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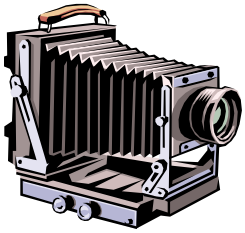

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Refreshments will be provided by the following:

January.....Ann Rockway
February.....Frank Townsend
March.....Dave Simmerman
April..... Terry Liberty
May.....Jerry Weeks
June..... Gene & Linda Pardee

January General Meeting

By Vice President, Allen Raphael

Happy Holiday's everyone!!

For the last few years, January has been the set aside as one of the "Members Theme Nights." This is a night, set aside for members to showcase their work, albeit digital, slide or print. Each member who signs up will have 10 minutes for their presentation. You may present on any topic of your choice. Perhaps you would like to share a recent trip or maybe a collection of images spanning the last ten years. There are still a few slots to fill for the January meeting. Remember, if the spaces do not fill up, the meeting will be MUCH, MUCH shorter than normal. If you would like to sign up, please email me at mallenphoto@comcast.net as soon as possible.

Coming up for February, we will be having a guest speaker, Mike Estes, Manager of Kits Camera here on the west side. Mike has said that he has been working with Kits corporate office and plans on presenting us with some of the new and improved features that they can provide us as photographers. They plan to have some give away items from some major photographic vendors and coupons especially designed for us as Olympia Camera Club members. Put this evening on your calendar and plan to attend and see what is new and great for us in the way of our printing needs. I'll be having more information after I talk with him and his corporate representative in January.

"A great photograph is a full expression of what one feels about what is being photographed in the deepest sense, and is thereby a true expression of what one feels about life and its entirety." — *Ansel Adams*

President's Corner

by Dave Simmerman

It's a New Year

This time of year is when we typically make those New Year's resolutions to better our lives (get in shape), reflect on what we have accomplished during the year (why in the heck did I do that?), and make revised plans for the future (I hope this works plan!). So what will your photographic resolution be this year? To learn a new process or technique, buy a new camera or lens, or get more involved with the Olympia Camera Club? Whatever you choose to do, I'm sure you will succeed. As for me personally, I plan to increase my portrait/wedding photography business and get more involved with competitions / galleries through my nature work. I just have to achieve a common balance between them. My ultimate goal would be, as with most photographers, to get published in a nationally recognized magazine or book. In order to improve some of my skills, and you may want to consider this as well, I joined the Photographic Society of America (PSA) to get my work entered and critiqued. How can you improve if you don't know where you are lacking? Our very own member, Wes Kirkpatrick, can help you with this, as he is the Region 12 PSA Director. We are even thinking about starting a Critique and Appreciation Group within our very own club.

The OCC is starting a new year as well, 73rd year, and what a better way to officially launch the new website. As your OCC Webmaster I truly believe the website is a great communications tool, when properly used and administered. You can find out what activities are coming up in the future, read about our specialty groups, or view the latest Shutterbug Times. You can contribute to the website by submitting web links to your personal site or your favorite photography forum. You can write an article for the site about a personal photographic experience, a technique on how to do something with your camera, or a Photoshop tip to help other photographers. How about submitting an image for the Members Random Image rotator? Going on a photographic trip? How about inviting others and put it on the activities calendar! Know of a photographic event happening? Put it on the activities calendar as well! As you can see, we have a lot to offer and need your suggestions to make it even greater! In order to participate in the website, you must register. After all, we are the greatest club of Photographers helping Photographers and the Community in which we live.

Unique Friendships can be found at the End of a Lens!

Dues Are Due!!

by Shauna Kearns

I am still collecting dues for the 2008 membership year.

If you have not yet paid your dues, please give me the money at the January general meeting or send your checks, (made out to the Olympia Camera Club), to the following address:

Shauna Kearns
6513 Compton Blvd
Lacey, WA 98513

You can also use PayPal to pay your dues on the OCC website. Dues are $20 for singles and $35 for couples.

WE HAVE A NEW MEETING PLACE FOR THE GENERAL MEETING AND DIGITAL MEETINGS

This year through the great efforts of Rich Kalman we now have a new and larger meeting space.

