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N4C President's Message-April-09



Hi All and welcome to Spring: I hope. It should be, as I have put the snow blower away and have used the lawn mower already. So it should be pretty sure that Spring is here.

Speaking of Spring, I want to thank all the people that attended Springbrook this year. The exciting thing was that out of 74 registrations, I think 14 were first-timers. It was a great weekend and those of you that missed it, missed a great time. The programs were great and what a variety of topics. We had an interview with one of the Founders of N4C, Fran Kingsbury, about the history and reasons for establishing N4C. Butterfly photography by George Bebout, and Critters I've Known by DNR rep. Ron Andrews. George Christensen talked to us about Composition with some fantastic Black and White photography and Available Light photography by Barbara Russell, and a photo trip to the Galapagos Island by Mike Landwehr. Then, a thanks to Gerry Bonsack, who had more fun busting light bulbs than I've seen, since I was a kid. Haha. It was an interesting photo shoot and Gerry came up with a couple of good ones again. Also, setups from Barbara Russell, Diane Danielle, and Rick McCubin. All were fun to shoot and some new ideas, to work on.

We also had a N4C Board meeting on Friday and there are some changes coming, starting next September. I'll mention a couple here and more in letters to come. Maybe others will be writing some too. We have eliminated the Large and Small Prints as their didn't seem to be any difference in the categories. The original thought was for experienced photographers and new photographers but they were mixed together and didn't accomplish the original objective. There will be one classification of prints with a minimum of 8 x 10 inches and maximum size of 16 x 20 inches, including the mount. Another change will be in the Photo-Journalism classification. The prints are the same but entries can be slides or digital entries and will be judged together. We had a test of Panorama prints and had a good set of entries. More discussion is needed to establish a sizing method and the other question was how to judge them. It will be expensive to send them out due to the size and maybe make this a special event at Springbrook each year and the prints will be delivered and carried back home. More will be coming on this and other issues.

As far as the weather, I've seen better but I've also seen worse. But a special thanks to Larry and Delores Meister for setting this all up with Springbrook State Park. A job well done again. Dwight Tomes had a great schedule set up for the weekend.

Again, thanks to everyone who attended and participated in the weekend and hope to see you all in Duluth.

Curt Stoever

The 53rd Annual N4C Convention September 30 – October 4, 2009

The Inn on Lake Superior
Duluth, Minnesota

The membership of the Duluth/Superior Camera Club would like to invite you to join us for the 53rd annual N4C Convention to be held September 30 – October 4, 2009. It has been 21 years since we last had the opportunity to have you as our guests ... and we can't wait to see you again!



Joe Kubala

EARLY REGISTRATION BEGINS NOW!

Reserve your spot & register today. Our convention registration is located on the next page. Following are more details surrounding our convention weekend together. Please also visit our web site at www.n4cduluth2009.org. Should you have any questions, please e-mail the appropriate committee chair listed on our convention web site.



Ladona Tornabene

The 53rd Annual 2009 N4C Convention will be held at the Inn on Lake Superior located in Canal Park on the shores of beautiful Lake Superior.

A special rate of \$149 per night for N4C guests has been negotiated with the Inn on Lake Superior.

The Inn on Lake Superior features 175 guest rooms with some featuring private lakeside balconies, a unique rooftop pool heated to 102.5F year round, free s'mores to share together outside each night at 8pm and a complete hot complimentary breakfast bar every morning ... seven days a week. Pets coming along? No problem, the Inn on Lake Superior will accommodate your needs!

The Inn on Lake Superior is located at:

**350 Canal Park Drive
Duluth, MN 55802**

For reservations ... please call **1-888-668-4352**
Or reserve your room on-line at: www.theinnonlakesuperior.com



Tentative daily schedule is as follows:

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

Pre-convention photography workshop with John Gregor

9 AM to 5 PM

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1

Sunrise walk along Lake Superior in Canal Park
Motorcoach to Pattison and Amnicon Falls State Parks south of Superior

6 AM to 8 AM

9 AM to 2 PM

Two hour private charter on the Vista King
Craig Blacklock Presentation

4 PM to 6 PM

7:30 PM to 9 PM

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 2

Motorcoach to Tettegouche State Park
Note: This tour involves a lot of hiking!

