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Come Visit Us

We meet on the 2nd, 3rd & 4th Wednesday of the month at 8:00 pm
The Woman's Club of Wyckoff, 176 Wyckoff Ave. Wyckoff, NJ.

From the Mailbag

Dear "Nikonoclast"

First, thank you for your letter. You obviously spent some time in formulating it. The club's Executive committee discussed your suggestions quite seriously, and at length.

We unanimously felt the awarding of HM and Award cards was important to our members. A sign of accomplishment. Hence, that procedure will continue. In the discussions, prompted by your letter, we have decided to have the President move from the front of the room to the center aisle. He will call out the competitor's name. The competitor will stand. The President will go to the individual and present the awards. This should be a great time saver. Members will not have to leave their seats and walk to the front of the room. This procedure has been successfully started.

Meetings do tend to be long and that is partly due to the nice situation we are in. We do not have a deadline that we must meet. It would be nice if meetings ended by 10:00PM. I can state with confidence that rarely do more than one or two members leave early.

The President and the committee always strive to run our meetings effectively and we are always open to receiving your comments.

"Tryingtocatchupoclast"

From the Editor.

Another Holiday season is fast approaching and with it shopping which is not one of my favorites pastimes. But a new camera gadget or even a new camera is always a welcome gift.

This month's issue is heavy on scores of various competitions which doesn't make good reading but is an important part of what we do.

Next month should be different because we have only one Competition in December which means I will be counting on you to contribute some articles for the January issue. (Please).

We all wish you a very joyous Holiday Season and good health.

Hope to see all at our Holiday Party at the Parseghian's home.

Dieter

Photo Ops.

Don't let your camera collect dust because of the inclement weather. The early darkness lends itself to night photography. Neon lights, city lights, long exposures of traffic patterns and Christmas decorations all make excellent subjects. Moving the camera with the shutter open or zooming in or out make interesting variations. For indoor opportunities the Bronx Botanical Garden would be a good place to visit.

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SELLING THE PSA PERMANENT PRINT COLLECTION

Many decades ago, the Photographic Society of America created its Permanent Print Collection, where it saved the best prints submitted by various makers. That collection is now very large. The prints were all donated, PSA did not pay for them. Some of the photographers who made them are famous, and many of these people are deceased. However, PSA is in need of money, and as a fund raising effort, it plans to sell the Permanent Print Collection to a private dealer, who intends to resell them at a profit. Some of the living print makers have advised PSA that they object to this sale of their prints. However, those photographers who are no longer alive are not able to object. If you are a member of PSA, and if you feel that PSA does or does not have the right to sell these prints, please make your feelings known: write to PSA President, Richard M. Frieders, FPSA, 1305 Foxglove Drive, Batavia, IL 60510, or call him at 630-879-1305, or Email him at Rmfprod@ix.netcom.com



December Calendar

03 Executive Committee MTG -----Host: Dieter & Wally Steinmeyer
10 Assigned Subjects 1&2: Creative & Architecture -----Judge: Gil Lopez-Espina NJFC,FMC

Workshops

05Using Black Light “Hands On “ -----Teacher: Alyce Parseghian

NJFCC Results

Marie Kane

October was a busy month for New Jersey Federation of Camera Club competitions and Ridgewood was quite successful. Following are the results:

Fall Color Slide Interclub:

HM's:

- Doris Friedman “Old Barn, Palouse”
- Stanley Kantor “Saguaros at Sunset”
- Stanley Kantor “Point Reyes Lighthouse”
- Vinnie Kempf “Lighthouse Scenic”
- Della O’Malley “Stargazer Lilies”
- Dieter Steinmeyer “Aztec Lily”

Fall Nature Slide

HM:

- R. Allen Simpson..... “Northern Water Snake with a Mouthful”

NJFCC Fall Print Competition 2003-04

Mono – Class B

Merit Awards

- | | |
|---------------------|---------------|
| Visiting Rockport | Kenneth Licht |
| Mid Morning Mooring | Kenneth Licht |

Color – Class B

Honorable Mention

- | | |
|---------------------|--------------|
| Peacock’s Posterior | Joyce Levine |
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Trade Prints

Honorable Mention

- | | |
|---------|----------------|
| Monarch | Della O’Malley |
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Merit Awards

- | | |
|--------------|------------------|
| Tomato Study | Alyce Parseghian |
| Tying Up | Ara Chakarian |

Medal

- | | |
|-----------------|----------------|
| Star Gazer Lily | Della O’Malley |
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Mono – Class A

Honorable Mention

- | | |
|--------------------|----------------|
| A Moment of Prayer | Maggie Molino |
| Pensacola Pelican | Della O’Malley |

