

Sharp Focus

NORTH CENTRAL CAMERA CLUB COUNCIL MEMBER

MARSHALLTOWN, IOWA

Issue 3

October 2011

Have Camera (or Not), Will Travel

As I write this I am sitting in our daughter's home in Aubrey, Texas. I drove down yesterday and will attend the World Series game tonight between the Texas Rangers and the St. Louis Cardinals. If all goes as planned the Rangers will soundly thump the Cards.

I chose not to bring a camera on this trip. Sometimes I find I enjoy the experience more without the 'extra baggage'. I once saw the results of a study by a psychology professor that found that experiences make us more happy than possessions. Cheryl and I have found that to be true as we make an effort to spend our discretionary income and time on experiences. A World Series game is a completely different experience compared to a regular season game. Those who are not baseball fans would enjoy a World Series game in person. I had a chance to go to game five of the World Series last year and my camera seemed to get in the way. This year I am attending without a camera and will use my grey matter to store the digital images.

October was/is a busy month for the club. We held our regular meeting and first contest of the year on the 6th. On the 7th a few of the club members attended the open house for the club display at the Central Iowa Art Association. Then on the 8th about 20 members and spouses enjoyed some food, drink and conversation together at Legends - a good time was had by all. But it's not over yet. We still have to take down the club display at the CIAA. This activity is scheduled for Thursday, October 27 at 7PM. Please assist with this effort to retrieve your displayed photos. I will store your photos until the next club meeting if you are unable to attend.

The club program for the November meeting will be a little out of the norm for us, but promises to be very interesting. Joe Boyles from the Polk County Conservation Department will present some of his work with raptors.

Make sure you have your nature photos ready for the December club contest. This is usually our largest contest of the year in regards to photos entered. If recent contests are any indication, we should all enjoy viewing some high-quality images. I can't wait.

Now I'm off to spend some time with our grandchildren and then prepare for a Cardinal butt-whooping! ;)

Mark Hayes



I happened on a Web site a few days ago that I found to be interesting - and would be more so if I had more time to spend looking at it. You might take a look and see. It is: <http://news.uglyhedgehog.com/b-19241-03-055>

Roger Allen

Camera Club Meeting
Fisher Community Center
7:00 pm November 3

Board Meeting
7:00pm
November 10

2011-2012 Contest Schedule

October Open
December Nature
February Blue
April Night
May Water
June Open

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 or experience.

Meetings

September through June
First Thursday of the Month
7:00 to 9:00 PM
Fisher Community Center
709 South Center Street
Marshalltown, Iowa

Membership Dues

Student Membership \$10.00
Single Membership \$20.00
Family Membership \$27.00

October open contest winners

		Level	Score	Award
Jim Svec Danny Barker Garry Brandenburg Sheryl Rutledge Sheryl Rutledge Rosemary Lyle Steven Cordes David Geise	Color print	Adv.	45	1st Profile
		Adv.	43	2nd Fall's many colors
		Adv.	42	3rd Mmm, this is very good
		Int.	36	1st Last man standing
		Int.	36	2nd Chicory
		Int.	35	3rd Break of dawn
		Nov.	31	1st Budding beauty
		Nov.	30	2nd Lettuce laundry
Ed Siems Teresa Vokoun Mark George Denice Isaacson Sheryl Rutledge Denice Isaacson	B/W print	Adv.	42	1st Iceland, land of waterfalls
		Adv.	41	2nd Rocky coastline
		Adv.	39	3rd So many have fallen
		Int.	33	1st The gathering
		Int.	33	2nd The path
		Int.	29	3rd Paws in time
Jim Svec Ed Siems Meg Klink Cherie Souhrada Rosemary Lyle Joe Ludley Kris George Kris George	Digital slide	Adv.	40	1st Returning with lunch
		Adv.	40	2nd The oyster catcher
		Adv.	39	3rd Garden gate
		Int.	38	1st Drive through fall colors
		Int.	35	2nd Waterproof UP 4141, a commemorative locomotive
		Int.	34	3rd
		Nov.	36	1st Lily pond reflection
		Nov.	34	2nd Garden's home

N4C Winning Photos for September from our club

2x2 Nature slide Ed Siems 1st



Digital Nature Bill Williamson 1st



Creative Print
Teresa Vokoun 1st



Digital Creative Bill Williamson H.M.



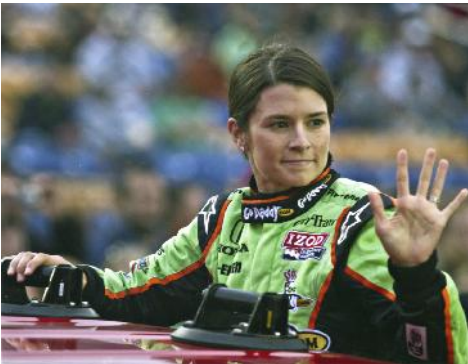
Digital Nature Teresa Vokoun H.M.



Creative Print
Ed Siems H.M.



Photo J Print Ed Siems H.M.



B&W Print Teresa Vokoun H.M.



Photo-Travel Print
Ed Siems 2nd



Nature Print Ed Siems H.M.



Photo-Travel Slide Ed Siems H.M.



Joe Boyles works for the Polk County Conservation Department. He will be speaking on raptors and will have digital photos of different kinds and their habitat. He was involved in the osprey release at Jester State Park. He is a very interesting and informative speaker.



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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.

2011-2012

Contest Schedule

October	Open
December	Nature
February	Color Blue
April	Night
May	Water
June	Open

N4C NEWS BULLETIN

To receive the N4C News Bulletin
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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!**

Need Help With Photoshop?

If any of you have questions,
please send me an email kandsjohnson@mchsi.com.

I will research your question
and write an article about it in the next issue.

Ken Johnson

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