5:30 AM to 3:30 PM*

Motorcoach to Gooseberry and Split Rock Lighthouse State Parks

6:45 AM to 3:30 PM*

Health Fair at the Inn on Lake Superior
NCCCC Board meeting

3 PM to 5:30 PM

4 PM to 5 PM

6:30 PM to 9 PM

Photo Essay contest winners followed by guest speaker George Lepp

*Tours are independent of each other requiring a choice of which tour to participate in.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3

Sunrise walk along Lake Superior in Canal Park
Trade show at the Inn on Lake Superior
George Lepp presentation
Choice of Bob King or George Lepp presentation
On your own in the Canal Park area
Choice of Craig Blacklock or Bob King presentation
Craig Blacklock presentation
Best of NCCCC awards banquet followed by guest speaker John Gregor

6 AM to 8 AM

9:30 AM to 4:30 PM

8:30 AM to 9:45 AM

10:15 AM to 11:30 AM

Lunch break

1 PM to 2:15 PM

2:45 PM to 4 PM

6 PM to 9 PM

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4

General Membership meeting

9:30 AM to 11 AM

Daily convention schedule subject to small scheduling changes.



2X2 Pictorial Slides

- 1st Yucca and Colorful Sky
- Jean McDonough, Women's Color
- 2nd Nature's Guardian
- Ed Siems, Central Iowa
- 3rd Waves Under GG Bridge
- Ed Lower, Color Shooters
- HM A.M. Mooring
- Herb Gustafson, St. Paul
- HM Red Roch Stream
- Ron Nicholls, Sioux City
- HM Tufa - Mono Lake
- Regina Kotowske, Cedar Rapids
- Judging Club: Topeka. Judges: Daryl Hurley, Greg, Verla Hershell. Chair: Phil Gilman. Comments: A Nice Group of slides. Number down due to most people going digital. 53 slides from 13 clubs.

2X2 Nature Slides

- 1st Bumble Bee
- Kevin Smith, Sioux City
- 2nd Nature's Composition
- Gene Schwope, St. Paul
- 3rd Peach Wonder II
- Cara Pusateri, Dubuque
- HM Getting a Drink
- Wilford Yoder, Iowa City
- HM Rainforest Helconda
- Jo Eland, Iowa City
- HM Fox Looking Left
- Jean McDonough, Women's Color

Judging Club: MN Valley. Chair: Marv Brown. Judges: Sue Olson, Kevin Corrigan, Cris Wennah. 50 Slides from 12 clubs. Comments: A very good variety of entries. A fair number of ties that needed breaking. Some good discussions by judges. Enjoyable evening.

***Note that individual image scores will no longer be published, per discussion at the April 2006 board meeting.**

2 X 2 Photo-Travel Slides

- 1st Murky Floor
- Steve Kobs, St. Paul
- 2nd Schwegadon Pagoda
- Jean McDonough, Women's Color
- 3rd Morning at St. Michael's Mount
- Phyllis Kedl, St. Paul
- HM Lake Moraine Boating
- Connie Lower, Color Shooters
- HM Salt River, AZ
- Dave Schulte, St. Paul
- HM Color Guard in Silhouette
- Pat Schwope, St. Paul
- 40 Slides from 9 clubs. Judging Club: Cedar Rapids, Chair: SuAnn Tichy. Judges: John Chadima, L. Udine Fink, Donald G. Hanson. Comments: Location not listed on some slides.

Photo-Travel Prints

- 1st Stepdown Fall
- Ed Siems, Central Iowa
- 2nd Ridgeview Road
- Connie Lower, Color Shooters
- 3rd Fred's Garage
- Wilford Yoder, Iowa City
- HM Shrimp Boats
- Mark George, Central Iowa
- HM Sonoran Desert Sunset
- Larry Crabb, Sioux City
- 23 prints from 7 clubs. Judging Club: Cedar Rapids, Chair: SuAnn Tichy. Judges: John Chadima, L. Udine Fink, Donald G. Hanson. Comments: Location not listed on some prints.

