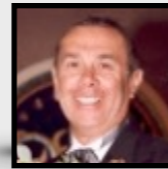




*Dick Barbour
Photographer of the Month*

Grand Canyon of the Colorado

From the *President's Desk..*



Hello!

Welcome to 2019 and the New Adventure. I am Howie DiBlasi the new President of the Photography Club. My background includes 20 years as a classroom teacher, 10 years as a Computer Retail store Manager/ Owner and 17 years as the CIO for the Durango School District in Colorado. I have been a photographer for over 50 years and my passions are photographing travel, landscapes, people, sports, Disney and NASCAR.

You'll find a variety of events each month, including SIG's (Special Interest Groups), Beginner Photo Classes, Smartphone classes, exhibits, Digital Photo Classes, social meet-ups and our monthly meeting.

Be sure to check the monthly Photography Calendar for all of the events.

If you have any concerns do not hesitate to contact the Leadership Team or contact me at howie@frontier.net.

Don't miss our January meeting. We will have a special guest speaker, introduce the new "Travel Photo SIG", share, Learn how to make a "Travel Video" of your vacation trips, and learn about the latest and best Photo Travel Phone Apps.

See you on Wednesday, January 2, for our monthly meeting as we learn new photography skills and build friendships & community!

And tell your friends!

**2019
Membership Dues**

*Join or renew your 2019 Photography Club Membership
on line at the CA Ticketing site (see 12/31/2019) or in
person at the CA Member Services Desk*

Monday - Friday 8-4

*Yearly Dues: \$12 for first household member
\$5 for second household member*

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Webmaster

Cathy O'Connor

Weldon Shelton, Membership Committee

Jim Sandham, Field Trips & Social

Cathy O'Connor, Newsletter



January 2019 Calendar of Events

General Meeting
Wednesday - January 2nd 2019
 Cowan Creek Amenity Center

Social gathering at 1:45 - Meeting begins at 2:15
 Cookies and sweets to be provided by the Club.

Subject of the Month - **Buildings**
 Send photos to SCphotoclub@outlook.com

Program:
 Introduction of the new Travel Photo SIG
 "What's Up With That APP"
 Learn how to make a "Travel Video"
 Guest Speaker



Guest Speaker
Jason Weingart
Adventure Photographer

jasonrweingart.com/

Photo Club Studio Availability
 Game Rooms 1 & 2
 Monday Noon - 4
 Wednesday 8 am to noon
 Fridays 9 - 5 pm

Always check the current Club Calendar for any changes...

January	Club Event	
Wed 2nd	General Meeting	1:45 - 4:00 pm
Wed 2nd	Travel SIG	9:00 - 11:00 am
Wed 2nd	Activity Center Hang Date	10:00 - 11:00 am
Wed 2nd	Cowan Creek Hang Date	10:00
Fri 4th	NIKON Beginning Photography	9:00 - 12:00 pm
Mon 7th	Mentor Discussion Group	12:00 - 2:00 pm
Mon 7th	Photoshop SIG	2:15 - 4:15 pm
Wed 9th	PSA Digital Image SIG	10:00
Fri 11th	NIKON Beginning Photography	9:00 - 12:00 pm
Fri 11th	Photoshop Training Group	1:00 - 3:00 pm
Mon 14th	Koffee Klatch	10:00
Mon 14th	Mentor Discussion Group	12:00 - 2:00 pm
Mon 14th	Photoshop Lab	2:15 - 4:15 pm
Wed 16th	PSA Print SIG	8:30
Wed 16th	Photoshop - Altered Reality	10:00
Fri 18th	NIKON Beginning Photography	9:00 - 12:00 pm
Mon 21st	Mentor Discussion Group	12:00 - 2:00 pm
Wed 23rd	iPhone Photography	9:00 - 12:00 pm
Fri 25th	Competition SIG	10:00 - 12:00 pm
Fri 25th	Nature SIG	1:00 - 3:00 pm
Fri 25th	Fun Foto Social	4:00 - 6:00 pm
Sat 26th	Legacy Grille Exhibit	10:00
Mon 28th	Mentor Discussion Group	12:00 - 2:00 pm

