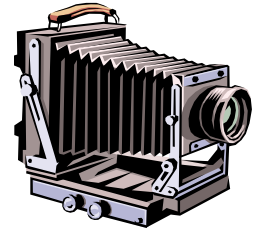




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General Meeting— 4th Monday monthly

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April General Meeting

By Dave Simmerman

To Theme or Not to Theme!

It is time for our Members 10-minute Themed program to once again grace our photographic senses. April 23rd's general program will bring you closer to five OCC members and their photographic style. Let us welcome Bobbie Rockett, Pat Dixon, Shauna Kearns, Lew Pumphrey, and Cheryl Dickinson as they present their one-of-a-kind programs.

The 10-minute themed program was created to allow member photographers to present and display their work in a themed venue. To optimize time there are only 5-6 presenters during a program. The presenters are given a 10 minute block to show their program and answer any questions. They can use any medium to display their work from matted prints to digital projection and add the soothing melodies of music. A lot can happen in 10 minutes, so be prepared to be amazed! The popularity of this program has grown to 3 shows this year with the first being in January, the one you are about to see now, and the last this coming June. It is a great venue to share your vision.

Came join us and enjoy the imagery and Bonnie's refreshments.

Refreshments will be provided by the following:

April.....Bonnie
May.....Allen
June.....Kathy M.

"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

President's Corner

by Shauna Kearns

I love this time of year. Spring is in the air. The days are getting longer and the air is warmer. I got up this morning and instead of just looking at the beautiful sunrise, I actually got out my video camera, set up my tripod and shot some footage. I wasn't hesitant at all to go outside because it wasn't freezing cold. I'll admit that I am more in the mood to shoot when the weather is favorable.

Some of my favorite outdoor shooting experiences have been trips with the club such as the Hoh rainforest, Silver Falls in Mt. Rainier National Forest, the waterfalls along the Columbia, and Mt. St. Helens.

I recently received a neutral density filter and a shutter release as gifts (no more using my self-timer for slow exposures!) and I can't wait to see how much more fun landscapes shots will be. I decided I needed a neutral density filter after shooting landscapes with Kevin McNeal and Dave Simmerman. The lessons we can teach one another on outings are endless.

It's still early, but we need more volunteers to lead trips this spring and summer. It's not that much work to organize. Just pick a place and a date and let Gary Ouellette know so he can get it out to the rest of the members. Our club is growing and growing, so the more trips we have planned the better. Let's get out there

Annual Convention of the Columbia & Northwest Councils of Camera Clubs Oct. 12, 13, 14, 2007

The annual convention planning committee is still in the planning stages for the conference but I've included on pages 6 & 7 a **PRELIMINARY/TENATIVE** and it also subject to change, a schedule for you to see what has been happening as of this writing so that you can start planning your schedule.

Lecture: Birds of the Arctic Wildlife Refuge

On Wednesday, April 11, 2007, Stephen Brown, Ph.D., editor of Arctic Wings and the Director of the Shorebird Research Program for the Manomet Center for Conservation Research will be discussing the book Arctic Wings: Birds of the Arctic Wildlife Refuge (Mountaineers Books, 2006).

During the lecture, he will also focus on topics such as the research on shorebird habitat, the policy issues that affect the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge, and will share stories of his adventures while carrying out his research. Copies of this wonderful book will be available for purchase at the lecture.

The free lecture will take place at 7:00pm at Kane Hall, Room 130 on the University of Washington campus.

Fellow Photographers and OCC Members

The OCC Gallery Admin (me) has raised the storage limit from 10Mb to 20Mb for personal member galleries. So post away and share your images. If you are not yet registered for the gallery, you can do so by going to the Olympia camera Club website www.olympiacameraclub.com and click on the gallery link. Click on the @ symbol to register. The process take about 24-48 hours, after you register, before you can begin to upload your images.

Happy Posting!

Dave Simmerman
OCC VP and Webmaster

"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

Olympia Camera Club Board Minutes

by Chris Weinrich

Olympia Camera Club Executive Board Minutes

April 5, 2007, Mekong Restaurant

Meeting called to order by Vice President Dave Simmerman at 6:15 p.m.

