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## President's Remarks

I am pleased to welcome **Rosalind Phillips** as our new *Vice President*. I thank her for her willingness to serve our club in this way.

I also wanted to express my appreciation to **Frank Townsend, Wes Kirkpatrick** and **John West** for their service to our club, along with myself, as the *Nominating Committee* for this most important position.

This means that **Rosalind** will be assuming the position as our club's *President* starting next July. We thank her for the fine job that she had done leading the *Digital Group* meetings, but she cannot do both jobs. This means that someone else will need to assume leadership of the Digital Group at that time. If you would be interested in helping to fulfill that role, please let me or, another member of the leadership team know.

Another opportunity to serve our club is the position of *Equipment Custodian*. I have been fulfilling that role for over two years. We need someone that can bring the club's projector, laptop computer and speakers and set them up for every meeting, as you have seen me do. If you had to miss an occasional meeting, arrangements can be made. Give me a call if you have questions or can help your club in this way.

Due to the Holidays, there will be no Critique or General meetings this month. Coffee Klatch get-togethers on every other Wednesday morning remain unchanged.

Our meeting schedule returns to normal in January.

Immediate Past-President **Allynn Balch** has again made arrangements for our Holiday Party this year. I am grateful to her for taking on that responsibility. Details can be found on page 3.

I am pleased to see that our club's membership has risen to 102, which is up from the beginning of our year. This can drop very quickly, however, if members fail to pay their annual dues. Come to our Holiday Party on the 18<sup>th</sup> and bring payment with you, if you can. Payment is not required at that time but our Treasurer, **Shauna Good**, will be there and traditionally collects dues at that event. For those that joined mid-year, it is a good opportunity to calculate precisely what is owed

for 2013.

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## Upcoming OCC ANNUAL EVENT for 2012, Saturday, January 12, 2013

By Terry Liberty, [libertyt@sprynet.com](mailto:libertyt@sprynet.com)

Every year, OCC members get together to assemble a permanent collection of their recent photographic work. Our *Annual* is a booklet to which we all contribute our photographs. Each contributor will receive a copy to keep when completed. We have found these books to be excellent keepsakes and inspirations. We assemble the book at a gathering at Terry and Bonnie Liberty's home, accompanied by a "finger food" lunch. We would encourage everyone to get involved in this enjoyable social activity. It provides a good deal of fun, a collection of your colleagues' work and a look at where we all were, photographically in 2012.

### The OCC Annual

Each *Annual* is made up of one image from each participating OCC member or former member. Participation is voluntary, of course. It's nice but not required that the images were created during 2012. Images may be created by any photo process, film and/or digital, and may be any size from a snapshot to a maximum of 8 1/2 x 11 inches. Each participant provides one print per book so if there were 21 participants, there would be 21 books, each with one print from each participant. Binding costs will be \$4.00 per book.

### Publishing Party

The publishing party will be held on **January 12th** at Noon at Terry and Bonnie's home, 8741 Stoney Creek Lane SW. This is party time! providing us with a "finger food" lunch and an excellent opportunity to become acquainted with other members. In the event you are unable to attend, you may deliver your prints to the Liberty's or send them with another member. Please provide the name of the person who will be present to assemble your *Annual* for you.

**Important note:** Because we permanently assemble the *Annual*, all books must contain their complete contents at the party. Please assure that your prints are at the Liberty's, ready for assembly on or before the party date.

### How to Prepare Your Prints:

#### Print Option 1: Mount on Paper Pages

Photos can be mounted on 8 1/2 x 11 pages with titles, etc. The preferred paper is 24 pound bond or similar. Please create your own pages and mount your prints, ready to bind before the party. You may use materials, colors etc. of your choice. In that way you can control the placement of the print and information you want included on your page. When mounting, allow a 1/2 to 3/4 inch extra margin ("gutter") along the left hand (long) edge of the page for binding. Archival mounting materials are preferred.

#### Print Option 2: Print Directly on 8 1/2 x 11 Photo Paper

You can bring prints that are done directly on 8 1/2 x 11 photo paper. We will bind these into the books with no need for other materials. When printing, allow a 1/2 to 3/4 inch extra margin ("gutter") along the left hand (long) edge of the page for binding.

**Tip 1:** Regardless of printing or mounting method, please assure your prints are dry and free of any adhesive residue or substances that could harm other prints in the book.

**Tip 2:** Please endeavor to get your prints completed well before the party. In years past, last-minute print orders have gone awry preventing some folks' images from being included in the book.

**Tip 3:** Most folks like to place the title and the name of the maker of the images somewhere on the mounting (Option 1) or in the print itself (Option 2).

