



The Ground Glass

SPOKANE CAMERA CLUB NEWS BULLETIN • SPOKANE, WASHINGTON
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Celebrating Our Seventy-Fifth Year!

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

See page 2 for details

- March 26
4th Wednesday Workshop, Part 1 of video with Galen Rowell & Franz Lanting. 7:00 pm, SFCC Photography Bldg.
- March 29 & 30
PSA Spring Seminar with Marc Muench, SFCC
- April 9
Schedule Change – General Meeting, Print Night; a week early to accommodate Salon judging.
- April 16
Digital Users Group, 7:00 pm, SFCC Photography Bldg.
- April 23
4th Wednesday Workshop, Part 2 of video with Galen Rowell & Franz Lanting. 7:00 pm, SFCC Photography Bldg.
- May 23 – June 6
China Photo Expedition
- Last week of June OR August
Alaska Grizzly Boat photo trip
- September
Spokane Interstate Fair, Photo Exhibit volunteers needed

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There's only one rule in photography - never develop colour film in chicken noodle soup.
Freeman Patterson

I like to look at pictures, all kinds. And all those things you absorb come out subconsciously one way or another. You'll be taking photographs and suddenly know that you have resources from having looked at a lot of them before. There is no way you can avoid this. But this kind of subconscious influence is good, and it certainly can work for one. In fact, the more pictures you see, the better you are as a photographer.
Robert Mapplethorpe

Community Service Awards

On March 5th, the Board of Directors approved a community service/recognition program for the Spokane Camera Club.

This program promotes community service activities of Spokane Camera Club members, and provides a recognition component for those members who use their camera skills to assist community organizations.

Community organizations are generally non-commercial, and typically a non profit, or not for profit organization. Organizations which are examples of a non profit are:

- Spokane Humane Society
- Friends of Riverside State Park
- Friends of Mount Spokane
- Friends of the Centennial Trail
- Friends of Spokane Falls
- Special Olympics
- Habitat for humanity
- Friends of Riverfront Park
- First Night, Spokane

There are many similar organizations that provide community services to local civic groups. There may also be activities for members, such as speaking to small groups about photography, teaching photography basics, or displaying digital slide programs to small community groups. There may be many other examples of small non profit groups, and Spokane Camera Club members will likely find many community groups who could use their assistance. If you provide services to a group in another community, please document that groups name and your hours so we can count that group as well.

To assist Spokane Camera Club members in making choices of whether they wish to provide community services to a particular group might be:

- Does the group charge the public for admission to their group's event?
- Does the group have an advertising budget where they hire professional photographers and/or videographers, or advertising companies to promote or document their event (examples, Interstate Fair, Bloomsday, and Lilac Parade)? (One of the concerns many Spokane Camera Club members have expressed is that we wish not to replace or compete with professional photographers who do it for a living).

There really isn't a firm policy about providing services, since we endeavor to help groups that generally do things for free (using volunteers), and have little money (if any) to spend on their organizations activity. Spokane Camera Club members can make the assessment on whether something is truly a community service. If there are questions about a particular group or activity, feel free to contact me.

Spokane Camera Club members who participate in community service activities must do the following.

- Keep a tally of your volunteer hours. Remember, volunteer hours do not just start or end when the event does. Some events will require you to spend hours editing digital images, or producing digital slide programs. So keep track of what your hours are and report your hours to receive credit.
- Keep track of the group names that you provide volunteer services to.
- Email your group name and hours upon completion of the event to receive credit, and for inclusion on the Spokane Camera Club newsletter.
- Your hours which should be reported include ALL COMMUNITY SERVICES for 2007 as well as 2008 (Retroactive until January 1 2007). To begin this process we need to include your hours since the January 1 2007. Volunteer hours run from January 1 through December 31 of each year. Since the membership year end dates end in May, and begins in September while community services may occur throughout the entire year.

