



# ***THE NEWS BULLETIN***

## **THE NORTH CENTRAL CAMERA CLUB COUNCIL**

*Where Names Become Faces and Faces Become Friends*

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### **NEW N4C Judging Clubs for FEBRUARY**

#### **PICTORIAL SLIDES**

Heart O'Lakes Camera Club  
c/o Glen Merz  
208 East Alcott Avenue  
Fergus Falls, MN 56537

#### **BLACK & WHITE PICTORIAL A&B NATURE PRINTS A&B**

Des Moines Camera Club  
P.O. Box 8364  
Des Moines, IA 50301

## **February N4C President's Message**

Got those cabin fever blues! It's been cold here in Des Moines. Over the Christmas holidays we had the extreme cold, then we had the ice storm, followed by the big snowstorm. I know it has been just as bad in the rest of N4C land. We get up, go to work (driving extremely cautiously!), go back home, and do it all over again. Anyway, along about this time of the year it seems as though we tend to put away our cameras. I know some are brave, dress warmly, protect their cameras, go out and take some absolutely fabulous winter photos. However, I think the majority of us tend to say, I'll wait for better weather, and hole up inside.

I want to suggest a few options for winter photography. A couple of friends and I went to Reiman Gardens in Ames over the Martin Luther King holiday weekend. For those of you who do not know Reiman Gardens, it is located in Ames, IA. Reiman Gardens has gardens inside and outside. It also has a wonderful butterfly wing. It is a glass enclosure shaped like a butterfly opening its wings. Reiman Gardens is associated with Iowa State University (ISU). ISU has permission from the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) to receive and raise over 400 species of butterflies from around the world. At any given time they have approximately 40-60 species.

## **N4C SUPPLY REQUISITION**

It's time again to get your orders in for supplies you need for the year 2005-2006.

The Supply Chairperson will be taking the orders to Springbrook and will expect you, or someone you have asked, to pick them up there, saving N4C a lot of money.

Please contact Vernice Kingsbury by mail or by e-mail  
[fvkings@gpcom.net](mailto:fvkings@gpcom.net)

Supplies include forms, ribbons, awards, medals, etc.

In one area you can see the butterflies in the chrysalis stage. Then go into the butterfly wing and try your luck at photographing them. It takes patience and practice. Expect to have a lot of misses, because just as you snap the shutter the butterfly moves onto a better flower. It's fun! For the first time that Sunday I saw a butterfly release. The handler brought in a wire cage that looked be a foot wide in all directions. She lifted up the lid and carefully put her finger under the butterflies one at a time and sat them on a plant. Some of the butterflies flew right away and others just hung around for a while getting used to their new environment.

There is also a conservatory filled with flowers. Right now they have an exhibit called "Oh, Orchids". And are they beautiful! The orchids will be there until early March. The orchids are opening in different stages, so there will always be some in prime bloom. Photographing flowers can also be challenging, but at least they don't flit away just as you snap the shutter.

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## N4C NEWS NOTES!

### SOUVENIR PHOTOS

Ed Jones, member of the Ames Camera Club, has had the privilege of making many trips to various parts of the Middle East. His purpose is to assist new universities as they develop engineering programs that meet generally accepted international standards.

His photographs are his souvenirs, and at a January meeting of the club he showed selected photographs from 3-6 countries, including the American University of Sharjah.

—Ames CC *LEADING LINES*

“Laughter is inner jogging.”

—Norman Cousins

### ANOTHER TY SMEDES TOUR

Ty Smedes of the Des Moines Camera Club led a trip to the Eastern Sierras last fall, and it was such a success that he is going to lead another one, and would like to invite N4C members.

Ty will be leading another week-long photo-tour to the Eastern Sierras on Oct. 1st, 2005. Photo-subjects are numerous and stunning. They will include the weathered buildings of the ghost town of Bodie, the tufa formations of Mono Lake, the scenic vistas of Yosemite Park, the amazing rock formations and arches of the Alabama Hills, the gnarled trees of the Ancient Bristle Cone Pine Forest, and the stunning fall colors of the Sierras. N4C members are invited!

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### N4C DUES ARE DUE

The N4C Treasurer writes, “I would like to add a little blurb in the Newsletter if you could regarding those clubs who have not sent in their dues.

