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**SCAVENGER HUNT 2011**

**Annual Scavenger Hunt Dinner**

**Sep 26th, 6:00-9:00 pm**

The Scavenger Hunt dinner and slideshow program will be held again at Panorama City's Chambers House Restaurant. This is a camera club favorite, the annual social event is a time to share conversations, lots of laughs, an enjoyable dinner together, and watch the results of our combined scavenger hunt efforts, over the summer.

The three dinner choices are:

- Honey Baked Salmon
- Apricot Beef Brisket
- Curry Vegetables over Jasmine rice.

Linda Foss is taking your dinner reservations. The cost is \$18.00 for dinner and desert. The deadline is September 20, 2011. If you have not done so, please email Linda at [photofossil@comcast.net](mailto:photofossil@comcast.net) with your name, number attending and choices for dinner.

**Upcoming [OCC FIELD TRIPS](#)**

**See OCC website, click on listings for information.**

**Also, check out [field trip photos](#) and [forums](#).**

**OCC Field Trips**

**Meet-up Visit - KITS Camera Tour, Oct 2, 11 am**

*October-02-2011*

**Event Notice - Olympia Fall Arts Walk, Oct 7-8**

*October-07-2011*

**Meet-up, Still Life Photography Shoot - Antique Collectibles, Oct 16, 11 am**

*October-16-2011*

**Field Trip - Weekend stay at the Pacific Beach, Nov 4-6**

*November-04-2011*

**Carpool to Meeting - Fall Photo Conference Northwest Council of Camera Clubs, Nov 13**

*November-13-2011*

## Digital Meeting Notes

Below are some links to website that I have found particularly helpful for improving my composition and exposure skills.

Film & Digital Camera Simulator. <http://www.photonhead.com/simcam/>

Photo Composition Site (This has the Photo Adjuster tool) . <http://photoinf.com/Tools/>

Art Morris Materials. Although the focus is on birds, his “ Digital Basics File” is outstanding on how to use Photoshop. You get free updates forever. You can also order Gloria Hopkins “Natural Design” <https://store.birdsasart.com/shop/category.aspx?catid=32>

Art Morris’ Blog is also a gold mine of information. <http://www.birdsasart-blog.com/>

**Next Meeting: Tuesday September 13, 2011**

**Topic: Printing on Different Types of Media**

**For sharing please bring no more than 4-6 images that illustrate texture. You define what texture means.**

Please be prepared to explain why your image illustrates texture. Also, please keep in mind going beyond the rule of thirds to the golden triangle and the golden spiral. I put many of my images through the Photo Adjuster tool to work on my composition skills. Your images need to be converted to JPEGs before you can load them into the Photo Adjuster tool.

## For you Information—The Abbotsford Photo Arts Annual Conference

is an excellent two-day event each year. It is located about an hour north of Bellingham, with the closest border crossing at Sumas. <http://www.apac.bc.ca/Seminar%202011/Seminar2011.html>

Abbotsford Photo Arts Club Seminar



## ABBOTSFORD PHOTO ARTS SEMINAR - Attendees October 15 & 16, 2011

If you are planning to visit Abbotsford to attend the 34<sup>th</sup> Annual Abbotsford Photo Arts Club Seminar in October of 2011, we would be pleased to welcome you to the Best Western Plus Regency. We are offering a preferred rate for individuals and groups. To reserve a room or a block of rooms at the Best Western Regency Inn please call: 1-800-771-3077 or 604-853-3111 speak to Ms. Kim Hissink, Director of Sales at extension #436 or press 0 for a guest service agent.

**Please quote group #605051 when making your reservation**

**Preferred Abbotsford Photo Arts Club Seminar Rate:**

**\$99.99 + taxes for rooms with 2 queen beds,**

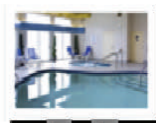
**\$109.99 + taxes for rooms with 1 king bed or kitchenettes with 1 queen and single pull-out.**

**Guests will enjoy a delicious hot breakfast - included in rate**

Please reserve your rooms by **September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2011** or earlier, to guarantee rates and availability. After this date, discounted rates may still be offered based on availability.

**Cancellations or Changes:**

You may cancel or change your room or block of rooms prior to **October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2011**. After this date all changes and cancellations may incur a penalty.



