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Refreshments for 2008/2009 General Meeting will be provided by the following:

February 23..... Dave Simmerman
March 23..... JoAnn Busby
April 14..... Frank & Terry
May 12..... Wes
June 9.....

February General Meeting

By Wes Kirkpatrick, Vice President

The program for the this month will feature Steve Steve Herppich, He is the Photo editor for The Olympian

A photojournalist for more than 20 years, Steven Herppich has spent his entire career doing what he loves most – capturing important moments in the lives of others. His true passion lies in creating photo essays that tell compelling stories. Whether shooting a family celebration, a wedding day or a news event, his favorite part of being a A photojournalist for more than 20 years. Steven Herppich has spent his entire career doing what he loves most. Capturing important moments in the lives of others. His true passion lies in creating photo essays that tell compelling stories. Whether shooting a family celebration, a wedding day or a news event, his favorite part of being a photographer is documenting a story as it unfolds.

Steven is a native Midwesterner who now calls the Pacific Northwest Home. Before moving to Olympia, he worked for newspapers in Virginia, New York and Ohio. His pictures have appeared in publications such as Time, Newsweek, USA Today as well as other newspapers all over the country.

Throughout his career, Steven has received several honors, including awards in the University of Missouri’s Pictures of the Year International, the National Press Photographers Association’s Best of Photojournalism, the Associated Press Annual Awards, the Gordon Parks International Photography Competition, the Society of Newspaper Design, and the Society of Professional Journalists.

Along with his presentation he will be having a video presentation as well and then there will be time for questions and answers following.

When out in nature, take only photos and leave only footprints!!

President's Corner

by Allen Raphael

Show & Tell

Remember when you were in grade school and you brought your favorite toy to school to show your friends in front of the class? How much fun it was to share with your classmates about a trip to the zoo you just went on last weekend or maybe a vacation you went on over summer break. Show and tell is something that I feel is missing from the Olympia Camera Club. When I first joined this fine group of photographers, it seemed like we did a lot more sharing and showing and telling. I get very excited hearing about other people stories from a recent field trip or just an outing that they went on. I'd like to see more people bringing some of the new gadgets they just found out about to the meeting or sharing a story or two in the form of a newsletter article for the very newsletter you are reading now. Without the newer people (and the members who have been involved for years) sharing stories and getting involved, our club will start to fall apart. As part of my commitment as your President, I made a commitment to myself to share at every meeting, both digital and the general meeting. I am encouraging more people to do the same. So at the next meetings, I will be calling for people to share with the group any new gadgets or lens or filters or bag or whatever they want to show and tell about. I also want to really encourage everyone to write up a nice article sharing a memory or two of a trip or funny photo experience.

We will also be starting a "Mentorship" program as well. There is another article in this fine newsletter explaining this new exciting feature of our club and the benefits it will bring us.(Yes, it's a clever way to make sure you are reading everything!)

New Member Mentor Program

We are a growing club. We have doubled our numbers in the last few years thanks to the Digital revolution. But even though we get a few new members every month, we are not seeing a lot of those new members as active as some of the long term members. Let's face it, as a new member, walking into the general meeting not knowing anyone can be a little scary. It was brought up at the Business meeting to start a Mentorship program. What a great idea! Having a group of New Member Mentors as a welcoming committee is only the first part of this great new plan to help get more new people involved. When a new member joins the club he/she will be given a small questionnaire form to fill out. It will help find out more about him/her and will give the mentor a way to help break the ice. The idea is to have the more club experienced members be matched up with the newer members and make sure they know about the upcoming trips/events, meetings, and help them feel more welcome. We are such a diversified group that everyone can be a mentor! The new members could even have two or three people as their new OCC sponsors. The goal is to keep the new people involved and feel more welcome, get some of the older members re-involved, and to help build new long lasting friendships. I am proud to say the OCC is like my second family. I look towards my brothers and sisters (and even Grandma Donna) for inspiration and shared knowledge.

If you are interested in being a Mentor, please email me so I can put you on the list of Super Awesome People who want to make the **OCC the best club EVER!!**

The creative act lasts but a brief moment, a lightning instant of give-and-take, just long enough for you to level the camera and to trap the fleeting prey in your little box.