Member Activities

Member John Moore, who captures some fabulous night images of Spokane, has had some of his photos included in Spokurban Magazine. A copy of the magazine was passed around at the March meeting. Congratulations, John!

An HBO DVD featuring Sister Madonna Buder will be shown on April 2.

Field Trips and Activities

Dear Performing Artists and others:

Spokane Arts Commission and Spokane Regional Convention and Visitors Bureau will host a meeting for performing artists, bands, arts organizations and other arts professionals interested in learning more about how to work with conventions, tour groups and other visitors to the community. This meeting will be Thursday, March 20 at 3:30 p.m. in the Spokane City Council Chambers, 808 W. Spokane Falls Boulevard, Spokane, WA 99201.

For more information, email arts@spokanecity.org or call (509) 625-6050.

PSA Spring Seminar

The Inland Empire Chapter of Photographic Society of America (PSA) annually sponsors 2-day seminars presented by professional photographers who are widely published and respected throughout North America. PSA is a worldwide, not-for-profit organization to educate, help and entertain serious amateur and professional photographers, and for anyone interested in photography.

Local PSA volunteers do the legwork and arrangements in order to provide state-of-the-art photography information to the public and club members at the lowest possible cost. The more people who attend, the lower the tuition can be to break even.

For seminar details and registration, go to the web site: www.spokanecameraclub.org/ie-psa/seminar.

Treat yourself to 2 days with **Marc Muench**, one of North America's best nature and scenic photographers. Curriculum Vitae for Marc Muench is on his web site, www.muenchphotography.com.

Last year, an excellent out-of-state proprietary school of photography presented a 2-day seminar in downtown Spokane. Cost for early group registration was \$149, not including lunch or parking. The total cost for the 2008 PSA Spring Seminar is just \$99 and includes lunch and parking both days! Better yet, join PSA, and save another \$10.

E-mail Questions to Seminar Chair, Carlos Delgado, svcc4c@yahoo.com

Geological Opportunity

Lecture by Gene Kiver, former SCC member, on May 7, 2008, at 6:30 pm, at EWU Science Bldg., Room 137, Cheney. Gene's illustrated talk will describe how one of Washington State's most scenic features was formed: "Geology of the Grand Coulee: Washington's Grand Canyon."

May 10, 2008 - Cheney-Spokane Chapter of Ice Age Floods Institute Field Trip. Gene and Bruce Bjornstad will lead a bus tour "Field Trip to Mars" (via the Lower Grand Coulee) to explore the Missoula Flood story. www.iafi.org (Shirley and I have gone on two previous IAFI bus Field Trips led by Gene, and they are superb!) 8:00 A.M. Sharp until 5:30 P.M., Saturday.

North Of The Border Seminar

The Regina Shutterbugs are hosting Frame by Frame PhotoForum, featuring Freeman Patterson, André Gallant, and Mufty Mathewson. www.framebyframe.freewebsites.org

Member Feedback

Submit articles, news, or ideas for the Ground Glass to Terry Appling, terryapp@gmail.com or Otto Stevens, ottostevens@msn.com

Club News

Club Meeting, February 20, 2008

LeRoy Nielsen asked for 5 prints from each PSA member, either color or monochrome, for display at the PSA Spring Seminar, to be received before March 29.

Volunteers are needed for the September 2008 Inland Empire Fair Photography Exhibit, to

- a) Hang the prints;
- b) Serve as camera club ambassadors for 6-hour shifts, morning and late afternoon/evening, during the Fair to safeguard the prints, answer questions, and recruit new camera club members
- c) Take all of the prints down, immediately after the Fair closes on the last day.

Every volunteer will receive a free Pass to attend the other exhibits at the Fair, and a special Parking Pass that allows parking directly south of the Photography Exhibit building. Sign up now, before we adjourn for the summer!