Color Prints - Large Prints

- 1st Hay Bale Sunset
- Jo Eland, Iowa City
- 2nd Watch Works
- Mike Landwehr, DesMoines
- 3rd View From the Mill
- Bruce Bernstein, Fargo-Moorhead
- HM Johnson County Courthouse
- Jo Eland, Iowa City
- HM My Yellow Hat
- Francis Kingsbury, Sioux City
- HM Fox Kit
- Diane Darnielle, DesMoines
- 29 prints from 7 clubs. Judging Club: Duluth-Superior. Chair: Ken Aker. Judges: Joe Kullballa, Scott Thomson, Linda Dunlap.



2 1/4 X 2 1/4 Color Slides

- 1st Gray's Farm in Fall
- Connie Lower, Color Shooters
- 2nd Dawn at Cave Point
- Barb Knight, Central Iowa
- 3rd Delicate Balance
- Larry Crabb, Sioux City
- HM Pasque Flower
- Steve Paulson, Sioux City
- HM Old Grist Mill
- Ed Siems, Central Iowa
- HM Monument Valley
- Barb Knight, Central Iowa
- Judging Club: Upper Missouri. Chair: Earle Dodd. Judges: Jerry Engel, Bob Olson, Bonnie Andres. 17 Slides from 5 clubs. Relatively small turn out - Hope 2 !/4s aren't dieing out.

Color Prints - Small Prints

- 1st Peace
- Mike Walsh, Sioux City
- 2nd Parisian Mime
- Ty Smith, Mitchell
- 3rd Cotton Candy Ice Cream
- Scott Bricker, Sioux City
- HM Smiling Cowboy
- Bob Rude, Iowa City
- HM Fruit and Basket
- Meg Klink, Central Iowa
- HM Icons at Ponca Framed
- Steve Paulson, Sioux City
- 22 prints from 8 clubs. Judging Club: Duluth-Superior. Chair: Ken Aker. Judges: Joe Kuballa, Scott Thomson, Linda Dunlap. Comments: Due to the close scores, merits and qualities of the prints were discussed at length to determine placement.

Nature Prints: Black & White or Color - Large

- 1st Great White Egret
- Jack Bristow, Sioux City
- 2nd Sandhill Crane Landing
- Mike Landwehr, DesMoines
- 3rd Blue Bells
- Ed Siems, Central Iowa
- HM Williams Cascade
- Diane Darnielle, DesMoines
- HM Organ Pipe
- Larry Crabb, Sioux City
- HM Fox in Winter Den
- Gary Renier, Fargo-Moorhead
- Judging Club: Kaposia. Judges: Jeanie Yee, Jane Kemp, Ron Behl. Chair: JoAnn Kunte-meier. 19 prints from 5 clubs. Comments: lots of bird photos.

Nature Prints: Black & White or Color - Small

- 1st Northern Saw-Whet Owl
- Dawn Mikkelson, Sioux City
- 2nd Building a Nest
- Thomas Line, Duluth-Superior
- 3rd Fall an Mt. Stream
- Ed Lower, Color Shooters
- HM Snowy Egret
- Scott Thomson, Duluth-Superior
- HM Ibis Portrait
- Bob Lathi, Duluth-Superior
- HM Ames Butterfly
- Meg Klink, Central Iowa
- Judging Club: Kaposia. Judges: Jeanie Yee, Jane Kemp, Ron Behl. Chair: JoAnn Kunte-meier. 22 prints from 7 clubs.

Black & White Pictorial Prints - Large

- 1st Country Store
- Wilford Yoder, Iowa City
- 2nd Outhouse
- Diane Darnielle, DesMoines
- 3rd Father of a Nation
- Randy Moyer, Iowa City
- HM Hard Day
- Bruce Bernstein, Fargo-Moorhead
- HM Sturgeon Bay Water Way
- Jo Eland, Iowa City
- HM Bath House
- Gary Renier, Fargo-Moorhead
- Judging Club: Kaposia. Judges: Jeanie Yee, Jane Kemp, Ron Behl. Chair: JoAnn Kunte-meier. 22 prints from 6 clubs.