Please Note: Our meeting location has changed to a new location: POD "A" at Capital High School on Conger Street (between Division and Cooper Point Road). There are two parking lots and two entrances to the building. Pod "A" is closer to the West entrance. That's the one closer to Division Street.

Capital High School
2707 Conger Avenue N.W.
Olympia, Washington 98502-4590

We have the room reserved for the following dates:

Jan 28	Feb 25
Mar 24	Apr 28
May 19	Jun 23

OLYMPIA CAMERA CLUB MEMBERS BEING HONORED IN MANY WAYS

By Wes Kirkpatrick

During this past year there has been many, and I think I can be safe in saying many many, members that have had many honors bestowed on them and I really have to apologize that I've not been keeping track and putting the information into the newsletter. This is going to be one of the top five items I'm going to put on my 2008 New Years Resolution list. Not only is it important to them and yourselves but it is important to other club members to know who these members are and to congratulate them.

This year Cornelia and I have been to many competitons, displays, exhibitions and the highlight was the Annual International PSA Conference which was held in Tucson, Arizona. This coming year it will be held in Portland, Oregon. While view the images that were submitted to the convention we were commenting that there are quite a few of our own members that have images that are as worthy or more so that some that were given the top honors.

What I want to do with this first 2008 issue is to start by mentioning some that have been mentioned most recent and I'm going to try and go back and find those for the 2007 year and will mention those as well in addition to any that come up in the future.

To start with and in no special order because they are all special is **Kevin Mcneal**. Kevin has recently placed First overall for the Washington Trails Association, has been given the distinction of having his image placed on the front cover of the Washington Visitors Guide and he is the winner for the Oregon Parks contest. He has also had articles published in the 2007 PhotoMedia Fall edition, The Washington Trails Association Magazine, Jan 2008 edition, the Washington Visitors Guide and the 2008 Calendar for the Oregon Parks.

Terry Liberty has recently been informed that one of his photos was accepted into the The Minnaert Center Regional Juried Art Exhibit showcase which show the abundant of talent in the area. One artist is chosen for the Jurors' Award, which includes the offer of an exhibit at the Kenneth J. Minnaert Center for the Arts during the following year. And he will be honored at a reception on January 4th at 6:00pm Of course he is delighted as we all are as well.

Another member is **Julie Bennet** who is a member of NANPA (North American Nature Photographers Association) has placed highly in NANPA's annual showcase contest. Two of her images were chosen out of 4251 images submitted. The two images, Cedar Waxwings, and Fall Colors can be views at Circada Restaurant in downtown Olympia.

In addition the Washington Biodiversity Council has purchased 7 of Julie's images for their annual report.

Julie also was a judge for the Washington Trails Association's annual photography contest this past fall.

And our **President, Dave Simmerman** has had several images honored as well. I do not have all of them at this time but will get them and have them in the next newsletter.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF YOU, AND WELL DONE

If you have been a recipient of an award or anything please email me, and let me know. Don't be shy. It's special to be honored and recognized and everyone would like to know about it.

In traveling around and also in discussion with members of other clubs I want to let everyone know that Olympia Camera Club has got a great reputation for have probably the greatest field trips, the most social gatherings in the Northwest Council and the area. So if you haven't been to a meeting or have and it's been a while please visit the clubs new website and see what is happening and join in. Those that do go on the outings would love to have more and also see other members get involved.

"Photography is a way of feeling, of touching, of loving. What you have caught on film is captured forever... it remembers little things, long after you have forgotten everything."

— Aaron Siskind

Announcing the Year 2007 OCC Annual!

Article by Terry and Bonnie Liberty

Every year, OCC members get together to assemble a permanent collection of their recent photographic work. We do this by publishing our *Annual*, a booklet to which we all contribute our photographs. There is a copy of the *Annual* published for each contributor so each person gets a copy to keep. We have found these books to be excellent keepsakes and inspirations. We assemble the book at a gathering at Terry and Bonnie Liberty's home, accompanied by a "finger food" lunch. We would encourage everyone to get involved in this enjoyable activity. It provides a good deal of fun, a collection of your colleagues' work and a look at where we all were, photographically in 2007 The details are as follows:

The *Annual*

Each *Annual* is made up of one image from each participating OCC member or former member. Participation is voluntary, of course. It's nice but not required that the images were created during 2007 Images may be created by any photo process, film and/or digital, and may be any size from a snapshot to a maximum of 8 ½ x11 inches. Each participant provides one print per book so if there are ten participants, there will be ten books, each with one print from each participant.