Present were: Vice President Dave Simmerman, Secretary Chris Weinreich, Treasurer Robert Kletsch, Frank & Terri Townsend, Wes & Cornelia Kirkpatrick, and Allen Raphael. President Shauna Kearns was absent.

March minutes were approved as submitted.

Treasurer's Report: Robert reported a March beginning balance of \$1074.12. Income: \$18 from dues, \$9.20 from the coffee fund and \$1 from a newsletter advertisement. Expenses: \$53.06 for the newsletter. Ending bank balance was \$1049.26

Newsletter: Wes said he had two newsletter articles and reminded people that they had until Friday to get additional articles to him.

NW Council of Camera Clubs: Wes reported that the annual conference was shaping up to be a big one. It has been moved from Hood River, OR to Mt. Hood Community College (the school has donated the space) in Gresham, just east of Portland. The conference will be October 12-14 and will be a joint affair with the Four-Cs Council.

The club will host the May board meeting of the Northwest Council which will be at the Lacey Library. After that board meeting there will be a photo trip to a privately

Kodak Slide Mailers

If any member has any unused Kodak Slide Mailers, Kodak wants them sent to a new address.
Kodak Slide Processing
P.O. Box 1171
Parsons KS 67357.

I sent in a mailer several weeks ago to the address on the mailer and the slides came back from a Kodak lab in Kansas with a message to saying "Effective Oct 1 2006 all slide mailers will need to be mailed to the above address".

owned flower field. Wes asked that the owner of the property -- "this guy" get some compensation/recognition for opening his land to us. It was moved and passed to buy "this guy" a meal using club funds.

Web site: The web site has a new look, the make-over done by Dave who said he just couldn't stand the old look. Dave reported that the new site had 1659 visits in March including 400 to the gallery. The Netherlands was the foreign country with the most visits and that the all-time favorite, Romania, has sunk below the horizon. (Dave said the web site only tracks the top 20 .)

Meetings: Dave reminded everyone that the five members will present their themed programs at the April meeting and for May he is going to try and get Tony Overman from The Daily Olympian. He pointed out that the May meeting date has been changed from the fourth Wednesday of the month to the third (May 23) because of Memorial Day weekend.

Meeting adjourned at 6:50.

Chris Weinreich, secretary

The results of Judging Olympia Camera Club traveling prints by F67 Camera Club.

Color

1st. Place - Man in his Environment by Kevin Mc Neal.

2nd. Place - Needles N Gull by Dave Simmerman

3rd. Place - Grape Leaf by Richard Kletsch

Monochrome

1st. Place - Potter by Marie Bair

2nd. Place - Laughter by John Bair

3rd. Place - Going Back in History by Kevin Mc Neal

Annual Portrait Shoot at the Libertys!

Come and join us!! On Saturday, May 19th, we will host a portrait shoot at our home out Delphi Rd. Our first annual shoot was in 1994! Bonnie's new studio will be set up with studio lighting, or it can be used with the bank of windows on the North end for natural light shooting. (Feel free to bring your own lighting equipment and/or backdrops if you wish) We have some great light in our upstairs room, with our bay window overlooking the backyard.

This is an opportunity to experiment and learn from each other about a variety of portrait lighting. We've hosted many "models" and once even had a bluegrass band willingly play while we photographed. Please feel free to invite anyone interested in sitting for pictures!!! (Our tradition is to give a couple free prints (or a CD) to anyone who is so kind enough to pose for you!) And of course we can pose for each other! Perhaps you know some musicians, actors, artists or families that would like the opportunity to receive free photos.

We also have various natural setting backgrounds on our 3 acres, with many evergreens, broadleaf trees, and rhododendrons. If you're more interested in floral photography, we're sure to have some things in bloom. You're welcome to wander and enjoy the variety of flora and fauna that graces our home. I hope we have the luck of good weather, as in the past.

We will begin at 10:30 am and continue as long as anyone wishes. Please bring finger food to share or a sack lunch for yourself. Come and enjoy! Coffee and Tea will be provided.