SIGN IN to the Sun City - Photography Club web site to fully view calendar and to register for events. [Click](#)



Photographer of the Month
January 2019



Dick Barbour

Congratulations



[Click to view Gallery](#)

Originally from Virginia, I've lived in Texas for well over 50 years. My interest in photography started when I received a Christmas gift of a Kodak Brownie camera and developing kit at about 10 years of age. For many years later in life I shot film, and although this was very interesting I was always frustrated by the difficulty of getting good prints at a reasonable cost. The digital era has of course made all the difference in this regard and printing my own photos has been one of the main sources of my enjoyment of the hobby.

I retired to Sun City in 2007 with my late wife, and we travelled to many places where not coincidentally there were great photographic opportunities! I also enjoy taking advantage of the many opportunities for picture-taking in our local area. I currently use Panasonic mirrorless camera gear and I mostly like subjects in nature as well as family, since luckily my five grandkids live nearby. I like being a part of the Photography Club and hope to take even more advantage of its opportunities in the coming year.

Each month a club member is featured to help all of us get to know each other just a little bit better. View Dick Barbour's three printed photos at the Cowan Creek Amenity Center in January. Sixteen of Dick's digital images are posted in a gallery on the club web site along with his biography. His image *The Grand Canyon of the Colorado* is featured on the front page of this issue.

Solo Wall Showcase

January 1 - 31, 2019



A One Person Show

at the Activity Center

You are invited to the Activity Center to view the January Solo Showcase featuring photographer Dean Ginther. Dean's exhibit, "*Photography Refined*" will be on display throughout the month of January.

Dean Ginther

presents

Photography Refined

<https://deanw.viewbug.com/>



Fred Adsit

For more than a century, photographic images were only possible as black and white since neither the film or paper was sensitive to color. Actually, most black and white images were really grayscale in tonality and typically the best black and white printed images contain blacks, whites, and many possible in-between variations of gray. Ansel Adams was a master of such images, as are others such as Michael Kenna. When I began taking photos, black and white photography was still the norm. That "no color possible" restriction made one focus on what was essential but also allowed for great nuance and refinement. Modern digital cameras take color images by default but my photography continues to explore ways to refine grayscale imagery. Presented in this Solo Exhibition are some of my grayscale images taken during the last couple of decades.

Tenth Annual Print Competition Reception - 2018



“Best of Show”

Heron Highlight
Will Chapman



Behind the scenes

A special thank you for the team that was responsible for the reception Sunday, December 2. They did a great job and deserve a pat on the back.

Advertising, program, leadership: Teri Adsit, Larry Lorimor

Ribbon placement: Rick Siersma, Marge Odell, Jerry Meinzer, Jim Sandham

Set-up and Décor: Carlos Rio, Wayne Dorchak, Glenn Rudd, Fred Adsit, Teri Adsit

Greeters: Cathy O’Connor, Rita Johnston, Ken Johnston, Marsha Larrabee

Food: Dee Sams, Marge Odell, Ruby Pecot

Drinks: Glenn Rudd, Fred Adsit

Cleanup: Will Chapman, Jerry Meinzer, Glenn Rudd, Fred Adsit

Photography: Sherry McRae, Faith Burns

-Larry Lorimor



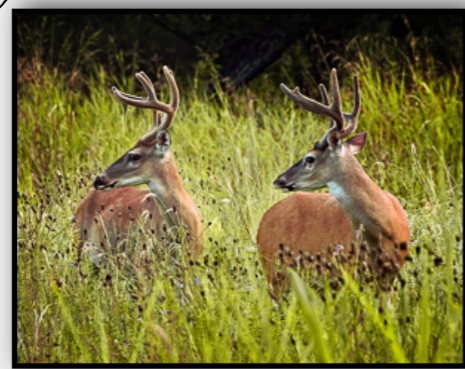
“Peoples Choice Award”

