

The Quarterly Shakedown

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Name contest

Congratulations to Kevin Burbank for his winning submission to the “Name the Newsletter” contest. We went with a variation to his entry, “What’s Shakin’” and went with the “Quarterly Shakedown”. Those of you who feel we have gone in the wrong direction with the naming should feel free to email our complaint department at GoPoundSand2025@gmail.com. One of our compassionate resolution specialists will respond to you within 24 hours.

The 2025 Conjuring for a Cure



The Slow-Motion Magic (SMM) family is saddened by the loss of Antonio “Dino” Madrid, one of SMM’s earliest and most committed supporters. Dino was admittedly not a fan of magic, but his support for our mission was unwavering. The 2025 Conjuring for a Cure (CFAC) will be dedicated to honoring Dino, who unexpectedly passed away in February of this year.

This year’s CFAC will be held on October 26th in Newhall, CA. More information will follow as it becomes available. If you are interested in performing in this year’s show, please send an email using the contact page on the Slow-Motion Magic website <https://slowmotionmagic.org/>

How’s David Doing?



David underwent surgery on January 30th to implant a neuro stimulator in his brain called DBS. The 2.5 hour procedure went well, and David immediately felt the benefits, giving him some relief from his Parkinson’s symptoms on the left side of his body. Although this will not cure his Parkinson’s or slow its progression, it is a welcome relief. He is recovering well and doesn’t miss an opportunity to complain about being restricted from the Jacuzzi. His wife, Robyn, is less sympathetic since he has also

been restricted from any lifting including trash removal and laundry. In a few months, the whole process starts over for the other side.

“Spread the Magic Word”

By Markus Kublin



Slow-Motion Magic blends two groups: magic fans and people who care about Parkinson’s patients. Since the stated mission of SMM is to increase Parkinson’s awareness, I (modestly) propose a modest idea: I challenge the board, friends, family, supporters, audience members, past participants, YouTube subscribers, and members of the healthcare community to do two things:

1. Try to increase the cross-pollination of our two main groups. Share David’s YouTube videos. Proudly wear your Slow-Motion Magic merch. (And if you don’t have any to wear, buy some!)
2. Use every means to grow our grass-roots efforts: word-of-mouth, email, social media, etc. Use Facebook, Instagram, X, Threads, Snapchat, TikTok (if you’re not afraid of China’s world take-over by harvesting your data), Twitch, Bluesky, Mastodon, and whatever young people have already jumped to that I haven’t heard of. Use SMM links, hashtags, and mentions on your posts. Are you a YouTuber or TikTok star? An influencer or serial content creator? Direct your followers and subscribers to Slow-Motion Magic to learn about Parkinson’s. The more who know, the more allies we have to fight Parkinson’s. (Unless I’m confused, and we’re supposed to fight David. Actually, why can’t it be both?)

So, if you are a magician, spread the word about Parkinson’s research and Slow-Motion Magic to your audience. Talk up our cause on your website or Instagram. “Hey, check out Slow-Motion Magic.” It costs you nothing and makes you look like an angel. A mention makes you a mensch!

Likewise, if someone you care about has Parkinson’s, follow the magicians who donated their

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time to our events. Help increase their audience as a show of gratitude for their support. Get on social media and find magicians to talk about SMM. Let's say they show interest, and you share the story of a friend battling Parkinson's. You could ask them to use their platform to help the cause by sharing our links and encouraging their fans to get educated. Some of them could even be future performers in the prestigious (and presitidigitous) Conjuring for a Cure.

We all have powerful tools at our fingertips to help this small, family-run, non-profit grow into a phenomenon. The more funding we generate for Parkinson's research, the more likely we are to achieve our ultimate goal: finding a cure to end Parkinson's, making it disappear, like magic.

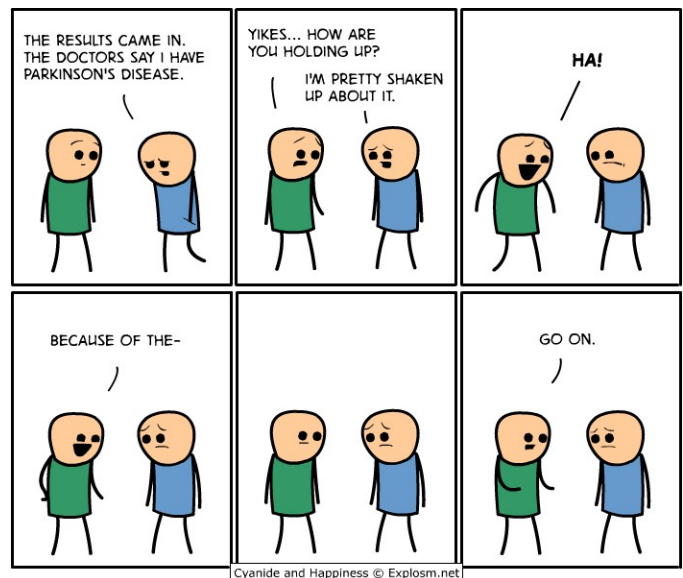
Is Angiogenesis a Treatment or Potential Cure?

By://www.pd-studies.org/

Zhittya Genesis Medicine is developing a drug, fibroblast growth factor 1 (FGF-1), to possibly treat Parkinson's Disease by growing new blood vessels in ischemic tissue in the brain, particularly by reestablishing blood flow in dopamine-producing parts of the brain such as the substantia nigra.

Since May 2022, Zhittya Genesis Medicine has dosed over 196 individuals suffering from Parkinson's Disease in Medical Research Studies. Beyond demonstrating potentially impressive safety data, it has also reported improved motor scores of all Parkinson's patients in the study. Beyond improved motor scores, patients have reported non-motor improvements such as improvements in sleep quality, balance & cognition, among other qualities.

To read the whole article, head on over to <https://www.pd-studies.org/>



I'm sorry, but that's just funny. I always say, "If we don't laugh at the world, then we'll cry." If you find this offensive, you really shouldn't hear my standup routine.

For our next quarterly edition, we are accepting meme submissions. I hate to be a downer, but there are guidelines. No political memes and nothing wildly inappropriate. Let's keep it rated G or PG.

To submit an entry, email your memes to SlowMotionMagik@gmail.com. The funniest meme to be posted in our newsletter will receive a free deck of cards. Even if you send me a hilarious meme that makes me laugh until I wet myself (not that that could really happen), but it doesn't meet the criteria for posting in the newsletter, you will not be awarded a prize. FYI, that was not intended to be a challenge.

To support SMM and PD awareness, just head over to www.SlowMotionMagic.org (not .com).

SAVE THE DATE
6TH
CFAC
OCTOBER 26TH, 2025