Merit Award

- | | |
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| The Artist Stuart Kaylin | George Garbeck |
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Color – Class A

Merit Awards

- | | |
|---------------------------|-------------------|
| Blooming | Maggie Molino |
| Through a Glass Darkly II | George Garbeck |
| Dragonfly | Della O’Malley |
| Monarch on Coneflower | Peter O’Malley |
| Aztec Lily | Dieter Steinmeyer |



Class A Slides November 2003

	P	A	N	TOTAL
J. Fornarotto	44		51	95*
V. Kempf	48		46	94*
S. Kantor	47		46	93*
T. Vari	46		47	93*
P. O'Malley	39		47	86*
R. Gheno	40		44	84*
D. O'Malley	39		42	81*
R. A. Simpson	33		44	77*
D. Steinmeyer	40		37	77*
M. Kelleher	34		42	76*
A. Parseghian	35		41	76*
D. Phillip	39		36	75*
A. Gunther	35		39	74*
B. Bader	32		37	69*
J. Becker	35		21	56
B. Bain	20		21	41
F. Alam	39			39
L. Vinecour	39			39
D. Friedman	19		19	38
A. Chakarian	36			36
G. Levine	18		17	35
T. Spector	18		17	35
J. Cuomo			22	22

Class B Slides November

	P	A	N	TOTAL
C. La Placa Post	38		36	74*
L. Lembo	34		36	70*
M. Badala	33		35	68*
N. Merena	38		17	55
D. Young	39			39
J. Placer	19		18	37
F. Lopez	19		15	34
P. Gordon	20		12	32
L. Iulo			15	15

* Denotes entered 3 slides in all competitions

Class B Prints November

Black & White by Maker:

K. Licht	51*
B. Ullmann	44*
J. Levine	38*
R. Kiil	18
F. Lopez	12

Color by Maker:

F. Helfst	50*
J. Levine	45*
B. Ullmann	42*
K. Licht	41*
B. Winston	13

Class A Prints November

Black & White by Maker:

G. Garbeck	46*
R. Gheno`	46*
D. O'Malley	44*
P. O'Malley	44*
J. Schilling	40*
F. Alam	20
B. Bain	18
C. Fox	18
D. Steinmeyer	17
M. Molino	8
J. Fornarotto	7

Color By Maker:

P. O'Malley	49*
J. Fornarotto	46*
G. Garbeck	46*
R. Gheno	43*
V. Kempf	43*
D. O'Malley	43*
J. Schilling	39*
D. Steinmeyer	30
B. Bain	22
M. Molino	22
F. Alam	21
J. Mann	19
C. Fox	18
B. Winston	6

PRINTS - TRADE :

A. Chakarian	48*
A. Parseghian	47*
M. Kelleher	41*
A. Gunther	40*
J. Mann	24
D. Young	23
F. Lopez	20
L. Iulo	18
L. Lembo	14
C. La Placa-Post	12
E. Vereb	6

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Print Competition November 19 2003

Judge: Heinz Otto

Class B

Black and White

Honorable Mentions

Old Car New Sign J. Levine
Waves J. Levine
Reflection Motif #1 K. Licht

Awards

Sentinel K. Licht
Bulls Eye J. Levine
Cement Truck K. Licht
Zabrisky Point B. Ullmann

Color by Maker

Honorable Mentions

Study in Soft Focus J. Levine
Early Autumn B. Ullmann
Sunrise Otter Cliffs F. Helfst
Clam Diggers K. Licht
Monastery K. Licht

Awards

My Favorite Place J. Levine
Watching us Watching them F. Helfst
Clematis F. Helfst

Trade Prints

Honorable Mentions

Brooklyn Bridge A. Parseghian
Walking Across the Brooklyn Bridge L. Lembo
Monarch Posing M. Kelleher
The Monarch C. Chakarian
Delicate Arch A. Parseghian
Spotless F. Lopez
Madonna Church Spire Reflected A. Gunther

Awards

Red Tops C. Chakarian
After Sunrise Eagle Lake J. Mann
Fall Colors at Stony Brook D. O'Malley
Monarch on the Flower J. Mann
Downhill Run A. Chakarian

Class A

Black and White

Honorable Mentions

Clematis Close-up #2 R. Gheno
Majestic Peak in Zion P. O'Malley
Age of Discovery #2 G. Garbeck

Awards

View from the Bridge D. Steinmeyer
Monarch Feeding R. Gheno
Thor's Hammer Bryce Canyon P. O'Malley
Melancholy #3 G. Garbeck
Fall Montage #1 R. Gheno
Wings J. Schilling
Dahlia Detail D. O'Malley

