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President's Focus

By Don Shenk

The flowers are blooming and Spring is here. It's a great time to break out the camera after a long winter and begin capturing great images. However, I hope you got some snow shoots, can't say we didn't have a chance this winter!

Check out "www.greenfieldphoto.com." They have a contest with a theme of "Snow Business" with an entry deadline of April 9.

Another competition with an April deadline is Pennsylvania Magazine. Deadline is the 15th and themes are "PA close ups" and "PA scenic. Details at www.pa-mag.com.

Much has happened since we met by way of the LCC Newsletter. Although I was not able to attend the February meeting due to the nasty flu, I heard great reports from many of you. Thanks to Greg Heisey for the excellent job he did in presenting the program and to our vice president, Heather for taking charge of the meeting.

In March Bob Howard instructed us on "composition for Competition." What a great presentation! I liked Bob's definition of composition, "The arrangement of artistic parts so to form a unified whole." Take some time to mull over that thought. Also think on this quote, "achieving organization in a given sphere is really the goal of all artists." And finally dwell on the four points Mr. Howard emphasized when capturing an image - VISUALIZE - REFINE - COMPOSE - CAPTURE. Great advise, thanks Bob for the inspiration.

On March 17 we held our first open competition of 2010. WOW! The images were breathtaking and were a real challenge for our judges to score. However, they did a great job and provided great critiques. Thanks to Raymond Emery, Alan Homes and Ed Huddle and congratulations to the winners. Take note that the theme for the next open is "Lancaster County, PA" and will be held on Sept. 15. Look for the results elsewhere in this newsletter. Thanks to Jere for great work as competition chair.

TAKE NOTE - due to an Easter event at Brethren Village on Monday our regular monthly meeting for April will be on Tuesday, April 6. Also, due to the change in date Greg Heisey will not be able to attend so our theme is now "HOW TO" We will introduce a number of subjects and then break into smaller groups to discuss them. Included will be How to:

dry mount photos, use Flickr, use Meet Up Groups, (LCC has both Flickr & Meet UP groups available to members), cut photo mats, camera use for beginners. This will be a rewarding experience so be sure to note the date change and bring a friend or two along.

On May 3 we will have a club competition. The theme is "ARCHITECTURE" which includes both interior and exterior images. We will begin accepting entries at 6:30PM and close at 7PM when the meeting begins. Check out the rules on our website that is being updated - be sure to take a look. Thanks to Charles, John and Stuart for the great work on the site.

2010 LCC Board

President – Don Shenk
 Vice President – Heather Shugars
 Secretary – Lynn Strayer
 Treasurer – Doug Jerzycke
 Members at Large:
 Joe Hunt
 Jere Espenshade
 John Flinchbaugh
 Stuart Brosey



President's Focus (cont.)

Local professional photographer Terry Ross will be our guest speaker on Monday June 7 at 7PM at the Fieldcrest room at Brethren Village. Terry has a wide range of interests and shoots various subjects. He captures the beauty of Lancaster County and produces his own line of 5 x 7 postcards that are available throughout the area. (Take Note - the theme of the Sept. open competition is "Lancaster Co., PA" so Terry will provide plenty of hints and helps toward that goal.) Mr. Ross is an avid skydiver and shoots many unique images, both still and video, of skydivers by using a helmet mounted camera. He also uses a paraplane to capture aerial images. This allows him to drive to location, find a short take off/ landing strip and then takeoff to get those great shoots that most of us are unable to capture. Terry also does portraits and weddings. Check out Terry's work at "www.trossphotography.com." This will be an entertaining and enlightening meeting, don't miss this one.

Coming on Saturday, July 24 is our annual picnic and in August a model shoot. More details to come,

Remember, this is your club. Your ideas and suggestions are always welcome. Doug Jerzycke is the newsletter editor, please sends items of interest to him at djerzyke@yahoo.com or give them to him at our meetings. We have decided to publish the newsletter every other month so this is a March/April issue.

"Till next time - "Keep on Shooting."