They are:

Fargo-Moorhead

Lamar

Linn Area

Northeast Iowa

Omaha

Topeka

Upper Missouri

Women's Color Photo

**Dues payment should be sent to:**

Lynda Richards, N4C Treasurer  
4236 – 228th Ave.  
Hartford, IA 50118

### CAMERA CLUB BINGO

At their annual Christmas party members of the Grand Island Camera Club played “Camera Club Bingo”, which had been prepared by Delores Rose.

—Grand Island CC *A DIFFERENT ANGLE*

### BAFA MONTH

Sioux Falls Camera Club announced on the front page of their newsletter that “January is BAFA\* Month!” (\*Bring A Friend Along). Read their news at.....[www.geocities.com/sfcameraclub](http://www.geocities.com/sfcameraclub)

—Sioux Falls CC *THE SIOUX PROJECTOR*

### SYMPATHY

The Cedar Rapids Camera Club lost two members last year:

**Floy Erickson** in August and **George Wortman** in October.

**Lyle Glass' father** passed away the week after Thanksgiving.



## N4C Contest Results

### PICTORIAL SLIDES

- 1st - "First Light"  
Tom Ling, Duluth-Superior
- 2nd - "Zion Balers"  
Steve Paulson, Sioux City
- 3rd - "Hood Doo Night"  
Tom Smith, Heart O'Lakes
- HM - Vertical View #s"  
Morris Gildemeister, Kaposia
- HM - "Pittsburgh at Dusk"  
Jean McDonough, Women's Color
- HM - "You Say Tomatahs"  
Ron Balthazor, Sioux Falls

There were 68 slides entered by 13 clubs. The judging club was the Des Moines Camera Club. The judges were Dwight Tomes, Jeff Traviss, and Diane Darnielle. The judging committee chairman was Jayne Owen.

The winners were outstanding and really rose to the top of the class. [The returned reporting form did not contain points for the winners.]

There were several interesting photo ideas which inspired judges to try something new in their own photography.

Some of the glass mounted slides sent were received broken. Given the machines that envelopes are sent through at the Post Office, you need industrial strength packaging if you are going to mail glass mounted slides.

### NATURE SLIDES

- 1st - "A Great View" 39  
Scott Thomson, Duluth-Superior
- 2nd - "Rebirth" 38  
Linda Jameson, Women's Color
- 3rd - "3 King Penguins" 38  
Jean McDonough, Women's Color
- HM - "Slot Canyon Walls" 37  
Delores Meister, Iowa City
- HM - "Peek-A-Boo X 3" 36  
Morris Gildemeister, Kaposia
- HM - "There's One in Every Crowd" 35  
Tom Ling, Duluth-Superior

There were 60 slides entered by 14 clubs. The judging club was the Topeka Camera Club. The judges were Scott, Darly Hurley, and Elizabeth Gilman. The judging committee chairman was Phil Gilman.

Two slides were disqualified as not nature. A nice variety and all came in a timely fashion.

### BLACK AND WHITE PICTORIAL PRINTS CLASS

- A**
- 1st - "Yellowstone Institute" 44  
Gary Renier, Fargo-Moorhead
- 2nd - "Romantic Plans" 40  
Diane Darnielle, Des Moines
- 3rd - "Pioneer Church #1" 40  
Morris Gildemeister, Kaposia
- HM - "Horse Cultivator" 39  
Richard Southwick, Heart O'Lakes
- HM - "Silver Corks" 39  
Bob Rude, Iowa City
- H - "Lake Superior Morning" 38  
Donna Hero, Duluth-Superior

There were 32 prints entered by 8 clubs. The judging club was the Sioux City Camera Club. The judges were Ron Nicolls, John Anderson, and Mike Dunlop. The judging committee chairman was Curtis J. Stoeber.

Excellent prints, enjoyable to look at, and fun but difficult to judge.

### BLACK AND WHITE PICTORIAL PRINTS CLASS

- B**
- 1st - "Eiffel Tower" 36  
Robert Tebben, Sioux Falls
- 2nd - "Fair Night" 35  
Lori Fisher, Sioux Falls
- 3rd - "Brooms" 34  
Sandy Tebben, Sioux Falls
- HM - "Grandpa's Grainary" 30  
Larry Soufe, Sioux Falls
- HM - "Mindy" 32  
Dave Brown, Minnesota Valley
- HM - "Plain Pair" 30  
Ron Balthazor, Sioux Falls

There were 12 prints entered by 3 clubs. The judging club was the Sioux City Camera Club. See above.

Excellent prints. Could have used more. Difficult to judge.

