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Hello, all you out there in N4C land. Having just come home from the La Crosse convention, I thought now would be a good time to reflect on the excellent time had by all who attended. The field trip to the lock and dam was very informative and came with some fine photo opportunities and then the trip to the overlook gave another excellent chance to get some images of the mighty river.

Those that took the evening boat ride received a preview of the trip offered the following morning. Jerry Bonsack provided a band and cake celebrating his birthday. It was a great way to visit with N4C friends and make new ones. The boat trip to the bird sanctuary the next morning was great. Many birds were seen and photographed including a Great Blue Heron who must have been shot several thousand times in a five minute period. The only bad thing about the boat ride was it didn't last all day. The afternoon field trip to the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe and to the Norskedalen Nature Center was also well attended and offered many photo opps.

There were many comments on the good food and fine programs on Saturday. Steve Apps gave a great program on his job as a photo journalist. He showed his passion for Green Bay Packers with his many images of the game. Bob Hurt gave a program on aerial and landscape photography and Al Stankevitz gave his on bird photography. Darrell Gulin, one of Canons Explorers of Light, gave a program on all the places he has photographed. These were the highlights of the convention along with the Best of N4C awards and the fellowship of visiting with friends. Teresa and I look on the conventions as family reunions, where we can catch up on what our N4C family has been doing the past summer. I want to give the La Crosse club a hearty "well done" on an exceptional convention.

Before I leave the subject of conventions, we are in need of a club to step up and take on the convention for 2012. Some of the smaller clubs have commented they don't know what they would do for field trips because they don't have any big or nearby attractions. I remember a field trip to a old junk yard by Ponca, Nebraska, that ended way too soon. Just remember, it may be "old hat" to you because you live in the area, but it is all new and interesting to somebody from out of the area. Steve Thompson, our convention chairman, will be happy to assist any club with planning a convention or answering any questions you might have. Oh, by the way, we are looking for a N4C member who will volunteer for the contest chairman for the B & W contests in the 2011-2012 year and beyond. Please contact Ken Johnson or myself if you might be interested or have questions.

With the fall colors getting started, it is time to grab some great color shots before it all turns white again. The birds are migrating and the animals are putting on their winter coats. What a great time to capture images for the coming competition year! Till next month ...

Ed Siems

Congratulations to all the 2009-2010 N4C “Best of the Best” Competition and Annual Award Winners!!

| Contest | Award | Name | Club | Title |
|-------------------|-------|---------------------|----------------|--------------------------------------|
| Slide - 2 1/4 | 1 | Larry Luebbert | Iowa City | Yellow Stone Sunrise |
| Slide - 2 1/4 | 2 | Ed Siems | Central Iowa | Bryce Canyon |
| Slide - 2 1/4 | 3 | Ed Lower | Color Shooters | Indian with Headdress |
| Slide - 2 1/4 | HM | Steve Paulson | Sioux City | Waiting to Fly |
| Slide - 2 1/4 | HM | Ed Siems | Central Iowa | Forest Floor |
| Slide - 2 1/4 | HM | Connie Lower | Color Shooters | Lake at Mt. Moran |
| Slide - Pictorial | 1 | Herb Gustafson | St Paul | Sunset Gold #4 |
| Slide - Pictorial | 2 | Teresa Vokoun | Central Iowa | Red Hibiscus |
| Slide - Pictorial | 3 | Diane Darnielle | Des Moines | Mr. Kellerton's Horses |
| Slide - Pictorial | HM | Chuck Peterson | Sioux City | Storage |
| Slide - Pictorial | HM | Teresa Vokoun | Central Iowa | Morning on the Ranch |
| Slide - Pictorial | HM | Randall Williams | Sioux City | Creek at Five Ridge |
| Slide - Travel | 1 | Hope Solomons | Iowa City | Dusty Monks |
| Slide - Travel | 2 | Diane Darnielle | Des Moines | Bond Falls, Michigan |
| Slide - Travel | 3 | JoAnn Kuntemeier | Kaposia | BYODO - In Buddhist Temple Hawaii |
| Slide - Travel | HM | Morris Gildemeister | St Paul | Split Rock Reflection #3 (Minnesota) |
| Slide - Travel | HM | Gene Schwope | St Paul | Farm Designs (Washington) |
| Slide - Travel | HM | Phyllis Kedl | St Paul | You Can See Forever (Arizona) |
| Slide - Nature | 1 | Steve Paulson | Sioux City | Sandhill Crane |
| Slide - Nature | 2 | Robert W Nelson | St Paul | Milkweed Pod #5 |
| Slide - Nature | 3 | SuAnn Tichy | Cedar Rapids | Wolves Near Water |
| Slide - Nature | HM | SuAnn Tichy | Cedar Rapids | Wolf & Pups |
| Slide - Nature | HM | Robert Gillespie | Sioux City | Common Blue Morpho |
| Slide - Nature | HM | Morris Gildemeister | St Paul | Bond Falls #8 |
| Slide - Contemp. | 1 | Herb Gustafson | St Paul | Boatman's Eye |
| Slide - Contemp. | 2 | Dick Gagne | La Crosse | There She Is |
| Slide - Contemp. | 3 | Delores Meister | Iowa City | Balancing Act |
| Slide - Contemp. | HM | Dick Gagne | La Crosse | Eye of the Feather |
| Slide - Contemp. | HM | Ty Smith | Mitchell | Chrome Dome |
| Slide - Contemp. | HM | Delores Meister | Iowa City | Fire Ring |