Will Murray, Spring Salon Chair, announced the Salon showing of all images that were entered in competition during this September 2007-April 2008 Spokane Camera Club year (that we choose to enter in the Salon), on the traditional "last Saturday of April", April 26, at Mukogawa Commons. Invite your spouses and friends to show off your artistic skills, witness trophy, plaque and ribbon awards, and enjoy an excellent buffet dinner at a modest price.

Scorers for February were Rebecca Tift, Doug Oriard, and Rich Pokorny. Our critiquer, Rodger Hartman, applauded complementary colors (e.g. blue/orange and yellow/brown); decisive moments; composition; diagonals; repetitious shapes; subtle mat colors; people in scenics for size and scale; impressionistic character; shadows cast; leading lines; highlights and reflections; spontaneity; trios; facial expressions and muscular tension; motion blurs; shallow depth of field to blur backgrounds; and eye highlights. Rodger cautioned against: merging of subject into background, distracting clutter, and recommended: darkening bright spots, and black/white tonal contrast needed in monochromes.

It never ceases to amaze us that Rodger can see so much in every photo, and kindly describe them so elegantly, in such a short time. We certainly appreciate your "way with words", your expertise and sharing of your knowledge, Roger.

Board Meeting, March 5, 2008

Treasurer Paul DeRocker reports a March 5, 2008 ending balance of \$1,762, after payment of \$300 deposit to Mukogawa for this year's Salon banquet.

Report of Nominations Committee for the 2008-2009 club year, by Barbara Murray, Chair:

- President – Will Murray.
- Vice-President – Doug Herrman.
- Secretary – Nancy Dibler.
- Treasurer – Paul DeRocker.
- Member of Board, 3-year Term – Marilyn Bashore.

It was agreed that if Will Murray was elected President, a replacement Board Member would need to be elected for a 2-year term to replace Will. There were no additional nominations from the floor.

Committee Reports:

Salon : Sign-up sheets will be circulated to the membership for

- Count of attendance planned at Salon Banquet.
- Volunteers to set up images for judging by 3 outside judges on April 19.
- Volunteers to set up print display @ 10 A.M., April 26, for Salon.

Will has signed contract for minimum of 80 dinners guaranteed, with same menu and room setup as 2007 (73 or 74 dinners were served in 2007). Cost of dinners is not decided. Pat Schilling will be M.C. Salon entries will be open to public for viewing from 1:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M. David Sams will digitize winning prints and slides for Spokesman-Review publicity.

Club News (from page 2)

Old Business: Community Service Awards proposal was approved by a 6-2 vote. Awards will be presented at April 26 Salon for Community Service retroactive to May 1, 2007. Committee Chair will be John Moore.

New Business: Treasurer, Paul DeRocker announced that the Spokane Camera Club "Limited Liability Corporation" (LLC) has become inactive, and Officers and Board members have no corporate protection from liability, because the Corporation Annual Fee due the State of Washington was not paid in January of 2007. --- No Action was taken.

Paul DeRocker moved, and it was seconded and passed that: "In recognition of the invaluable services to Spokane Camera Club by these faculty members of Spokane Falls Community College, free Honorary Memberships to Spokane Camera Club be offered to Rodger Hartman, David Sams and Ira Gardner.

Club Meeting – March 5, 2008

Election of Officers for 2008-2009 Club year - Nominating Committee Chair Barbara Murray presented the slate of officers, and asked for nominations from the floor. Since there were no additional nominations, each nominee was elected by acclamation, unanimously. Committee nominated Tim Bailey for the 2-year un-expired term to replace Will Murray on the Board. With no other nominations from the floor, Tim Bailey was elected by unanimous acclamation.

Announcements: PSA Print Display Chair, LeRoy Nielsen requested 5 prints (color or monochrome) from each PSA member for display at the PSA Spring Seminar, March 29-30. (Saturday display only), by March 19.

Salon Chair, Will Murray, circulated sign-up sheets for Salon Banquet attendance, April 19 Setup for judging, and Print Setup on April 26 from 10 A.M. until completed.

Salon Committee will provide instructions for entering and labeling Salon Categories, and both printed and Web-site forms for our use.

