



# Shutterbug Times

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## President's Corner

### The Club Website

Hi Everyone,

This month we are ramping up to take on another new challenge that I think will benefit the camera club in the years to come. We had another good executive board meeting this month, and among the topics that we covered was something that has been a point of discussion for a few months now: the club's web site.

We now live in an age where a good web presence is more than just a convenience, it is almost an essential element in our ability to get our message out to all of our members and to anyone looking for a local camera club to join, and to photographic resources outside of our membership who wish to notify us of their upcoming opportunities that may be of interest to our club members. It helps our club in many untold ways. But it also reflects who we are to the world at large, for good or for worse, and I think that should be of concern to every one of us who care about the quality of our club.

I think we have a pretty darn good club. The talent here is outstanding. We are here to teach those members who need help or who want inspiration or a leg up in being more creative or productive. We are dedicated to helping our community and do so in any way we are asked to. In short, we are indeed a quality organization and one that we can all be proud to say we belong to.

So the question for me, and for the board's discussion earlier this week, does our current web site reflect that quality in a way that it really tells the world who we are as an organization? My answer, in short, is that our web site is good, but improvements could be made to bring it up to a level that is worthy of who we are as a club.

This is not to disparage anyone who has worked on our site. I am more than grateful for their efforts and their talents to make our site usable and available today. Dave Simmerman and Nandita Adhia, in particular, deserve our thanks and gratitude for making the site available and as viable as it is today. Recently, it was Dave who discovered that perhaps our site had been hacked and that there were signs in the logs that spammers have been actively trying to access information from the site that they shouldn't have. This is of concern, of course, and one more reason that some action needs to be taken to improve and secure our site from any more such activity.

So what to do? Wes Kirkpatrick initiated a conversation at this month's business meeting, saying he thinks that we need a whole new rebuild of the site, and that he had information and a recent reference to a site building company that would help us achieve that goal. Shauna Kerns expressed her concerns that, if we do that, that we will be able to use our current domain name. I agree, and have my own concerns that we would be able to keep the ability for outside interests, or members, to be able to contact us the way they do now on the site. The board agrees that we should take on such a project, and I (foolishly or not... what do I know about websites?) volunteered to manage the project as soon as my term as president is through.

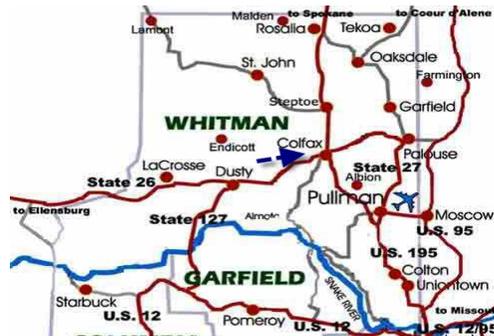
So that is what we are aiming for: a new site, rebuilt and in a cost-effective manner, that will be more secure, with our current domain name, that will be kept up to date, and will truly reflect who we are as a camera club in the world today. My wish is that we can achieve this accomplishment and I will make every effort to see that it is done the way it should be done and that we can soon be proud of this new effort. *-John West, President*

## OCC TO VISIT THE PALOUSE

by Frank Townsend (reprinted from April)

The rolling hills of the Palouse is fairly unique to Eastern Washington and may be the most photographed area of the state. On Friday, Saturday and Sunday, June 24, 25, and 26 the Olympia Camera Club will be doing its share of photographing the area. This will be a little different than most of our ventures, for one you'll need to make your own room reservations, you will be given maps with locations previously scouted and can join the group any where along the way on any day. Some may leave Friday morning, others on Saturday, and some may return at their own choosing. Many of the spots are too small for a large number of cars to pull off at one time so car pooling once in the area is encouraged, this is also why everyone will have maps so that large caravans won't form.

The closest hotels are in Colfax, the Siesta Motel is only \$62 but is small and nearly full. Call 509-397-3417. Best Western is about twice that but has more room. Call 509-0397. Sally Parker and Linda Foss are the leaders of this expedition and have sent everyone an email about the trip, please contact them for more information or contact me. <http://www.palousescenicbyway.com/default.asp?>



## It's not too early to start planning your 2011 Thurston County Fair submissions, deadline Saturday July 30th.

See exhibitor's guide for more information.

