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December 2006 Newsletter

From the Prez:

Can you believe it is December already?! I hope everyone was able to make their own Christmas cards after seeing how easy it can be from Kathie, Kay, and Steve at the November meeting. I always enjoy the Workshops program - such a wealth of ideas from our members. . . .

I want to thank the members who agreed to serve on the Lending Library Committee and I look forward to a recommendation from them in the next couple of months. If you have ideas, please contact Cris Burgess, Amanda Flowers or Triston Kirt. . . .

Many thanks to Chris Holdwick for researching and ordering the banner. It is weather resistant, and with the grommets will be easy to use at any of our club events. . . .

I hope to see you all at the Holiday dinner - it's a great time to relax and enjoy the camaraderie of other photo geeks and those that live with them!

Keep on Clicking,

Marilyn Hoogstraten

Notes of congratulations . . .

. . . to Tom Haxby for his photograph "Dune" published in the winter issue of Whisper in the Woods Nature Journal . . .

. . . to several TACC members who have their Traverse City Convention and Visitors Bureau winter photo contest entries hung in the Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore Visitors Center in Empire - check out this beautiful display . . .

Pat Kenny has a photo hung at the TC Visitors & Convention Bureau from their winter contest.

Board Minutes of November 16, 2006

Present: Marilyn, Kay, Donna, Chris, Cris, Hugh, Steve, Lori, Kathie, Chad, Heidi, and Barb

The meeting came to order at 5:35 PM.

The agenda was reviewed and changed as requested.

The secretary's minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed and approved and by motion were accepted.

Treasurer: Treasurer reported a balance of \$4805.23, and \$1085.77 in the scholarship fund. No report in the budget yet.

Membership: There are 72 members who have paid dues. The CC banner was picked up today and is on display for the board.

By-Laws: Kay has completed and typed the revised bylaws. They will be sent out to the board members before the Jan. meeting giving them time to make any changes or corrections, before they are published in Feb.

Holiday dinner: It will be held Dec 14, and the price is \$ 12, Make the check out to the Presbyterian Church and send it to Babs Young, 4246 Blue Heaven Ln, Eastport, MI,49627. Dinner will be served at 6PM and the program will start at 7PM.

Art Fair: Tent has been purchased. No other report.

Newsletter: Kay needs monthly minutes and news by Dec. 8.

Lending Library: Cris has gone the books, and submitted the catalogue. A committee is necessary to decide whether to buy DVDs or books

Seminar: no report.

Mentor: We need suggestions for names to complete the bio brochure so that people can

contact the mentors for help with PC and MAC, camera use, photoshop, etc.

It was announced that the competition and digital groups will meet at Munson Health Center, classroom A and B, since we are not able to use the church.

It was decided by motion to purchase a DVD by Scott Kalvy. Babs Young will order.

The club has two books by Todd Reid. It was agreed to raffle them at the Christmas dinner, money to go to the scholarship fund., \$2 a ticket or 3/\$5.

Competition: Discussion revolved around setting guidelines for digital manipulation. A committee will be formed to decide how it affects artistic value, and the President will talk to Rick Loy. Meeting adjourned at 6:36PM. *Respectfully submitted, Barbara White*

Remember - if you have email you can read the newsletter online or download it to save for future reference.

For those PC users who do not have software to read PDF files, you can download and install the Adobe Reader or a small but effective program called Foxit. If you have questions, contact Jerry Boner at jerryb@chartermi.net .

Scavenger Hunt Results

The scavenger hunt is off to a great start. 'Animals', the first subject came in with a tie. Donna Lane and Kathy Carpenter shared the honors. The second subject was 'Sand' and the honors went to Marilyn Hoogstraten.

We will not do a vote at the December 'meeting' and January will be off site so we will vote on two again the next time. This time at the February meeting. *Steve Engle*



For sale: A yellow Camera Club Tee shirt, size XL, never been worn, too big, price \$15. Call Barb White at 941-0777, or brubarb@chartermi.net.

December 14th Program/Christmas Party

The Christmas dinner begins at 6:00PM on Thursday, December 14. The program, which begins at 7:00, will be some of our own members talking about their experiences as volunteer photographers for the National Cherry Festival and of course showing some of their many images. The cost of the dinner will remain \$12 per person and families and other guests are welcome.