Light Show at Balanced Rock
Ken Johnston



Congratulations to Ken Johnston
winner of the Peoples Choice Award
Presented by Larry Lorimor
VP of Administration

First Place Ribbons



Dick Barbour - Animals



Ruby Pecot - Vegetation



Jan McNeill - Landscapes



Rita Johnston - People



Walt Grabowski - Cityscapes



Mitch Michielutti - Monochrome



Faith Burns - Creative



Cindy Wilkinson - Novice

Tenth Annual Print Competition 2018

The ten top awards went to ten different people. We have many talented photographers. The competition categories and member placement are listed below.

Animals:

1st - Dick Barbour 2nd - Keith Walkup, 3rd - Chris Meyer
Honorable Mention Awards - Peggy Reeder, Jan McNeill, Mary Campbell

Vegetation:

1st - Ruby Pecot 2nd - Patty Michielutti, 3rd - Joan Wilson
Honorable Mention Awards - Dee Sams, Kathy Lorimor, Mary Campbell

Landscape/Waterscape

1st - Jan McNeill 2nd - Carlos Rio, 3rd - Dee Sams
Honorable Mention Awards - Keith Walkup, Rita Johnston, Mary Campbell

People:

1st - Rita Johnson 2nd - David Werner 3rd - Jaan Goad
Honorable Mention Awards - Mitch Michielutti, Chris Meyer, Jan McNeill

Cityscape/Architecture

1st - Walt Grabowski 2nd - Carlo Rio 3rd - Jim Newkirk
Honorable Mention Awards - Dean Ginther, Rita Johnston, Peggy Reeder

Monochromatic

1st - Mitch Michielutti 2nd - Walt Grabowski 3rd - Dick Barbour
Honorable Mention Awards - Dean Ginther, Chris Meyer, Patty Michielutti

Creative

1st - Faith Burns 2nd - Marcela Stegemueller 3rd - Dean Ginther
Honorable Mention Awards - Sharon Grabowski, Larry Lorimor, Mitch Michielutti

Novice

1st - Cindy Wilkinson

Photoclubbers –

Tuesday night December 4 we had a very pleasant holiday party and silent auction. If you weren't able to attend, you missed a special evening. Weldon and his committee provided a great dinner and decorations. Sue-Anne and I heard several folks comment on how nice the event (and especially the pie) was. We recognized Weldon Shelton, Patty Michielutti, Rick Siersma, Jim Newkirk and Larry Dennis as our volunteers of the year. Very deserving!

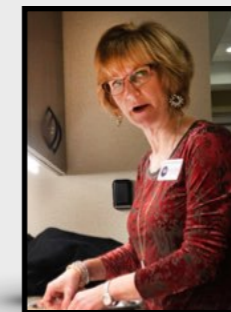
Our inaugural silent auction was a big success. Thanks to all the people who donated gear and all the people who bid. I also want to thank your board members for pulling all the gear together, organizing the bidding forms and cleaning up. It was a bigger job than I realized. Your club's total take from donated equipment was \$1,683. Your board has decided to use the funds to subsidize a special photographic educational event for members in February. Allen Utzig will be sending out details soon.

The gear that wasn't scooped up by club members was donated to the Caring Place in the name of the club. They were very appreciative. Something else for the club to be proud of!

Happy Holidays!