[www.co.thurston.wa.us/fair/documents/exhibitor\\_guide/Fair-Guide-complete.pdf](http://www.co.thurston.wa.us/fair/documents/exhibitor_guide/Fair-Guide-complete.pdf)

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#### OPEN CLASS PRINT COMPETITION

##### How to Enter a Print

1. Obtain an entry for the 'Photographic Exhibition (open class)', available from FRIDAY, July 1 through Wednesday, July 27th at Don's Camera 316 North Capitol Blvd, Olympia; Kit's Cameras 1200 Cooper Point Rd., Olympia; Beard's Framing, Fred Meyer Shopping Center, Lacey; or at The Thurston County Fair office. Fill it out the form completely following the detailed instructions on the back of the entry form as shown in 2 and 3 below Saturday, July 30th, at the Photo Entry Thurston County Fairgrounds. Deliver
2. Exhibitor number is the first letter of y



#### ADULT SECTION

##### Class 1 - Color Prints

##### Class 2 - Monochrome Prints (black and white images)

##### LOT:

- A People (General people pictures)
- B Domestic animals (livestock and pets)
- C Photojournalism/Human Interest (images of people in every day action)
- D Portraits (Posed people pictures)
- E Wild animals (includes wild and those in captivity)
- F Nature Scenics (Images of land, sky, water etc. There should be little to no evidence of 'man' meaning no people, buildings, bridges or anything man made. A "limited hand of man".)
- G Plants and Flowers (Indoor, outdoor, arrangements, etc.)
- H Man made Scenery. (Scenic's and Vista's that INCLUDE some form of man made object, ei building, bridge, architecture, people etc.)
- I Still-life and Table Top photos (static arrangements)
- J Special Effects & Digital Creations (trick photography and/or images create with a computer after original photo(s) were taken.)
- K Miscellaneous (Photos that don't fit in other lots)
- L Best use of the Thurston Couny Theme "Ten Gallons Of Fun at the Thurston County Fair." Or the mascot, "Harry the Hat" (Photos of cowboy hats, any other hats and any other greneral Fair time photos)

## Olympic Flight Museum Hosts their 13th Annual Olympic Air Show June 18th & 19th

The museum is again pleased to ask the Olympia Camera Club members to participate in this year's annual air show and provide them with your images. I'm not sure how many years now the club has participated but they have always been very gracious in inviting us and being very pleased with the images that have been submitted. With these images they have used them in press releases, brochures, newsletters, bulletins and posters and have given credit to each member on each image. Last year some of the members images they used were from John West, Frank Townsend, Andy Repcik, Jim Sundahl, Teresa Gypin, Stacy Singleton, and others in past years as well. Some have made it into the newspapers as well.

To see some of the 2008 Images from club members visit <http://olympicairshow.weebly.com/pictures.html>.

The show will be Father's Day Weekend, June 18 & 19, 2011. On Friday, June 17 there will be a Sponsor Night program only from 5:00-7:00pm, and OCC members are welcome to attend.

Rides will be available for a fee on either the Commemorative Air Force's B-17 Flying Fortress Sentimental Journey, or the B-25 Mitchell Maid In The Shade. please visit the museum's website <http://olympicairshow.weebly.com/b-17--b-25-rides.html> for more information.

If you are planning to attend the air show and would like to participate I would appreciate it if you would email me as soon as possible so that I can provide a count to the Museum Director. She will then provide the club with 20 passes along with press credentials for members. I also need to know who will arrive in the morning and those that will be arriving after 12:00 noon and if you will be attending on Saturday and/or Sunday. Parking passes will be provided for those planning on attending on either day in the afternoon. There is usually plenty of parking close by if you arrive early so no pass is needed.

She prefers to have photos of the crowds, children, planes, and some aerial shots, so after you have processed them, save them as a high quality jpg images, full resolution and submit them on a CD. She will be using these images for emailing and also printing so when making your CD please make 2 folders with the image resolution sized, 1 for email and 1 for printing. Also please put your name on the CD. And remember that you will be given FULL credit for any images used.

Please see the press release in this newsletter for the event and also visit their website which is being updated periodically, [www.olympicflightmuseum.com/airshow.php](http://www.olympicflightmuseum.com/airshow.php).

