

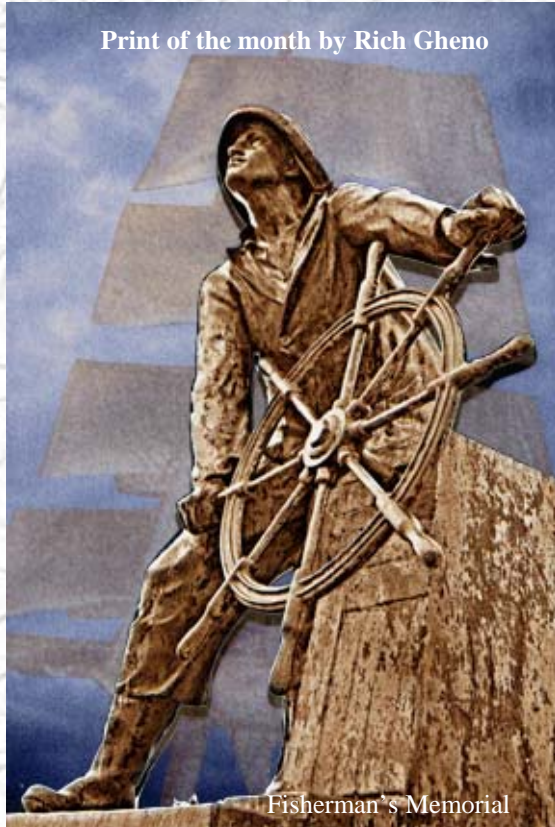
# Focal Plane

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Print of the month by Rich Gheno



Fisherman's Memorial

Slide of the month by Alice Gunther



Excuse me....Say again

## Calendar for March 2004

3 Executive Committee MTG.

10 Print competition (Pr-4)

17 Nature Competition (N-4)

24 Assigned Subjects

3&4 Reflections & Action

31 Program (P-4) "Landscape & Garden Photography" Nancy Ori

Host: Vincent Kempf

Judge: Simon Leventhal

Judge: Dennis Glennon

Judge: Simon Leventhal

## Workshops

13 Landscape Photography

Tibor Vari

*Happy Saint Patrick's Day*

## PHOTOGRAPHERS' SHOWCASE April 28, 2004

Our Photographers' Showcase will be presented twice on Wednesday, April 28, 2004. First, at the Ridgewood Public Library at 1:00PM. and that evening at the club. The listing by the Ridgewood Library will be as follows: *"The Ridgewood Camera Club, now in its 67<sup>th</sup> year, is pleased to present "The Best of Ridgewood Camera Club"*. It is a presentation in which each RCC member has been invited to submit up to ten color slides that the individual considers his/her best work. All submissions will be images that have won awards at the club level, state wide, nationally and/or internationally. The images will range from scenic to the exotic imagery allowed by today's digital processes. Indeed, quite a selection of images, sure to please and perhaps, challenge the viewer". A good show should have about 300 slides. So...PLEASE, start getting slides to me as early as possible. The slides will be shown by maker and his/her titles will be read. A nice way to publicize the club and serve the community, as well. Please do participate.

Chick

## From the Editor

We at the Focal Plane want to wish our Irish Friends and those who are Irish that day a very happy Saint Patrick Day.

Thanks to Tibor Vari for contributing another article about his travels. Richard Braun helped to unscramble the alphabet soup we come across on page 5.

On the very last page is an announcement about our annual dinner in May. Seems like a long way off, but it will be here in no time.

Scores, scores, scores all the competition results came in at the Same time.