### NATURE PRINTS CLASS A

- 1st - "Great Blue" 44  
Richard Southwick, Heart O'Lakes
- 2nd - "Little Missouri River Bend" 41  
Gary Renier, Fargo-Moorhead
- 3rd - "Huggin Junior" 40  
Morris Gildemeister, Kaposia
- HM - "Storm Cloud Approaching" 40  
Gary Renier, Fargo-Moorhead
- HM - "Cathedral Valley at Sunset" 39  
Ed Siems, Central Iowa
- HM - "Dance of Light on Aspen" 39  
Ramon Magee, Wyandott

There were 21 prints entered by 10 clubs. The judging club was the Sioux City Camera Club. See above.

### NATURE PRINTS CLASS B

- 1st - "Teton Moose" 42  
Dave Forester, Fargo-Moorhead
- 2nd - "Morning Rapture" 40  
Jeff Dorn, Des Moines
- 3rd - "Basking Gator" 40  
Mike Landwehr, Des Moines
- HM - "Black-Tailed Young Eagle" 34  
Don Larson, Duluth-Superior
- HM - "Mule Deer Buck" 38  
Diane Darnielle, Des Moines
- HM - "Caribou Having a Sip" 38  
Marv Brown, Minnesota Valley

There were 29 prints entered by 9 clubs. The judging club was the Sioux City Camera Club. See above.

Excellent prints made judging fun but difficult.

### 2 1/4 SLIDES

- 1st - "Young Violinist" 38  
Ed Lower, Color Shooters
- 2nd - "Silverton Falls" 37  
Ed Siems, Central Iowa
- 3rd - "Two Wild Roses & Bugs" 35  
Steve Paulson, Sioux City
- HM - "Mt Stream #4" 33  
Chuck Peterson, Sioux City
- HM - "Flowering Kale" 33  
Teresa Vokoun, Central Iowa
- HM - "Hallway" 34  
Larry Swistoski, St. Paul

There were 18 slides entered by 5 clubs. The judging club was the Sioux Falls Camera Club. The judges were Marty DeWitt, Ken Starkenburg, and Greg Honermann. The judging

committee chairman was Bob Wulf.

### COLOR PRINTS CLASS A

- 1st - "Christmas Cactus" 39.5  
Steve Paulson, Sioux City
- 2nd - "Cardinal Row" 39  
Wilford Yoder, Iowa City
- 3rd - "Devils Garden" 37  
Teresa Vokoun, Central Iowa
- HM - "Megan" 35  
Jim Coffey, Fargo-Moorhead
- HM - "Rainy Day Rose" 35  
Dwight Tomes, Des Moines
- HM - "Fire in the Sky" 36  
Renae Southwick, Heart O'Lakes

There were 24 prints entered by 10 clubs. The judging club was the Shutterbug Camera Club. The judges were John Larson, Harry McMurray, and Haven Noble. The judging committee chairman was Shirley White.

Wonderful selection of prints. Lots of color impact! The really different images created by Digital and Imagination was great!

### COLOR PRINTS CLASS B

- 1st - "Bodies Methodist Church" 37  
Diane Darnielle, Des Moines
- 2nd - "Independence Day" 36.5  
Mike Landwehr, Des Moines
- 3rd - "Calm Before the Storm" 36.5  
Lynn K. Oxley, Heart O'Lakes
- HM - "Coquille River Light House" 35.5  
Susan Sinclair, Des Moines
- HM - "Umbrellas" 36  
David Brown, Minn Valley
- HM - "Start of a New Day" 35.5  
Kevin Smith, Sioux City

There were 49 prints entered by 11 clubs. The judging club was the Shutterbug Camera Club. See above.

A lot of great photos! It was very hard to choose just a few, they were all great!

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**Glass-Mounted  
Slides Offer  
Protection  
BUT,  
They Can Break  
In The Mail!**



## N4C Contest Results

### CONTEMPORARY/ CREATIVE SLIDES

- 1st - "Reflection of Anahid" 38  
Ty Smith, Mitchell
- 2nd - "Glass Bouquet #2" 38  
Herb Gustafson, St. Paul
- 3rd - "Blue Vase & Red Flowers" 38  
Jean McDonough, Women's Color
- HM - "Come Watson, Come-The Game is Afoot" 36  
Marge Ethier, St. Paul
- HM - "Colorful Swirls" 36  
Ed Lower, Color Shooters
- HM - "Kilroy" 36  
Russ Withrow, Kaposia

There were 46 slides entered by 10 clubs. The judging club was the Huron Area Photo Club. The judges were Darlene Kutzler, Peggy Gibson, and Herb Bandelman. The judging committee chairman was Bernice Gilbert. 3-way tie for 1st place. 3 way tie for Honorable Mention. Good quality.