2 X 2 Contemporary/Creative Slides

- 1st Nite Club
 - Dick Gagne, LaCrosse
- 2nd Creative Violin
 - Jean McDonough, Women's Color
- 3rd A Broken Heart
 - Florence Scholljegerdes, Women's Color
- HM Blue & Orange Butterfly
 - Connie Lower, Color Shooters
- HM Lavender & Blue Lighthouse
 - Ed Lower, Color Shooters
- HM Hibiscus
 - Jo Eland, Iowa City

Judging Club: St. Paul. Chair: Pat Schwope. Judges: Jim Duncan, Morris Gildemeister, Herb Gustafson. 15 Slides entered by 6 clubs. Comments: One slide entry out of category. Some interesting techniques used. Prints overall had more contemporary values than slides.

Contemporary/Creative Prints

- 1st Yellow Daylily
 - Ed Siems, Central Iowa
- 2nd Technicolor Barn
 - Delores Meister, Iowa City
- 3rd Ford
 - Dick Gagne, LaCrosse
- HM Fred's Tow Truck
 - Wilford Yoder, Iowa City
- HM Artist's Visitor
 - Bruce Bernstein, FargoMoorehead
- HM I Think I Drank To Much Wine
 - Bob Rude, Iowa City

Judging Club: St. Paul. Chair: Pat Schwope. Judges: Jim Duncan, Morris Gildemeister, Herb Gustafson. 34 prints from 10 clubs. Comments: Two print entries out of category. Some interesting techniques used. Prints overall had more contemporary values than slides.

Contemporary/Creative Digital Slides

- 1st 1800s Colorful Locomotive
 - Ed Lower, Color Shooters
 - 2nd The Grand Stairway
 - Terry Kruse, DesMoines
 - 3rd Derelict DeSoto
 - Gene Schwope, St. Paul
 - HM I'll Never Quit Riding
 - Jim Kost, Mitchell
 - HM Sunflower2005
 - Cara Pusateri, Dubuque
 - HM Two Blue Chairs
 - Gerry Solomons, Iowa City
- Judging Club: Heart O' Lakes. Chair: Paul Stowman. Judges: Judy Brown, Richard Southwick, Glen Merz. 68 Entries from 17 clubs.

Photojournalism Prints

- 1st Winning Drive
 - Bob Rasmus, Sioux City
 - 2nd Launch
 - Randall Williams, Sioux City
 - 3rd It's a Goner
 - Delores Meister, Iowa City
 - HM Teamwork Delivers Water
 - Robert Gillespie,
 - HM Got It
 - Francis Kingsburry, Sioux City
 - HM The Boys are Working
 - Connie Lower, Color Shooters
- Judging Club: DesMoines Judges: Loren Brown, Jim Stepp, Rick McCubbins. Chair: Larry Milroy. 21 prints from 7 clubs.

2 X 2 Photojournalism Slides

- 1st Harvesting Cranberry
 - Thelma Biers, Women's Color
 - 2nd Fire Eater
 - Morris Gildemeister, St. Paul
 - 3rd Filling Dye Vats
 - Hope Solomons, Iowa City
 - HM Old West Cooking
 - Jim Kost, Mitchell
 - HM Soliloquy
 - Robert Olson, St. Paul
 - HM Pitchin Fire
 - Larry Swistoski, St. Paul
- Judging Club: DesMoines Judges: Loren Brown, Jim Stepp, Rick McCubbins. Chair: Larry Milroy. 32 slides from 10 clubs.



Digital Nature Slides

- 1st Seagull
 - Karen Harris, Lincoln
 - 2nd Water Drops on Leaf
 - Duane Wraalstad, North Metro
 - 3rd Oystercatcher in the Surf
 - Mike Landwehr, DesMoines
 - HM Moment of Leisure
 - Al Sheldon, LaCrosse
 - HM Heart of the Cactus
 - Kysa Stocking, St. Paul
 - HM Lion 2
 - Ron Tigges, Dubuque
- 87 entries from 17 clubs. Judging Club: Central Iowa. Chair: James Svec. Judges: Mark George, Barb Knight, Jim Davis. Comments: Good selection of photos! The judges gave low scores to some they did not consider to be Nature; domestic flowers (daylilies, tulips, etc.)

