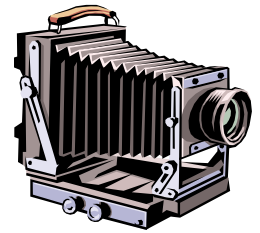




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November General Meeting

By Vice President, Allen Raphael

Hello everyone. For our general meeting in the month of November, we will be having John Davis coming down from the f/67 camera club to have discussion of light in your photography. I'd like to encourage everyone to make it a point to show up early, as John tends to draw a big crowd and I'd like to give him as much time as he needs.

We will also have sharing and treats/coffee.

I'd also like to open the flood gates for the Member Sharing nights. I will be filling January, then June, and finally backfilling to March. Last year I know we filled up all three months, so sign up now. There will be 6 slots (with two alternates) per month. I will reassign any alternates to a permanent spot in a future month as needed. As soon as I get the full schedule, I will post it on the website and list it in future issues of the newsletter.

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:

Nov 26	
Jan 28	Feb 25
Mar 24	Apr 28
May 19	Jun 23

Refreshments will be provided by the following:

November	Kathy Morris
December.....	Pot Luck
January.....	Ann Rockway
February.....	Frank Townsend
March.....	Dave Simmerman
April.....	Terry Liberty
May.....	Jerry Weeks
June.....	Gene & Linda Pardee

President's Corner
by Dave Simmerman

Do you Believe?

Have you ever taken up a cause, because you believe? Have you ever believed in preserving something, because it is just the right thing to do? Well, we as a camera club are faced with that very question.

In 1940 the Olympia Camera Club did believe in something! It is called the Northwest Council of Camera Clubs (NWCCC.) The idea of the Council originated with the Olympia Camera Club as an outgrowth of its annual regional exhibit, the Olympia Salon of Photography. Now, after 67 years of existence, and service to the Northwest region, it is rapidly on the decline. I urge you to take up volunteerism and help us keep this institution going. After all, we are a proud member of this 18 club organization. I am making a commitment and asking, as your OCC President, to volunteer and help us revitalize the Northwest Council. I am hoping that other clubs within the council are making the same types of commitments.

Now, a few of you (okay a lot of you) may be asking what is the NWCCC and what does it do? Created in 1941, the council is a non-profit organization that is supposed to be the connection of camera clubs located in Pacific Northwest. It is a federation of camera clubs, not individuals, with membership limited to the Pacific Northwest. The NWCCC promotes the advancement of photography as a science, recreation, art, and to encourage social networking between all persons interested in photography. Primarily, it strives to improve camera club programs, to raise the standard of accomplishment by camera club members, and to keep the clubs in this area informed of the activities of neighboring groups.

How can you help? Volunteer! Promote the Council and your own Camera Club! Be an active member! Every year the council puts on a conference and typically the Olympia Camera Club has the biggest member attendance. We cheer when our members do well in the competitions (should have heard us at the last conference in Gresham, Oregon!) This year, the Olympia Camera Club is trying to host the conference in our own backyard and we need your help! Wes and Cornelia Kirkpatrick, our NWCCC delegates, are leading the way in making this happen. Not only do we need volunteers to lead field trips, man the registration tables, help with the planning and logistics, and many other tasks. We need volunteers to be a part of the council and their day to day activities.

I truly believe that with your help, we can achieve this glorious endeavor!

**SCHEDULE FOR THE UPCOMING
GENERAL MEETINGS**

November	Discussion of Light	John Davis, f:67 Camera Club
December.....	Gift Exchange and Pot Luck.....	Everyone
January.....	Members Theme.....	6 Lucky Members
February.....	Kits Camera Presentation	Mike Estes, Manager Kits
March.....	Members Theme Night.....	6 Luck Members
April.....	Still Life & Portrait Lighting.....	Steve Vento
May.....	TBD	
June.....	Members Theme Night.....	6 Lucky Members
July	No General Meeting	
August	No General Meeting	

Olympia Camera Club Board Minutes

by Chris Weinreich

November 7, 2007, Mekong Restaurant

Meeting called to order by President Dave Simmerman at 6:10 p.m.

