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April General Meeting

By Wes Kirkpatrick, Vice President

For this month's general meeting, Maxine Dunkelman, a long time friend of Bonnie Liberty, will be presenting us with one of her travelogue experiences. Maxine has had a very interesting background and started photographing at a young age as her bio indicates. Put this on your calendar and plan on attending an enjoying her experiences.

My Dad always had cameras everywhere and loved to travel. He used the cameras for pleasure and work; he was instrumental in NASA photography. We had cameras that had been in space just lying around the house, a Hasselblad here, a Hasselblad there. Sometimes I think he took us on trips just so there would be more people to carry the cameras. So when he gave me a Kodak instamatic when I was 5, (my older brother was given a Brownie when he was 5) there was no turning back, but it did mean that we now had even another camera to tote around. Ever since then I've been traveling and taking pictures. I even was able to take off from working as a geologist at the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (suburban DC) and roamed around the SE Pacific for a year. In 1990, I was offered a job here with the state of Washington, Radiation Protection at the Dept of Health, and negotiated a half time job with 3 months off at a time, leading to another dozen or so great trips. I hope to share one of my adventures with the club.

Refreshments for 2008/2009

General Meeting will be provided by the following:

April 27..... Frank & Terry
May 25..... Wes
June 22.....

DUES ARE DUE!

We got a slow start this year due to the weather and meeting cancellations, but if you haven't already, it is time to pay dues for 2009. The dues are \$20 for a single membership and \$35 for couples. Please make checks out to Olympia Camera Club. You can give your payment to Shauna Kearns (Treasurer) or Allen Raphael (President) if Shauna is not in attendance. If you can't make it to an OCC meeting in the near future, please mail a check to:

Olympia Camera Club
PO Box 13333
Olympia, WA 98508-3333

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

President's Corner

by Allen Raphael

Need some encouragement?

Have you ever found yourself in need of a little photographic boost? When I find myself in a rut, I go back to the basics. First thing I do is call a “photo friend” and see if they want to hang out and do a little shooting. Hanging out with a Mentor is a great way to build friendships. They can learn from you and you can learn from them. You can even hang out and do non photo related things. I’ve been hanging out with Jason Small a lot over the last few weeks. Jason is a newer member to the OCC and has recently taken up digital photography. He has a vast knowledge of the zone system and years of working with Black and White film techniques. I can honestly say that hanging out with him has revitalized my photography. I have rediscovered my passion for studio lighting and portraiture.

Another thing I do to help get myself out of a photo rut is to give myself an assignment. The assignments I like to give myself are more of a challenge. For example...12” from the floor, be the Paparazzi, choose a color and shoot that for an hour then choose another color. What did you cook for dinner? The idea here is to think outside the box. Anytime I find myself in a slump, I go to my favorite book store and walk through the magazines. There is an abundance of photographic inspiration. Hundreds and hundreds of photos are taken every day. What will you take?

As our club has continued to grow at a rate of 4-6 new people every month this year, I would encourage all members to make it a point to introduce themselves at the next meeting(s). If you make a new friend and become a “mentor” to them, they in turn will be able to do the same for someone else.

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> |
|--------------|-----------------------------|---|---------------------|
| April 27 | Travelogue..... | Maxine Dunkelman | Frank & Terri |
| May 25 | Infra Red Photography | Jeff Mitchell..... | Wes |
| June 22 | Members Theme Night..... | 6 Lucky Members | |
| | | Allen Raphael, Ann Rockway, Rich Kalman, Nichon Smith, | |
| July 27 | No General meeting..... | | |
| August 24 | Planning Picnic..... | Everyone | |

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

- April 14th.....John West
- May 12th Jason Small
- June 9thRich Busto

Olympia Camera Club Executive Board Minutes

by Chris Weinrich

Apr. 1, 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, John West, Bonnie & Terry Liberty and Jason Small. Treasurer Shauna Kerns was absent

March Minutes: Allen moved for approval and Wes seconded. Motion passed.

Treasurer's report for March -- Shauna sent the following report:

February beginning balance:..... \$1778.91
 Revenues:
 Dues \$40.00
 There were no Expenses:
 Ending Balance \$1818.91
 Savings..... \$1366.10

Proposed computer and projector purchase: Allen reported that after input from Rick Sandler and looking at several options, the club has purchased a new laptop and projector for \$1400.00.

