions to see old friends, make new ones, see the lectures, shows, contests, and spend too much money in the dealers' room; this year will be no exception for me.

*I've asked several times, "Will we have a one day walk-in price?" **Yes, we will!** The price is \$125 for the day and includes a ticket for the evening show.*

San Antonio is proud to announce that **Magic Camp** will return to TAOM this year. A special two-hour session for young magicians only is scheduled from 9 until 11 a.m. on Sunday. Ask for details at the registration booth.



## Enter the Realm of Denomolos™

Saturday night, 11:30 p.m.

by Saul Ravenscraft

TAOM 2019 is proud to honor our legendary, late member, Ed Solomon, with a special tribute show of Bizarre Magic, Saturday at 11:30 p. Friends of Ed are coming from all over the country to lead you on a journey of magical tales and experiences in the shadowy Realm of Denomolos™.

Join David Parr, Paul Prater, Joe Givan, Roland Santos, Saul Ravenscraft, and The Gothic Magic of Vlad as they present performances that Ed Solomon would have dearly loved. Enjoy magic filled with stories and theatre that will draw you in, move you, and, perhaps, change you.

Stay up late and join us for a truly unique adventure

## PERFORMERS SHOWCASE

### Chris Capehart



Chris Capehart has done it all! During the last thirty-five years he has performed on the big stage, lectured to magicians, become an accomplished street performer, created routines, and mastered

the linking rings. He has been published and imitated throughout the world. His skill at close-up is no less than astonishing. His quick comeback verbal skills sharpened on the streets of New York City have made him an outstanding comedian. At the Abbott's Convention 2002 he was awarded the Senator Crandall Award for Comedy. At the CAM Convention he worked with Jeff McBride. After his performance Jeff McBride said "He is the only magician I've ever seen who can bring down the house with a stock trick."

In Las Vegas at the SAM National Convention Chris Capehart again proved himself to be a master of magic by being the Master of Ceremony for the show. Both Mike Miller and Joan Caesar have labeled Chris Capehart a promoter's dream.

Chris is a regular headliner at "Monday Night Magic" in New York City. He has performed in Atlantic City, Las Vegas, New York, Philadelphia, Hollywood, Chicago, Denver and numerous other cities.

He has been dubbed "The Ring Master" and for good reasons. The three-ring routine is one of the cornerstones of magical illusions. Chris's three-ring routine has been acclaimed by some of the world's most renowned magicians as "the best of the best." He mesmerizes magicians and audiences with a close-up ring routine more commonly performed at a distance. His routine is featured in Volume 13 of the highly acclaimed magic series "Stars of Magic" that is marketed to other magicians around the world.

### David Parr

David Parr is an internationally acclaimed magician and author of some well-regarded books about magic. He created and costarred in Chicago's longest-running magic show, which was chosen by the Travel Channel as one of the top nine magic shows in the nation! (Because top ten lists are so passé.) In addition to being a frequent performer at the prestigious Magic Castle in Hollywood, California, he was an artist in residence at the Chicago Magic Lounge, where his show David Parr's Cabinet of Curiosities had a successful yearlong run. His most recent show, Dark Magic, debuted at Chicago's Otherworld Theatre.



Magic fans will recognize David from his appearance on the hit TV show Penn & Teller: Fool Us. David fooled them all and took home the coveted FoolUs trophy — and won a guest spot in the duo's live show at the Rio Hotel in Las Vegas!

Among magicians, David is best known for his theatrical performing style and his writing and teaching skills. He is the author of several very well-regarded books for magicians. For a decade or so, David was a featured columnist, proofreader, and copy editor for MAGIC Magazine. He has provided guidance and instruction to magicians around the world, including at the Magic Castle and in his own Penguin Live lecture. He has also released a number of his inventions to the magic market, such as A Game of Life & Death, Proof Positive, 7Sins, and Slow-Motion Swindle. His latest offerings are Paper Prophecies, an ebook in which he teaches three amazing prediction effects; Brain Food: Gourmet Edition, an updated digital version of his highly acclaimed first book; and Copycat, the trick that fooled Penn & Teller.

