



The Ground Glass

SPOKANE CAMERA CLUB NEWS BULLETIN • SPOKANE, WASHINGTON
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As Thoreau said, "It's not what you are looking at. It is what you are seeing."

Meeting Times: 6:00 p.m. Board Meeting – 7:00 p.m. Scoring and Classes

Meeting Dates: 1st Wednesday – Board Meeting and Projected Images • 2nd Wednesday – Digital Users meeting

3rd Wednesday – General Meeting and Print Images • 4th Wednesday – Workshop

Unless otherwise noted, meetings are held at Corbin Senior Activity Center, 827 W. Cleveland Ave.

Coming Events

March 31-April 1, Saturday and Sunday
Annual Spring PSA Seminar with
George Lepp.

April 14-15, Saturday and Sunday
Rocky Mountain School of
Photography Seminar

April 28, Saturday
Spokane Camera Club's annual Salon in
the Mukogawa Commons at SFCC.

May 5, Saturday
Wildflower field trip led by Claudia and
Dennis Biggs.

May 26-28, Memorial Day Weekend
Civil War Reenactment field trip to
Riverside State Park; led by Tony
Horpel.

Get Ready for Salon

Spokane Camera Club's annual Salon is coming up soon. Are you ready?

Salon is a year-ending celebration that includes an exhibit and competition of our favorite images. There are four divisions – Monochrome, Slides, Color Prints, and Digital Projected – and each division has ten categories. All images will be judged against each other by three experienced judges who have not previously seen the images. Awards are given for the best images, including the prestigious "Image of the Year" award in each division.

Members can submit any images that were submitted for scoring during the past eight months. Each member may submit up to three images per category, so you can enter as many or as few of this year's images as you like. Images will need to be turned in by the second Wednesday in April, so start planning now.

Tim Bailey is the chairman for Salon this year, and is still looking for people to help with organizing the prints, and also people to help set up for the dinner and presentation. Please call Tim (299-5355) if you can help.

Be sure you reserve Saturday, April 28th, and plan to attend. Invite family and friends, and anyone who is interested in photography.

New Members

Thank you to Donna Larsen for hosting a dinner for new members of the Camera Club at her home. What a thoughtful way to welcome our new members!

PSA Seminar Images

LeRoy Nielsen needs 5 prints from each PSA member to display at the PSA Spring Seminar, and will receive them March 7 and March 21.

Interstate Fair

LeRoy Nielson also needs volunteers for the Spokane Interstate Fair, September 8-16. Judges, set-up, display guides, slide or digital programs, and take-down volunteers are all needed.

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"When words become unclear, I shall focus with photographs. When images become inadequate, I shall be content with silence."

Ansel Adams

Let George (Lepp) Do It!

Inspire, motivate, and stimulate you to the next level of digital and film photography!

"It's all about capturing the light" - two full days of pearls about techniques, equipment, editing images, etc. Internationally respected professional photographer, Field Editor of Outdoor Photographer and PCPhoto magazines, sponsored by Inland Empire Chapter, Photographic Society of America.

Modest tuition of \$65 total for both days for non-PSA members; \$60 for PSA members, \$50 for full-time students, includes catered lunch both days, if your registration is received by March 26, 2007.

See the club's web site at www.spokanecameraclub.org/ie-psa/seminar for full details & registration form.

Come to School in April

It's been a while, but Rocky Mountain School of Photography is headed back to Spokane! Come meet our instructors and learn tons about photography. Take a look at our class line up and see that there is something for everyone. The event will be held at the Spokane Convention Center. See the 'Details' page for more information about this location.

One of the best things about Photo Weekends is that they allow you to customize your own curriculum. During each of three daily sessions, you will have a choice of three classes. You can attend the classes that are most interesting and relevant to you. There's no need to choose your classes ahead of time. You can decide as you go. See our 'Courses' page for detailed descriptions.

The Sunday afternoon critique session is open to everyone interested in a unique and informative experience. Our goal is to provide you with a learning experience through honest and supportive feedback. All critiques are presented anonymously, so don't worry about being put on the spot. See our 'Courses' page for information on bringing your work.

Once again, we are giving away some exciting door prizes including \$100, \$250 and \$500 gift certificates toward any RMSP Workshop or Career Training Course.

Tuition for two days is \$169, and for one day \$109. Register online at www.rmisp.com, click on Weekends, then Photo Weekends, and Spokane. Contact Barbara Murray to save up to \$20 as part of a group.

Image Excellence

Our Congratulations to three of our members whose prints were scored "Near-Perfect," with 15 points, each:

Marilyn Bashore, Color print, "Vortex."

Barbara Murray, B & W print, "Elderly Buddhist Monk."

LeRoy Nielsen, B & W print, "Snow Fence."