Trips. Frank said the following outings have been scheduled:
April 25 -- Mossyrock trip to photograph the tulips and then on to Woodland to see the lilacs.

Digital Group: April meeting will be a basic class.

Club meetings: The April program will feature travel photographer, Maxine Dunkelman. Her appearance was arranged by Bonnie who is a friend of Ms Dunkelman.

Community Liaison: Terry said he received a letter of thanks from the Interfaith Sacred Music Festival for the six club members who covered the Sacred Music Festival on Saturday, March 7. Terry said that the members' photos will be posted on the festival's web site: www.interfaith-works.org

Mentoring program for new members: Wes

passed out a list of both new club members and potential mentors -- current club members -- for those new members and a discussion followed about the mentoring program. After some discussion, it was ultimately decided to establish a mentoring coordinator to link veteran club members with new members.

Newsletter. Wes said that Donna Baker will take over as the newsletter editor in September.

Conferences: Wes announced that the Photographic Society of America (PSA) will be holding its annual meeting at Yellowstone Park, Sept. 20 - 26, 2009. He also said that the Northwest Council of Camera Clubs will hold its annual meeting at Nov. 14 at the Museum of Flight in Seattle.

Photo critiques: Jason Small asked the board about establishing a program whereby members work could be critiqued. After considering using part of the regular meeting for critiquing, the consensus was that the general meetings are too full to squeeze anything else in. It was decided to do the critiquing on line and Jason will handle the set up of that program.

Meeting was adjourned 7:30

Chris Weinreich, Secretary



April - May 2009

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| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|--|--|---|--|------------|------------|--|
| 28 | 29 | 30 | 1 Board Mtg., Mekong Rest. - 5:30pm | 2 | 3 | 4 NPPNW Gresham, Oregon |
| 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 |
| 12 | 13 | 14 Digital Mtg. 6:30pm— Gloria Dei Church | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 |
| 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 Mossyrock Tulip Field Trip |
| 26 Dragon Boat Races, Capitol Lake | 27 General Mtg. 6:30pm— Lacey Fire Dept. | 28 | 28 | 30 | 01 | 02 |
| 03 | 04 | 05 | 06 Board Mtg., Mekong Rest. - 5:30pm | 07 | 08 | 09 |
| 10 | 11 | 12 Digital Mtg. 6:30pm— Gloria Dei Church | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 |

UPCOMING CLUB OUTINGS

Put these dates on your calendars

Tulips and Lilacs and More!

Saturday, April 25, 2009

by Frank Townsend

Each year hundreds journey to the Skagit Valley for the annual Tulip Festival, but there is a festival much closer to home and much less crowded. On April 25 I will be traveling to Mossyrock to visit the DeGoede Bulb Farm which boasts acres of tulips plus a tulip garden with many more exotic varieties. The DeGoede family migrated from Holland to Mt Vernon to Mossyrock not just to make it easier for us to visit, but why not take advantage.

In Woodland, Washington visitors to the Hulda Klager Lilac Gardens step back in time to discover the 1889s Victorian farmhouse and country garden that comprise this national historic site. This is Lilac time and a great time to visit Woodland.

While we are in Woodland we can make a short detour to the Cedar Creek Grist Mill, where the scenery alone makes the trip worth while. It is like driving into the past, heavily wooded and a stream doing the same thing today as it did over a hundred years ago.

All of this takes place on April 25. Meet at the Panda Express parking lot in the Fred Meyer shopping center on Trosper Road in Tumwater at 7 AM to carpool south. Bring lunch, water and snacks to last you till dinner, we will stop on the road. This should be a great trip, so call me at 705-1349 or email fmtat3200@cs.com to let me know you will be joining me.

Dragon Boat Races on Capitol Lake

Sunday, April 26, 2009

Hosted by Saint Martin's University

in cooperation with Washington Dragon Boat Association.

Dragon boat racing dates back to fourth-century China to commemorate a famed poet, Qu Yuan, who threw himself in the Milo River to protest the political turmoil and suffering of the people at that time. Nowadays, dragon boat racing is primarily for fun and is festive in nature.

Lacey, Washington — Saint Martin's University will host the fourth annual Dragon Boat Festival, Sunday, April 26, at Heritage Park on Capitol Lake in downtown Olympia. The festival, presented by Saint Martin's in cooperation with the Washington Dragon Boat Association, will feature 24 teams and is expected to draw 4,500 spectators from throughout the Pacific Northwest. The event, which runs from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., is free and open to the public.