Dennis Biggs demonstrated the "Tim Grey Target" – Windows Picture and Fax Viewer, as a means of adjusting the monitor, not for calibrating the monitor. It is a Hardware Monitor and not a Software Monitor. Contact Dennis for copies of the CD.

Change of second Wednesday meeting night in April, to allow adequate time for outside Judges to evaluate all of the prints, slides and Digital projections that are entered for Salon - slides and digital projections will be on the first Wednesday, April 2; **color and monochrome print competition will be on the SECOND WEDNESDAY, April 9.** ALL images that were entered during the 2007-2008 camera club year are eligible to be entered for the SALON competition, and **MUST BE ENTERED ON APRIL 9.**

Image scorers were Marilyn Bashore, Doug Herrman, and Steve Shining. Our critiquer was All Berger, of Cunningham Studios. Al showed some fantastic, height-of-the- action, 1/5000th second rodeo images, which he now specializes in – absolutely amazing and painful to imagine.

Al stressed cropping extraneous material in the image to narrow focus on a main Subject and simplify the content of the image, change height of camera to modify contrast levels and strength of images, take advantage of shadows to accentuate detail, muted backgrounds, space between subjects and edges, people in scenics to provide scale of size.

We thank you for your sharing of knowledge and perceptive evaluations.

Digital Image Submissions

Email digital images to both Paul DeRocker and Will Murray. The steps needed to "size" digital images is described on the Spokane Camera Club web site. (1024 pixels wide for "Landscape" style images by 768 pixels high). It is OK to send images over-sized, but never under-sized.

Random Pixels

Note for slide shooters:

Chromastat is only processing color slide film on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. If the film is in by 1:00 P.M., the slides will be ready for pick-up by 4:30 P.M. on the same day.

Northern Lights

These are dates when Aurora Borealis will be most likely to be seen - usually more prevalent at the time of the Equinox than any other time. Active periods in March are 1-5, 9-19 and 26-31. Active periods in April are 1-4, 6-16, and 26-May 2.

Spokane Camera Club Community Services Retroactive to January 1 2007			
Member name	Groups assisted	Hours, 2008	Hours, cumulative
Tim Bailey	1		20
Deke Cloyd	1	8	42
Brian Crow	2	5	22
Paul DeRocker	2	11	70
John Moore	7	9	210
Barbara Murray	2	10	20
Will Murray	5	6	20
Mardelle Shagool	2		28
Otto Stevens	21	79	391
Anonymous	5		279
Current totals	48	128	1102
Community groups assisted			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Community Minded TV Friends of Spokane Falls Habitat for Humanity INCCC for Hospice of Spokane Inland Empire Gardeners Assn. Latah, Waverly, Fairfield Food Bank March of Dimes National Junior Disability Championship PSA field trip leadership Spokane Aids Network Spokane area retirement communities 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spokane area church groups Spokane First Night Spokane Humane Society Spokane Interstate Fair Spokane Preservation Advocates Spokane Public Schools (Rogers HS, Linwood Elementary) Spokane Slideluck Potshow The Krista Foundation VA Nursing home Whitworth Auxiliary 	

Monthly Competition

Monochrome Division

Maker's Name	No.	Total Mar	Total Year
LeRoy Nielsen	14	28.0	189.0
Ted Wiley	14	22.0	177.0
Barbara Murray	14	28.0	176.0
Mardell Shagool	14	21.0	152.0
Will Murray	14	24.0	149.0
Timothy Bailey	14	19.0	149.0
Donald Burnell	14	18.0	149.0
Sr. Madonna Buder	14	16.0	136.0
Rebecca Tifft	9	26.0	99.0
John Klekas	7	12.0	86.0
Bobbi Zorn	5	28.0	64.0
Marilyn Bashore	2	--	22.0
David Sams	2	--	21.0
Ed Petruzzello	2	--	19.0
Brian Crow	1	--	11.0
Dick Fanazick	1	--	8.0