### **Scott Hollingsworth**



TAOM Past President Scott Hollingsworth needs no introduction. Magicians and audiences around the world recognize him as a consummate professional who put the "magic" in Magic Island in Houston for 27 years. He tutored many of the stars on stages around the world and on the high seas today.

Combine his skill with a charming personality and winning smile and you have an act that will leave you amazed, bemused, and happy.

Scott's credentials include the coveted TAOM Willard the Wizard trophy for best close-up magic, five Houston Magician of the Year awards, several trips to perform at the Magic Castle in Hollywood, stints on cruise ships, and literally thousands of performances in Ramesses, the famous close-up studio at Magic Island.

He has written numerous books on specific routines, created and published many innovative card effects, and the magicians' Bible for performing restaurant magic, "Cashing in with Close-up".

Stop by the special performance area in front of LaVista and say hello.

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## TAOM 2019 Event Schedule

### Friday Aug 30

9 AM - 6 PM	Registration - In front of La Vista
9 AM - 6 PM	Dealers Open - El Mirador
1 PM - 2PM	Harry Allen Lecture - La Vista
1 PM - 2:30 PM	Scott Hollingsworth - In front of La Vista
2:30 PM - 3:00	Oscar Munoz Lecture - La Vista
3:30PM - 5 PM	Dealers Show - La Vista
4 PM - 5 PM	TAOM Board Meeting - La Condesa
5PM - 7 PM	Dinner
7:30 PM - 9:30	Stage Contest & Show - Magik Theatre
10 PM - 11	Texas Collectors' Meeting - La Vista
12 AM - 1 AM	Midnight Madness - Salon Del Rey

### Saturday Aug 31

9 AM - 6 PM	Registration - In front of La Vista
9 AM - 6 PM	Dealers Open - El Mirador
9 AM - 10 AM	Chris Capehart Lecture - La Vista
10 AM - 11 AM	Scott Hollingsworth in front of La Vista
11 AM - 12 PM	Richard Turner Lecture - La Vista
12 PM - 1 PM	Lunch
1 PM - 3 PM	Close Up Contest - La Condesa, La Princesa, La Duquesa, La Reina
3 PM - 4: PM	Joe Givan/Carol Massie Lecture - La Vista
4:30 PM - 5:30	Free Time: Enjoy San Antonio
5PM - 7 PM	Dinner
7 PM - 9 PM	Show - Magik Theatre
10 PM - 11PM	Nick Lewin Lecture - La Vista
11:30 - 1AM	Bizarre Magic Event - Salon Del Rey

### Sunday Sept 1

7AM - 8:30	Invisible Lodge - Mirador E
8 AM - 9 AM	Gospel Church Meeting - La Vista
9 AM - 10 AM	TAOM General Meeting - Salon Del Rey
9 AM - 6 PM	Registration - Pre-function Area
9 AM - 6 PM	Dealers Open - El Mirador
9AM - 11AM	TAOM Magic Camp - La Princesa
10 AM - 6 PM	2020 Registration - In front of La Vista
10 AM - 11 AM	Order of Willard Breakfast - Stetson Room
11:30 AM - 12:30	David Charvet Lecture - La Vista
12:30 PM - 1:30	Lunch
1:30 PM - 3:30	Pro Close Up Show - La Condesa, La Princesa, La Duquesa La Reina
4 PM - 5 PM	Stuart MacDonald Lecture - La Vista
5PM - 7 PM	Dinner
7 PM - 9 PM	Show - Magik Theatre
10 PM - 11	Bizarre Panel Talk - La Vista

### Monday Sep 2

9 AM - 12 PM	2020 Registration - In front of La Vista
9 AM - 12 PM	Dealers Open - El Mirador
10 AM - 11:30	Mahdi Gilbert Lecture - La Vista
12:00:00 PM	Convention End

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**TAOM COMING ATTRACTIONS**

**TAOM 2019**

**Discover Unforgettable Magic**

**Aug. 30 - Sept. 2 2019**

**San Antonio Tx**



# SUN, AUG 25 • 2:30 PM

*Entertainers*  
EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM  
[jensencollector.com/lectures](http://jensencollector.com/lectures)

**THE LINE BAR & GRILL | 940 E Belt Line Rd, Richardson, TX 75081 | Room on left when entering**  
Kitchen opens at 2 pm, so come early and eat in the main room. Lecture door opens at 2:10 pm.