Present were: President Dave Simmerman, Vice President Allen Raphael, Treasurer Shauna Kearns, Secretary Chris Weinreich, Wes Kirkpatrick, Frank & Terri Townsend, Terry & Bonnie Liberty John West and Joani Easterlund.

The October minutes were approved as they appeared in the newsletter.

Treasurer's report: The report was compiled by Robert Kletsch and was read by Shauna. This was the last financial report from Robert Kletsch who had been the club's treasurer since 1982. The October beginning balance in the checking account was \$757.47. The club received \$101 in dues and \$11.25 from the coffee fund. Expenses were \$29.26 for mailing the traveing prints and \$11.99 for the web site. The ending balance was \$828.47. The savings account had an ending balance of \$1346.46

November general meeting: Allen said that John Davis will be the speaker. December will be the Christmas gathering.

Trips: November 17. Frank will lead a trip to Julia Butler Hansen National Wildlife Refuge (just east of Skamokawa on the lower Columba River). The refuge is known for its a large number of deer. The trip starts from the Panda Express parking lot, Tumwater, at 7 a.m.

January. On the first weekend, Cornelia Kirkpatrick will lead a trip to the Skagit Valley to photo the eagles. Allen will check on river rafting as part of the trip.

September: Wes Kirkpatrick wants to know how many people are interested in the hot air balloon gathering in Prosser. If enough people are, he can reserve a block of rooms.

Digital Group: John said the group has out grown its meeting place at Apple Park Apartments. Dave said there is space at Capital High School in Pod A (the same place as the general membership meeting) but it will cost \$25 per meeting. Chris moved and Frank seconded to move the meeting space to Capital High School. Discussion followed centered on the money issue. The motion was passed.

Newsletter: Wes reminded people that he needs newsletter articles by Friday (Nov. 9).

Northwest Council of Camera Clubs: In January, the Council board will be decide the future of the organization, and the board wanted club input on the three options that have been proposed:

1. Continue as is;
2. Par down activities to just the web site, traveling show and the newsletter;
3. Fold up and die.

The three options were discussed but no conclusion was reached, except that no one wanted the Council to die.

Yearbook: The Yearbook meeting has been moved back to Jan. 19th because of the proposed eagle photo trip to Skagit Valley on the first weekend in January.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30

"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

CARL COOK PASSES

by Frank Townsend

A number of years ago, before I was in the Olympia Camera Club, I used to hang out at Don's Camera trying to learn all I could about taking better photographs. I couldn't help admiring the nature shots on the wall behind the counter. When I asked about them, I learned they were taken by a local photographer named Carl Cook. A couple years later I was in the club and volunteering at our county fair and learned the most outgoing of the three judges that day was indeed Carl Cook. Carl judged a couple more fairs, and at the last one it was obvious he had been ill. The following year he was in the hospital at fair time and couldn't make it. I stopped by to visit with him and got to know him a little better. He was unable to judge again this year.

Carl passed away, November 6 after fighting the cancer for several years. He never joined our club but remained a friend to us to the end. He would stop by now and then to see what we were doing, and though to ill to judge he would show up at the fair to see how we, and the local entrants, were doing.

I haven't lived in Olympia all that long so I didn't know Carl had been a disc jockey on KGY for a number of years until He and Dick Cunningham were speaking of it a couple of years ago. Carl was invited to broadcast this year on the stations anniversary, and I'm told they played that hour this Wednesday in his honor. He had that voice!

Carl was a great nature photographer. I remember a member bringing a magazine featuring some of Carl's work and I spent the next couple of weeks trying to get my own copy. He had this thing with crows, building a whole portfolio of crow photographs. One year he graced the fair with one. The idea of a collection on a single subject has inspired me to look for the same sort of effort.

I'll miss Carl and I know the Club will as well. There aren't enough artists in the world it is a shame to lose another.