Pictorial Digital Slides

- 1st Evening Light at Yosemite
 - Ed Lower, Color Shooters
- 2nd Eye Witness
 - Tom Ling, Duluth-Superior
- 3rd Door County 192
 - Jo Eland, Iowa City
- HM Going Fishing
 - Robert Tebben, Sioux Falls
- HM Boat Child
 - Gerry Solomons, Iowa City

Black & White Pictorial Prints - Small

- 1st Printers Gear
 - Meg Klink, Central Iowa
- 2nd Aspen Tree at Squaw Creek Trailhead
 - Herb Proudfit, Iowa City
- 3rd Dodge Graham Truck
 - Ed Lower, Color Shooters
- HM Steps to Justice
 - Thomas Ling, Duluth-Superior
- HM Glade Creek Grist Mill #4
 - Steve Paulson, Sioux City
- HM Battle Center Church
 - Kevin Smith, Sioux City

Judging Club: Kaposia. Judges: Jeanie Yee, Jane Kemp, Ron Behl. Chair: JoAnn Kuntemeier. 17 prints from 7 clubs.



- HM Galena Balloons
 - Ron Tigges, Dubuque
- Judging Club: DesMoines. Chair: Terry Kruse. Judges: Sharla Glick, Diane Darnielle, Dwight Tomes. 110 entries from 17 clubs. Comments: There were a number of exceptional images in this month's entries. The use of the electronic judging spreadsheet made it easy to add comments for all entrants. A few of the entries had incomplete or incorrect file names which required further editing. The quality of the entries made this a fun contest to judge. One of the entries (did not win an award) won an HM in a previous digital pictorial contest.

May Judging Clubs:

2X2 Pictorial	Huron Area: Bunny Gilbert 38957 186th St. Hitchcock, SD 57348	2X2 Nature	Central Iowa: Jim Svec Box 952 ; Marshalltown, IA 50158
B&W Pic. Large/Small, & Nature Large/Small	Women's Color: Jean McDonough 2686 Country Rd H2; Mounds View, MN 55112	2 1/4 Slides	Fargo-Moorhead, Bruce Bernstien 1505 8th St; Fargo, SD 58103
Color Prints	Iowa City: Delores Meister 421 Pleasant View Dr. ; Solon, IA 52332	Ctemp/Creative Prints & Slides:	LaCrosse: Dick Gagne 1316 Spruce Dr.; La Crescent, MN 55947
PJ Prints/Slides	Muddy River: Bill Cornelius 1544 12th Ave N : Clinton, IA 52732	Travel Prints/Slides:	St. Paul: Pat Schwowe 9385 Parkside Dr. ; Woodbury, MN 55125
Digital Nature	Dubuque: Elanor Schueller 345 Julien Dubuque Dr. ; Dubuque, IA 52003	Digital Pictorial:	Shutterbug: John Larson Jr. 114 Glendale Dr. ; Burlington, IA 52601
Digital Contemp/Creative:	Women's Color: Linda Jameson 1419 Riverside Dr. ; River Falls, WI 54022		

Photo Essays - Software Discount

ProShow Gold is a popular software program for creating photo essays and slide shows. N4C members qualify for a 20% discount through September 1. Contact the N4C webmaster web@n4c.us and ask Ken for the discount code. This software runs with Windows on PC's, but is not for the Macintosh.

Look for the "Photo Essays" section on the N4C web "News" page <http://n4c.us/news.htm>. There is a link to the Photodex web where a free trial copy can be downloaded. There are also some tips by Ken Johnson which were updated after Springbrook to include information on voice recording to add narration to shows.

Ken Johnson

March Contest Results Update

Photo Travel Prints

**3rd Place: Frank Lloyd Wright's "Falling Water"
Somerset Co. PA
Wilford Yoder**

Web Site of the Month

DTownTV is a weekly show brought to you by Scott Kelby and Matt Kloskowski. Every week these two camera experts broadcast hot tips for Nikon users online at www.dtowntv.com. This is a can't-miss show for everyone who owns a digital SLR Nikon, and a helpful tool for Canon and other digital shooters in the field.

(Credit: SPCC News)

More Photos from Duluth!!



Joe Kubala



Mary Jobin



Bob Lahti

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**Watch your inbox for the full length
convention brochure, or check the
website for further details.**

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