

Sharp Focus

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Our World in Motion

The world we live in is in constant motion. The Earth rotates turning night into day and day into night. Our world revolves around the Sun turning Winter into Spring (eventually the weather will match the calendar). The countryside whizzes past us on the way to work - at the legal speed limit of course. Others rush past us when we're out for a run or a bike ride. My favorite part is sitting on the patio with a cold drink, a dog in my lap watching the barn swallows swoop to get their evening meal.

Hopefully I have inspired you with some ideas on how to get out and capture some images of our world in motion. That is the theme of the special class in the Photography Salon at this year's Iowa State Fair. Please join us at the May 5th club meeting as we welcome Charlie Starnes, Superintendent of the Iowa State Fair Photography Salon. Charlie will speak on what it takes to successfully compete in this very competitive photo contest. Bring your prints of our world in motion to show off or have critiqued by other club members.

May is the month of the club officer elections. The elected board members; Mark Hayes, president; Danny Barker, vice president and Teresa Vokoun, secretary-treasurer have all agreed to serve the club for another year. Of course we will still take nominations from the membership if anyone wishes to run for one of these positions. The board will also be looking to fill the appointed position of recording secretary and will be recruiting in the absence of a qualified (qualified means being able to read your own handwriting) volunteer. The recording secretary will need to be available for the regularly scheduled board meetings (2nd Thursday of the month, August through May).

Don't forget, June is the last club meeting of the 2010-11 year and also our last contest. The contest theme is 'Agricultural Scenes'. As we all live in the heart of the country's farmland, there should be plenty of images to enjoy.

The club will have a display at the Linn Creek Arts Festival to be held July 17, 2011. We intend to display member's photos and provide membership materials. Volunteers are/will be recruited. This is a good opportunity to mingle with other artist and members of the community.

The board has been working hard to develop next year's contest and program schedule and some of that has been previously communicated. We have also been discussing the advantages/disadvantages of the large meeting room we have been using this year. Thanks go to Jim Davis for securing the small room previously used for the club meetings for our 2011-12 meeting year. The sound and lighting control is much better in Room A and works better for some of the discussions that take place during the club meetings.

Please excuse me now as I go out to capture some of our world in motion.

Mark Hayes 

Club Contest winners Churches

Name	Date 2011	Category	Level	Score	Award	Title
April						
Jim Davis		Color print	Adv.	44	1st	Tallinn, Estonia
Mark George			Adv.	42	2nd	St Joseph's church
Roger Allen			Adv.	39	3rd	A house of prayer in a pretty place
Dori Jurgenson			Int.	38	1st	God is with you
Rosemary Lyle			Int.	35	2nd	Stained glass window
Denise Isaacson			Int.	27	3rd	Heavenly roof top
Kris George			Nov.	35	1st	Old church
B/W print						
Meg Klink		B/W print	Adv.	37	1st	Cross
Ed Siems			Adv.	37	2nd	Primitive church
Roger Allen			Adv.	33	3rd	Concentrate on the cross-if you can
Denise Isaacson			Int.	37	1st	Lord is my light
Cherie Souhrada			Int.	33	2nd	Station of the cross
Denise Isaacson			Int.	33	3rd	Steeples
Digital slide						
Tom Knight		Digital slide	Adv.	41	1st	Stage coach road church
Mark George			Adv.	39	2nd	Norwegian stave church
Dick Eberhart			Adv.	39	3rd	Ancient synagogue
Victoria Shepherd			Int.	45	1st	Lutheran church, E. Wiota, WI
Denise Christian			Int.	35	2nd	Lost craftsmanship
Cherie Souhrada			Int.	33	3rd	Church on the rock
Kayleen Rouse			Nov.	36	1st	Polly's chapel
Kayleen Rouse			Nov.	29	2nd	Gunder Lutheran church



Dick is our club librarian and has been holding the books and VCR tapes on educational materials pertaining to photography. These items have been in the library for many years for club members to use and some are relevant for today but most are outdated. He will be bringing these items to the next two meetings and you are welcome to take whatever you would like. Those that you don't want will be pitched. Dick has suggested that we go digital for educational material. The link below is for the N4C and has much photographic educational information. He will also come up with other educational sites, like YouTube and other web sites that will be helpful.

http://www.n4c.us/photography_links.htm

March N4C Contest Winners

Color Print 1st Ed Siems



Creative Print 2nd Ed Siems



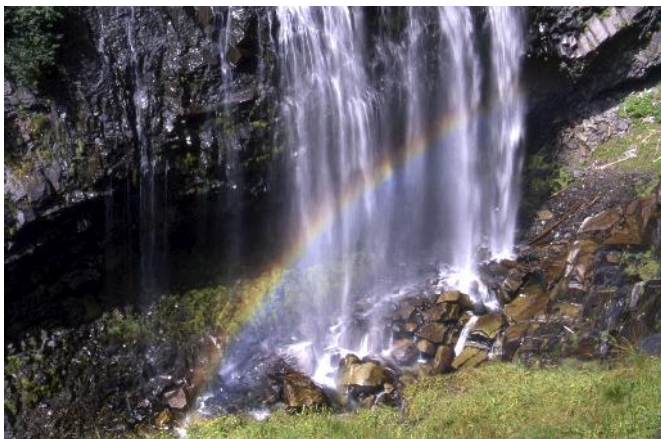
Nature Print 2nd Teresa Vokoun



Nature Print 3rd Dan Barker



Nature Slide 3rd Teresa Vokoun



P.J. Print H.M. Ed Siems



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Statement of Purpose

The Central Iowa Camera Club exists to promote the understanding and practice of photography in Central Iowa. Membership is open to persons without regard to their photographic knowledge, experience, sex, age, race, or creed.

Meetings are held at Fisher Community Center at 7:00 p.m., the first Thursday of the month - September through June. Programs are planned to be of interest to beginning through advanced photographers and to those who enjoy viewing the photographic art.

Dues are \$10.00 student, \$20.00 single, \$27.00 family, and are due the first meeting in September.

Deadline

Sharp Focus articles are due to the Editor no later than **10th of every month!**

CICC ON THE WEB

Web Address

<http://centraliowacameraclub.com>



Technique

Focus, Lighting, color rendition, exposure, print quality, mounting.

Composition

Arrangement of all elements within the picture area so that the subject matter is presented as a harmonious well balanced photograph.

Interest

Originality, imagination interpretation, subject, impact, mood, humor, etc.

2010-2011 Contest Schedule

October	Open
December	Nature
February	Creative
April	Churches
June	Agriculture

N4C NEWS BULLETIN

To receive the N4C News Bulletin
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Need Help With Photoshop?

If any of you have questions,
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I will research your question
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Ken Johnson

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