A map with directions will be given at the next meeting. Feel free to call Bonnie or Terry at 786-6652 with any questions. You can also email us at bliberty@sprynet.com or libertyt@sprynet.com.

Hope to have your company for a fun day!

Faces and Places through the Camera Lens

Date: Saturday, April 28

Time: 1 – 3:30 pm

During the spring season, every exhibition at Tacoma Art Museum features or includes photography. To highlight the common threads of the many photographers, the museum will host an afternoon photography symposium.

The leading Mexican and American photographers featured in *Frida Kahlo: Images of an Icon* were contemporaries of Paul Strand during the 1930s. Rod Slemmons, Director of the Museum of Contemporary Photography at Columbia College in Chicago, will compare the portraits of Frida Kahlo with the landscapes and portraits taken by Paul Strand featured in *Paul Strand Southwest*.

In contrast, contemporary photographers Steve Davis and Jim Riswold will discuss their work in comparison with their earlier work. Davis' portraits of incarcerated youth are on view in *Telling Stories: Selections from the Permanent Collection*. Riswold's provocative portraits are in both *Northwest Visions of Frida Kahlo* and the 8th Northwest Biennial.

The program is free with museum admission.

Paul Strand Southwest is organized by the Aperture Foundation. Local support is provided by The Paul G. Allen Family Foundation. *Telling Stories: Selections from the Permanent Collection* is organized by Tacoma Art Museum. Local support is generously provided by Robert Half International.

HOURS – Tuesday – Saturday 10am – 5pm, Third Thursdays 10am – 8pm, Sunday 12 – 5pm. Open Mondays Memorial Day through Labor Day.
ADMISSION – Adult \$7.50, Student/Military/Senior (65+) \$6.50, Family \$25 (2 adults and up to 4 children under 18). Children 5 and under free. Third Thursdays free. Members always free.

CONTACT – 253.272.4258,
www.TacomaArtMuseum.org,
info@TacomaArtMuseum.org

ATTENTION OLYMPIA CAMERA CLUB MEMBERS

At the last Business meeting – April 4, 2007 the subject of membership dues came up and was floored till the next meeting. As members of the Executive Board and Committee chairs, you are being forwarded this information. The board discussed raising the dues to help cover the increasing incidental costs to the club.

It was suggested that the dues be raised to \$20 for Singles and \$35 for couples in the same household, starting for the 2008 year.

We now have 70 plus members and the cost of the newsletter will rise (postage will now be 41 cents). That is approximately 33 dollars per month (330 dollars a year just in postage). We felt that it is still necessary to continue to publish the newsletter in print and mailed. We are also looking for larger accommodations for our meetings due to the membership increase (we currently pay \$220 a year to meet at the Roosevelt School and it is becoming too small for our needs)

Last year the club had a \$32.69 dollars surplus after all bills were paid, speakers reimbursed for traveling, and dues collected. Dec 2005 through Nov 2006

The dues have not been raised for quite a number of years.

In accordance with the By-Laws here is what we have to do!

ARTICLE VI—THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Section 1. There shall be an Executive Committee consisting of all elective officers, the IPP and Committee Chairpersons.

Section 2. The Executive Committee shall meet monthly, take care of incidental affairs of the Club, brainstorm, report to the Club membership, and refer major decisions to them.

Section 3. The Executive Committee should see that the Club and chair of each committee maintain an Operations Manual for his/her position so that it will become a record of “institutional memory” of inestimable value to future officers and committee chairs.

ARTICLE VII—DUES

Annual dues to meet the Club’s expenditures shall be set by the Executive Committee and approved by the membership.

So reply with your thoughts and recommendations,

Dave Simmerman
OCC Vice President

Tacoma Photographic Society Sponsors the Spring Fair Photo Contest

Every Year Tacoma Photographic Society sponsors the Spring Fair Photo Contest. Entries win cash prizes. You can enter if you are amateurs, which are making less than half your income from selling your photos. Deadline for entry is April, 11th 2007. You can bring your entries to TPS meetings or to the stores listed on the entry form. Minimum size is 8"X10" Maximum size including matt is 16"X20". It costs \$7 for each picture you enter.