Brad Norrick, 2018 Photography Club President

Holiday Dinner and Auction
December 4, 2018
Cowan Creek

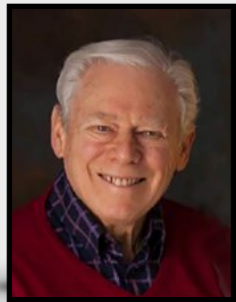


Member Recognition

Sun Rays

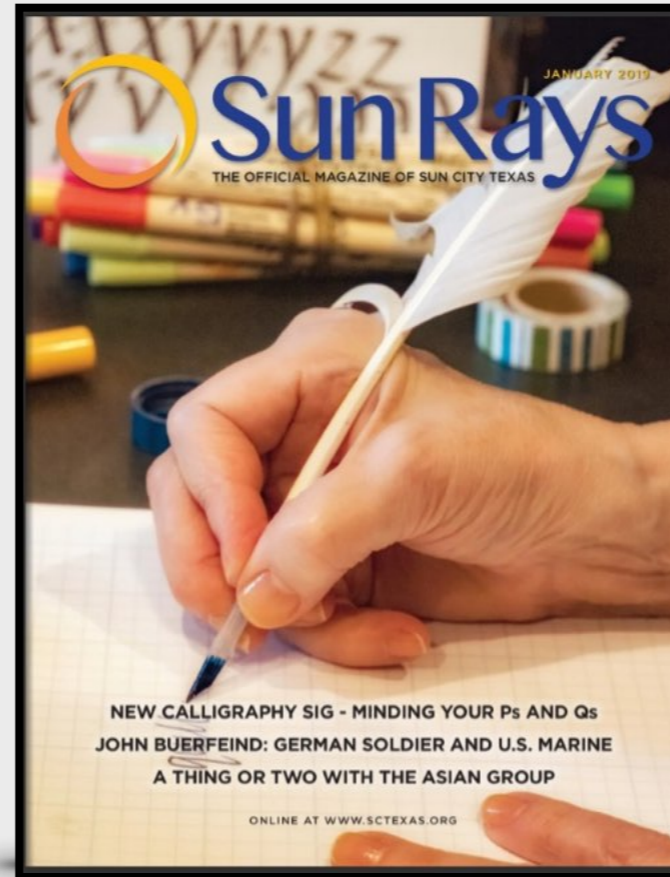
Member Photographer's

images in the January Sun City Magazine *Sun Rays* include Burton Anes, Sherry McRae, Anne Marshall, Chris Meyer, Dave Werner



Congratulations to *Burton Anes* for his image being selected for the front cover of the January *Sun Rays* to highlight the feature article on **Calligraphy**

See photos and article on page 64



Members of the Sun City Scribes SIG gather to practice their craft.

PHOTOS BY BURTON ANES

Calligraphy: minding your p's and q's

By Maureen Griffin

Congratulations to *Sherry McRae* for her image in the feature article Duty Bound in the January *Sun Rays*
See photo and article on page 70



PHOTOS BY SHERRY MCGRAE

John Buerfeind paints in the studio of his Sun City home. Born in California, the course of John's life changed dramatically in 1936 when his family relocated to Germany.

John Buerfeind: Duty Bound

By Jaime Calder

Larry Lorimor submitted a poster to the January *Sun Rays* showing the first place images and winners at the Annual Print Competition December 2, 2018
See page 128



Congratulations to our First Place Award Winners in the Tenth Annual Photo Competition and Exhibition
Richard Barbour, Ruby Picot, Jan McNeill, Rita Johnston
Will Chapman (Best of Show), Ken Johnston (People's Choice)
Walt Grabowski, Mitch Michelutti, Faith Burns, Cindy Wilkinson

Member Recognition

Glenn Rudd received an Honorable Mention in the Large Color Print category



<https://psa-photo.org/>

Round 2 PSA Print Inter-club Competition.