### Deadline to Sign-up is December 18th

**Members who wish to participate must declare their interest** via e-mail directly to me at or verbally at the **OCC holiday party, Dec. 18th**. The end of the holiday party will be the deadline for declaring and we will announce the final count at the end of the party. We will also publish this number to all declared participants.

# OCC Christmas Party 2012

**Tuesday, December 18th**

**Time: 6:30PM at the Olympia Center**

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

It's December, and you know what that means! Christmas parties galore! Our club festivities will take place at the Olympia Center again this year. As our general meeting would have been the same day as Christmas, we are substituting the party for this month's critique meeting, which is on Tuesday, December 18<sup>th</sup>.

Our room number is 208, and we have the adjacent kitchen exclusively for our use. This room is on the second floor, but there is access to an elevator so we don't need to lug our goodies up a couple of flights of stairs. As in the past, this will be a potluck/hors d'oeuvres/dessert dish free for all, so bring your favorite appetizer or other finger food. I have reserved our space from 5:30pm to 9pm that evening, with the party taking place from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm. If anyone needs the kitchen for prep time, I will be there at 5:30 pm to start setting up.

Also, our usual tradition involves the ever popular white elephant gift exchange. If you wish to participate in this amusing bit of fun, just bring a wrapped gift (around \$10) to the party. Those taking part will draw a number which indicates their place in selection of a gift. You may "steal" a gift from someone else once it has been opened, but a gift can only be stolen twice. Or you may choose something that hasn't already been unwrapped at that point it is exempt from further thievery.

Cups, plates, utensils etc, will be provided. Keep in mind we will also need beverages as well. For planning purposes, if you will be bringing something please email me the details so I can be sure we don't miss anything. If you have any questions, please contact me by email.

I look forward to celebrating the season with you. Happy Holidays!

## **It's Time to Pay 2013 Dues!!**

*by Shauna Good, [32instruments@comcast.net](mailto:32instruments@comcast.net)*

The holiday party is just around the corner and that means that it's time to pay your membership dues! Dues are a very important part of keeping our club going. We use them to fund things like meeting room rentals, traveling prints, and keeping our club's equipment up to date. They are just \$20 for individuals and \$35 for couples. Students are just \$5!!!

I will be collecting dues at the Holiday Party on December 18<sup>th</sup>. I will accept cash or check. Please make checks out to Olympia Camera Club.

If you can't make the Holiday Party, there are three other ways to pay:

Turn your dues in to any club officer (who will pass them on to me) at any meeting.

Pay on-line through the club's website using Paypal. Just click on the "Membership" tab.

Mail your dues to:

Olympia Camera Club  
PO Box 13333  
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## Social Programs

By Frank Townsend, [Frank\\_townsend@comcast.net](mailto:Frank_townsend@comcast.net)

The Olympia by night trip was a great success with at least a dozen members attending. We spread out through downtown, and then met at the bay to shoot the Lighted Boats. Finally while some waited for the boats to return some went to the Korean War Memorial to do some painting with lights. Thanks to all who attended, it's not the destination that makes a great trip it's those who travel.

Our only outing in January will be the Annual Party at Terry and Bonnie Liberty's home. The annual is described on page two so I won't elaborate here, but I encourage all members to sign-up by the deadline (December 18th), submit prints, and attend the party. In my logic, the more submissions the larger the book and the more food available!

On February 2nd. I will go to the Wright Park Arboretum in Tacoma to take advantage of indoor shooting during a period where the weather outdoors is bound to be bad. We've made this trip in the recent past, but the arboretum changes its displays monthly. I will have more information in the next newsletter and through announcements at meetings and through email.

I hope to see everyone at the Christmas party, if I don't see you then please accept my best wishes for a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

## Photographic Society of American (PSA) News

[Link for PSA Reflector Newsletter for Clubs, Fall 2012](#)

## NWCCC (Northwest Council of Camera Clubs)

[www.nwcameraclubs.org](http://www.nwcameraclubs.org)

## 2013 Traveling Prints Competition - Ready, Set, Go!

By Nandita Adhia, [Nandita@prodigy.net](mailto:Nandita@prodigy.net)

It is now time for Olympia Camera Club members (dues current) to begin readying their print entries for 2013 Traveling Prints. During January, club member submissions will be collected and if necessary, put through a selection process. The final print selections that move forward in the inter-club competition will be made by January 22nd, the general meeting.

Every year the Northwest Council of Camera Clubs hosts the annual traveling print salon. This means that each participating club judges prints from 3-5 other clubs and each club's prints get judged by 3-5 other clubs. The circuits start in January and end in May-June. Each club needs to have a minimum of 10 prints to participate and a max of 25. **Each person may submit up to 4 prints.** The print sizes are 8x10 to 16x20 including the mats. The general categories are color and monochrome. Each picture must have a firm backing to it because these are sturdier for the handling they have to go through.