Babs Young will be collecting the money for the dinner at the November competition, digital and regular meetings. You are also welcome to mail a check to her at PO Box 464 Eastport, MI 49627.



TACC Programs 2006-2007

December 14 (note change of date) - - Cherry Festival in December

January 18- Dave Speckman Product, still-life photography at the studio

February 15- Tom Auch

March 15 - Infrared Bette Bos

April 19- Ken Scott

April 23, 26 and 27 - Jim Blue digital photography classes

May 17- John Russell

October 17-28 – Seminar

Competition Topics

Competition nights are on the 1st Mondays of the month at 5:45 pm at The Presbyterian Church. The Topics for the year are the following:

January 8: Up Close & Personal

February: Food

March: Music

April: Games

May: Architectural Interior

June: Perspective

The Registration Form for 2006-07 membership can be found on TACC's website, www.tacconline.com. Print it off the website and mail it to Chad Tufts with your dues. Chad's address is on the form.



By Steve Engle

Digital

Digital Meetings are on the second Saturdays at 9 am at The Presbyterian Church.. Topics for the year are as follows: (second Saturday 9-11 am)

January: Black and white techniques in CS2 covering color mixing, grayscale and printing. Is there a difference in processing raw in black & white? Kathy Silbernagel

February: Scanners, software, twain, digital "ice", - high quality vs. low quality & how to tell the difference.

March: Proper use of sharpening on Photoshop. Difference between printing at home vs. a lab.

April: How to check out a new camera? How to reduce grain with night photography. Know what ISO to use with digital. Digital photography techniques. Using white balance. Jim Blue

May: Relative merits of CD & DVD for archiving. Choosing a site to host your photos. Alan Newton

June: Working with channels and layers. Terry Clark

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2007 Seminar Update

The board of directors has chosen award winning travel photographer Nevada Wier for our next seminar at Milliken Auditorium on Saturday and Sunday October 27-28, 2007.

Nevada based in Santa Fe, New Mexico, has traveled to all corners of the world to photograph. Asia, India, Nepal, and Africa are just a few of the countries she has been to.

She has been published in Adventure, Geo, National Geographic, Outdoor Photographer and many other magazines.

She also has several photographic books out including The Land of the Dragons, Vietnam Today, Adventure Travel Photography, A Day in the Life of Thailand, and several others.

Whether you plan to travel to Northern Ireland or Northern Michigan, Nevada promises this will be a learning experience for all who attend.

Starting in April when I return for the South we will form a committee and begin work in earnest on the seminar.

With everyone's help this will be a great two days and another successful seminar for our club and all who attend.

Duane Dinse, Seminar Chairperson

Show Your Club Colors

Here is an opportunity to show your club colors. We will be selling sweatshirts, t-shirts, hats, and bumper stickers with all proceeds going to help fund club activities. And maybe even attract new membership to the club.

Sweatshirts*	\$30.00 embroidered logo
T-shirts*	\$25.00 screen print logo
Hats	\$20.00 embroidered logo
Bumper stickers	\$3.00
\$2.00 more for XXL sizes	

You can see examples of what they look like at any of our club meetings. Ask Chris Holdwick (membership director) for details. Please have cash or checks available when you order.



Night Time Light Field Trip

By John Russell

A group of Traverse Area Camera Club members and guests gathered at the Horizon Shine Cafe Thursday evening, December 7th, to explore the details of capturing nighttime lights in downtown Traverse City. The annual event, which has been held in rain, snow, wind, and calm, was tutored by John Russell, a TACC board member and local camera person.

The weather this year was tolerable, with chilly temperatures and wet roadways, due to some warming weather. Wind was a factor in some places downtown, causing movement in the tree lights and forcing photographers to search for a way to either calm the movement or capture it with their newfound knowledge of light and exposures. Shutter speeds and ISO settings became important.

They always are in this kind of endeavour.

Members learned the importance of a steady platform (a tripod), cable releases, and how to function without one, shutter speeds and their effect on the outcome of the moving traffic, and exposures - capturing the available light successfully.