[www.bwregency.bc.ca](http://www.bwregency.bc.ca) [kim@bwregency.bc.ca](mailto:kim@bwregency.bc.ca)

## September 2011 Olympia Camera Club Regular Meetings

### Digital Meeting, 2nd Tuesday of the Month

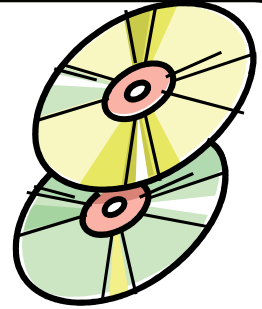
Meeting for September 13th, 6:30 to 8:30 pm.

**Gloria Dei Lutheran Church**, Westside of Olympia

For more information contact:

Rosalind Phillips, Digital Group Chair

[photoelegance@comcast.net](mailto:photoelegance@comcast.net)



### Photo Critique Meeting, 3rd Tuesday of the Month

Meeting for September 20th at 6:30 to 8:30 pm.

**Edge Lake Mobile Home Park - Community Center**, 3928 21st Ave SE, Lacey 98503

For more information contact:

Tom Blankenship, Critiquing Group Chair

[tom@tomblankenship.com](mailto:tom@tomblankenship.com)



### Kaffee Klatch Meet up, 1st and 3rd Wednesdays

Meetings for September 7th and 21st, 9:00 to 11:00 am

Open discussions about photography and other topics of interest

**Panera's Bakery** 2525 Capitol Mall Drive SW, Westside of Olympia

For more information contact:

Wes Kirkpatrick, [wesk67@gmail.com](mailto:wesk67@gmail.com)

### September General Meeting

Sep 26, 6:00-9:00pm

**See you at the Panorama City Restaurant**

<http://www.olympiacameraclub.org/activities/occ-meetings/event/>



### Business Meeting, October 5th Meeting at Mekong Restaurant

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

All members and guests are welcome to attend.

For more information contact:

Allynn Balch, president [seriously\\_long\\_hair@yahoo.com](mailto:seriously_long_hair@yahoo.com)





**Olympia Camera Club Board Minutes, Aug. 3, 2011** Mekong Restaurant, Olympia

**Present were:** President Allynn Balch, Vice President Mort Shecter, Secretary Chris Weinreich, Treasurer Shauna Kearns, Past President John West, Newsletter Editor Cornelia Kirkpatrick, Frank and Terri Townsend, Community Liaison Wes Kirkpatrick, Dave Simmerman, Debbie Ferrell, Rosalind Philips and Nandita Adhia

**Meeting** was called to order at 6:15.

**July Minutes:** Chris moved that the minutes be approved, Allynn seconded and the motion was passed.

**Treasurer's report for July:**

|                                  |           |              |
|----------------------------------|-----------|--------------|
| Beginning Balance                | \$1780.17 |              |
| Collections: none                |           |              |
| Expenses:                        |           |              |
| TFC supplies & food              |           | 219.95       |
| Capital High rental, April & May |           | <u>37.50</u> |
| Ending Balance -                 |           | \$1522.72    |
| Savings Balance                  | \$1375.04 |              |

**Community Liaison:** nothing to report

**Social Programs:** Cornelia said the survey results are in from the members about their preferences for club camera trips.

**Web Site:** Dave proposed a contract for maintaining and operate the club's web site for an annual fee of \$300 plus a club membership. (Dave previously maintained the club's site.) He proposed to upgrade the site and programs first and then bring on the gallery on line during the second phase. Wes moved to accept Dave's proposed contract, Mort seconded and the motion was passed.

**Thurston County Fair:** Allynn proposed adding a "cell phone picture" category to the current ones. A discussion followed and it was felt that there was no need for a separate category; cell phone pictures could be entered in the existing categories.

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

**PSA (Photographic Society of America):** Frank had nothing to report.

**Digital Group:** The August digital meeting subject will be composition and exposure.

**Video Group:** Shauna said the video group had an outdoor shoot and four people attended.

**Old Business:** No old business.

**New Business:** After Allynn reminded people of the Aug. 22 annual planning picnic at Priest Point Park, and the Scavenger Hunt dinner at Panorama City, Sept 26<sup>th</sup>, the club's Christmas Party was brought up and the need to schedule a place. Several sites were discussed and the consensus was the fire hall on Delphi Road where the party was held two years ago. The date of the Christmas party was set for Monday, Dec. 19<sup>th</sup>.

**Meeting adjourned** at 7:15, Chris Weinreich, Secretary

**Olympia Camera Club Board Minutes, Sept. 7, 2011, Mekong Restaurant, Olympia**

**Present were:** President Allynn Balch, Vice President Mort Shecter, Secretary Chris Weinreich, Past President John West, Newsletter Editor Cornelia Kirkpatrick, Frank and Terri Townsend, Community Liaison Wes Kirkpatrick and club Web Master Dave Simmerman. Treasurer Shauna Kerns dropped off her treasurer's report but could not stay for the meeting. There were two guest, Marie Simmerman. Dave's daughter and Kyra Balch, Allynn's 5 year-old daughter.