## CARISA HENDRIX'S CHARACTER, COMEDY AND MORE LECTURE



The lovable character of Lucy Darling was created by magician Carisa Hendrix, a 5-time award-winning entertainer featured in the Guinness Book of World Records, Ripley's Believe it or Not, and the 2016 Super Channel documentary *Carisa Hendrix: Girl on Fire*, which tells the harrowing story of Hendrix's journey to star in her own magic show on the Las Vegas strip.

Best known for the classy and sassy Lucy, Hendrix has been thrilling audiences internationally for the past 15 years with her signature blend of comedy entertainment. She appears regularly at Hollywood's Magic Castle, has been a hit at magic conferences across the United States, and is the co-host, with Kayla

Drescher, of the popular podcast *Shezam*. Carisa was recently nominated for one of magic's most prestigious honors, AMA Stage Magician of the Year, and received the 2019 Alan Slaight Award.

### THE LECTURE

- How to develop an effective character
- The rules that make comedy and magic support each other
- New ring and string walk around routine
- Topological Oddities
- Basics of bubble magic

This is an expanded version of Carisa's lecture that got rave reviews at TAOM 2018 in Houston.

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## BEN JACKSON PRESENTS

### Magic, Music, and Mayhem

Come to the elegant Four Seasons Hotel located at 1300 Lamar in downtown Houston for Ben's incredible show.

August 30 - shows at 7 and 9 p.m.

August 31 - shows at 7 and 9 p.m.

September 1 - shows at 3 and 7 p.m.

September 20 - shows at 7 and 9 p.m.

September 21 - shows at 7 and 9 p.m.

September 22 - shows at 3 and 7 p.m.

Ben has earned numerous awards during his career, the most recent being a trifecta of First Place, People's Choice, and Medal of Merit at the United States National Close-up Magic Competition at the Golden Nugget Casino in Las Vegas. The Medal of Merit has been awarded only 7 times since 1902.

For tickets, go to <https://www.benjacksonmagic.com/live/>

## "The Usual Suspects" - Tuesday, September 3

Amazing  
Attractions PRESENTS...

EVERY **1<sup>ST</sup>**  
TUESDAY **7PM**

THE LIVING ROOM @THE LINE BAR  
940 E. BELTLINE · RICHARDSON  
RESERVATIONS: **214.720.2262**

ADMISSION IS FOR ADULTS 21 AND OVER.

TICKETS **\$15**  
(INCLUDES 1<sup>ST</sup> DRINK)



# PARLOR MAGIC SHOW



MENTALISM  
ILLUSIONS  
BIZARRE

SEPT 14, 2019

CONFETTI EDDIE MAGIC PARLOR  
TICKETS \$20- 30 @PREKINDLE.COM  
823 EXPOSITION AVENUE DALLAS TX



## **NATHAN COE MARCH**

### **Lecture**



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Dallas - September 15 at 2:00 p.m. at 8330  
LBJ Freeway, 8th floor, Room B838

Houston - September 17 at 7:30 p.m. at  
I.A.T.S.E. Hall, 3030 North Freeway

Nathan Coe Marsh will present a lecture on "Practical Impossibilities". Over the course of a career that has included television, corporate events, cruise ships, casinos, trade shows, and comedy clubs.

Nathan has performed in 13 countries, on Penn & Teller Fool Us, and is a regular headliner at House of Cards in Nashville, Tennessee. In addition to performing full time, he is a review columnist for Genii Magazine.