"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



ENTER YOUR BEST PHOTOS!

Winners from the competition will be displayed in a special 6-month exhibition at the Smithsonian's National Museum of Natural History in Washington, DC, one of the most widely respected and highly visited museums in the world.

All of the winning images are also published in our annual Awards Collector Edition promoted to millions of visitors at the museum.

"We enjoy honoring photographers at all levels of experience," says Awards Chairman, Steve Freligh. "It is the photograph itself that is judged, not the background of the photographer."

The final DEADLINE is in just a few weeks, so don't miss this extraordinary opportunity to showcase your work! Entries must be uploaded or postmarked by May 4, 2009.

ENTER ONLINE or mail your submissions. For the complete guidelines and entry form go to www.naturesbestphotography.com.

If you have already entered, we look forward to reviewing your work, so be sure to complete your uploads soon!

Also from the editors of Nature's Best, see our NEW BLOG at: www.naturesbestblog.com.

ATTENTION EVENT PHOTOGRAPHERS AND PHOTOGRAPHERS IN GENERAL

On Saturday, April 25, the Special Olympics of Washington is holding the South Western Spring Games at Mt. Tahoma High School & Stadium. I have communicated with Angie Ramos, SW Region Sports Manager and she would very much like to have some photographers come to the games and take photographs for them. The images would then be shown to the athletes and their families. There is a lot going on for a 1 day event and she assures us there will be a full day of wonderful photo opportunities. If you would like to attend and photograph the event you can either let me know or contact her directly. Her information is:

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www.sowa.org

Add Special Olympics to your grocery shopping list! Visit your neighborhood Safeway during the month of April and make a donation at checkout to be part of Safeway's support of people with disabilities. Every donation makes a difference!

Hoh River Valley of Olympic National Park Field trip

By Frank Townsend

Art Wolfe recently wrote, "...for me, the Hoh River Valley of Olympic National Park embodies the essence of the region," as he listed it among his favorite places. He went on to say that he liked to shoot in the spring when the forest is fully leafed out. As I am always happy to follow Art's advice I plan on visiting the Hoh rain forest and neighboring pacific beaches on May 16 and 17. We can leave Olympia Saturday morning going directly to the rain forest. After lunch we can visit Rialto, First and Second beaches to determine which is the best for sunset shooting. After dinner in Forks we return to the beach of our choice. With an overnight stay in Forks we can return to the forest for morning shooting.

I am not arranging lodging, but I will post in later articles places to stay in the area and approximate costs. I'll also publish later our meeting location and departure time (count on it being somewhat early on the 16th).

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



SW Spring Games



Volunteers Needed!

Where: Mt Tahoma High School & Stadium

4634 S. 74th St., Tacoma, WA 98409

Date: Saturday, April 25, 2009

Time: 8am – 5pm

VOLUNTEER POSITIONS:

Aquatics: Timers, Awards Presenters, Marshals, Officials, Data Entry, and Judges

Athletics: Officials, Timers, Announcers, Awards Presenters, Data Entry, and Marshals

Soccer: Officials, Awards Presenters, and Individual Skills Helpers

All Venues: Certified EMT's

To sign up or for more information, please contact Angie Ramos at aramos@sowaq.org or 206-829-7062 or toll free at 1-800-752-7559 x202. I hope to hear from you soon!!

PHOTOGRAPHIC CENTER NORTHWEST

CALL FOR ENTRIES!!!

PCNW

PHOTO-OP
14TH ANNUAL PHOTOGRAPHIC
COMPETITION EXHIBITION

JUROR: JEN BEKMAN

The competition is open to all photographers, all photographic processes, and all themes. The juror is looking for work that represents a larger, cohesive body of work and will be selecting a short series from each photographer chosen.

Deadline: May 15, 2009

For submission guidelines: www.pcnw.org

Awards!!!

\$1000, \$500, \$250 AND \$75 Gift Certificates of Blurb Scrip for each winner

PCNW Gratefully Acknowledges Blurb, Glazer's Camera & Panda Lab for Award Sponsorship.





Hi Everyone,

I hope your spring is starting out well, and that you are finding photographic inspiration even while the weather remains challenging.