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**Ridgewood Camera Club**

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  
**Guests are always welcome at regular meetings**

# Print Competition February 11 2004

Judge: John Valla

## Class B

### Black and White

#### Honorable Mentions

Girl in Black Lace ..... J. Placer  
Trees in the Valley ..... B. Ullmann

#### Awards

Winter's Crystals ..... J. Placer

### Color by Maker

#### Honorable Mentions

Welcome to my Cottage ..... D. Pierson  
Stony Brook Harriman State Park ..... F. Helfst  
Pink Water Lily ..... F. Helfst  
Turret Arch through North Window . B. Ullmann

#### Awards

Acadia National Forest- Maine ..... F. Lopez

### Trade Prints

#### Honorable Mentions

Stargazer Duo..... D. O'Malley

#### Awards

Rocky Coast Sentinel.....C. Chakarian  
Small Nova Scotia Cove .....C. Chakarian

## Class A

### Black and White

#### Honorable Mentions

Barred Owl.....D. O'Malley  
Bull Thistle .....D. O'Malley  
Sand Hill Crane.....P. O'Malley  
Three Facets of Tristan .....G. Garbeck

#### Awards

Garden Rose ..... R. Gheno  
A Winter Day at Batsto ..... R. Gheno

### Color by Maker

#### Honorable Mentions

Patriotic ..... B. Bain  
Mallard ..... V. Kempf  
Surrealistic View ..... B. Bain  
The Willy B..... V. Kempf  
Green Heron ..... P. O'Malley  
Great Falls ..... V. Kempf

#### Awards

Please be Mine ..... C. Fox  
Fisherman's Memorial ..... R. Gheno



## Class A February 2004

	P	A	N	TOTAL
V. Kempf	93	45	71	209*
J. Fornarotto	88	43	75	206*
T. Vari	94	40	71	205*
S. Kantor	90	38	70	198*
P. O'Malley	84	42	68	194*
R. Gheno	84	41	67	192*
A. Parseghian	81	39	65	185*
D. Steinmeyer	83	38	60	181*
D. O'Malley	82	41	56	179*
A. Simpson	78	35	64	177*
A. Gunther	77	40	59	176*
M. Kelleher	74	37	58	169*
R. Bader	73	36	49	158*
J. Becker	77	38	41	156
D. Phillip	39	27	36	102
B. Bain	20	42	21	83
F. Alam	57	18	0	75
L. Vincour	39	0	0	39
D. Friedman	19	0	19	38
A. Chakarian	36	0	0	36
G. Levine	18	0	17	35
T. Spector	18	0	17	35
J. Cuomo	0	0	22	22

## Class B February 2004

	P	A	N	TOTAL
C. La Placa Post	79	36	54	169*
M. Badala	74	36	54	164*
F. Lopez	58	35	34	127
L. Lembo	55	20	36	111
N. Merena	76	11	17	104
J. Placer	59		36	95
P. Gordon	41	6	12	59
D. Young	39			39
J. Schilling	22			22
E. Vereb	21			21
R. Winston	21			21
L. Lulo			15	15

\* Denotes entered 3 slides in all competitions

## Class B Prints February 2004

### BLACK & WHITE BY MAKER

B. Ullmann	64*
K. Licht	51
J. Levine	38
F. Lopez	29

### Color by Maker

F. Helfst	72*
B. Ullmann	63*
J. Levine	45
K. Licht	41
F. Lopez	20
B. Winston	13
E. Vereb	11
D. Pierson	8

## Class A Prints February 04

### Black & White by Maker

R. Gheno`	70*
D. O'Malley	67*
G. Garbeck	66*
P. O'Malley	64*
J. Schilling	40
F. Alam	37
C. Fox	24
B. Bain	18
D. Steinmeyer	17
M. Molino	8
J. Fornarotto	7

### Color by Maker

P. O'Malley	70*
V. Kempf	67*
G. Garbeck	65*
R. Gheno	64*
D. O'Malley	62*
J. Fornarotto	46
D. Steinmeyer	46
B. Bain	43

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C. Fox	39
J. Schilling	39
F. Alam	38
L. Vinecour	36
M. Molino	22
J. Mann	19
B. Winston	6

**PRINTS - TRADE**

A. Chakarian	72*
A. Parseghian	66*
D. O'Malley	65*
M. Kelleher	59*
A. Gunther	57*
F. Lopez	37
J. Mann	24
D. Young	23
L. Iulo	18
L. Lembo	14
C. Laplaca-Post	12
D. Pierson	6
E. Vereb	6

**TRIVIA FOR THE MASSES**

*by Richard Braun*

For those who are mystified by the string of capital letters that often appear after the name of a judge or photographer please read the following explanations.