Practical Impossibilities: Every item in Nathan's lecture has been featured by him in real world, professional performance. The first half focuses on stand-up magic (with an emphasis on strong stand-up magic that 1. does not require on-stage assistants and 2. packs small and plays big). The second half focuses on close-up magic.



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## **JUSTIN WILLMAN**

### **House of Blues**

Justin Willman returns to The House of Blues in Dallas on Friday, September 17th. with his show, Magic In Real Life. Justin is the star and executive producer of the Netflix original series Magic for Humans. He's a regular guest on The Tonight Show, Ellen, and Conan. His online videos have logged over a 100 million views.

[Click here](#) for ticket information.

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## **IT'S BACK**

**Saturday, September 28**

The World Famous Austin Magic Auction," which has been dormant for several years, will again take place "On Stage, In Person," thanks to the efforts of SAM Assembly 206 in Austin. "Peter the Adequate," President of the assembly, has been putting the resources into place for Saturday, September 28, at the First Baptist Church at 901 Trinity in downtown Austin.

Kent Cummins, the original auctioneer, has agreed to manage the stage auction, which will feature 200 unique pieces. Kent will be assisted on stage by Scott Wells, Grant Walsh, Judy Hollingsworth and several other guest auctioneers. There will also be approximately 1,000 items in the silent auction, plus a special section of collectables.

To be among the first to get details about listing your items for sale and general information about the auction, go to [www.AustinMagicAuction.com](http://www.AustinMagicAuction.com) and scroll to the bottom to sign up for the newsletter.

The official website will be updated very shortly with details.

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### **Two Amazing Magic Shows!**

"The Fantastic Kent Cummins" is celebrating his 70th year as a magician (He started when he was six!) by putting on two amazing magic shows at the historic Scottish Rite Theater in downtown Austin on Sunday, November 3. The "Magic Camp Matinee" at 2:00 pm is especially for kids and the grown-ups who love them. The evening show at 7:00 pm is family friendly, but designed especially for grown-ups who love magic. The two shows are completely different, and will feature some of Kent's favorite tricks and illusions from throughout his career.

Kent, Order of Willard, won the Teen Trophy at the 1960 TAOM Convention, and was TAOM President in 1983.

Shows will benefit the Fantastic Magic Camp scholarship program and the Texas Association of Magicians. With only 250 seats in the theatre, both shows are expected to sell out quickly, so magic lovers are urged to buy tickets early.

Tickets and more information are available at [www.KentCummins.com/70years](http://www.KentCummins.com/70years).

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#### **Down the road....**

Aug 31 - Sept. 2 - TAOM 2019 in San Antonio  
September 28 - Austin Magic Auction  
October 15 - Paul Driscoll at Main Street Crossing in Tomball  
October 26 - Shin Lim at the Majestic Theater in Dallas  
October 27 - Christian Engblom Lecture in Dallas  
November 12- Bill Wisch lecture in Houston

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## BITS AND PIECES OF INTERESTING STUFF

### JAMES IRWIN AT IBM IN SCOTTSDALE



All Texas magicians are justifiably proud of Dallas magician James Irwin for bringing home a prestigious award from the International Brotherhood of Magicians convention in Scottsdale, Arizona, last month. The photo shows Michael Finney presenting the Award of Merit for Youth at the Grand Finale Show. James is a member of the Dallas Magic Clubs and TAOM. He is not stranger to winning awards - James won the TAOM Willard the Wizard trophy for his stage act in 2013 and 2017, first place at Midwest Magic Jubilee 2015 and 2018, and numerous other awards and contests.

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### NEW MAGIC GROUP IN SOUTH AUSTIN

South Austin Magical (to be named), is a weekly informal magic hangout/meet up; think pizza, beer, magic talk, sessioning, possible book club, etc.

Where: The Topsy Pizza at 730 W Stassney Lane #165 in South Austin  
When: For the time being, Fridays from 8 to 10 p.m. (or however long we feel like)  
*Hope to see you there!*



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### Mid-Cities Magic Circle...