If you are in the Seattle area and are curious about Lightroom but haven't had a chance to attend one of my free two hour demonstrations, I hope you can attend my next one on **Saturday, May 16** at the Capitol Hill Library, from 10:30 am to 12:30 pm. Space is limited, so if you would like to attend, please email me to RSVP. There is more information on my website at www.laurashoe.com/lightroom_demo.htm

I also have additional Lightroom workshops coming up soon:

[Lightroom Fundamentals: Make Your Work Flow – PART ONE](#)

Lightroom is Adobe's image management and enhancement program designed specifically for photographers. With the inclusion in version 2 of the ability to make local image enhancements, Lightroom has become a powerful program which can dramatically increase the efficiency of your workflow. In this two day Part One workshop, learn the fundamentals, concentrating on the Library and Develop modules where you manage, edit and enhance your images. With hands-on practice, learn how to organize, backup, manage, edit and enhance your images, and how to work through large shoots efficiently with collections, presets, and synchronized settings. Discuss where Photoshop or Photoshop elements may still fit in your workflow, and learn how to move between Lightroom and Photoshop or Elements. No prior experience with Lightroom is necessary; limited to 12 students; laptop computer required.

June 13th -14th, 9 am - 5 pm

Hampton Inn, Seattle Center, \$285

http://laurashoe.com/images/lightroom_partone_outline.pdf

http://laurashoe.com/hampton_workshops.htm

[Lightroom Fundamentals: Make Your Work Flow – PART TWO](#)

In this two day Part Two workshop, explore advanced editing, searching and keyword management techniques in the Library module. Learn more about adjustments in the Develop module, and dive into the Slide Show, Web and Print modules. Achieve quality prints through Lightroom, learning how to print efficiently by fully leveraging the power of templates. Color management will be discussed in terms of color spaces, monitor calibration and printing. Finally, learn how to incorporate Photoshop actions and third party plug-ins into your Lightroom workflow. Limited to 12 students; laptop computer required.

June 27th – 28th, 9 am - 5 pm

Hampton Inn, Seattle Center, \$285

A \$40 discount is available to those who register for Part Two by the end of Part One.

For questions or to sign up, please contact me at laura@laurashoe.com, or 206-940-7145.

Finally, don't forget to check out my blog occasionally at www.digitaldailydose.wordpress.com! Check out the archives for dozens of tutorials and tips on Lightroom.

Best wishes,

Laura

CALL TO ARTISTS
May 5—May 28, 2009

SEE APPLICATION FROM ON PAGE 14 & 15

The City of SeaTac is presenting this exhibit to show quality photography of regional photographers and to purchase work for their permanent collection. Photos must not be more than two years old. To be eligible for the Photo Purchase Award, a photo must be for sale at a price not to exceed \$750. All photos submitted must be for sale.

Awards

There will be \$1,400 available for purchase awards. Photos will be purchased for the City of SeaTac's permanent collection.

Entry Fee

The entry fee is \$15 per entry. Photographers may submit up to two entries. The City reserves the right to choose photos eligible for this exhibition. Registration

Bring photos Monday, May 4 from 10 a.m. until 7 p.m. to 3rd floor lobby at SeaTac City Hall, 4800 S. 188th St., SeaTac.

Pickup Photos

All work shown in the exhibit must be picked up Friday, May 29, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. or immediately after the reception from 7:30-8:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 28. Art may not be picked up early. Art left will become property of the City of SeaTac.

Specifications

Exhibit is for black/white and color original photography. All work must be matted, framed and ready to hang with wire. Maximum size not to exceed 3 feet in any direction including mat and frame. Minimum photo size 5" x 7". Photos submitted should be appropriate for public display and suitable for community viewing. Photos submitted may be printed by the photographer or a photo lab.

All works must have a 3 x 5 card attached to the lower right back and must include:

- Artist's name, address, day and evening phone numbers.
- Title of piece, year of execution and price (not to exceed \$750).

Questions?

Call the City of SeaTac at 206.973.4680.

Stratocruiser Car Club Annual Show

I'm the webmaster for the Boeing Everett Stratocruisers car club <http://stratocruisers.com/default.htm>. We're putting on our annual show in downtown Snohomish, on July 19th, and were wondering if any of your members would be interested in photographing the free event. If so, we would like to use a few selected photos for our website, and publicity for next years show. We would give your organization credit for any photos used.