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|------------------|-------|-------------------|-----------------|--|
| B&W Prints | 1 | Ken Johnson | Des Moines | Cannon Beach Haystack Rock |
| B&W Prints | 2 | Jo Eland | Iowa City | Josie |
| B&W Prints | 3 | Diane Darnielle | Des Moines | Pears |
| B&W Prints | HM | Diane Darnielle | Des Moines | Old New Mexico Penitentiary |
| B&W Prints | HM | Herb Proudfit | Iowa City | Frosty Oakleaves |
| B&W Prints | HM | Scott Bricker | Sioux City | Ballet |
| Print - PJ | 1 | Scott Thomson | Duluth-Superior | Long Reach |
| Print - PJ | 2 | Scott Thomson | Duluth-Superior | Well Timed Header |
| Print - PJ | 3 | Scott Bricker | Sioux City | Obama in Chalk |
| Print - PJ | HM | Scott Thomson | Duluth-Superior | Veteran Bull Rider |
| Print - PJ | HM | Bob Rasmus | Sioux City | Rebound Winner |
| Print - PJ | HM | JoAnn Kunte-meier | Kaposia | Devastation in Hugo |
| Print - Travel | 1 | Jo Eland | Iowa City | Jeanette in Trivandrum |
| Print - Travel | 2 | Jo Eland | Iowa City | Coconut Lady |
| Print - Travel | 3 | Jack Bristow | Sioux City | Garden in the Rain, Oregon |
| Print - Travel | HM | Ken Johnson | Des Moines | Snow In The Desert (Joshua Tree National Park) |
| Print - Travel | HM | Mike Landwehr | Des Moines | The Bells At Daybreak |
| Print - Travel | HM | Delores Meister | Iowa City | The View Remains Teton NPWY |
| Print - Nature | 1 | Mike Landwehr | Des Moines | Joining the Multitude |
| Print - Nature | 2 | Bill Schwarz | Sioux City | Golden Arches |
| Print - Nature | 3 | Michael Walsh | Sioux City | Mrs. Wood Duck |
| Print - Nature | HM | Sharla Glick | Des Moines | Surveying His Domain |
| Print - Nature | HM | Jo Eland | Iowa City | Lake Kluane 7150 |
| Print - Nature | HM | Mike Landwehr | Des Moines | Anhinga |
| Print - Color | 1 | Mike Landwehr | Des Moines | Yankee Captain |
| Print - Color | 2 | Diane Darnielle | Des Moines | Mabry Mills #3 |
| Print - Color | 3 | Mike Landwehr | Des Moines | Curious |
| Print - Color | HM | Mike Landwehr | Des Moines | Owl Eyes |
| Print - Color | HM | Ken Johnson | Des Moines | Supercell In The Tetons |
| Print - Color | HM | Tom Ling | Duluth-Superior | Tall Tufa |
| Print - Contemp. | 1 | Sharla Glick | Des Moines | Tag Sale Trio |
| Print - Contemp. | 2 | Dick Gagne | La Crosse | Shaggy Dog |
| Print - Contemp. | 3 | Ken Johnson | Des Moines | Overwhelmed with Bio Fuel |
| Print - Contemp. | HM | Steve Paulson | Sioux City | Clymatis Core Reflected |
| Print - Contemp. | HM | Chuch Peterson | Sioux City | Who Reads the Morning Paper Anyway |
| Print - Contemp. | HM | Ken Johnson | Des Moines | Isolated in a Wheat Field |