If we do exceed the maximum of 25 prints for the club as a whole, we will ask members with multiple submissions to withdraw one or more of their prints. Even after that, if we have more than 25 prints, we will do an internal judging to determine the top 25 prints to ship off.

More details will be emailed when I receive more particulars from the NWCCC organizers.

## OCC Board Meeting Minutes, December 5, 2012

The meeting was held at the Mekong Restaurant, Olympia, and was called to order at 6:20 pm.

**Present were:** President Gene Pardee, Secretary Chris Weinreich, Treasurer Shauna Good, Wes Kirkpatrick, Cornelia Kirkpatrick, Frank & Terri Townsend, Past President, Allynn Balch, John West, and Vice-President Rosalind Philips was unable to attend.

**November Minutes:** Frank moved for the approval of the November minutes. Shauna seconded and the motion was passed.

### Treasurer's Report for November 2012

<b>Beginning Balance</b>		<b>\$1,105.88</b>
Income: Dues	\$ 40.24	
Expenses: City of Olympia (room rent Xmas party)	\$158.50	
<b>Ending Balance</b>		<b>\$ 987.62</b>
<b>Savings Ending Balance</b>		<b>\$1,372.70</b>

Shauna reminded everyone that 2013 dues are due and she will be collecting them at the club Christmas party, Dec. 18.

**President's report:** Gene announced that Rosalind Philips has agreed to assume the vice president position. Thank you, Rosalind, for assuming that position.

**Calendar:** The club's Christmas Party will be December 18th at the Olympia Center. It will take the place of both the club's general meeting and the critique group.

The Digital Imaging group will meet this month and the subject of the meeting will be digital work flow.

The Liberty's' will again host the meeting to compile the Club photo annual in mid January.

**Community Liaison:** Wes said he received a request from Susan Parish for the local Visitor's Convention Bureau. They would like to review high quality images of Thurston County for use on their redesigned website that will come on-line in January 2013. Those of you who have pictures can send them to either Frank or Wes.

**Newsletter:** Cornelia said she will need submissions sent to her by Saturday.

**Equipment:** Gene said the club needs someone to assume responsibility for the club's equipment, which means not only taking care of the equipment but setting up and operating the computer, screens, etc., when they are needed at the various club meetings. There was some discussion about the position, since that person will often have to attend three club functions a month – the general meeting, the critique group and digital group – it was felt that it might be better to have the position split between two or even three people.

**Traveling prints:** The deadline for submitting prints to the Northwest Council of Camera Clubs (NWCCC) is mid January. Rules for submissions can be found on the club's web site.

**Old Business:** None.

**New Business:** None.

Meeting adjourned at 6:55 pm., **Chris Weinreich**, Secretary, [Christianweinreich@reachone.com](mailto:Christianweinreich@reachone.com)

## December 2012

### Olympia Camera Club Monthly Meetings

#### Monthly Digital Meeting, Second Tuesday of the Month

December 11th from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm

Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, Westside of Olympia

Digital Topic of Interest: Digital Workflows and Sharing

Contact, Rosalind Philips at [RosalindPhilips@comcast.net](mailto:RosalindPhilips@comcast.net)



#### Monthly Photo Critique Meeting, Third Tuesday of the Month

**Next meeting: January 15th** from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm

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

Contact, Tom Blankenship at [tom@tomblankenship.com](mailto:tom@tomblankenship.com)



#### Koffee Klatch Meet up, Every Other Wednesday Morning

December 19th and January 2nd at 9:00 am to 11:00 am

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

Open discussions about photography and other topics of interest.

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

#### General Meeting, Fourth Tuesday of the Month

**Next meeting: January 22nd** from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm

Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, Westside of Olympia

Contact, Gene Pardee at [gene@egp-photo.com](mailto:gene@egp-photo.com)

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



#### Monthly Business Meeting, First Wednesday of the Month

**January 2nd, 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm**

Meeting at Mekong Restaurant (Downtown Olympia, 125 Columbia St. NW)

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

For more information contact: Gene Pardee, President [gene@egp-photo.com](mailto:gene@egp-photo.com)



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Website Stats for November 2012	November 2012	Previous Month	Change Increase (Decrease)	Percentage of Change
Number of Visits	225	213	12	5%
Number of Unique Visitors	189	163	26	14%
Number of Page Views	1,198	2,108	(910)	-76%
Pages per Visit	5.3	9.9	(4.6)	-86%
Ave Visit Duration (minutes:seconds)	2:51	4:28	-0:44	-47%
Percentage of New Visits	76.4%	70.0%	higher	
Bounce Rate (one page viewed)	47.1%	37.6%	lower % better	