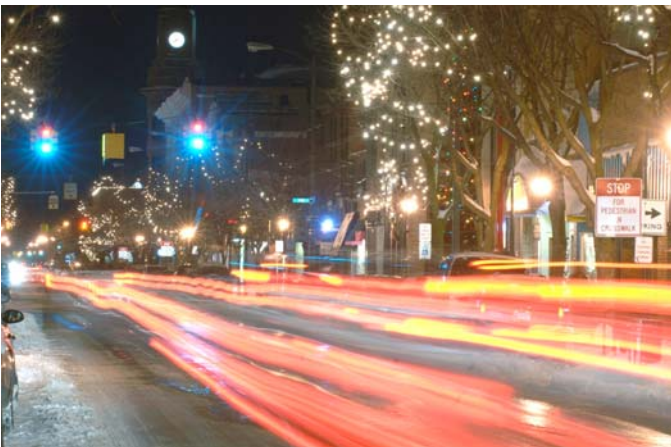


Photo taken at 100 ISO, F/16, at 120mm on an f/2.8 zoom lens, with the vibration reduction switch turned on.....it is about 15 seconds long, capturing the moving traffic down Front Street.

Another View of the Seasonal Field Trip with John Russell

By Marilyn Hoogstraten

In a seasonal tradition, John Russell led a Night Light workshop/field trip last week. A good sized group met at Horizon Book's lower level cafe for some shooting tips from John, then hit Front Street to take some photos. A few hardy souls trekked down to Sixth Street and got some shots of the Reynolds Jonkoff funeral home, shown here.

As we got ready to hike back, Kay Smith was going to wait for her husband to pick her up. Rick Loy suggested she wait inside the funeral home to keep warm, but when Tom Haxby suggested that she was too cold and stiff and they might decide to keep her and measure her for a coffin, she decided to hike back with us!

As always, a good time - and a great learning experience - thanks, John!



Results of Competition December 2006-Assignment: "Reflections"

--- Club Standings to Date ---

See you on Monday January 8th - Assignment: "Up Close and Personal"

Beginner / 60 points result in advancement to the Intermediate Class

Name	Entry Points	Merit Points	Place Points	Competition Total	Previous Accumulated Total	Club Accumulated Total
Browning, Heidi					9	9
Burgess, Cris					13	13
Clark, Jody	1	3	6	10	5	15
Courville,					13	13
Flowers, Amanda	1	1	3	5	18	23
Hoadley, Rich					5	5
Johnson, Ron					15	15
Kenny, Pat	1	2	6	9	12	21
Koehler, Jay					4	4
Lane, Donna					53	53
Lewis, Carolyn					2	2
Longshore, Robert					5	5
Loy, Leslie					28	28
Moore, Mindy					31	31
Newton, Alan					40	40
Sanderson, Dick					35	35
Silbernagel, Kathy					34	34
Wilber, Ruth					15	15

Intermediate / 120 points result in advancement to the Advanced Class

Name	Entry Points	Merit Points	Place Points	Competition Total	Previous Accumulated Total	Club Accumulated Total
Batdorff, Steve					40	40
Bodjack, Sandy	1	4	12	17	80	97
Boner, Jerry	1	3	2	6	5	11
Clark, Terry	1	4	11	16	102	118
Dittmer, Linda					8	8
Hood, Jack					1	1
Johns, Russ					20	20
Pickering, Ken	1	4	10	15	25	40
Piggott, Lori	1	3	8	12	58	70
Rea, Hugh					10	10
Todd, Kelly					0	0
Tufts, Chad					16	16
Ulrich, Mary Jane					60	60
Vanoy, Dana					13	13
Young, Babs					92	92

Advanced / 180 points result in advancement to the Master Class

Name	Entry Points	Merit Points	Place Points	Competition Total	Previous Accumulated Total	Club Accumulated Total
Baker, Julie					0	0
Bodjack, Bruce	1	2	2	5	19	24
Carpenter, Kathie					15	15
Haxby, Tom	1	4	6	11	87	98
Hoogstraten, Marilyn	1	4	7	12	91	103
Henry, Richard					49	49
Loy, Rick	1	3	6	10	61	71
Tempelton, Dick					53	53
Wilson, Bill	1	0	0	1	126	127

Master

Name	Entry Points	Merit Points	Place Points	Competition Total	Previous Accumulated Total	Club Accumulated Total
Baja, Glenn					40	40
Engle, Steve	1	3	5	9	9	18
Harvey, Dave					65	65