If you have any questions, please feel free to ask. Sincerely Roberta Marshall, Secretary Tacoma Photographic Society, kurtroberta@foxinternet.com

P.S. The images you enter will be exhibited at the Spring Fair.

Who Can Enter: Any amateur photographer may enter.

Entry Limit: You may enter as many photos as you wish.

Category: Open to any subject, this is a family Fair, inappropriate subject matter will be disqualified.

Entry Fee: \$7.00 per photograph Make checks payable to Tacoma Photographic Society.

Requirements: Images may be film or digital but must originate in a camera. Minimum print size 8" X 10" ,

Maximum entry size (including matt) 16" X 20". Entries may or may not be in a matt.

Entries MUST be mounted on a stiff backing (matt board, cardboard etc.) in order to stand on the display rack. No Frames. Entries must have a title and the maker's name, address, and phone number on the back, in the upper left corner. No name or title may appear on the front.

Images entered in prior Spring Fair Competitions are not eligible.

How to Enter:: Entries must arrive no later than Wednesday, April 11, 2007

Mail Entries to: Roberta Marshall
2219 95th Ave. Court East
Edgewood, WA 98371

More information and entry form can be found by visiting www.tacomaphoto.org

Celebrate Older Americans Month, May 2007

THEME: "let's rethink aging"

PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST!

The experience of aging itself is rapidly evolving, forcing us to rethink what it means to grow old. Let's rethink the possibilities of our aging society during May 2007, Older Americans Month. If you have a photo that captures the theme - "let's rethink aging" - please send it in. The Washington State Association of Senior Centers is hosting its seventh annual Photography Contest. The theme is "let's rethink aging". The winning photo will be announced at the annual conference in May. The winner will receive cash for their senior center.

Photography Guidelines:

- * Photos should clearly show a positive image of aging.
- * Photos should be labeled on the back with the person's name and name of Senior Center.
- * Photos will become property of WSASC.
- * Deadline to receive photos is April 20, 2007.
- * Send your photo to:

Roxann Dunn-Terry
Oak Harbor Senior Center
51 NE Jerome St.
Oak Harbor, WA 98277

Questions? Call Roxann Dunn-Terry at (360) 279-4583, or e-mail: rdunn-terry@oakharbor.org



Grays Harbor Shorebird Festival

April 27-29, 2007

By *M. Allen Raphael*

EACH SPRING, hundreds of thousands of shorebirds stop to rest and feed in Grays Harbor estuary on their migration northward. Coming from as far south as Argentina, these Arctic-bound shorebirds are among the world's greatest migrants. This concentration of birds offers people a great chance to view a number of shorebird species, and with luck, to see the birds fly together in beautiful formations while trying to escape the fastest creature on earth, the Peregrine Falcon.

After the recent trip to photograph the eagles of Skagit River, I have decided to lead a trip to Bowerman airfield, home of the Grays Harbor Wildlife Refuge. The 12th Annual Grays Harbor Shorebird Festival will be held on the weekend of **April 27-29, 2007** in Hoquiam, Washington at the Grays Harbor Wildlife Refuge with headquarters at Hoquiam High School. There will be a keynote speaker and reception Friday the 27th as well as a banquet and auction Saturday evening. Other activities include guided field trips, lectures, exhibitors and vendors, nature fun fair, book signing by authors, poster contest, and lots more.

More information can be found at the website for the Shorebird Festival, www.shorebirdfestival.com from here you can learn more about the schedule, events, a list of the birds most likely to be seen and maps of the area.

I will have more information in upcoming issues of the newsletter and have a posting at the OCC web site. Looking for to seeing everyone there!!

9th Annual Invitational Photography Show

Pacific Northwest Photographic Society

PLACE:KITSAP MALL SILVERDALE, WA.

DATE:MAY 18, 19, 20, 2007

TO ENTER The Pacific Northwest Photographic Society Annual Invitational photo show is open to all photographers. Including Professional, non- Professional and Youth. Images previously entered in this show are ineligible. PNWPS reserves the right to select photos for display due to space limitations. Every effort will be made to hang all entries. School staff sponsors should select entries submitted by students of local schools. Please read the rules carefully.