Our club is pleased to be a member of PSA . All club members are eligible to participate in the PSA Print SIG Competitions



Glenn Rudd
"Green Crowned Brilliant"

Allen Utzig and Rick Siersma received an Honorable Mention in the PSA Creative Altered Reality category



Allen Utzig
"Pioneer Homestead"



Rick Siersma
"Kabuki Makeup"



Register on DPReview web site to join. No fees. There are fun challenges each week. Challenges are photographic mini-competitions with no prize other than glory. Open to all DP Review members and judged by popular vote



Burton Anes placed 1st in Dice Challenge



Mitch Michielutti placed 6th in Men with Power Challenge



Patty Michielutti placed 4th in Hat Challenge

Field Tripping with Weldon

Looking Back at the Adventures and Miles traveled in 2018



Weldon Shelton has taken us on exciting adventures near and far in 2018. We have seen ring-tailed Lemurs, Long Horns walking down the street, been baffled by Rock Stacking, smiled with creatures in the Sherwood Forest, rode a bus to the Japanese Gardens, been amazed at the Painted Churches and Titanic Artifacts, sat next to a President, absorbed Texas History, marveled at an Airshow, traveled back in time to concert halls and battle fields. Thanks to Weldon we have wonderful memories. We shared many laughs, enjoyed lunches in exciting places and made new friends while taking amazing photos.



Cameron Zoo Waco
January
Brad Norrick



Fort Worth Stockyard
February
Ginger Tubolski



Llano Rock Stacking
March
Lois Hammelman



Sherwood Forest McDade
April
Roger Murphy



Fort Worth Botanical Gardens
April
Doug Derrer



Painted Churches Schulenburg
May
Keith Walkup



Waco Mayburn Museum
June
Ron Ferreri



Bush Library College Station
July
Alan Sleeper



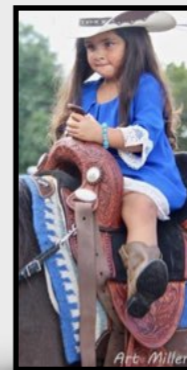
Austin Bullock Museum
August
Rose Simone



Burnet Blue Bonnet Air Show
September
Sherry McRae



Round Top Festival Hill Museum
October
Dave Werner



Smithville Photo Festival
October
Art Miller



Liendo Reenactment
November
Bruce Newlan

SIGs - Classes - Workshops



Travel SIG - Discussions and Hints

Wednesday, January 2, 2019 9 to 11 AM

Activities Center

Coordinator Howie DiBlasi howie@frontier.net

Register on the Photo Club calendar so you can receive e-mails on this and future meetings.

If you are passionate about photography, you love to travel, own a camera and wish to capture stunning pictures, this SIG is for you.



iPHONE PHOTOGRAPHY CLASS

Instructor Bob Bearden

This One 3 hour class on iPhone Photography will be held on Wednesday January 23, 2019 from 9 AM to noon in the Activity Center Game room 1&2. Class limited to 20

Contact Bob at rebsctx@gmail.com 972-935-8879

NIKON: Beginning Photography Class: Get The Picture

Registration on the Photography Club calendar
See January 4, 2019. Watch for eBlasts

Limited to 12 registrations

Beginning in January, a new beginning photography class for NIKON Cameras, is being offered to Photography Club Members. Three classes with one field trip. Classes are on Fridays and the dates are Jan 4, 11, 18. Class time is from 9 to 11:50 AM

Howie DiBlasi will lead the class. He brings decades of photography experience in Travel Storytelling and media production, education, landscape, nature, weddings, travel, NASCAR and sports.

Focus of the class is to:

- Have Fun and learn
- Know your NIKON camera
- Help you take better photographs
- One-on-one sessions
- Understand basic controls and settings
- Using your NIKON camera to take better photographs
- Field Trip photography opportunities
- Review and feedback on homework assignments

Please note that this class emphasis is on the use of and understanding of your NIKON camera.

Howie DiBlasi howie@frontier.net

Special Interest Groups and Workshops



Mentor Discussion Group

All members are welcome as learners, mentors, or both. Topics vary. Check it out!

Coordinator, Jim Newkirk 805-660-8855 newkirk12@mail.com Every Monday - Noon - 2 PM

We will use the **1st Monday** to take a closer look at some equipment and how to use them, including your results.