Henri Cartier-Bresson

ATTENTION ALL OLYMPIA CAMERA CLUB MEMBERS

Since we changed the name of the Olympia Camera Club website from OlympiaCameraClub.com to OlympiaCameraClub.org, the By-laws were read at our last General Meeting and approved to be changed to reflect this scenario. This was needed to be approved by the executive board and voted on by the general membership of which it was and passed.

CURRENT:

ARTICLE X – WEBSITE

Section 1. The website shall be called “OlympiaCameraClub.com” and maintained by an appointed webmaster or web site committee, which will be overseen by the Executive Committee.

Section 2. Web site content will be limited to the activities and information of the Olympia Camera Club and must be approved by the Executive Committee. No third party vendors are allowed to link to or link from the Olympia Camera Club website, unless approved by the Executive Committee.

Section 3. Information collected from the website is for “internal use only” and will not be given to any third party vendor or entity.

Section 4. The associated cost for the website and domain name "OlympiaCameraClub.com", shall become a fixed cost for Club’s annual expenditures.

RECOMMENDED CHANGE:

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Olympia Camera Club Executive Board Minutes

by Chris Weinrich

Feb. 4, 2009, Mekong Restaurant

Meeting called to order by President Allen Raphael at 6:25 p.m.

Present were: President Allen Raphael, Vice President and newsletter editor, Wes Kirkpatrick, Secretary Chris Weinreich, Frank & Terri Townsend, and Treasurer Shauna Kerns, Marie Browning, Andrew Repcik,

January Minutes: Frank moved for approval and Wes seconded. Motion passed.

Treasurer's report for January -- Shauna reported the following:

January beginning balance: 1372.03

Revenues:

Dues	480.00
Coffee Kitty	5.00

Expenses:

Rental Pod A	50.00
PO Box Fee	58.00
NWCCC Dues	20.00
Stamps	15.12

Ending Balance 1713.91

Traveling Prints Salon: Marie, who is in charge of the traveling prints, said that in case there are too many prints submitted, she will ask the people who entered the maximum four prints to pull one of their prints.

Web site: No report. The club's new web master, Nandita Adhia, was unable to attend the meeting.

Trips: Frank reminded everyone on the Feb. 15th trip to the Elk and Big Horn Sheep feeding station at the Elk Creek Wild Life Refuge outside of Naches in Yakima County.

Wes announced that the Photographic Society of America (PSA), Inland Chapter, will hold their 2009

Annual Spring Seminar, March 28 at Spokane Falls Community College, featuring Frans Lanting, the famous nature photographer.

Club meetings: Wes said that the February program was still up in the air, and the March program will be a members theme night.

Since the roof fell in at Capital High School, the club has been in need of a place to meet, and Allen said a place has been found: The Lacey Fire Station at 8407 Steilacoom Rd. near the corner of Marvin Road and Steilacoom Road, near Ostrom's Mushroom Farm. The Digital Group will meet at the Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, at 1515 Harrison Ave., NW.

Club Projector and computer: The board had asked club member Rick Sandler give some guidance as to what the club should have to pay to upgrade its computer and projector and his estimated cost was \$1400. There was no further action on this item.

Thurston County Fair: Allen met with the fair people about the photographic display at the 2009 fair. Some changes were suggested in the position of the display racks as well as providing addition display surfaces on the back of some cabinets. Fair officials would also like club members to take pictures of the fair itself that the Fair Board could use.

Newsletter: Wes needs articles

Club member Martin Kimmeldorf is going to hold a series of sessions on lighting and asked if he could the club's the projector and computer. Shauna moved to let Martin use the equipment. Wes seconded the motion and it was passed.

Meeting was adjourned 7:20
Chris Weinreich, Secretary

Call for Articles

This is your newsletter. Write something. Anything. Darkroom stories, equipment review, photo essay, DIY photo gear you made, something, and anything. Deadlines for submission are the first weekend after the boardmeeting. Earlier is always better. Email submissions to the editor or send a printed copy.