Slide Division

Maker's Name	No.	Total Mar	Total Year
Otto Stevens	14	23.0	158.0
Pat Schilling	14	21.0	158.0
Clifton Caldwell	14	18.0	146.0
Donald Burnell	14	17.0	140.0
David Sams	14	17.0	137.0
Sr. Madoona Buder	14	20.0	136.0
LeRoy Nielsen	12	17.0	125.0
Paul DeRocker	6	--	52.0

Color Print Division

Maker's Name	No.	Total Mar	Total Year
Marilyn Bashore	14	32.0	189.0
Tony Horpel	14	30.0	188.0
Barbara Murray	13	28.0	179.0
Lori Carlton Smith	14	24.0	174.0
Will Murray	14	25.0	167.0
Tim Bailey	14	23.0	161.0
Mardelle Shagool	14	22.0	157.0
Donald Burnell	14	20.0	153.0
Otto Stevens	14	21.0	150.0
Sr. Madonna Buder	14	19.0	137.0
Doug Amsbury	10	25.0	122.0
Bobbi Zorn	10	28.0	119.0
Rebecca Tifft	9	23.0	103.0
Clif Caldwell	10	8.0	101.0
Ted Wiley	7	11.0	91.0
John Klekas	7	13.0	73.0
Doug Oriard	6	22.0	72.0
Paul DeRocker	5	--	58.0
Doug Evenson	4	--	43.0
Dennis Biggs	3	--	41.0
Claudia Biggs	2	--	28.0
Ken Phipps	2	--	23.0
Rodger Hartman	2	--	21.0
Beverly Hardin	2	20.0	20.0
Donald Horton	2	--	20.0
Richard Fanazick	2	--	19.0
Doug Herrman	2	--	17.0
Ed Petruzzello	2	--	14.0
Tony Hollobon	1	--	12.0
David Sams	1	--	11.0

Digital Division

Maker's Name	No.	Total Mar	Total Year
Steve Shining	14	32.0	187.0
Barbara Murray	14	26.0	185.0
John Moore	14	24.0	179.0
Marilyn Bashore	14	24.0	172.0
Will Murray	14	22.0	170.0
Tony Horpel	14	21.0	170.0
Pat Schilling	14	22.0	165.0
David Sams	14	21.0	161.0
Rich Pokorny	14	17.0	146.0
Mardelle Shagool	14	22.0	145.0
Kenneth Kelling	13	26.0	143.0
Donald Burnell	12	23.0	138.0
Stephen Dawson	12	19.0	129.0
Glenn Dibler	12	18.0	123.0
Nancy Dibler	10	26.0	116.0
John Klekas	8	11.0	93.0
Doug Oriard	8	20.0	92.0
Jim Heywood	8	--	90.0
Doug Herrman	7	26.0	89.0
Dennis Biggs	8	--	85.0
Doug Evenson	6	20.0	67.0
Claudia Biggs	6	--	67.0
Paul DeRocker	6	19.0	63.0
Laura Lok	6	--	63.0
Ed Petruzzello	6	--	59.0
Rebecca Tift	5	21.0	51.0
Bobbi Zorn	4	23.0	43.0
Terry Appling	4	--	42.0
David Hubert	4	--	42.0
Tony Hollobon	4	--	40.0
David Lok	3	--	33.0
Brian Crow	2	11.0	24.0
Joan Oriard	2	--	16.0

March Subject: Leading Lines

March Scorers:

Marilyn Bashore Doug Herrman Steve Shining

Spokane Camera Club Officers

2007 — 2008

President Tony Horpel
 Vice President Doug Herrman
 Secretary Terry Appling
 Treasurer Paul DeRocker
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Board of Trustees

2007 — 2008

Steve Shining Bobbi Zorn
 Donna Larsen Dennis Biggs
 Will Murray John Klekas

The subject for April is:
Desert/Dessert