Meeting the second Tuesday of every month at Arlington Golden Corral Restaurant located at 465 East I-20 at 7 for dinner. Magic gets underway about 8 p.m. The topic is "Your Favorite Trick". Bring any trick and perform. Check out Mid-Cities Magic Circle on Facebook for more details!



The purpose of the Mid-Cities Magic Circle is to provide a venue for Dallas/Fort Worth performing magicians to study their art and improve as public performers. Each meeting focuses on a single theme -- development of performance skills, routines, and other elements important to the public performance of magic. There is no formal membership, no officers, no notes or minutes. For more information -- forget it! There is simply no one in charge to respond. Just show up on the second Tuesday of the month at Arlington Golden Corral and join the fun and magic!

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## PRO TECH HELP AT IBM

Austin Magicians Ken Dickensheets, Carl Seagren, and Matt Dillahunty recently provided all of the sound, video and staging support for the IBM National Convention in Phoenix. They provided the systems, operation and support for the main stage and lecture rooms and the technical production for the evening shows for sixteen national performers. Yea for our team!

# IMPROV

### THE IMPROV IN ADDISON...

Mike Williams heads up an all star line-up in Addison every other weekend. It's Comedy and Magic that you won't want to miss.

Visit [www.improvaddison.com](http://www.improvaddison.com) for show information or to purchase tickets.

CELEBRATING 12 YEARS OF MAGIC!

"Funny beyond belief!"

**Family Comedy & Magic Show**  
For All Ages

Starring Mike Williams

Saturday at 2pm



Addison Improv Comedy Club  
[www.improvaddison.com](http://www.improvaddison.com)



### THE IMPROV IN ARLINGTON...

Mike Squires headlines shows at The IMPROV in Arlington on alternate Saturdays. Mike will casually blow your mind. Doors open at 1:00.

Go to [www.improvarlington.com](http://www.improvarlington.com) for tickets.

## CULTURE MAP AUSTIN FEATURES:

### **John Magic's Theater and Museum in Austin**



Magic's Theater is owned and operated by magician John Magic and his family, including his wife who runs the front-of-house operations. Each week, the theater hosts a close-up magic show on Friday and a stage show on Saturday performed by Magic himself, who says his goal is to give "the classics of magic to a fresh and brand-new audience."

Elaborate stage shows start at 7:00 p.m. every Saturday night with family-friendly magic entertainment. Friday evenings feature close-up magic by John Magic and Chris English. Private close-up shows are available Monday through Thursday by appointment.

The theater is located at 13419 Fitzhugh Road off 290 past Oak Hill west of Austin. Buy your ticket at the door or make reservations at <http://www.magicstheater.com>



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### **Second Saturday Magic Sale**

**Magic, Etc.,** Fort Worth's premier magic shop hosts a Second Saturday Sale every month where magicians can score good savings on props and supplies. Magicians get "special" treatment and special prices. Magic, Etc. is located on Forest Park Boulevard at I-30 in Fort Worth.

### **Thrifty Third Thursday**

**Magic, Etc. and Fort Worth Costume** started a new monthly gathering of magicians from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month. You are invited to wheel and deal for the best buys ever only at Fort Worth's own Magic, Etc. and Fort Worth Costume.

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# HUMPERDINKS

*Restaurant & Brewpub*

## Monday Night Magic in Arlington

All magic aficionados are invited to attend informal gatherings at Humpertink's Restaurant at LaQuinta Inn, #6 North Six Flags Drive in Arlington every Monday night. Bring your cards and props to practice your "chops" in the back room.

