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January General Meeting
January 22, 2007

Our Members are Creative
By Dave Simmerman

Come join us as we present our 5th Members 10-Minute Themed Program. For the past 2 ½ years, some of our members have put together wonderful programs based on a theme. Here is how it works. Each presenter has 10 minutes to show and answer any questions about their program from the audience. Their show can be presented in any one of the formats: prints, digital projection, slide projection, or DVD. Music can also be added to your show to add that extra ambiance.

For this meeting we will have themed programs from the following members:

Susan Parish
Dave Simmerman
Chris Moore
Kevin McNeal
Terry Liberty

So come and be prepared to have a wonderful time. The meeting starts at 6:30pm, Roosevelt Elementary School Music room. I hear refreshments are also being served during the break.

Keep the photographic spirit in your heart!

"Only after we have let our minds and eyes deal intimately with the abundance of marvels around us should we attempt to photograph them."

-John Shaw
Favorite Holiday Photos

I used to take more photos at Christmas time. The first few Christmases after I got my camera, I would take shots of everyone opening gifts, people eating, and the kids playing as well as shots of my mother’s elaborate decorations inside and outside the house. As the years have passed, I have become more selective with Christmas photos. I learned that I don’t really look at most of the gift opening pictures, so they are less important to me. I do, however, still like to capture the feeling of each individual Christmas. Sometimes for me, the subjects of my favorite holiday photos aren’t even people.

This year was the first Christmas my family has had to travel to be together. My parents recently moved to Boise. With one sister living in Utah, it made sense for us to meet at my parents home in Boise, since it was more of a midpoint. Traveling over the Blue Mountains in the snow was not fun. The drive was long and frightening. But, having to go through all the preparation and travel this Christmas helped me to appreciate being with my family more than on past holidays.

My mom’s house was packed with people for the three days we were there. Most of us slept on couches or air mattresses on the floor. I didn’t take many photos this Christmas, but I did take one that means a lot to me. My sister had asked all of us to bring a stocking with us. I brought the one my mom had made me when I was a child. Christmas Eve, we all brought them out and my Dad hung them on the mantle. It was quite the sight all those stockings hanging together. They looked crowded, but cozy, like we felt in my parent’s home. It really captures the feeling of this Christmas for me. This is my favorite image from this Christmas and I thought I would share it with all of you.

I hope all of you had a wonderful holiday season.
Olympia Camera Club Executive Board Minutes
by Chris Weinreich

Olympia Camera Club Executive Board Minutes
Jan. 3, 2006, Mekong Restaurant

Meeting called to order by President Shauna Kearns at 6:20 p.m.

Present were: President Shauna Kearns, Vice President Dave Simmerman, Secretary Chris Weinreich, Treasurer Robert Kletsch, Frank & Terri Townsend, Terry Liberty, Bobbie Rockett, Wes Kirkpatrick, Allen Raphael, and Gary Ouellette.

November Minutes: Robert moved to approve the November minutes and Allen seconded. The motion was passed.

Treasurer’s Report: Robert reported a November beginning balance of $244.95, and income of $443.36 from dues. Monthly expenses were $132.54 for November/December printing & postage. Robert said that 42 of 72 members had paid, or partially paid and he will bill the others.

Yearbook Party: Terry reminded everyone that the club’s yearbook party will be held Saturday at the Liberty’s, beginning at noon. People are asked to bring their photos and finger food.

Capital Land Trust: Terry said that the Land Trust photo exhibit at Batdorf and Bronson will be coming down Friday evening.

Digital Group: Bobbie said the subject of the January meeting will be about managing basic work flow.

Upcoming Club Meetings: Dave reminded everyone and the January meeting will be the theme program featuring ten minute programs by club members. Chip Van Gelder of Stretching Photos of Tacoma will be the guest at the February meeting.

Club web site: Dave reported that the number of visits for December was 1800, an increased of 300 over November. Of the foreign visits, that perennial favorite, Romania, was still sitting at 19, no change from November, and India was the foreign country with the most hits. There are now 14 people in the gallery with a total of 132 images.

Photo trips & events: Gary passed out a trip planning sheet for 2007. It included canoeing or kayaking on the Nisqually Delta, the glass museum in Tacoma, the Skagit River eagles (which is already planned for the 13th and 14th of this month), the fruit trees of eastern Washington in the spring when the blossom, and portrait shoot in May at the Liberty’s.

Newsletter: Wes said he had three articles for the January issue, but could used more.

NW Council of Camera Clubs: Wes reported that the Council is considering holding their annual conference with the “4Cs” (Columbia Council of Camera Clubs) council, and was looking for input from the member camera clubs. The business meetings would be separate, but the speakers, dinners and social events would be combine. Wes said that the advantage was that the bigger conference could attract more venders and have an easier time getting speakers. The 4Cs (Columbia Council of Camera Clubs) is planning their 2007 conference in the fall at Hood River, OR. After some discussion, Terry moved to instruct our representative to the NW Council (Wes) to tell the council that the club support the joint conference. Allen seconded the motion and it passed.

Meeting adjourned at 6:50

Chris Weinreich

ATTENTION MEMBERS—DUES NOTICE

Dues reminder for 2007
Please send your Dues of $18.00 or $30.00 for a couple to;
Olympia Camera Club
2626 Otis St SE
Olympia WA  98501.
If you are paid part way through 2007, please contact the
OCC Treasurer for your remaining prorated 2007 dues amount.
E-mail the treasurer at rekletsch@juno.com
Dear NWCCC Clubs

It is time to notify you of the NWCCC Traveling Print Salon. Please pass this on to your members and Print Directors. Please verify your contacts for me which should include your club president and your print director. Also this competition is only open to NWCCC clubs whose dues are current.