I will need to have as many photos from all members by July 31st. You can email them or send them to me at the address below,

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Olympia, WA 98501

Thank You,

Wes Kirkpatrick  
Community Liaison



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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

Olympia, WA – Museum Hosts 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Olympic Air Show

The Western Washington air show season kicks off on Father's Day Weekend at the celebrated Olympic Air Show, hosted by the Olympic Flight Museum at the Olympia Regional Airport. This 13<sup>th</sup> anniversary event, held June 18-19, 2011, will feature tactical demonstrations including the U.S. Air Force's A-10 West Coast Demonstration Team! Also visiting for the first time is the Commemorative Air Force's B-17 Flying Fortress *Sentimental Journey*, and the B-25 Mitchell *Maid In The Shade*. The Olympic Air Show is recognized for its wide variety of military aircraft, from nostalgic vintage bi-planes to high-performance jets. As the largest warbird-only gathering in the Pacific Northwest, the show features three hours of outstanding aerobatic performances by visiting aircraft, in addition to the low-level aerobatic demonstration by the museum's own P-51 D Mustang, *American Beauty*. The museum will also exhibit helicopters from its collection, including a UH-1H Huey, AH-1 Cobra, OH-6 Cayuse "Loach", and the only flying example of a Kaman HH-43 Huskie. Military aircraft and displays are represented from all military branches and eras from WWII, Korea and Vietnam.

In addition, other event features include a WWII encampment with authentic military vehicles and uniformed personnel, an operational Vietnam Landing Zone, and a festive USO-style show with live band. The Budweiser Beer Garden, food and merchandise vendors, and a variety of youth activities will be onsite as well. This weekend event promises to deliver the excitement of heritage aviation that visitors anticipate.

*Early hotel reservations are highly recommended.* For final performance schedule and information about the 13<sup>th</sup> anniversary Olympic Air Show, the Olympic Flight Museum, or ticket information, please visit [www.olympicflightmuseum.com](http://www.olympicflightmuseum.com) or email [info@olympicflightmuseum.com](mailto:info@olympicflightmuseum.com). AIRMEN: Check NOTAMS.



A-10 Thunderbolt II photo courtesy U.S. Air Force

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## **Olympia Camera Club Executive Board Minutes May 4, 2011, held at the Mekong Restaurant**

**Present were:** President John West, Vice President Allynn Balch, Secretary Chris Weinreich, Treasurer Shauna Kearns, Past President Wes Kirkpatrick, Newsletter Editor Cornelia Kirkpatrick, Frank and Terri Townsend and Mort Shecter. There was one guest: Elena Pierini-Buls, a friend of John's. Digital Group Chair Debbie Ferrell was absent.

**Meeting** was called to order at 6:20.

**March Minutes:** Chris moved that the minutes be approved and Wes seconded. Motion was passed.

### **Treasurer's report for April 2011:**

Beginning balance - \$1982.91

Dues - \$120.00

Coffee Kitty - \$2.50

PO Box Key Return - \$1.00

#### Expenses

Capital High School Room Rent (March 15th and 28th) - \$37.50

PSA dues - \$45.00

Purchase of a new coffee urn - \$42.90

Ending Balance - \$1981.01

Savings Balance - \$1374.15

**President's report:** John said he had nothing to report.

**Community Liaison:** Wes received a message from Dave Simmerman, who had created and maintained the club's web site for some time. He had looked at the site and it looked like it had been hacked and there were many spammer registrations there. He performed a fresh re-load and two updates to the system files. A discussion followed about closing down the site and if the club did that, could we retain the domain name. No action was taken but Wes will look into it and John volunteered to look at alternative venues for the site.

The Olympia Bag and Pipe band wants to perform for the club and when and where was the question. It was felt that the general meetings were not a good time – too much other business – other possibilities were discussed but no action was taken.

**Air Show:** Wes has been contacted by the Olympic Museum of Flight Air Show people and they want the club to take photos at the June show again this year – crowd shots, children, planes and some aerial shots. The club will get 20 free passes. Contact Wes, if interested.

**General Meeting:** Per Allynn the May meeting will be a members theme night with pictures from Arts Walk and the parade. The June meeting may feature Kevin McNeil or a guest.

**Social Programs:** The Palouse trip will be June 24, 25 and 26. Contact Frank for more details. He is also planning a trip to the Olympia model railroad club's model train layout at the Thurston County Fairgrounds and possibly a garden tour and a hot rod show.

**Thurston County Fair:** Allynn said the 2011 Exhibitor Guide is now online. The fair will run from Aug. 3 thru 7<sup>th</sup>.

**Digital Group:** CS5 and processing RAW files presented by Rosalind Phillips.

**Newsletter:** Cornelia said she needs articles by Saturday.

**Equipment:** John reported that he purchased a new mouse for the club's computer and that the club has bought a new coffee urn. Shauna said she would write-up a call to members for volunteers to bring snacks to the general meetings.