E-mail us at Photoshow2007@aol.com

Or write to: Pacific Northwest Photographic Society P.O. Box 4011 Silverdale, WA. 98383-4011 360-271-8873
pacphoto1@aol.com

Go to <http://www.tacomaphoto.org/PDF/2007Invitational.pdf> for more information.

Welcome to the Daffodil Festival April 20 & 21 , 2007

The American Daffodil Society is holding its annual convention in Tacoma to coincide with the 2007 Daffodil Festival. Anyone can enter photos, flowers in the show. It takes place Friday and Saturday April 20 and 21 in the Bicentennial Pavilion adjacent to the Sheraton Tacoma Hotel. Deadline for entries is either April 14th if mailed to me (Roberta Marshall, 2219 95th Ave. Court East, Edgewood, Wa. 98371), or deliver to the show in person on Thursday April 19th by 8PM. Rules and classes are on page 13 of the show schedule. Open the link below then click on "National Convention Show Schedule" (it is in a box on the left side part way down the page). For the PDF file, then go to Page 13. There is no entry fee; ribbons will be awarded in 7 classes. Admission to the show is free.

www.daffodilusa.org/convention.html

Annual Convention of the Columbia & Northwest Councils of Camera Clubs Oct. 12, 13, 14, 2007

Friday Schedule

11:30 -12:20 Sign in Pick up packets See what the Vendors have available Buy raffle tickets.

12:30 - 2:00 Invitational Slide Judging Invitational Print Judging Invitational Eid

2:00 - 5:00 Gorge Field Trip - Waterfalls and Scenic Vistas.
5:00 Evening Photo Shoot- Downtown Portland and along the Willamette River

Saturday Schedule
see center page

Sunday Schedule

7:30 - 9:00 Representative Meeting Check out Vendors once again Pick up Prints & Slides

9:00 Portland Japanese Garden Photo shoot. Gorge Field Trip - for those that enjoyed the first or missed the first.

Check out Vendors & Photo Displays

REGISTRATION 8:00-8:45

ASSEMBLY 8:45-9:00 Welcome Councils etc...

Tim Grey - Director of the Professional Photography Community team at Microsoft Corporation, where he serves as an advocate for the professional photographer. He has authored or co-authored eight books and hundreds of magazine articles related to digital photography. He is a member of the Photoshop World Dream Team. Tim also publishes an almost-daily Digital Darkroom Questions email service, in which he answers questions from photography enthusiasts and pros.

Lunch Break 11:30-12:30 Check out Vendors & Photo Displays

Workshop 1 12:30-1:30 Pet Photography Portrait Photography (inside) Digital Camera Raw/Color Management Composition & Critique

Workshop 2 1:45 - 2:45 **Epson** - How to make prints w/o a computer Macro Photography (bring your camera) **Photo Displays & Vendors:** Epson, Lowpro, Tameron, Canon, Nikon, Dreaming On Here Portrait Photography (outside)

Workshop 3 3:00 - 4:00 Macro Photography (bring your camera) Photo Journalist New Photoshop (Lightroom?) Sports

Council Level Awards 4:30 - 6:00 Cocktails **Room ???** **NW Room ???** **CC** **Check out Vendors & Photo Displays**

Dinner 6:30 - 8:15 Banquet Banquet Decoration give away or do doorprizes ?

Evening Presentations 8:30 - 10:00 Best of the NW -Showing & Awards Invitational Awards Raffle

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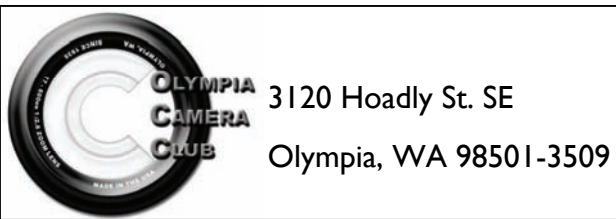
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