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A Monthly Newsletter of the Villages Camera Club

FIELD TRIP SPOTLIGHT

January 19, 2012

The Lick Observatory – Night Photography

PHOTO TIPS OF THE MONTH

This is a very informative video on how to make your images pop. http://blog.photoshelter.com/2011/08/5-simple_things-you_can-do-to-make-your-web-images/.-

I'll mention this again with the Lick Observatory field trip coming up. Google: the rule of 600 for night photography.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

In less than five months, I will appoint a special committee to recommend a new slate of officers and committee chairs for the next fiscal year. As we all know, our Club relies on our members to donate their time and energy to ensure that membership in the Villages Camera Club provides an opportunity to learn, improve, make new friends, and have fun.

I always find that the beginning of the New Year is a great time to set my personal goals each year.

I would like to extend a challenge to each of our members who have not volunteered to serve the Camera Club recently to step up, set your own goal to serve the Club next year, and find out for yourself the rewards associated with giving of your time and energy.

COMPETITION RESULTS – GROUP A - JANUARY 2, 2012

PROJECTED IMAGES

CATEGORY	MEMBER	PLACE	SCORE	DESCRIPTION
PJ	Bob Taylor	1st	26	Perils of Bull Riding – This is going to hurt!
	Sandy Rice	2nd	24	OK-"Hit it"! Young Street Musicians
	Teres Ryan	2nd	24	Visiting the Wharf in San Francisco
	Peggy Grote	2nd	24	San Jose Velodrome Bike Race
	Peggy Grote	2nd	24	Chalk Artist, Palo Alto Street Fair
	Sandy Rice	3rd	22	Cranes at the Port of Moscow
Nature	Bob Taylor	1st	26	Five Star Meal for California Gull
	Phi Grote	2nd	22	Grizzly Bear Nurses Cub at Denali
	Teres Ryan	2nd	22	Frozen Falls at Yosemite
Pictorial	Peggy Grote	1st	27	Pampered Dog
	Bob Taylor	2nd	26	Mono Lake Tufa Reflection
	Phil Grote	3rd	25	Approaching Mt. McKinley, Denali NP
	Phil Grote	3rd	25	Running Free
	Teres Ryan	HM	22	Bridge at Yosemite
	Sandy Rice	HM	22	The Dancing Tree

PRINTS

PJ	Frank Stotts	1st	22	Firemen Extracting Occupants from Rollover
Nature	Frank Stotts	1st	28	Bald Eagle Hunting on a Snowy Day
	Roy Chadwick	2nd	22	Nile Crocodile
Pictorial	Roy Chadwick	1st	24	Peggy's Cove Lighthouse
	Gene Gerwe	2nd	23	Boy and Mime Artist, London, England
	Roy Chadwick	2nd	23	African Sunset
	Gene Gerwe	2nd	23	Flamenco Dancer, Madrid, Spain
	Frank Stotts	2nd	23	Changing of the Colors

COMPETITION RESULTS – GROUP B - JANUARY 2, 2012

PROJECTED IMAGES

CATEGORY	MEMBER	PLACE	SCORE	DESCRIPTION
PJ	Eric Stusnick	1st	24	Village Voices – Veterans Day 2008
	Patty Smith	2nd	22	Cartegena Greeters
Nature	Dave Scott	1st	26	Anna's Hummingbird – Male
	Nancy Mosher-Williams	2nd	24	Crocodile in Camoflage – Costa Rica
	Eric Stusnick	3rd	22	Canadian Goose
	Patty Smith	HM	20	Bird Boat
Pictorial	Anna V. R. Johnson	1st	25	Helena and Dog
	Sheldon Friedman	2nd	24	Disney Music Hall, Los Angeles
	Dave Scott	2nd	24	Right This Way Please
	Dave Scott	2nd	24	Sketching A San Francisco Icon
	Sheldon Friedman	3rd	23	Morning at the Harbor, Kodiak, Alaska
	Patty Smith	HM	22	Monet's Garden
	Anna V. R. Johnson	HM	22	Helena (Not) Dancing
	Nancy Mosher-Williams	HM	21	Black and White and Quilts All Over
	Anna V. R. Johnson	HM	21	Helena Portrait
	Eric Stusnick	HM	20	Chardonay Creek in Village Hermosa
	Nancy Mosher-Williams	HM	20	Holiday Magic Reflected in Lights

PRINTS

PJ	Barb Chadwick	1st	22	Meditating in Morocco
Nature	None			
Pictorial	Sheldon Friedman	1st	24	A Winter Study

THIRTY DAY CALENDAR

MONDAY, JANUARY 16

Program meeting, 7 P.M., Cribari Conference Room. Gary Walker will present a program on night photography. Also, please bring 3 – 4 images (flash drive, CD or print) to share.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 19

Lick Observatory Field Trip.

MONDAY, JANUARY 30

Camera Club Board Meeting. 9:30 A.M. Cribari Forum Room

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6

Competition Meeting. 7:00 P.M. Cribari Conference Room. Categories: Travel, Monochrome & Challenge (Curves)

COMPETITION CALENDAR

FEBRUARY

Travel, Monochrome & Challenge (Curves)

MARCH

Pictorial, Nature & Photojournalism

APRIL

Pictorial, Monochrome & Creative

MAY

Nature, Travel & Challenge (Textures)

JUNE

Pictorial, Monochrome & Creative

FIELD TRIPS

JANUARY 19, 2011

Lick Observatory – Focus on Night Photography

If you have ever wanted to learn to photograph stars or star trails, please come to our regular Program Night on January 16.

Club member Gary Walker is an accomplished night photographer and has agreed to walk us through the basics on our regular Program Night on January 16.

On the 19th, we will meet at the Cribari parking lot next to library at 1:45 P.M. We will leave a 2 P.M. for the observatory. We will return about 7 P.M. Please see Dave Scott's e-mail for complete details.

FEBRUARY 9-12, 2012

Yosemite in the winter

MARCH 12, 2012

San Francisco Zoo

APRIL 9, 2012

Baylands Nature Preserve in Palo Alto

MAY 14, 2012

Monterey/Carmel

JUNE 25, 2012

Whale Watching

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P. S.

How many photographers does it take to change a light bulb? 50. One to change the bulb, and forty-nine to say, "I could have done that!" - *Anonymous*

Stranger: "That is a beautiful child you have there."
Mother: "That's nothing. You should see his photograph." - *Anonymous*