### CONTEMPORARY/ CREATIVE PRINTS

- 1st - "Knot Head" 40  
Ty Smith, Mitchell
- 2nd - "Plummeria Solarization" 35  
Robert Gillespie, Sioux City
- 3rd - "Pipe Pattern" 35  
Francis Kingsbury, Sioux City
- HM - "Junkyard Derelict" 35  
Russ Withrow, Kaposia
- HM - "Standout Lily" 35  
Ron Balthazor, Sioux Falls
- HM - "Annecy France" 33  
Jack Bristow, Sioux City

There were 24 prints entered by 8 clubs. The judging club was the Huron Area Photo Club. The judges were Bernice Gilbert, Ellen Tschetter, and Herb Bandelman. The judging committee chairman was Darlene Kutzler.

### PHOTOJOURNALISM PRINTS

- 1st - "Touch Down" 14  
Bob Rasmus, Sioux City
- 2nd - "Raring to Go" 14  
Diane Darnielle, Des Moines
- 3rd - "Mad River" 12  
Delores Meister, Iowa City

- HM - "Snow Bound & Down" 11  
Ty Smith, Mitchell
- HM - "Bull Rider" 11  
Barb Russell, Des Moines
- HM - "Big Barn - Sm. Brush" 11  
Ken Aker, Duluth-Superior

There were 27 prints entered by 7 clubs. The judging club was the Kaposia Kamera Club. The judges were Dave Siekanice, Ron Behel, and Jane Kaemp. The judging committee chairman was Joann Kuntemeier.

### PHOTOJOURNALISM SLIDES

- 1st - "Flames Thru the Front" 14  
Ron Nicolls, Sioux City
- 2nd - "Snow Fun" 13  
Chuck Peterson, Sioux City
- 3rd - "Man Sized River" 13  
Tom Ling, Duluth-Superior
- HM - "Remembrance" 12  
Len Ethier, St. Paul
- HM - "Playing Cards with Puppy" 12  
Jean McDonough, Women's Color
- HM - "Have Church Will Travel" 12  
Jack Bristow, Sioux City

There were 55 slides entered by 12 clubs. The judging club was the Kaposia Kamera Club. See above.

### PHOTO TRAVEL SLIDES

- 1st - "Niagra Falls in a Different Light"  
Marty DeWitt, Sioux Falls
- 2nd - "The Beggars (India)"  
Nancy Sams, Women's Color
- 3rd - "Sedona" AZ  
Wilford Yoder, Iowa City
- HM - "Split Rock in the Fog" MN  
Nancy Ullrich, Duluth-Superior
- HM - "Street Barber,  
Dunhoung, China"  
Herb Gustafson, St. Paul
- HM - "Curves"  
(Great Sand Dunes NP)  
Jerry Kulb, Johnson County

There were 50 slides entered by 13 clubs. The judging club was the Des Moines Camera Club. The judges were Diane Darnielle, Susan Sinclair, and George Christensen. The judging committee chairman was Barb Russell.

The winning slides were really outstanding. [The returned reporting form did not contain points for the winners.]

Some glass mounted slides arrived broken, need to be really packaged well to withstand postal machines.

Viewing travel slides made the judges want to visit some of these

### **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:** *continued from Page 1*

Another thing to try is Still Life photography. The Des Moines Camera Club has a Still Life shoot every January. We usually have about five different set-ups with lights, and everyone circulates through. We have several different options of props to use at each Still Life station. We had to cancel the meeting in January because of the weather, but we immediately rescheduled the Still Life shoot for February. It is one of our most popular meetings.

Now, switching gears, I want to remind everyone that Contest Chairs are contacting various clubs requesting they agree to judge some of the contests next year. Please say yes! And get your response in quickly. I have to tell you that in January DMCC judged both Pictorial and Travel slides. The judges really enjoyed seeing all the photos and dreamt about visiting some of the far away places. The Pictorial judges got some ideas of things they would like to try. Now as to why we judged two contests in one month, I had said yes to one and procrastinated in responding to the second request. My guilt made me say yes to the second one as well. So I am asking you get those responses back in the mail to the Contest Chair right away.