Ideas for 2019 Monthly Mentor Group Discussions/Photo Challenges:

Using the categories below from the annual print competition (plus a couple more) bring two photos representing each category each corresponding month.

Work with one category for the **2nd Monday** and repeat that same category for the **3rd Monday** to show improvement.

This process would be...a Monthly Category Challenge, then take 2 photos, show the photos on 2nd Monday, then learn from the group review, and reshow two photos using the same photos or completely new photos for that Photo Category.

In summary, after a discussion on a particular category photo we would take that information and return the following Monday to demonstrate our progress.

Categories would be scheduled monthly (the numbers would be the month of the challenge).

Any category can be done as color or monochrome however the #2 Monochrome category would only be monochrome of any subject.

1. Architecture & Structures (hand of man/hand of person)
2. Monochrome (any subject)
3. Landscapes & Seascapes
4. Floral
5. Fauna (animals, birds, lifeforms & insects)
6. Planes, Trains, Ships, Automobiles, Machinery, or any public conveyance
7. Photojournalism, Street Life, and Human Emotion
8. Night Sky
9. Creative (including Painterly, etc)
10. Sports Action (Other than sports in Sun City like Billiards and Bocci Ball, we would need to check on the ability of our members to photograph local high school and college sports)
11. Dance, Portraits, the Human Form, and Still Life
12. Macro Photography

Lightroom demo on the **4th Monday**.

Hopefully, Larry would continue demonstrating Lightroom because it's appreciated and valuable. That be the 4th session.

Special Interest Groups and Workshops

Remembering...
Members 2018 Photos



Nature SIG

Our objective is to capture better nature images by improving our technical and aesthetic skills. Bring your 3 photos on a thumb-disk to the SIG.

Coordinator, Carlos Rio carlos.rio99@gmail.com

Friday, January 25 at 1 pm. Activity Center GR 1
January's Theme - Guys with Wings, Things that Fly

Nature photography refers to a wide range of photography taken outdoors and dedicated to displaying natural elements such as landscapes, wildlife, plants, and close-ups of natural scenes and textures. No hand of man.



January
Colors of Fall
Carol Pedigo



February
It's COLD
Carlos Rio



March
Natures Patterns
Alice Burghart



April
Eyes of Nature
Bill Kendrick



May
Spring has Sprung
Charlie Welsh



June
Sea and Sands
Ursula Pinner



July
Reflections
Walt Grabowski



August
Baked in the Heat
Chis Meyer



September
Trees & Mountains
Gary Graley



October
Moon
Faith Burns



November
Yellow
Rita Johnston

Special Interest Groups and Workshops

Competition SIG

The advantage of participating in the competition portion is that you will receive written comments from three of our club's finest photographers. This SIG is important because it has welcoming, supportive, like-minded members who enjoy sharing positive evaluations through monthly mini-competitions. You will gain confidence and, when comfortable, look forward to entering competitive venues of your choosing. Members welcomed and accepted at any level you do not need to enter an image to attend this SIG. Thank you Rick for continuing to be the Coordinator for this SIG. Rick Siersma. richard.j.siersma@gmail.com

Join Rick Friday, January 25, 2018 at 10 am. Activities Center GR 1



"Rider 1095"
First Place
Jerry Meinzer



"59 Edsel"
Second Place
Mitch Michielutti



"Charge"
Equal Third Place
Rick Siersma



"Strongman"
Equal Third Place
Burton Anes

Special Interest Groups and Workshops

The Photographic Society of America (PSA) is a worldwide organization providing a wide range of services that promote photography and benefits to its members. The Club is a member of PSA which means all club members are eligible to participate in the PSA Digital and Print SIGs in the Club. Must be an individual member to attend the Yellowstone Winter Workshop