"The NWCCC Traveling Print Salon is a "club" competition, is held early in the calendar year, where NWCCC clubs may enter a limited number of prints (25). The preliminary judging is done by the competing clubs as a circuit event held over several months. The club circuit(s) selects the final images, and they are then judged prior to the conference (at the same time as the Open judging), to obtain the final winners. Images are judged individually, the clubs receiving the best/most individual awards receive recognition. During the conference, individual and Club awards are awarded. The deadline for entry will be in late February (official dates will follow later). The prints must be matted, but not in glass or framed, up to a 16"x20" max with mat. All finalists will be held and displayed at the fall NWCCC Conference.

The Traveling Print Salon allows monochrome or color images. Images are unrestricted as to subject matter or manipulation. Special awards may be issued from each Salon for Creative, Nature, Photojournalism, and Portrait entries. A Best of Show Print will be awarded from the combined “Traveling and Open Print Salons.”

Sincerely,
Sam Ruljancich
NWCCC Print Director
samr@highstream.net

Attention Video Group, and those interested.

We will start our group meeting, beginning next month, Feb. the second Sat. of each month Dottie Hall's home,7241 Ridgemont Dr. S.E. Cross streets, Carpenter, and Mullen.
Time 10:00 till 12:00

Our first meeting will be to discuss plans for future meetings, field trips etc. Please bring a 5 or 10 minute video that you have done.
I am looking forward to seeing you all again and hopefully I will see some new faces also.

See you next month.
Dottie

Mountaineers 2007 Basic Photo Course

The Seattle Mountaineers Photography Committee is getting ready for its 2007 Basic Photography Course. Whether people are new to photography or want to brush up on their skills, this course will provide the information they need. This year, the Basic Photography Course is scheduled to run on Thursday evenings in March, with optional weekend field trips and indoor workshops.

If someone you know is interested in photography, why not purchase a Mountaineers Gift Certificate that can be used towards the Photography Course? This would be a great gift for any of your friends or family interested in photography and the outdoors. For information about the gift certificate, contact our course coordinator, Anne Smart, at 206-283-4973, or smartmccord@msn.com.

Please check out our attached brochure and feel free to e-mail it to anyone who you think would be interested. You can also find more information about the 2007 Basic Photography Course on our website at www.mountaineers.org/photography. Registration is now open!

Thanks!

Bala Dodoye-Alali
Seattle Mountaineers Photo Committee
Marketing and Promotions Coordinator

Dear NWCCC Clubs

It is my intention to present—through the medium of photography—intuitive observations of the natural world which may have meaning to the spectators.
Ansel Adams (1902 - 1984)
# Olympia Camera Club – Trip Planning for Upcoming Year 2007

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| Any month of  | **Nisqually River Delta** (half   | - If you are interested in either canoeing or kayaking the Nisqually River Delta either from the Nisqually Wildlife Research Center at Lure Beach (end of Meridian Road at public boat launch) or from Solo Point, this is the place to photograph Bald Eagles, Great Blue Herons, Harbor Seals, River Otters (if you’re lucky to see them), ducks, geese, terns, gulls and shore birds by the hundreds, this is the place to do it without driving far at all. I can rent kayaks from the outdoor recreation center at Fort Lewis for $20 each and a 2 person canoe for $20. Tides are very important for what you will see. If you are looking to see lots of birds and the seals, check for a low tide paddle, if you want to see lots of water, check for the high tide time period.   | Gary Ouellette  
| the year,     | day or full day)                  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | (360) 507-3923  
godigitalphoto@gmail.com |
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| Jan-Feb       | **Glass Museum Shoot** (day trip) | - Join us for a day trip to the Tacoma Glass Museum.                                                                                                                                                              | Rich Kalman                                  |
| (TBD)         |                                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                              |
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**POC:** OCC Social & Trip Coordinator, Gary Ouellette, 4616 Center Lane NE, Olympia WA 98516, (360) 507-3923
| Jan weekday is best for scheduling | **Skagit River Eagles**  
Bald Eagle Float Trip (day trip) | Fort Lewis Outdoor Recreation will provide a special river rafting ride down the Skagit River for as little as 4 people. Departs 0700 from the Northwest Adventure Center on North Fort Lewis, returns late afternoon. Ride the river for a few hours passing all the Bald Eagles in the trees and along the shore. We could view up to 200 on this one trip. Float downstream on a large stable raft with an experienced pilot. Bring your rain gear and don’t forget the camera and a waterproof bag. No paddling skills required. $50.00 per person for a group of 4.  
Transportation provided, departure is from Fort Lewis Outdoor Recreation Center. Pack lunch & drinks. [http://www.fortlewismwr.com](http://www.fortlewismwr.com) | Gary Ouellette  
360-507-3923  
godigitalphoto@gmail.com |
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| 6 Jan 07 1200-done | **OCC Yearbook**  
(afternoon event) | The OCC Annual Yearbook publishing party will be at Terry and Bonnie's home, 8741 Stoney Creek Lane SW. Bring some finger food and your photo for the yearbook. For more info call Terry or Bonnie.  
Please bring enough copies of your one print so each book created can have a copy. 10 books will require 10 prints, max size 8 ½ by 11 inches. | The Liberty’s home number  
(360) 786-6654  
bliberty@sprynet.com |
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<td>Come and learn how to set up and shoot Portraits at an indoor studio. Bring your camera and bring yourself, be the photographer or the model or both! See Bonnie’s address above in the OCC Yearbook event</td>
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2007 Membership Dues are due

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