New Treasurer

Will Collect Dues at the Christmas Party!!

By Shauna Kearns

As most of you know, Bob Kletsch has retired from his role as club Treasurer after 25 years. I am honored to follow in his footsteps. The end of the year is near, so it's almost time for me to collect dues. I will collect dues at the Christmas party, so bring your checkbooks! Cash works, too. The dues for 2008 are \$20 for singles and \$35 for couples. If you have already paid for part of 2008, I will ask you to pay the remaining months of the year so that we can get everyone on the same billing cycle.

For those of you who can't make it to the Christmas party, you may mail your dues to the following address:

Shauna Kearns, Treasurer
4611 Belair Drive SE
Lacey, WA 98503

2008 Prints for NWCCC Traveling Print Salon

This is a friendly reminder that its not too early to start thinking about your prints for the 2008 NWCCC Traveling Print Salon, which will start in early 2008. remember this is a club print competition. So start picking out your favorite images and submit them to Jerry Weeks to be included in the traveling salon.

ZOO LIGHTS – December 15

By Frank Townsend

Every Christmas season the Point Defiance Zoo is transformed into a winter wonderland. This year is extra special because they are celebrating the 20th Anniversary of Zoolights. There are 70 magical displays and over a half a million lights. Bundle up and join the fun in photographing beluga whales, elephants, owls, reindeer and other dazzling attractions during this one of a kind event.

We will meet at the Martin Way Park and Ride December 15 at 4 PM to carpool to the zoo. The Zoo-light hours are from 5 PM to 9 PM, cost is \$5.00. Weather kept this from being a good trip a few years ago, let's try to make this a great trip. Call me at 705 -1349 or email fmat3200@cs.com to reserve your spot.

OCC Featured At Olympia's Community Arts Roundtable

By Terry Liberty

On Monday, November 5th the Olympia Camera Club was featured at the monthly Community Arts Roundtable hosted by the Olympia Arts Commission. OCC was invited to introduce its activities and history to the Roundtable, which is a public gathering of artists from around the South Sound area. About 30 people were in attendance including Stephanie Johnson, the City's Arts & Events Program Manager, two of the Arts Commission members and local artists. Also attending were OCC members Frank Townsend, Bonnie Liberty and OCC president Dave Simmerman. OCC Community Liaison Terry Liberty presented some historic comments about the club and described its recent activities. He also ran the slide show of the City's 2007 Ethnic Celebration. After the show there was a Q&A period. We encouraged all present to come to an OCC meeting and to consider presenting a program to the club. Attendees were enthusiastic about the club and its activities and several were interested in attending our next meeting.

Our thanks to the Department of Parks, Arts and Recreation and to the Arts Commission for the invitation. It was an enjoyable discussion and a chance to get together with others in the South Sound area that are interested in the arts.

The Marin Museum of Contemporary Art

The museum is sponsoring a National Juried Exhibition. The exhibition will be presented at their Novato Arts Center from February 2nd to March 2nd 2008.

This exhibit is open to all United States artists 18 and older. Up to six digital images of your original photographic work done in the past four years may be entered. Work may be digital, traditional or mixed media. Entries must not be previously entered into a Marin MOCA or Art League of Northern California show.

The Prospectus and Entry Forms are available from the museums web site at www.marinmoca.org, or by emailing info@artleagueofcalifornia.org This e-mail address is being protected from spam bots, you need JavaScript enabled to view it .

Deadline for entries is 11/30/07

Photographic Society of America

By Wes Kirkpatrick, PSA Region 12 Director

PSA is a worldwide interactive organization for anyone interested in photography, be they casual, serious amateurs or professional photographers. Individual members are offered a wide variety of activities: a monthly magazine, photo and digital competitions, study groups via mail and the internet, how-to programs, an annual conference and a raft of other activities and services.

The Photographic Society of America was founded in 1934 to "Promote the Arts and Sciences of Photography and to further public education therein". There are members in all 50 states as well as 60 other countries of the world. PSA Headquarters are located in Oklahoma City, OK.