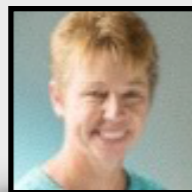
<https://psa-photo.org/>



PSA Digital SIG

The PSA Digital SIG meets 8 times a year to compete in PSA inter-club competition in Nature and Projected Image. No printing, Submittals to PSA are digital. W. Mitch Michielutti, Coordinator PSA Digital meets Wednesday, January 9 at 10 AM. Contact Mitch at ibmitch@me.com

NOTE date change due to Nature Image submission date to PSA



PSA Print SIG

Competition submittals will be un-matted, un-mounted and un-framed, monochrome and color prints. There are four submittals a year to PSA Print. Co chaired by Glenn Rudd and Cheryl Janssen PSA Print meets the third Wednesday at 8:30 AM. Check Calendar for January 16 meeting.

Coffee Klatch



The coffee pot is on! Join Charlie Byers for coffee and conversation on a wide variety of subjects. If you like, bring photos or videos on a thumb drive to share with the group. MONDAY JANUARY 14 10am - Activities Center GR 1 NOTE date change due to room availability



All SIGs and Workshops meet in the Activity Center Game Rooms 1 & 2 located at 1 Texas Drive, Sun City TX

Special Interest Groups and Workshops



Photoshop SIG

Allen Utzig - Co ordinating
Check Calendar and watch for eBlast

The Photoshop SIG will meet on the first Monday of each month at 2:15 in Game rooms 1 & 2. See January 7th on the calendar.

The Photoshop training Group will meet at 1:00 PM on the second Friday of the month, January 11.

We will hold the Photoshop Lab in Game rooms 1 & 2 of the Texas Drive Amenity Center on the Monday following the training group. See January 14 at 2:15.

The Altered Reality group will meet on the second Wednesday of the month. See January 16 at 10. We will meet in Game rooms 1 & 2.

Allen Utzig autzig@outlook.com



Jim Sandham
the 2019
Field Trip Director

Jim is putting together exciting adventures for 2019. He encourages the members input and is seeking an assistant. Contact Jim at jsandham77@gmail.com 281-638-1627. Watch the Club Calendar for the 2019 schedule.

FUN FRIDAY FOTO - SOCIAL - January 25, 4pm-6pm - Activity Center Studio GR 1 & 2.

You are encouraged to bring a thumb drive with any photo's you would like to share. This is not a contest. Our only task is to enjoy the photos you took along with your stories of the event and enjoy some social time with club members.

Bring a favorite treat or finger food to share. Provide your own beverage - beer and wine - if you like. Napkins, plates, forks and glasses furnished. Ice available in kitchen area. We'll enjoy the snacks, sip our beverages, have a few laughs and share some pictures and welcome in 2019. Hosts: Randal Best & Jim Sandham.
No photos, No problem, please come and enjoy the show and conversation.

Cowan Creek Amenity Center exhibits 15 images each month. Change out will be Wednesday, January 2, 2019 Register on the club Calendar for hanging date of February 5, 2019
Thanks Dee Sams for managing this venue in 2018. Welcome Sally and Alan Graham.



Sally & Alan Graham

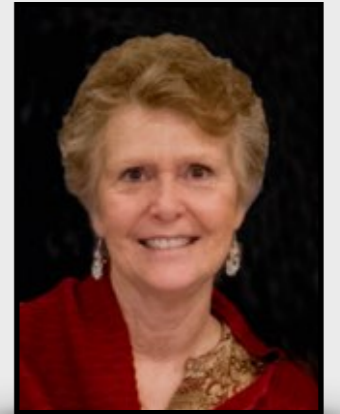


Walt Grabowski

A NOTE FROM MARLENE: As the New Year begins, I wanted to let you know that I am "retiring" as webmaster after a lot of fun years. Cathy O'Connor will be "the" webmaster and newsletter editor as we begin 2019.

And, I'll take this opportunity to say how great it is to work with all members of the Photography Club - a great way to make lasting friendships.