Don

Competition News

May 3 is a Club Members competition. Theme is "Architecture" (inside or outside).

September 15 an Open Competition. Theme is Lancaster County Farming.

October 4 is a Club Members competition. Theme is "Lines & Patterns of Nature".

There are many other opportunities to enter photo contests. If you are a member of PSA, there are contests listed in their magazine or their website.

Also check Photographer's Forum magazine at www.pfmagazine.com.

Other opportunities can be found at

www.image-ny.org and

www.digitalphotoacademy.com.

Coming Attractions

Christmas Party Scavenger Hunt.

Choose six objects from the twelve listed below. Include one or more of the objects you selected in a 4X6 picture. The object may be the main subject of the image or it may be a subtle part of it. The object may be in an image you "find in your travels", or it may be an image you set up on location or in a studio.

The rules are simple:

Choose six objects, print 4" x 6" images with object(s) pictured, mount the six prints on a 16" x 20" board, label prints with object pictured, print your name on the back bring completed project to the Christmas party. You must be a Lancaster Camera Club member. Everyone attending will have one vote. Awards will be given to the highest scoring board.

The twelve objects are: *BANANA, FLAG, M&M CANDY, SHOE, BOOK, KEY STUFFED ANIMAL, PEPSI, UMBRELLA, WEED, PHONE, ROSE FLOWER*

Coming Attractions

The 2011 Christmas Party Scavenger Hunt will be a Four Seasons theme. Find a photographic location and shoot the scene in winter, spring, summer and fall. Use the same camera & lens and shoot from the same position each season. Print the shots 5" x 7" and mount on a 16" x 20" board. Label the project with the location and put your name on the back.

Photo Ops

Here are some ideas for photographic opportunities.

June 25 at Bird-In-Hand Family Restaurant

June 26 in Refton at Refton Fire Company

Club News

Club business cards are now available. Pick a bunch up and hand them out to friends who are interested in photography.

Member News

Sam Beitzel's *Compositions I*, a collection of fine art and nature photography, will be exhibited in the North Gallery at Mulberry Art Studios in downtown Lancaster. Opening receptions on First Friday, May 7 from 5 to 8pm and Sunday, May 9 from 1 to 4pm. Sam will be at both receptions. Mulberry Art Studios is located at 19 – 21 North Mulberry Street in Lancaster. The show runs from May 7 to the 31st.

Visit mulberryartstudios.com for more information.



Two examples of Sam's work!

WIEP Report

The Wilmington International Exposition of Photography received entries from 439 photographers from 34 countries. It is an honor to have images accepted into the show. Three members of LCC were so honored. They are:

Suzette Brumbaugh

Joe Hunt who earned a ribbon

Don Shenk who earned a ribbon and a bronze metal

Congratulations to the above winners, Let's double or triple this list next year. Medal winning images can be seen at www.delawarephotographicsociety.org.

March Open Results

The March Open Competition yielded an interesting and wide ranging variety of entries.

Heather Shugars took 1st place.

Sam Beitzel took 2nd place.

Charles Heisterkamp placed 3rd.

Emily Lindsay and Kevin Benedict received Honorable Mentions

Congratulations to the above winners.

See page 4 for pictures!

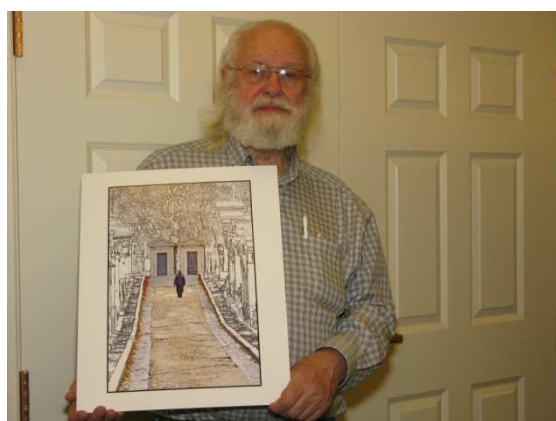
March Open Competition Winners



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