February - March 2009

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23 General Mtg. 6:30pm— Lacey Fire Dept.	24	25	26	27	28
01	02	03	04 Board Mtg., Mekong Rest. - 5:30pm	05	06	07
08	09	10 Digital Mtg. 6:30pm— Gloria Dei	11	12	13	14
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29	30	31	01 Board Mtg., Mekong Rest. - 5:30pm	02	03	04

March iGeneral Meeting is MEMBERS THEME NIGHT

For the benefit of our new members which we have many of within the last year and a reminder to those of us who have been in the club a bit longer this is reminder and a request for 5 or 6 members to present us with a look into their world through their images. Some of us have seen various members images and I have to say we have got some very talented members in our club. I know that the club would very much like to see some presentation from our newer members and what they enjoy photographing.

So, I would like to have you email me (ibhappy@pioneernet.net) and let me know that you will give us a presentation. Your program should be approximately 10 minutes in length and can be of any subject of your choosing. Don't be shy.

I'm not sure when this program was started but I've been in the club for 5 years now and have enjoyed each and every one of them. After the program there will be time for questions & answers. You can give your program in digital or prints, which ever you're most comfortable with. These programs are normally in January, April and June but this year we will have a guest speaker for April so I switched it around with March.

HUNTS PHOTO IS HAVING A SPECIAL

Sandisk Extreme IV 4 gig Ducati edition.....\$39.99 (limited supply)

Factory refurbished Epson 3800 printer.....\$799.99 (limited supply)

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Regards,

Gary Farber

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Alert: Problem with Seagate drives

4th Dimension Computers has informed me that the some Seagate drives have a firmware problem that can cause total loss of drives at the power-on phase. More info here:

<http://thedambook.com/smf/index.php?topic=3887.msg21344#msg21344>

"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

Calling all OCC members!!!
A Field Trip Hosting opportunity is just around the corner.

On February 28th, 2009 the Monticello Camera Club out of Longview WA will be coming up to Olympia for the day. They have contacted us and asked if we would like to host them on their field trip to our lovely area for the day. Wes and I have set up a nice tour of Olympia including Tumwater Falls Park, Historical Tumwater Park, the general downtown area, Capitol Campus and then out towards Priest Point Park, Burfoot Park and Maybe even Boston Harbor for the day.

We are calling out to all members who would like to help host the Longview group on their big day. We would be meeting them at the Tumwater Falls Park and being there to help guide them from park to park and showing them the fun places we have been shooting in our area for years. If you are interested in signing up, please contact Wes Kirkpatrick. He will be the lead contact for the day. As we get closer to the 28th, we will put out an email of the final itinerary and who (from the OCC) will be there to host. They are expecting 12-15 people from their club to be coming up and I would love to see at least 5-7 of our members to be there to welcome them.

Olympia Camera Club 2008/2009 General Meetings

By Vice President, Wes Kirkpatrick

This is the agenda as I have it for the upcoming year. I'll be updating it each month so that you can put the dates on your calendar and plan to attend.

<u>Month</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Presenter</u>	<u>Refreshments</u>
February 23	Photojournalism.....	Steve Her.....	Dave
March 23	Members Theme Night.....	6 Lucky Members	JoAnn
		Bob Kletsch	
April 27	Travelogue.....	Maxine Dunkelmann	
May 25	Members Theme Night.....	6 Lucky Members	
June 22	Nocturnal Light talk	Allen Raphael.....	
	Africa Travelogue.....	Nichon Smith	
July 27	No General meeting.....	
August 24	Planning Picnic.....	Everyone	

Refreshments for 2008/2009 Digital Meeting will be provided by the following:

February 10th..... Wes
March 10th.....Nandita
April 14th.....John West
May 12th Jason Small
June 9thRich Busto

"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

OCC Members:

Here's another opportunity to get involved in the community and provide some needed photographic help. Please let me know ASAP if you're interested.

Thanks. Terry

Subject: ARTBEAT OF THE SPIRIT

Hi Terry

I believe you have talked with Scott Stevens about the Olympia Camera Club providing photographers for our upcoming World Sacred Music Festival titled **ARTBEAT OF THE SPIRIT**. I want to clarify our needs for you and what, when and where we have our festival planned. We are a non-profit organization and like many other non-profits our donations have really gone down this past year. Our festival will be our biggest fund raiser for the year. We hope to use the proceeds to be able to continue our many programs in the community.