- ADVC** = Associate Delaware Valley Council
- ANEC** = Associate New England Council
- APSA** = Associate Photographic Society of America
- FMC** = Fellow Metropolitan Council
- FPFLI** = Fellow Photographic Federation of Long Island
- FPSA** = Fellow Photographic Society of America
- NJFC** = New Jersey Federation Citation
- NJFCC** = New Jersey Federation of Camera Clubs
- PSA** = Photographic Society of America

You are not required to know the meaning of these initials to maintain your membership in Ridgewood Camera Club, but could there be a surprise quiz at a future meeting?!!!!

With this new wealth of knowledge you can dazzle your friends and neighbors at your next dinner party.

**Pictorial Competition**

**February 25, 2004**

**Judge: David Mills**

**Pictorial Class B**

**Honorable Mentions**

Sugar House in Vermont.....	C. Laplaca Post
Springtime .....	E. Vereb
Tangerine .....	C. Laplaca Post

**Awards**

Japanese Garden .....	M. Badala
Walking to Manhattan .....	J. Schilling
Wine Cellar- Montepulciona, Italy.....	P. Gordon

**Pictorial Class A**

**Honorable Mentions**

Icicles on the Pequannock River .....	A. Simpson
Staircase.....	V. Kempf
Stargazer Lily #2 .....	P. O'Malley
Still Waters .....	A. Parseghian
Sunset at Ponte Vecchia .....	M. Kelleher
Excuse me, say again.....	A. Gunther
Pink & White Clematis Detail .....	P. O'Malley
Autumn Decomposition.....	R. Gheno
Monhegan Light .....	V. Kempf
Slot Canyon, Sandstone Curves.....	T. Vari
Colorful Water Lily .....	P. O'Malley

**Awards**

Icelandic Poppy .....	J. Fornarotto
Cattle Egret .....	D. O'Malley
Coyote Buttes View .....	T. Vari
Thorns & Leaves.....	A. Simpson
Falls Stream in the Adirondacks.....	T. Vari
Top of the Insect Food Chain .....	A. Simpson
Anemone .....	D. Steinmeyer

## NJFCC Spring Print Competition 2003-04

### Mono – Class B

#### Honorable Mentions

Cement Truck  
Reflection Motif #1  
Girl in Black Lace

Kenneth Licht  
Kenneth Licht  
Joseph Placer

#### Medal

Sentinel

Kenneth Licht

### Color – Class B

#### Honorable Mentions

My Favorite Place  
Monastery

Joyce Levine  
Kenneth Licht

#### Merit Awards

Clam Diggers  
Early Autumn

Kenneth Licht  
Brian Ullmann

### Mono – Class A

#### Honorable Mentions

A Winter Day at Batsto  
Fall Montage #1  
Majestic Peak in Zion

Rich Gheno  
Rich Gheno  
Peter O'Malley

#### Merit Awards

Garden Rose  
Dahlia Detail  
Barred Owl  
Thor's Hammer, Bryce Canyon  
View from the Bridge

Rich Gheno  
Della O'Malley  
Della O'Malley  
Peter O'Malley  
Dieter Steinmeyer

#### Medal

Sand Hill Crane

Peter O'Malley

### Color – Class A

#### Honorable Mentions

Delicate Iris  
Reflections on Rockport-Motif #1  
Autumn Falls  
Fishermen's Memorial  
Autumn Cascade

Della O'Malley  
Rich Gheno  
Rich Gheno  
Rich Gheno  
Larry Vinecour

#### Merit Awards

Orange Tiger Lilies  
Green Heron

Della O'Malley  
Peter O'Malley

#### Medal

Multi-Colored Dahlia

Peter O'Malley

### Trade Prints

#### Honorable Mentions

A Small Nova Scotia Cove  
Rocky Coast Sentinel  
Walking Across the Brooklyn Bridge  
Monarch on the Flower  
Fall Colors at Stony Brook  
Delicate Arch

Ara Chakarian  
Ara Chakarian  
Loretta Lembo  
Jacob Mann  
Della O'Malley  
Alyce Parseghian

#### Merit Awards

Stargazer Duo

Della O'Malley

## RCC's 21st INTERNATIONAL

While judging day is now behind us, There are many more details to take care of. With the fine members of this club, we are successfully as usual, conducting all the functions.