Publishing Party

The publishing party will be on January 19th Noon, at Terry and Bonnie's home, 8741 Stoney Creek Lane SW. This is **party time!** providing us with a "finger food" lunch and an excellent opportunity to become acquainted with other members. In the event you are unable to attend, you may deliver your prints to the Liberty's or send them with another member. Please provide the name of the person who will be present to assemble your *Annual* for you.

Note: Because we permanently bind the *Annual*, all books must be assembled at the party. It is difficult to add or exchange images with those already included in the binder, so a fully completed *Annual* is our goal! Please assure that your prints are at the Liberty's, ready for assembly on the party date.

The Prints

Option 1:

Prints Mounted on Paper Pages

Photos can be mounted on 8 ½ x 11 pages with titles, etc. The preferred paper is 24 pound bond or similar. Please create your own pages and mount your prints, ready to bind before the party. You may use materials, colors etc. of your choice. In that way you can control the placement of the print and information you want included on your page. When mounting, allow a ½ to ¾ inch extra margin along the left hand (long) edge of the page for binding.

Option 2:

Prints Done Directly on 8 ½ x 11 Photo Paper

You can bring prints that are done directly on 8 ½ x 11 photo paper. We will bind these into the books with no need for other materials. When printing, allow a ½ to ¾ inch extra margin along the left hand (long) edge of the page for binding.

Let's Party!

So everyone decide if you'd like to participate and if so, what print you want to contribute. If you wish to participate, sign up on or before the OCC Christmas party on December 17th. After the 17th, print and mount the required number of images, make up some "finger foods" for a potluck and come to the party!!

If you wish to participate or have any questions, please call Terry at 786-6652 or e-mail him at libertyt@sprynet.com. **Terry will need an exact count by December 17th so make sure you sign up!**

Directions

Via Highway 101 and Mud Bay Road

Here are directions to Terry and Bonnie's house.

Go South on I5 to Olympia the exit on highway 101.
Take the exit and head West on 101.
You'll pass exits to Cooper Point Rd. and Black Lake Blvd.
Keep going West on 101.
Get off 101 on the Mud Bay Rd. exit.
Bear right until you come to a stop sign the bottom of the exit at the fire station on Mud Bay Rd.
Turn left on Mud Bay Rd. and cross under the freeway.
Shortly after the underpass is Delphi Rd.
Turn left on Delphi.

Follow Delphi for about six miles.
Eventually (about 6 miles) you will come to the intersection with Waddell Creek Rd on your right.
At the intersection, stay on Delphi (left) for another 1/4 mile or so.
As you enter a long left curve, you'll find a white-on-green sign for 8741 and a street sign “Stoney Creek Lane” on your right.
Turn right at the sign, pass the mailboxes on your right and follow the paved driveway.
At the next 8741 sign, turn right and go to the top of the hill to a cul-de-sac.
Drive straight through the cul-de-sac (sign says 8741) and you're there.

Our address is 8741 Stoney Creek Lane SW
Phone is (360) 786-6652

Alternate Directions Via Black Lake Road at Highway 101

Get on Black Lake Road going South from the Hwy 101 overpass.
Follow Black Lake Road past the lake and continue on it until you get to Delphi Rd.
Turn left (South) on Delphi.
Follow Delphi for about two miles.
You will come to the intersection with Waddell Creek Rd on your right.
At the intersection, stay on Delphi (left) for another 1/4 mile or so.
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6 Bald Eagle Weekend - Clark's Skagit River Resort Rockport, WA	7	8 Digital Mtg Capital High School POD "A" 6:30pm	9	10	11	12 NWCCC Mtg. Port of Edmonds Edmonds, WA
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