The **ARTBEAT OF THE SPIRIT** is being held on the campus of South Puget Sound Community College in West Olympia at the Minnaert Center for the Arts on Saturday, March 7, 2009. Our festival will include two stages of music and dance including: Mayan, Aztec, Flamenco, Japanese Taiko, Indian Temple Dance, African Drums & Dancing & Kora, Jewish Klezmer, Tuvan Throat Singing, Native American Flutes, Gospel, New Age and Sacred Jazz. We will also have the huge music room filled with experiential music and dance where you can learn to meditate and spin with the Sufi Whirling Dervishes OR play an Australian Aboriginal Digeree Doo OR learn some steps to an ancient Indian Temple Dance OR play a Japanese Taiko Drum OR sing an African song OR dance to Universal Peace. We will also have a gallery filled with sacred art from many different faith traditions and ethnicities. Our Marketplace will be filled with items for sale from many different cultures around the world and many different non-profit organizations sharing information on the vital programs they offer. A variety of ethnic foods will be served throughout the day. Please share this information about the festival with your friends, family and neighbors, because the **ARTBEAT OF THE SPIRIT** will be a very full day of music, fun and learning. The festival runs from 11:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. with the musical finale running from 8:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

For those of you who have not been to the Minnaert Center for the Arts before, I am enclosing

the full address, phone number, and directions. The address is: 2011 Mottman Road SW, Olympia, WA 98512. For emergencies on the day of the festival, the phone number at the Minnaert Center for the Arts is: 360-596-5508.

Directions: Take I-5 to exit #104. Take Exit #104 off I-5 going towards Highway 101 and West Olympia. Take the first exit you come to (Carriage Drive) and turn left at the end of the exit, go over the bridge crossing over the highway, then turn right at the first stoplight you come to. You will now be on Mottman Road. Follow Mottman Road down to the first left you can take, turn left. Drive to the stop sign. (If you continued to go straight ahead after the stop sign, you would run right into the main entrance to the Minnaert Center for the Arts.) Turn left at the stop sign, then take your first right. Park at the double door side entrance to unload your car. Go in the double door side entrance past the tables set up for the eating area, then turn left at the hallway. The first two rooms you come to on your left (rooms 286 & 287) will be set up with tables for the Marketplace. Each table will have the name of your organization taped to it. Please only set up on the table that has been designated for your organization. (Some Informational Tables may be set up in the hallway, because we have had a good response to our Marketplace.) Once you have unloaded your car, you can park in the large parking lot off to the left or right of the entrance to the Minnaert Center for the Arts. There is no charge for parking on the weekend, so you do not have to buy a parking ticket.

We will need six photographers in total. Three photographers would work a five hour shift from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., and then attend the rest of the festival for free. The second set of three photographers could attend the first five hours of the festival for free, and then would come on from 4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. to relieve the first set of three photographers for the last five hours of the festival.

A photographer would be assigned to each of the two stages to take pictures of each performance on the stage. Another photographer would take pictures in the large music room of people participating in the experiential music and dance, as well as take pictures of the Sacred Art Show in the art gallery, the Marketplace, and the ethnic foods sales and eating area.

These photos need to be fairly professional in

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**INLAND EMPIRE CHAPTER, PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY OF AMERICA'S 27th ANNUAL
PHOTO SEMINAR**

Frans Lanting

Saturday

March 28, 2009

Learn more about Frans Lanting on his website

www.lanting.com

Field Trips

Sunday

March 29, 2009

Frans Lanting, outstanding International Nature Photographer, will present the Saturday, March 28, 2009 Inland Empire Chapter PSA Annual Seminar at Spokane Falls Community College.

Frans Lanting's passion for nature has been featured in National Geographic and Outdoor Photographer and he has authored 9 books and produced the Multimedia "Life", currently touring Europe and North America.

Sunday, March 29, 2009 – You choose among 5 full-day FIELD TRIPS, guided by our volunteers, sharing our favorite Photo Opportunities in Eastern Washington and Northern Idaho.

You are invited to an exciting photographic weekend.

See <http://psainlandempire.org/seminar/index.html> for more details.