Our three judges were quite impressed with the way we handled judging day. Yes we did OUR job.

We can also take pride in our entry numbers, 319 entries in the Color Slide Section is excellent by today's standards. The 131 in Special theme is a bonus for us. Stan and Florence's presentation has been received with great acclaim as it should be. Our presenting this show at five other camera clubs is commendable. After all the purpose of an International is to advance people's participation in this great hobby.

While many deserve our thanks and will be listed in the catalog, two should receive special mention. Marie Kane, APSA, NJFC, for the use of her home for the work sessions before and after judging. And of course Trudy Braun for that splendid buffet.

With still more to do on our 21st our application has been submitted to Wade Clutton FPSA, director of the Color Slide Section for our 22nd. Our catalog will be out in March and copies will be available for everyone.

RCC marches on

Chick



## Cape Neddick Lighthouse

By  
Tibor Vari



Cape Neddick Lighthouse located in York, Maine is also called Nubble Light as a result of the rocky island it sits on. Built in 1879 at the cost of \$15,000, Nubble Light is a 40 foot tower that uses a fourth-order lens and is built on the highest point on the island for a total height of 88 feet. The red light flashes about every six seconds and is visible for 13 miles.

The main house is a two story, six room building consisting of a living room, dining room, 3 bedrooms, kitchen, bathroom, and pantry. The

Coast Guard automated the lighthouse in 1987.

An interesting piece of trivia is that the four points of the roof are shaped as a cross and indicate the compass directions of north, south, east, and west. The little red building houses a backup generator. The white building to the left is used for equipment storage.

The island is inaccessible to the public due to a small strip of ocean between the mainland and the lighthouse. The best time to shoot the lighthouse is late afternoon when the sun is low and brings warm light onto the scene. You can setup your tripod at the edge of the parking lot using a 24-120 mm lens. For a different perspective, there is an easy climb down from the parking to almost the ocean level to a flat area from which to shoot . Since Nubble Light is on a small island offshore from the mainland. Sunrise would be a difficult shoot and make for only silhouette shots so stick with late afternoon.

During the holiday season from the first Saturday after Thanksgiving through the first week or so in January, the lighthouse is decorated with white lights. The lights are turned on just at sunset and highlight the edges of the various buildings. You can even see a Christmas tree decorated inside one of the buildings.

To get there take Route 95 North to Exit 4 ( Yorks /Ogunquit). Bear right at the exit ramp and another right onto Route 1 South. Turn left onto Route 1A at the next light and follow 1A to York Beach (some excellent restaurants are along this strip). Make a right onto Nubble Road and follow this approximately one mile to Sohier Park where you can park.



This is approximately a 5 hour drive from Ramsey and another hour further north to the Portland Headlight.

# Save Wednesday May 26<sup>th</sup> for the Annual Dinner.

Bring a spouse, bring a friend.

The evening has been very enjoyable for all who have attended in the past.

We have hors d'oeuvres, a sit-down dinner with a choice of two entrees.

A slide presentation of "The Best of Ridgewood"  
and an award ceremony for the slide and print competitions.

## NJFCC Salon

Marie Kane

Following are the results of the New Jersey Federation of Camera Clubs Photo Travel Slide competition:

### Merit Awards:

"Fall Comes to Stony Brook" .....Rich Gheno

"Fall Colors at Stony Brook" .....Della O'Malley

### HM's:

"Zion Valley" ..... Peter O'Malley

"Chapter House Arch" ..... Alyce Parseghian



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