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## Cards in South Austin

### **SECOND SATURDAYS**

Cardicians in Austin get together once a month to swap moves and stories, routines and fun. To confirm times, locations, and dates and for more info, contact Lou Hornung at [lhornung@sbcglobal.net](mailto:lhornung@sbcglobal.net)



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*In Memoriam*



## CAROL BRIN

Carol Brin died Saturday, August 17, 2019. She was a great friend and benefactor to Texas magic youth. Her husband, Royal Brin, is a Life Member of the Dallas Magic Clubs, Charter Member of IBM Ring 174 Willard The Wizard Ring, Past President of TAOM, former Legal Advisor to TAOM, and past International President of the IBM

Carol was a gracious lady who loved magic and helping magicians.

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# ONE LAST THING

This is one of the most exciting times of the year! TAOM 2019 in San Antonio is just a little over a week away. Time to check the wardrobe, list the necessities, organize some business, and gather up all the bits and pieces that need to be hand-delivered to friends. TAOM conventions are, of course, about magic, but they are also an annual pilgrimage if you will. They take you back to conventions past and friends lost but remembered. They generate energy and enthusiasm for growing your local club and making new friends. They remind you that magic is supposed to be FUN!



SEE YOU THERE!

Judy Hollingsworth

TAOM Club Coordinator



## MAGIC CLUBS IN TEXAS

AUSTIN - IBM Ring 60  
First Monday at 7:00 p.m. except January and September  
I.H.O.P at 11654 Research Boulevard in Austin  
Contact: [president@ibmring60.org](mailto:president@ibmring60.org)

AUSTIN - SAM ASSEMBLY 206  
Third Monday at 7:00 p.m.  
Journey Imperfect Faith Community at 7500 Woodrow Avenue in Austin  
Contact: [magicpta@gmail.com](mailto:magicpta@gmail.com) or [cantutg@sbcglobal.net](mailto:cantutg@sbcglobal.net)

CORPUS CHRISTI - IBM RING 157  
Meeting date in transition  
Ronald McDonald House at 3402 Fort Worth Street in Corpus Christi  
Contact: [douglasjp3@yahoo.com](mailto:douglasjp3@yahoo.com)

DALLAS MAGIC CLUBS - IBM RING 174 & SAM ASSEMBLY 13  
Third Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.  
Addison Treehouse at 14681 Midway Road in Addison  
Contact: [dalsanders@stagemagic.com](mailto:dalsanders@stagemagic.com)  
<http://www.dallasmagic.org/>

FORT WORTH - IBM RING 15  
First Thursday at 7:00 p.m.  
Call 817-606-7770 for meeting location  
Contact: [fortworthmagiciansclub@hotmail.com](mailto:fortworthmagiciansclub@hotmail.com)  
<http://www.fortworthmagiciansclub.org>

FORT WORTH - SAM ASSEMBLY 138  
Third Thursday at 7:00 p.m.  
Illusion Warehouse at 3917 McCart Avenue in Fort Worth  
Contact: [communications@allianceofillusionists.com](mailto:communications@allianceofillusionists.com)

HOUSTON - IBM RING 39  
Fourth Monday at 7:00 p.m. except May and December  
Bayou Manor at 4141 South Braeswood in Houston  
Contact: [judy4birds@yahoo.com](mailto:judy4birds@yahoo.com)  
<http://www.houstonmagic.com>

HOUSTON - SAM ASSEMBLY 19  
First Monday at 7:00 p.m. except September  
I.A.T.S.E. Union Hall at 3030 North Freeway in Houston  
Contact: [milesroot@aol.com](mailto:milesroot@aol.com)  
<http://www.houstonmagic.com>

MID-CITIES MAGIC CIRCLE  
Second Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.  
Humperdink's at Six Flags in Arlington  
Facebook: "Mid-cities magic circle"

SAN ANTONIO - IBM RING 18  
Fourth Thursday at 7:30 p.m.  
Beethoven Hall at 422 Perida Street in San Antonio  
Contact: [paul.mims@hotmail.com](mailto:paul.mims@hotmail.com)

SAN ANTONIO - SAM ASSEMBLY 52  
First Thursday at 7:30 p.m.  
Location in transition  
Contact: [dougorman@att.net](mailto:dougorman@att.net)