**Video Group:** Shauna said that nine people showed up for video group meeting the April 9<sup>th</sup> and reported that there was a wide area of skill levels and interests, which will have to be sorted out at the next meeting.

**New Business:** None

**Old business:** None.



## Arts Walks Image Review

### Event club photo shoot

**Part two**—Select 10 to 15 of your images, the ones you like the best, put them on a thumb drive or CD and bring them to the **May 24th General meeting**. At the meeting as a group, we will review and select an assortment to submit to Stephanie, at the City of Olympia. This is a way to let the community know that the club is active and involved.

*Wes Kirkpatrick, Community Liaison*

## Video Group Kick-Off A Success

by Shauna Kearns

The Video Group held a kickoff meeting on April 9<sup>th</sup> at my house. The group's founding sponsor and current leader, Dottie Hall was present. We had a good turn out including both long-time and newer OCC members.

We introduced ourselves and discussed what we would like to do as a group. Our interests and experience levels vary widely. Some members are interested in field trips, some are interested in simply learning how to use their cameras, and others are interested in advanced editing. Hopefully though, we share enough common ground that we can learn from each other and have some fun.

Since several members are new to video, our next meeting will be a hands-on introduction to our cameras. We will each bring our cameras, go over basic operations, and possibly do some quick shooting to get more comfortable with our equipment.

In the future, we plan to hold more advanced sessions on subjects such as editing and filmmaking.

Stay tuned for an announcement on our next meeting!!

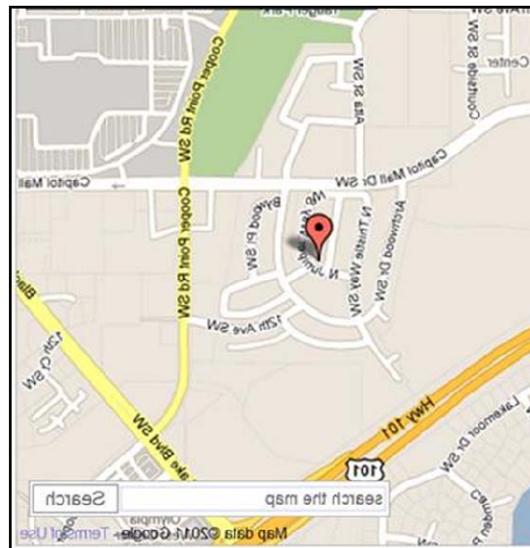
Directions to

### OCC General Meeting 4th Monday of the Month

Address:

**The Friendly Village Clubhouse**  
1111 Archwood Drive S.W.  
Olympia, Washington 98502-4590

It is located in West Olympia off of Capital Mall Drive SW behind (just west of) the Big 5 Sporting Goods strip mall and about four or five blocks west of the Westfield Shopping Mall; across the street from Yauger Park.



## May 2011 Olympia Camera Club Monthly Meetings

### Digital Meeting

Second Tuesday of the Month 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm

Meets at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, Westside of Olympia

Hosts for April: Gene and Linda Pardee

For more information contact:

Debbly Ferrell, Digital Group Chair, [debfer@yaho.com](mailto:debfer@yaho.com)

### Digital Meeting Refreshments

| Month | Member |
|-------|--------|
| May   | ??     |
| June  | ??     |



### Photo Critique Meeting

Third Tuesday of the Month 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm

Meets at Capital High School, Pod B

For more information contact:

Tom Blankenship, Critiquing Group Chair

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### General Meeting

Fourth Monday of the Month 6:30 pm to 9:00 pm



| Month     | Topic   | Presenter    | Location                   |
|-----------|---|--------------|----------------------------|
| May 23rd  | Arts Walk Image Review & Member's Theme Night | Club members | Friendly Village Clubhouse |
| June 27th | TBD   | Kevin McNeal | Friendly Village Clubhouse |

We haven't had treats at the General Meetings in a while and I for one am missing them :) I am looking for volunteers to bring something yummy to share. We need one volunteer for the May 23rd meeting and one for the June 27th meeting. Please let me know if you can help out. You can email me at [32instruments@comcast.net](mailto:32instruments@comcast.net). Thanks!!! Shauna Kearns, Treasurer

### Business Meeting

First Wednesday of the Month 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm

Meets at Mekong Restaurant (banquet room), Downtown Olympia

Address: 125 Columbia Street NW

All members and guests are welcome to attend.

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