

Pocono Photo Club Newsletter

October 2017



No, your eyes are not deceiving you- you're still receiving a modified version of our newsletter so that we can get PPC information out to you in a timely manner. So, here's what's happening in the club this month:

This month's meeting will be held on October 17, 2017 in the Keystone Building of Northampton Community College from 7 to 9 pm. This month's speaker is Arthur Ransome who will be presenting a program on "Discovering Yourself through Photography". Arthur writes, "Our photos are meant to capture both what we see and what we feel about the subject. Each of us has different emotional responses to the subject in front of our lenses. If our images stimulate feelings and emotions in others our efforts are even more satisfying". Departing from the colorful world we live in Mr. Ransome will bring us into the world of black and white photography to show how he uses this medium to express emotion and in turn how we can use photography to discover ourselves.

Curtain Raiser: Stephanie Masgula

Our October Shoot Out will take place on Saturday, October 14th. We'll be going on a self-guided tour of the Covered Bridges in Lehigh Valley. For those who wish to carpool, the meet up time is 9 am in the Lowe's parking lot in Bartonsville. If you plan on going PLEASE let Ann know by Friday so she can have the itinerary and map printed for you. RSVP to Olivetreeann@mail.com or call 570-588-3246. Thanks!



photo by Bob Cook

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Two special events are taking place on October 28, 2017. First up our final day at the Monroe County Farmer's Market at Courthouse Square in Stroudsburg. PPC will be hosting a "selfie station" for market shoppers to take photos to submit to the Farmer's Market website but for anyone who'd like to practice their portrait photography it's a fun opportunity to do so. It's also a great place to connect with the public and introduce our club to them. Our permanent display has been a big hit with those who've stopped by to look at the pictures. Come on down and help any time during market hours- 8 AM to 12 noon.

Next up our first-ever PPC "yard sale". We've all got one or two photography related items we're not using any more. Here's the perfect opportunity to see if someone else could use it (buy, sell or swap). The "yard sale" will take place at Stroudsburg Foto from 1 to 4 pm, rain or shine. There is no charge for participating but we do need a head-count for tables and set-up. Contact Ann (Olivetreeann@mail.com) or Dave Butler (mail@stroudsburgfoto.com or 570-421-2830).



Lois Silver with her photo at our Kettle Creek exhibit

KETTLE CREEK AND BOG NEWS

Thanks to Laurinda Rubin for facilitating our current exhibit at the Kettle Creek Environmental Education Center, 8050 Running Valley Rd., Stroudsburg, PA. and to all the photographers who submitted photos for it. The opening on Saturday, October 7th was successful and the show will run until October 31st. If you haven't seen it yet, stop by during business hours and check it out!

If you are one of the photographers displaying your work, the **pick-up date** for this exhibit is **Tuesday, October 31st**. If you are unable to pick up your photo on that day, please contact Ann (Olivetreeann@mail.com) or Laurinda (laufaye@ptd.net).

We've also been informed that Laurinda received a grant from the Pennsylvania Partners in the Arts Program to assemble booklets featuring our photos of the most common bog species which the guides will use when taking out groups on educational walks. We will be working with Kettle Creek and the Tannersville Cranberry Bog Committee to select photos and produce these booklets. We will keep you informed as the process moves along.

Congratulations!

To Eric Goins, Steven Whitcomb and Ann LeFevre whose photos will be exhibited in the North Jersey Federation of Camera Clubs exhibit at the Lakefront Gallery in January 2018.

Coming in November!

Executive Committee Meeting: Tuesday, November 7, 2017; 7pm at Panera Bread in Stroudsburg. Members are always welcome to stop in!

Monthly Meeting: Tuesday, November 21, 2017. Program- Your Christmas Wish List. Dave Butler and our Stroudsburg Foto friends will be showing us all the latest gadgets, gizmos and gear that you'll want to put on your Christmas list this year. Curtain Raiser: Bob Cook

Shoot-Out: November 11, 2017, 7-9 pm. Join us for another "Light the Night" shoot out and some light-writing fun. Watch for emails and announcements with further details.

Executive Committee Meeting- October 3, 2017

PPC Executive Committee Meeting Notes – 10/3/17

In attendance – Ann LeFevre, Stephanie Masgula, Sarina Cook, Bill Keenan, Ray Roper

PPC has changed the date of its next Stroudsburg Farmers Market appearance from October 8 to October 28. We will be looking for volunteers to man the booth on that day from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. There will also be a PPC "yard sale" going on at Stroud Foto on the same day, from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. Members will be able to pick up or offer some of their older – but still valuable – equipment for sale.

The Long Exposure Workshop at Childs Park with Danielle Austen was reported to be a success, and we are looking into doing other similar workshops with Ms. Austen and others in the future.

The Tannersville Bog photo exhibit reception will take place on October 7, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Kettle Creek Art Gallery, 8050 Running Valley Rd., in Stroudsburg.

In a development related to the Tannersville Bog exhibit and photos, Laurinda Rubin did receive a grant to go toward the creation of booklets for those providing tours of the bog, though it was not for as much as hoped. PPC is looking at ways in which we might help out via member donations or a workshop of some kind by Laurinda.

The next PPC Shoot-Out will take place on October 14, and will explore the “Covered Bridges of Lehigh County.” Members interested in attending should RSVP Ann LeFevre at Olivetreeann@mail.com and plan to meet up at 9:00 a.m. in the Lowe’s parking lot for car pooling. Further details are available on the PPC website.

We are also looking at the possibility of doing another night-lights shoot-out sometime in November. Details will be announced on our website.

Upcoming expenditures: New PPC business cards. We’ve been giving a lot of these away at recent events and need to replenish our stock. Also, the cost of our website platform is going up slightly.

Upcoming PPC general meeting topics include:

- October – “Discover yourself through photography” – presented by Arthur Ransome. This will be a look at expressing one’s inner feelings through photography.
- November – Dave Butler of Stroud Foto will present “Your Christmas Wish List” – a look at some new and interesting photo equipment that you might enjoy.
- December – This meeting will feature member photo displays and a holiday social.
- January – “My photo journey” – where select members offer a display of photos and a discussion of what has influenced their work.

Sarina Cook is also working on arranging for a number of other speakers for PPC general meetings in 2018, including a session on photographing religious sites by Padma Photography, a session with Ron Wyatt on his Russian ballet photographs and on his experience as judge in photo competitions, and a session on “art photography” by Michael Hartman.

We are also looking at ideas for sessions on cell phone photography, the use of drones in photography, as well as topics for panel sessions and roundtables.

Submitted by Bill Keenan, secretary