Reminder that Springbrook is coming up April 30th - May 2nd. DMCC is hosting the annual N4C Convention September 8th - 11th. More details to follow in the coming months.

**Diane Darnielle  
N4C President**

## You Know Who They Are!

**Only You can Sponsor A  
Hard Working N4C  
Member For A  
2005 Service Award.**

Write to Ed Lower  
For Application Forms.  
[edlowe10@aol.com](mailto:edlowe10@aol.com)



## *Springbrook*

Near Guthrie Center, Iowa  
*Friday-Sunday, April 30-May 1, 2005*



Wilford Yoder of the Iowa City Camera Club says the following schedule is not “set in stone”, but it should give a pretty good idea of the activities planned for the Springbrook weekend, which is like a mini-N4C Convention.

Springbrook is a time and place “where names become faces and faces become friends.” There are indoor camping facilities as well as outdoor camp sites, and “delicious” meals served between the meetings and planned activities. Lots of good photo possibilities in the Iowa state park, which is filled with wildlife, including many deer and wild turkeys, and if the weather is warm enough, many wildflowers and birds are available for photo opportunities.

### FRIDAY, APRIL 29th

- 3:00 p.m. Registration
- 3:30 p.m. Board Meeting
- 6:30 p.m. Dinner
- 7:30 p.m. **Gerry Solomons?** Travelogue of

MYANMAR (BURMA) Isolated and remote, unsoiled by mass tourism, MYANMAR (Burma) is a country of a different age where time itself moves at a slower pace: it is a beautiful country of quiet eccentricity and gentle charm.

### SATURDAY, APRIL 30th

- 8:00 a.m. Breakfast
- 9:00 a.m. **Joy Coffey?** Polaroid manipulation for note cards
- 10:00 a.m. Nature Program? **Ron Andrews** from the DNR will give a digital presentation on ?the Trumpeter Swan Program in Iowa?. Ron also has a Mountain Lion program.
- Noon Lunch
- 1:00 p.m. **Bob Rude?** Easy effects with digital editing software
- 2:00-4:00 **Gerry Bonsack and Ed Lower** will lead an indoor Still Life Shoot.
- 2:00-4:00 Outdoor nature shoot. Leader to be announced
- 4:00 p.m. Open time

- 4:00 p.m. A question and answer discussion on digital photography. (If interest)
- 5:30 p.m. Dinner
- 6:30 p.m. Invitation to Des Moines and 2005 N4C Convention
- 7:00 p.m. **Gene Schwope.** Two programs. From the PSA Convention: “WELCOME TO MINNESOTA” and “BEHIND THE SCENES”
- 7:45 p.m. **Tom and Barb Knight** have put together a two-projector slide show of their photography over past years. This program is in 2 1/4 format. **Ed Seims and Teresa Vokoun** will present this show at Springbrook.

### SUNDAY, MAY 1st

- 8:00 a.m. Breakfast
- 9:00 a.m. Photo Essay Contest
- 10:15 a.m. Judging Prints and Slides? Everyone can enter up to two prints and/or two slides to be judged.
- 11:30a.m. Lunch

Springbrook is a good place to become better acquainted with other photographers from the N4C region in a beautiful natural setting.

Programs are scheduled, interspersed with N4C business meetings. Cost is minimal.

**“The photograph itself  
doesn’t interest me.  
I want only to capture a  
minute part of reality.”**

—Henri Cartier Bresson

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**Camera Club Bulletin Contest**

Time for the annual camera club bulletin competition is here, says Bob Rude, Director 1. April 15 is the deadline.

N4C clubs may enter any one bulletin from the current competition season. The entry should be representative of the club's best newsletter work. Neatness, method of reproduction and quality of the contents of the newsletter will be given consideration.

To enter send three copies of your club bulletin to:

**Bob Rude, N4C Director 1**  
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from La Crosse CC *GROUNDGLASS*:-

"I think the best pictures are often on the edges of any situation. I don't find photographing the situation nearly as interesting as photographing the edges."

—William Albert Allard, "The Photographic Essay"

**What's The Best Kept Secret In N4C?**

**The SpringBrook  
Mini-Convention!**

This weekend has it all; programs, field trips, workshops, biking, meetings, great food and photography.

What a wonderful time to be had with your friends and fellow N4C'ers. See page 5 or contact Wilford Yoder for more details and set aside April 30 thru May 1, 2005.

**Did I Mention Great Food???**