Color by Maker

Honorable Mentions

Autumn Falls R. Gheno
Clown B. Bain
High Rises V. Kempf
All in Blue D. Steinmeyer
The Four Seasons G. Garbeck
Reflections on Rockport Motive #1 R. Gheno
A Walk on the Beach B. Bain
Iris V. Kempf
Buoy & Boat J. Fornarotto

Awards

Multi Colored Dahlia P. O'Malley
Old Patriarch J. Fornarotto
Zion Hoodoo with Tree P. O'Malley
Autumn Cascade L. Vinecour
Late Autumn at Stony Brook G. Garbeck



**Nature Competition
November 12, 2003
Judge: Howard Knauer**

**Nature General
Honorable Mentions**

After the Storm.....J. Cuomo
Fall Time in New Hampshire.....T. Vari
Majestic Peak in Zion.....P. O'Malley

Awards

Catskill Falls.....A. Parseghian
Misty Morning in Yellowstone.....J. Fornarotto
Fall Colors at Stony Brook.....D. O'Malley
Autumn Colors.....B. Bain
Mountain & Field.....B. Bader
Morning at the Totem Poles.....T. Vari
Bent Tree Mystery Valley.....T. Vari

**Nature Botanical
Honorable Mentions**

Jack in the Pulpit.....D. Steinmeyer
Turkey Tail Fungus.....R. Gheno
Pine Sap.....A. Simpson
Sequoias and Ferns.....M. Kelleher

Awards

Bull Thistle #3.....D. O'Malley

Nature Zoological

Honorable Mentions

Gorilla at Rest.....L. Lembo
Common Merganser.....V. Kempf
Female Eastern Box Turtle.....A. Simpson
Gaggle.....R. Gheno
Puffin Profile.....J. Fornarotto
Colorful Swallowtail.....P. O'Malley

Awards

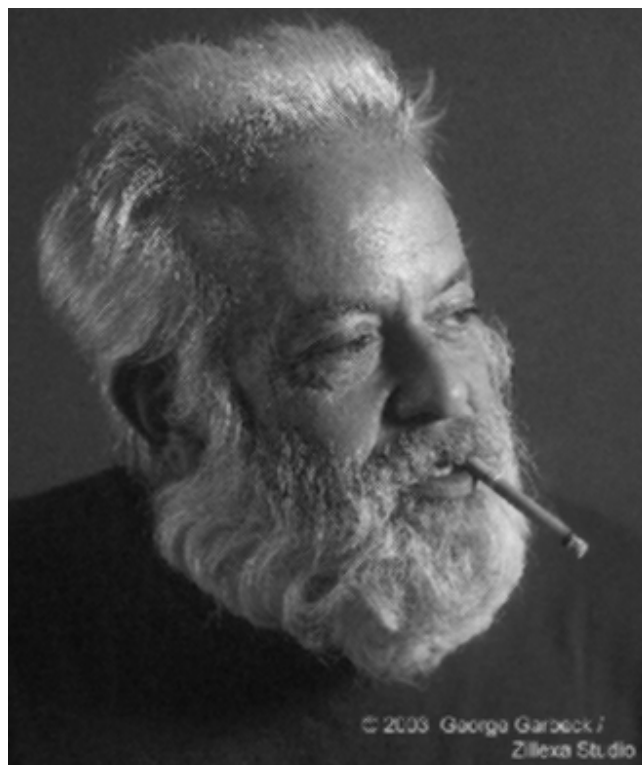
Bee Catcher full Length.....A. Gunther
Gull in Flight.....P. O'Malley
Cormorant Preening.....S. Kantor
Purple Galinule.....S. Kantor
Willet Puffed Up.....J. Fornarotto

Marie's Slide Pick of the Month



Jack in the PulpitDieter Steinmeyer

Peter's Print Pick of the Month



Artist Stuart Kaylin.....George Garbeck

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Photoshop News

In case you have not heard, maybe because you do not have email, RCC will be giving a beginner's Adobe PhotoShop course on January 17th and the 24th, 2004. The class, taught by Vinnie Kempf, will be conducted at the Ramsey High School in a PC equipped room. The cost is \$50.00 per person. To register write a check payable to the Ridgewood Camera Club and mail it to Vinnie Kempf, 11 Refy Avenue, Ramsey, NJ 07446. There are only a few slots left so if you want to attend please send the check to ensure your slot.

13 Wildlife Photographers went to the Zoo



One bird many photographers



Photographers lunch table



The Star

by J. Mann



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