Thank you to Marlene Sloan for her time and talent in managing the Photographer of the Month exhibit at Cowan Creek and serving as our club webmaster. Marlene has done an amazing job serving our membership.

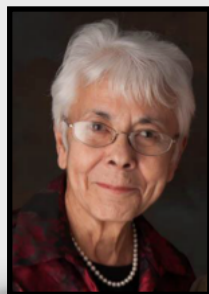


Marlene Sloan

New Faces

Volunteers are so appreciated in our community and certainly in our photography club. We have two newer members who have stepped forward to do hanging jobs at Cowan Creek. Sally Graham (and Alan) will be taking over the monthly exhibit from Dee Sams (and Wayne).

Walt Grabowski will be taking over the Photographer of the Month hanging from Marlene Sloan. So, be looking for these new faces at Cowan and thank them for their service.



The Legacy Grille exhibits five Themed photos in the foyer. Register on Club Calendar, hanging date Saturday, January 26.
Contact Marcela Stegemueller marcelastegemueller@gmail.com



The Activity Center The Activity Center exhibits 17 images each month. Change out will be January 2. Please register on the Club Calendar for the February hanging. Thanks Dean Ginther for managing this venue. dean.ginther@gmail.com



Cathy O'Connor
the 2019
Newsletter Director

Cathy is taking over the Newsletter Director's position starting with the February 2019 edition of the Viewfinder. Cathy brings newsletter experience to the club. She will continue to serve as the club Webmaster. Beginning in January all news and photos for the newsletter will be sent to her. Contact Cathy at cathy0114@gmail.com

Bits & Pixels



The Sun City Photography Club's Facebook page. Alice Burghart requests members share their images on the SCPC Facebook page. All Members are welcome to join. Check it out.. [Click](#)

Please contact Susie Peters at the January General Meeting. Susie will be at the sign in desk or contact her at 630-697-8383 [niceneasy104@gmail.com](mailto:niceeasy104@gmail.com). Minimum of three tags needed to order.

Magnetic Name Tags

Texas Tech's 'High and Dry' photography exhibit on display into January

<https://www.lubbockonline.com/news/20181221/texas-techs-high-and-dry-photography-exhibit-on-display-into-january>

Glenn Rudd and Wes Odell each placed and their photographs were among the 70 selected to be exhibited out of the 400 that were submitted, including several from international sources in the 2018 High and Dry Photo Contest sponsored by Texas Tech University. In its 18th year, the prestigious contest, titled "High and Dry: A Photographic Exhibition of Peoples and Places of the World's Dry Lands," highlights the works of the International Center for Arid and Semi-Arid Land Studies (ICASALS), a division of the Office of International Affairs at Texas Tech.

Submitted by Wes Odell

Emergency ID Tags Weldon Shelton 713-899-7685 zjet67@sbcglobal.net
Contact Weldon for information about this important ICE tag





I am stepping down as the Newsletter Director with the January 2019 edition of the Viewfinder. I assembled my first newsletter June 2017. It was a learning experience. Each month the newsletter changed as I evolved. I over-used fonts and colors and emojis. I broke grammar rules. Then the totally unexpected happened...I won the 2018 Directors Award from PSA in their Newsletter competition.

Thanks to the newsletter, I have met many members I otherwise would not have. It gave me the opportunity to discover and appreciate the diversity and talent of the photographers in our club. Thank you to the members who provided support, encouragement, information, photos and articles to the newsletter each month. I will miss the monthly interaction. Most of all, I will miss having the first glimpse of the club news.

I look forward to Cathy O'Connor's February issue bringing fresh ideas to the *viewfinder*.

Patty Michielutti

viewfinder

In January, contact Cathy O'Connor, cathy0114@gmail.com incoming Newsletter Director.

The *viewfinder* Newsletter is published monthly and distributed to all photo club members via email.

Current and past newsletters are on the club website.

[Newsletter Guidelines](#)