**Meeting** was called to order at 6:30.

**August Minutes:** Chris moved that the minutes be approved, Wes seconded and the motion was passed.

**Treasurer's report for August:**

|                                |           |              |
|--------------------------------|-----------|--------------|
| Beginning Balance              | \$1522.72 |              |
| Dues:                          |           | \$35.00      |
| Expenses:                      |           |              |
| Web Site upgrade & maintenance |           | 300.00       |
| Traveling prints shipping      |           | 115.00       |
| Coffee Cups                    |           | <u>35.00</u> |
| Ending Balance                 | \$1119.27 |              |
| Savings Balance                | \$1375.34 |              |

**Social Programs:** Cornelia made a motion to require a signed release from all members who participate in club sponsored field trips and Mort seconded. Cornelia then explained that it would hold the club and field trip leader harmless if a person on field trip was injured. She passed around a copy of the proposed release. After some discussion, the motion was passed. Cornelia said that all field trips were now being posted on the club website.

**Newsletter:** Cornelia said she needs articles before Sunday.

Debbie Ferrell requested that a promotional article concerning a publishing business she represents put in the newsletter. Cornelia asked whether or not the club had a policy on advertising. There appeared to be none so after some discussion, it was agreed that a committee be appointed and come back to the next board meeting with recommendations. Allynn appointed herself, Wes and Dave.

**NWCCC (Northwest Council of Camera Clubs):** Wes said there was nothing to report.

**President's report:** Allynn said she had nothing to report

**Club's August planning meeting:** Mort thanked Cornelia for surveying the membership about field trip preferences and making the presentation of that results at the picnic. He has the notes from the picnic and will put them on the web site.

He announced two other things: a photo equipment swap meet on Sunday, Sept 11 at his house and tentative field trip to a couple of Olympia antique malls, date unknown.

**Old Business:** No old business

**New Business:** Chris suggested a club photo sale before Christmas. It was briefly discussed but no action was taken.

**Meeting adjourned** at 7:25, Chris Weinreich, Secretary

## **Northwest Council of Camera Clubs 2011 Fall Conference - Sunday, November 13th, 2011**

Conference Location  
Nile Golf & Country Club  
6601 244th St SW  
Mountlake Terrace, WA 98043

**Guest Speakers** will be [Terry and Julie Eggers](#), well-known northwest photographers. Terry specializes in Nature and Wildlife Photography and Julie in nature and landscapes.

Conference program topics:

- **HDR—The Ins and Outs**
- **Textures and Frames**
- **Digital Infrared—Capture/Output**

There will be vendors and door prizes.

**Cost \$50.00 pre-registration postmarked by November 5th,  
\$60.00 same day registration.**

**Includes a catered buffet lunch (vegetarian menu available if indicated).**

<http://www.nwcameraclubs.org>

Also featured at the conference are competitions:

### **1) Fall Open Print Salon (individual competition)**

**2011 OPEN DEADLINE** - All Open prints must be received by September 30, 2011 to the NWCCC Co-Print Director Alan Moodie. Prints may also be delivered to the Seattle Photographic Society's Tuesday meetings. The NWCCC Print director will email the registration form to the club print director, Nandita.

Prints are submitted by individuals in the early fall. Prints are judged by an independent judge(s) prior to the fall conference. All Open prints are displayed and the awards are announced at the fall conference.

A maximum of 3 (three) color and 3 (three) monochrome prints may be entered in the Open Print Salon with a maximum of 6 (six) prints total per photographer. The Color and Monochrome categories are divided into Large and Small size categories. A photographer must enter either the Large or Small size print category, but not both. Each size category will be judged separately, if entry numbers permit. The size categories are specified below. See additional Rules in the General Rules for All Print Competitions.

### **2) Rix Digital AV Showcase Competition**

- **CATEGORIES:**
  - **Photo Essay** – any subject, except travel, with or without commentary and/or music.
  - **Travel Essay** – a time-travel sequence, of a place, people or geographical area with or without commentary and /or music.

### **3) Year-end Open & Creative Projected Competition (Digital Only)**

**For more information visit the council's website: [www.nwcameraclubs.org/competitions](http://www.nwcameraclubs.org/competitions)**  
If you have questions about competition, contact Nandita Adhia [Nandita@prodigy.net](mailto:Nandita@prodigy.net) our club print director.



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