February Critique

Craig Sweat was the Critiquer for the Prints, February 21, and gave a positive, complete evaluation of every image. It was a glossary of features of ideal photographs that was very instructive and a pleasure to hear. His discussions included: atmosphere, beauty, center of interest, clarity, color contrast, composition, contrasts, design, detail, energy, exposure, intimacy, leading lines, lighting, mat colors, moods, patterns, printing quality, saturation, scale of size, serenity, sharpness, spacing, techniques, textures, tonal control, and vision.

Craig emphasized that mat colors should not be as bright/white or saturated as the image, so the eye of the viewer will be drawn into the image and not be distracted by the mat.

We thank you very much for sharing your expertise with us, Craig!

March Critique

Our March Critiquer is Jean Timmermeister, FPSA, PSA Vice-President for Publications, who has recently moved from Sequim, WA, and is a member of both Spokane Camera Club and Spokane Valley Camera Club.

She applies the pleasing psychology of at least one compliment before suggesting improvements to our images.

Her observation skills of quickly noting background, center of interest, complementary colors, composition, contrasts, cropping, depth of field, focus, edge distractions, exposure, focus sharpness, lighting, negative space, "someone else's artwork", and vignetting are truly amazing and very helpful.

Board Elected

Executive officers and board members for the upcoming year were elected at the March 7th general meeting.

Officers accepted by single nomination were Tony Horpel, President; Doug Herrmann, Vice President; and Paul DeRocker, Treasurer. Terry Appling was elected Secretary by written ballot.

Board members elected by written ballot were Donna Larsen, Steve Shining, and Will Murray.

On the Web

Michael Reichmann has a very informative web site at www.luminous-landscape.com. You will find excellent photography, photo news, equipment reviews, tutorials, and more. Well worth repeated visits.

Focusing on digital photography, Rob Galbraith's site at www.robgalbraith.com features up-to-the-minute photo news, a wealth of links to sites for software, equipment, and photo organizations, and a very helpful guide to memory card performance.

For some unique and fun Photoshop effects, visit www.panosfx.com. Panos Efstathiadis creates action sets that transform images, and offers several of them for free!

And one more site chock full of great images and helpful tutorials is at www.cambridgeincolour.com. Sean McHugh shoots some beautiful night images, all in digital, and tells us how to do it too!

Participation Needed

There are many opportunities for members to have an active role in the club. Please consider the following list of functions and committees, and pick an area where you can help. The club president will be looking for people to fill these positions for the coming year.

Bulletin Editor: Publish ten (10) monthly bulletins and Yearbook.

Commentators: Obtain and introduce the professionals who do monthly critiques.

Courtesy: Sends get well, condolence, and congratulations communications.

Field Trips: Organize 4 or 5 area weekend photo opportunities for members.

Historian: Maintain scrapbook with photos and news stories of club activities.

Judges for Salon: Recruit three professional photographers to judge entries for spring Salon.

Membership: Name badges for new members, bring badges to meetings.

Monthly Scorers: Recruit three club members to score the images submitted by members.

Prints: Register competition prints, display them for scoring and critiques.

Print Scores: Monthly totals and year-to-date records of member scores.

Projectionist: Project slides and digital images at each meeting and at the spring Salon recognition meeting.

P.S.A. Committee: This committee shall keep informed about, and explain to the Club, the various services obtainable from the Photographic Society of America.

Publicity: Recruits media coverage for club activities and Salon awards; organizes photo exhibits for public recognition of the Club.

Refreshments: Coordinate refreshments by three (3) members each third Wednesday.

Salon: Complete planning for collection, judging and awarding prizes for salon entries of best images by each member.

Set Up: Arrange chairs and set up racks to display prints before members arrive.

Slide Scores: Register slides. Monthly totals and year-to date records of member scores.

Spokane Interstate Fair Superintendents: Organize photographic exhibit at Spokane Interstate Fair, including judging, awards, and recruiting daily shows and attendants.

Telephone: Contact members, if necessary, to confirm attendance at various functions.

Welcome: Greet and introduce all guests and new members.

Workshop: Recruit an "expert" to teach club members a technique.

Reader Feedback

The goal of this newsletter is to inform the club's membership of current and upcoming events, and help foster a sense of community among the members. You can help by contacting Terry Appling or Otto Stevens with anything that you think may be of interest to other club members.

At the last meeting, one member commented on the readability of the newsletter, and while nothing has changed yet, I am looking into what can be done to improve the layout.

Please respond with your news and thoughts to:

Terry Appling, terry@twappling.com

Otto Stevens, ottostevens@msn.com

Monthly Competition

Color Print Division

Maker's Name	No.	Total Feb	Total Year
Donna Larsen	12	27.0	159.0
Marilyn Bashore	12	27.0	150.0
Tony Horpel	11	28.0	148.0
Barbara Murray	12	24.0	148.0
Will Murray	12	26.0	146.0
Tim Bailey	12	22.0	142.0
Mardelle Shagool	12	26.0	132.0
Sr. Madonna Buder	12	23.0	124.0
Bobbi Zorn	10	26.0	113.0
Otto Stevens	8	16.0	78.0
David Sams	6	19.0	69.0
Terry Appling	4	--	49.0
John Klekas	4	--	46.0
Clif Caldwell	5	--	46.0
Dennis Biggs	3	--	40.0
Richard Fanazick	4	17.0	35.0
Rebecca Tifft	3	--	35.0
Brian Crow	2	--	29.0
Margaret Hunter	2	--	23.0
Stephen Dawson	2	--	20.0
Georgia Nelson	2	--	19.0
Tony Hollobon	1	--	11.0
Paul Waymire	1	--	8.0