**8th Annual Spring Fair Photo Contest,
sponsored by Tacoma Photographic Society**

The 8th Annual Spring Fair Photo Contest, sponsored by Tacoma Photographic Society, is accepting entries from now until April 8, 2009.

An entry form is attached, on the TPS website, <http://tacomaphoto.org/>, and there will be printed entry forms at the TPS meetings and at participating retail stores, listed on the entry form. Entry fee is \$7 per print.

You can win CASH PRIZES and all entries will be exhibited at the Sprint Fair.

The Fair takes place on April 16-19th. This is great fun, smaller than the Western Washington Fair and held in the Spring, at the Puyallup Fair Grounds, along with the Daffodil Festival.

If you have any questions, please feel free to send me an email at robertam55@clearwire.net

I hope you will all enter this contest, then bring your family to the fair to see your photos.

Sincerely;

Roberta Marshall,

Secretary, Tacoma Photographic Society

<http://tacomaphoto.org/>

tone, because we would be placing them on our World Sacred Music Festival web site. We would also use them for advertisement for upcoming festivals. We would definitely list the Olympia Camera Club as one of our festival sponsors on our festival program and would announce during the day that the club members would be taking photos throughout the festival.

We are so pleased the Olympia Camera Club will be able to help us by taking good photographs of our festival. If you have any questions before the festival, please e-mail me with your questions. I will need to know the names of each photographer volunteering at the festival, so I can get name tags made up for them. I really look forward to meeting your photographers on Saturday, March 7th. It will be a really fun day!!!

Cheri Howe, Marketplace Coordinator
WSMF - ARTBEAT OF THE SPIRIT

Dear Photographers:

Photography and photographers are an integral part of the March 6, 7, and 8th 2009 Balloon Roundup in Winthrop. Please see the full schedule of events attached.

You are invited to come share some of your favorite digital images that you have captured in the Methow Valley, whether the images be of

*Hot air balloons * the balloonists and spectators * the snowy fields, trees, and mountains * MVSTA Triathletes * wildlife, such as the large population of bald eagles!*

On Saturday evening, March 7, 2009, (from 7:00 p.m. until 9:30 p.m.) the Winthrop Chamber of Commerce, partnering with the Methow Conservancy, and a number of event sponsors, is hosting an evening of

Live Jazz Music with Nancy Zahn and the Glenn Isaacson Quartet

No Host Bar featuring Lost River wines, Twisp River Brew Pub beers, Blue Star Coffee Roasters coffee, and hors d'oeuvres and desserts by Rocking Horse Bakery and Boulder Creek Deli

Digitally projected show of YOUR photographic

images of the Methow Valley

To have your photographs included in the digital show, please read on:

The show will be no more than 15 minutes. Photographers must sign up by March 1 to participate in the show. Participating photographers will be accepted on a first come, first served basis.

On March 6 and 7th, each participating photographer may submit up to 10 images. Depending upon the number of photographers wishing to participate, fewer than 10 images per photographer may be included in the show, so please name or otherwise list your photos in way that shows prioritization.

All photographers wishing to have their work included in the show must contact Kathryn Heim by e-mail at kathryn@methownet.com no later than March 1, 2009 and provide their names and contact information.

Participating photographers may submit their digital images on Friday, March 6 or Saturday March 7, until 2:00 p.m. sharp to the Methow Conservancy, either in person on (315 Riverside Avenue, Winthrop; 509-996-2870), or by e-mail to info@methowconservancy.org. There will be a drop box located at the Methow Conservancy for those photographers wishing to drop off a CD after hours.

Photo Specifications for the Slideshow:

1. All images should be submitted electronically – no hard copies.
2. All images will be placed into the slideshow as is. We will not resize, crop or
3. otherwise alter your images unless we are required to do so for proper viewing of the entire show.
4. Your images need only be high enough quality for digital projection. Please read the more detailed specifications below.
5. No raw files will be accepted. Acceptable files include: jpg, psd, or tif.
6. Photo resolution should be 300 dpi.
7. File size should not exceed 5MB per image, and much lower would be preferred.

If you have any questions whatsoever, please contact Kathryn Heim, Winthrop Chamber of Commerce Event Director, at 509-341-4113 or Mary Kiesau, Methow Conservancy Program Coordinator, at 509-996-2870.

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