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It's your Website

Welcome to the new official website of the Olympia Camera Club...

By Dave Simmerman, OCC Webmaster

First of all...

I am truly grateful that the club accepted my offer to upgrade and maintain the camera club's website! I have been building websites since the beginning of time, well at least since AOL was the king of the internet, and dial-up 14.4k modems were the fastest way to connect. I still remember the camera clubs' first website, built by past member Loren Freeman and consisted of only four pages of information. WOW, we have come a long way since then!

Now for a little website techno babble...

The new site is based on an open source content management system that allows members to interact and become a part of the OCC web community. Members are able to submit web links to their personal website, upload images to their own online gallery, sign-up for activities and field trips, and communicate with other members via the online forum. Members can even pay or renew their membership dues online while reading their favorite camera club newsletter. If a member is a group leader, the new website has group pages that they can access / edit to let the attendees know of upcoming topics or post information. Members are also able to "Like us" on Facebook and "Follow us" on Twitter. Remember, the OCC website is the doorway to the world and we can only improve by input from you, the member. I encourage members to become an active website participant and engage themselves. I could babble on and on, but I'll leave the rest up to you to explore.

Random website stats since September 1, 2011...

- The club site has been visited 478 times by people from 35 different countries with visitors from the United States leading the way.
- Visitors look at an average of 6.23 pages per visit and stay on the site for 6 minutes.
- 23 of the visits came from a mobile device, such as an iPad or cell phone.
- Facebook delivered 11 visitors from Olympia, WA to Lisbon, Portugal.
- The OCC forum is the most popular page on the site with the Member Galleries very close behind.

Digital Meeting Notes from the September Meeting

Partial text from 9-16-11 email to club members, by Rosalind Phillips, Chair

There were lots and lots of great comments about printing on different types of media (September meeting). Below is a list of the media I brought with me and where I purchased them. I have also listed links to my favorite sites for printing supplies. Tom Blankenship mentioned the new Epson printer and I have included a link to the Epson site as well.

Useful Links.

Good Tutorial on Epson Printing <http://www.bairarteditions.com/pages/tutorials/index.html>

Metal Media Supplier <http://www.booksmartstudio.com/>

This Vendor also has good general printing information: <http://www.inkjetart.com>

This is a great vendor for media, canvas wraps etc. <http://www.breathingcolor.com/>

EasyWrappe is their canvas system and it is cheaper than Hahnemuhle's http://www.breathingcolor.com/action/bc_shop/195/

Subscribe to their blog. It is fantastic. http://www.breathingcolor.com/action/bc_shop/195/

Epson 4900 <http://www.epson.com/cgi-bin/Store/jsp/Pro/SeriesStylusPro4900/Overview.do>

A lot of interest was expressed in the business of photography and I suggested that people take Dave Kaynor's class that he offers through South Sound Community College. The class runs winter quarter. If you are interested please contact him at info@kaynorarts.com. The college also runs other start your own business classes that you might find helpful. Dave's is specific to art.

Linda Pardee also mentioned the following sites as good places to get started with selling your prints online.

<http://www.artfire.com/>

<http://www.etsy.com/>

Next Digital Meeting: October 11, 2011

Word of the Month (assignment): Miniature

Refreshments: Frank Townsend

Presentation: Small Object Photography

Mort Schechter will be doing a presentation on small object photography. He will be bringing a light shed specially designed for this purpose and requests that members bring 1 small object such as a watch, matchbox car, jewelry – that is not larger than 5 cubic inches (5x5x5). You may also bring your camera. We will be looking at the images taken during the meeting and evaluating them.

For your Information—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>

See OCC website for conference carpool sign-up.

Olympia Camera Club Board Minutes, Oct. 5, 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, and Community Liaison Wes Kirkpatrick. Treasurer Shauna Kerns was absent.

Meeting was called to order at 6:20.

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

Treasurer's report for September:

Beginning Balance	\$1119.27
Dues:	\$95.58
Expenses:	
Website Domain Fee	\$32.97
Capital HS Rent	<u>18.75</u>
Ending Balance	\$1163.13
Savings Balance	\$1375.64

Community Liaison: nothing to report

President's report: Allynn brought up the Christmas party, which is scheduled for the Delphi fire house Dec. 19. There was a very brief discussion about the facility -- parking, the room etc.

Community Liaison: Allynn displayed her pictures as well as Wes and Cornelia. Allynn thought that it would be nice to have a club display for spring Arts Walk and a couple of sites were mentioned. No action was taken.

Social Programs: Cornelia discussed upcoming field trips and said the November Pacific Beach trip is filled, and there was good response for the proposed Christmas Lights trips to Spanaway and the Tacoma Zoo in December. People were not so enthusiastic about the proposed trip to Bellevue, however. It was too far. All field trips are posted on the club's web site.

Mort gave a brief report on the photo equipment swap meet held at his house and reminded people of the field trip to the downtown Olympia antique malls.

Newsletter: Cornelia said she needs articles by Saturday, Oct. 8.

Old Business: Ads in the newsletter issue, which was tabled from last meeting, was brought up again for discussion and Cornelia read a memo that she received from Dave Simmerman, the club's web master. He raised concerns about the club's liability (the possibility of someone suing the club over a perceived fraudulent transaction), the possibility of having to pay taxes, etc. A discussion followed and Allynn appointed three members to meet with Dave. Chris moved to table the issue again until the November meeting. Wes seconded and the motion was passed.

New Business: No new business

Meeting adjourned at 7:15

Chris Weinreich, Secretary

October 2011 Olympia Camera Club Regular Meetings

Digital Meeting, 2nd Tuesday of the Month

Meeting October 11th, 6:30 to 8:30 pm

Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, Westside of Olympia

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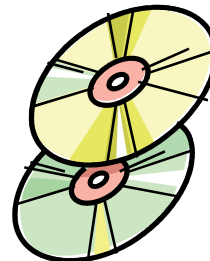


Photo Critique Meeting, 3rd Tuesday of the Month

Meeting October 18th 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, Critique Group Chair tom@tomblankenship.com



Kaffee Klatch Meet up, 1st and 3rd Wednesdays

Meetings October 5th and 19th, 9:00 to 11:00 am

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

Open discussions about photography and other topics of interest

For more information contact:

Wes Kirkpatrick, wesk67@gmail.com



General Meeting, 4th Monday of the Month

October 24, 6:30-9:00 pm

Friendly Village Clubhouse, Westside of Olympia, 1111
Archwood Drive S.W.

Guests are welcome.

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



Business Meeting, 1st Wednesday of the Month

November 2nd, 5:30 pm to 7:00/7:30 pm

Meeting at Mekong Restaurant

Open to all, members and guests are welcome to attend.

For more information contact:

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