Monochrome Division

Maker's Name	No.	Total Feb	Total Year
LeRoy Nielsen	12	29.0	168.0
Ted Wiley	12	30.0	156.0
Will Murray	12	23.0	153.0
Barbara Murray	12	24.0	145.0
Mardell Shagool	12	25.0	130.0
Sr. Madonna Buder	11	20.0	114.0
Bobbi Zorn	8	23.0	85.0
David Sams	6	--	57.0
Paul DeRocker	4	--	43.0
Terry Appling	3	--	35.0
Rebecca Tifft	3	--	34.0
John Klekas	2	--	25.0
Otto Stevens	2	11.0	22.0
Georgia Nelson	2	--	18.0
Tony Horpel	1	--	12.0

Slide Division

Maker's Name	No.	Total Feb	Total Year
Donna Larsen	12	28.0	161.0
Steve Shining	12	26.0	157.0
Otto Stevens	12	26.0	142.0
Pat Schilling	12	25.0	140.0
Clifton Caldwell	12	20.0	128.0
Sr. Madoona Buder	12	20.0	115.0
LeRoy Nielsen	8	22.0	81.0
Paul DeRocker	4	--	41.0
Will Murray	3	--	34.0
Rich Pokorny	4	--	33.0
David Sams	2	--	15.0
Cheryl Blake	1	--	9.0

Digital Division

Maker's Name	No.	Total Feb	Total Year
Donna Larsen	12	29.0	156.0
Steve Shining	12	25.0	155.0
Barbara Murray	12	23.0	150.0
Will Murray	12	26.0	149.0
Tony Horpel	12	20.0	143.0
David Sams	12	24.0	139.0
Mardelle Shagool	12	19.0	138.0
Doug Herrman	11	23.0	124.0
Doug Oriard	12	21.0	123.0
Terry Appling	10	21.0	119.0
John Moore	10	24.0	114.0
Stephen Dawson	10	19.0	110.0
Brian Crow	8	27.0	102.0
Paul DeRocker	9	20.0	101.0
Claudia Biggs	7	--	83.0
Kenneth Kelling	8	8.0	82.0
John Klekas	7	21.0	73.0
Dennis Biggs	7	--	70.0
Bobbi Zorn	4	22.0	46.0
Rich Pokorny	4	--	38.0
Alice Garland	2	--	29.0
Mort Shecter	2	--	23.0
Paul Waymire	2	10.0	20.0
Tony Hollobon	2	--	18.0
Pamela Barber	1	--	15.0
Rich Hawks	1	--	8.0

Digital Division

Maker's Name	No.	Total Mar	Total Year
Donna Larsen	14	24.0	180.0
Steve Shining	14	24.0	179.0
Barbara Murray	14	27.0	177.0
Will Murray	14	21.0	170.0
Tony Horpel	14	24.0	167.0
David Sams	14	22.0	161.0
Mardelle Shagool	14	21.0	159.0
Doug Oriard	14	23.0	146.0
Doug Herrman	13	20.0	144.0
John Moore	12	25.0	139.0
Stephen Dawson	12	24.0	134.0
Paul DeRocker	11	20.0	121.0
Terry Appling	10	--	119.0
Brian Crow	9	11.0	113.0
John Klekas	9	21.0	94.0
Kenneth Kelling	9	10.0	92.0
Claudia Biggs	7	--	83.0
Bobbi Zorn	6	24.0	70.0
Dennis Biggs	7	--	70.0
Rich Pokorny	4	--	38.0
Alice Garland	2	--	29.0
Mort Shecter	2	--	23.0
Paul Waymire	2	--	20.0
Tony Hollobon	2	--	18.0
Pamela Barber	1	--	15.0
Rich Hawks	1	--	8.0

Slide Division

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Steve Shining	14	21.0	178.0
Pat Schilling	14	25.0	165.0
Otto Stevens	14	21.0	163.0
Clifton Caldwell	14	21.0	149.0
Sr. Madoona Buder	14	16.0	131.0
LeRoy Nielsen	10	17.0	98.0
Paul DeRocker	6	17.0	58.0
Will Murray	3	--	34.0
Rich Pokorny	4	--	33.0
David Sams	2	--	15.0
Cheryl Blake	1	--	9.0

February Subject: High Key with a Strong Subject
February Scorers:
 Pat Schilling Marilyn Bashore Barbara Murray

March Subject: Textures
March Scorers:
 Doug Oriard Paul DeRocker Doug Herrman

The subject for April is:
Things in Motion

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