Thank you,

John Novak

Phone: 425-717-6970

The late Joe MarCarthy, major league baseball manager always said
"You can not bat 300 with the bat on your shoulder".
Apply his baseball philosophy to your photography. Take pictures.

Images from members that have gotten out and about

Wes Kirkpatrick

I know some of you have gotten out and taken some awesome photo's lately so I'd like to have you send me a couple so I can include them into the newsletter for others to see. The can be of anything at all. This is an opportunity for all you new members that have joined within the past year to let others see what you are doing too. You don't have to have pictures from big cameras because I've seen some of those images you've taken with the little point and shoots and they are just as awesome. So put them in an email to me and let me show them off. Just attach the to an email and send them to me ibhappy@pioneernet.net



The Capitol Tree -
Janie Mcrae



The Antique Window -
Janie Mcrae



Swans - Elma, WA
Wes



Filucy Bay - Near Olympia
Lynnette



Monarch Sculpture Park - "Blue Eyes"
Lynnette



Dwarf Rhodendron
Grown & arranged by Bonnie & Photographed
by Terry Liberty



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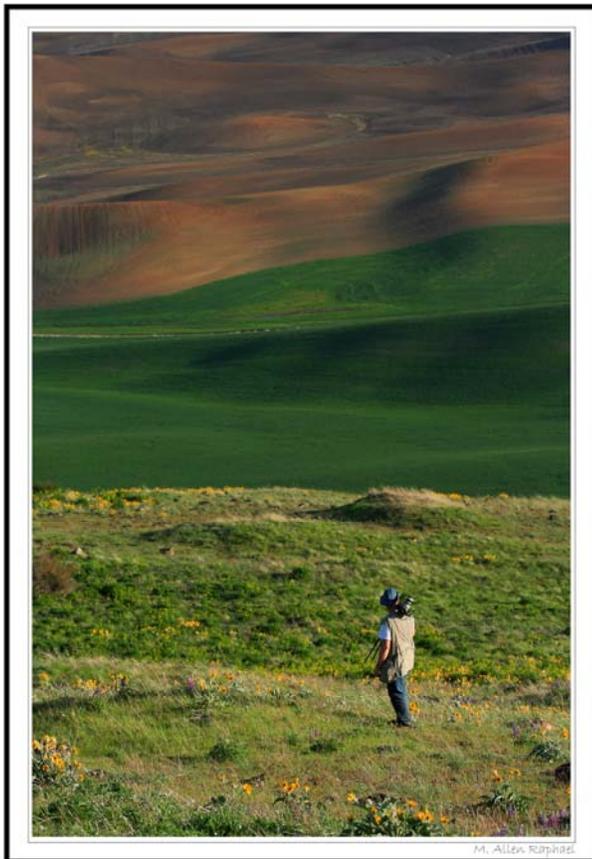
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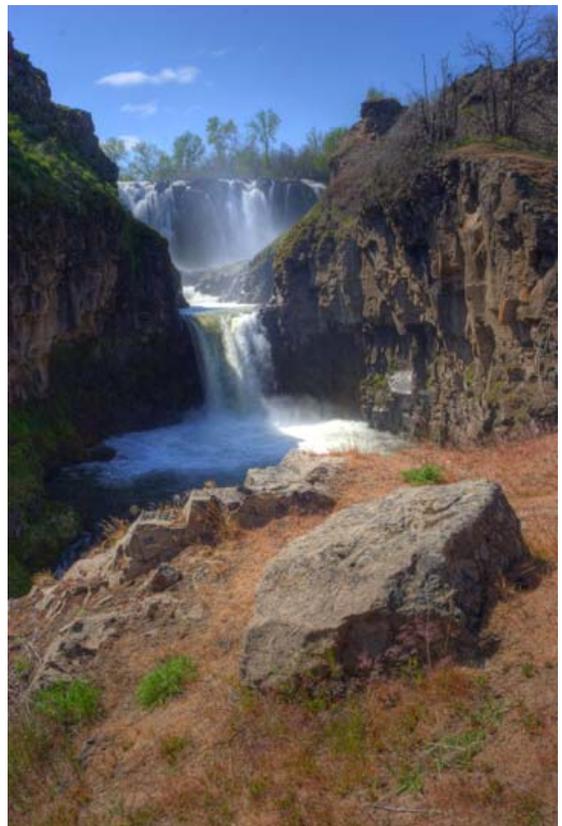
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