Interested in becoming a PSA member?

All that is required is an interest in photography, at any level, from beginner to internationally recognized artist or skilled professional. There are programs for everyone and there are no restrictions based on age, skill, sex, race, business, or profession. The member's photography may be a hobby, avocation, full-time vocation or even just an intense interest in finding a new and lasting recreational activity.

A key to participation in PSA is the *PSA Journal*, the oldest consumer photographic magazine published in the United States. Every issue of the *Journal* includes articles with examples of outstanding photography, "how to" information, data on the latest equipment, book reviews, and news about PSA members and their activities and accomplishments.

The seven PSA Divisions (Pictorial Print, Color Projected Image, Nature, Photo Travel, Photojournalism, Electronic Imaging, Stereo) offer more than one hundred specific services and activities. These include courses in photography, technical information services; instructional slide sets, DVDs and videos; critique and evaluation services; group workshops; national, regional and local photo seminars; print, slide, digital essay competitions and more.

Dues are as low as \$45 per year.

Your membership also includes 12 issues of the *PSA Journal* magazine.

At the present time Olympia Camera Club has 7 members. If you would like an application to join or more information please contact me by phone or email.

**Bald Eagle Weekend Shoot with overnight stay
at Clark's Skagit River Resort Rockport, WA
(Hwy 20 North Cascades Hwy)
(170 miles one way, let's carpool)**

This is a repeat outing for the club; the recent trip last January was superb with sunny skies, eagles and freezing temperatures. Rain or shine the trip will be an adventure. As a group, reserving three or more accommodation units (through one contact – Cornelia) we can receive a 10% group discount. The cozy country cabins and triplex units hold from two to six people, mostly four people with costs ranging from \$69-89.00 (+tax) for a couple and \$9.00 for additional roommates, per night. There is a tasty restaurant with yummy breakfasts located at the resort and other food options are possible with planning.

Eagles feed along the river in the early morning. On cloudy, rainy days, in late morning and early afternoon, eagles roost along the river. while on sunny days they soar over the valley.

Picture taking: Most of the viewing sites face the south, so on sunny days the sun shines into the camera lens.

The Skagit River Bald Eagle Interpretive Center is located in Rockport, WA

Four good places, staffed with volunteer guides with telescopes, to begin your eagle watching adventure are:

- Skagit River Bald Eagle Interpretive Center
- Mile Post 100 Rest Area on Highway 20
- Howard Miller Steelhead County Park
- Marblemount Fish Hatchery
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Why do the eagles gather on the upper Skagit River?

The majority of the Upper Skagit watershed bald eagle population is seasonal. In the winter, large numbers migrate from as far away as Alaska to eat the dead salmon carcasses that abound in the Skagit River and its tributaries. The best eagle watching season is from late November to late-January with eagle numbers peaking from Christmas through the second week of January - about two weeks after the peak of salmon spawning (and dying). Visit www.skagiteagle.org/Wildlife/Wildlife for more information and maps.

January weekend, final trip dates to be determined and announced at the next general meeting, November 26th. So far I have heard from eleven people; don't wait sign up for overnight lodging (Friday, Saturday, one or both) with Cornelia Kirkpatrick email happyib@pioneernet.net or 754-3925.



November/December 2007

FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT WWW.OLYMPIACAMERACLUB.COM

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
18	19	20	21	22 HAPPY THANKSGIVING	23	24
25	26 General Mtg. - Capitol High School— POD "A"	27	28	29	30	1 Video Group
2	3	4	5 Business Mtg - Mekong Rest. 125 Columbia Street Olympia, WA	6	7	8
9	10	11 Digital Group Meeting - Capitol High School— POD "A"	12	13	14	15
16	17 General Mtg. - Capitol High School— POD "A"	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31	1 HAPPY NEW YEAR 2008	2 Business Mtg - Mekong Rest. 125 Columbia Street Olympia, WA	3	4	5 Video Group

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FIRST CLASS MAIL

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 x 11 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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