| Contest | Award | Name | Club | Title |
|---------------------|-------|----------------------------|---------------------|--|
| Digital - Contemp. | 1 | Joe Kubala | Duluth-Superior | Aah Nuts! |
| Digital - Contemp. | 2 | Jean McDonough | Women's Color | Factory & Reflections |
| Digital - Contemp. | 3 | Ken Johnson | Des Moines | Grandfathers Old Truck |
| Digital - Contemp. | HM | Angela McCawley | Lincoln | Sigtuna Boats |
| Digital - Contemp. | HM | Jo Eland | Iowa City | Day Lily 5328 |
| Digital - Contemp. | HM | Lisa Fleetwood | Wichita Area | WWII-Vet |
| Digital - Nature | 1 | Christine O'Riley | Des Moines | Reflection of an Egret |
| Digital - Nature | 2 | Bill Schwarz | Sioux City | GoldenSunrise |
| Digital - Nature | 3 | David Graham | Sioux Falls | Y'Wanna Stare ME Down |
| Digital - Nature | HM | Curt Gracey | Des Moines | Catch the Berry |
| Digital - Nature | HM | John Anderson | Minnesota Valley | Mother_Owl_Morning_Sun_2 |
| Digital - Nature | HM | Gene Schwope | St Paul | The Fisherman |
| Digital - PJ | 1 | Gene Schwope | St Paul | Painting the President's Roof |
| Digital - PJ | 2 | John Anderson | Minnesota Valley | Obama Fire It Up - Digital |
| Digital - PJ | 3 | Dan Francis | Fargo-Moorhead | 2busy2care |
| Digital - PJ | HM | Ron Tigges | Dubuque | Night at the Fights - Digital |
| Digital - PJ | HM | Diane Darnielle | Des Moines | Clowns to the Rescue |
| Digital - PJ | HM | Bob Wright | Topeka | Remberance |
| Digital - Pictorial | 1 | Larry Mendenhall | Des Moines | SummerStorm |
| Digital - Pictorial | 2 | Bruce Bernstein | Fargo-Moorhead | Silent Tug |
| Digital - Pictorial | 3 | Paul Amicucci | Fargo-Moorhead | Dock |
| Digital - Pictorial | HM | Robert Lahti | Duluth-Superior | Stoneman Bridge Reflection |
| Digital - Pictorial | HM | Phyllis Kedl | St Paul | Frosted Dawn |
| Digital - Pictorial | HM | Ken Johnson | Des Moines | Vineyards of YakimaValley |
| Panorama Print | 1 | Ron Balthazor | Sioux Falls | Sunrise on Vatican City |
| Panorama Print | 2 | Steve Paulson | Sioux City | Notre Dame Majesty |
| Panorama Print | 3 | Ed Siems | Central Iowa | The Line Up |
| Panorama Print | HM | Jo Eland | Iowa City | Yukon 7082 |
| Panorama Print | HM | Delores Meister | Iowa City | Spring Mustard |
| Panorama Print | HM | Roger Van Klompen- berg | Sioux City | Old Time Threshing |
| Photo Essay | 1 | Hope & Gerry Solo- mons | Iowa City | Thanks for the Memories |
| Photo Essay | 2 | Ed Lorson | Iowa City | Walk on the Wild Side |
| Photo Essay | 3 | Ann Hegstrom | SW Iowa Shutterbugs | Everywhere |
| Photo Essay | HM | Randy Moyer | Iowa City | Civil War Days Memories of Days Gone By |
| Club Bulletin | 1 | Karen Leonard | St Paul | St. Paul "SPPC News" |
| Club Bulletin | 2 | Marty Dewitt | Sioux Falls | Sioux Falls "The Sioux Projector" |
| Club Bulletin | 3 | Carol Madison | North Metro | North Metro " North Metro Photo News" |

“Best of the Best” Competition and Annual Award Winners Continued

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| Small Club of Year | | Iowa City | |
| Large Club of Year | | Sioux City | |
| Photographer of Year | Diane Darnielle | | |
| Founder's Award | Gerald Bonsack | La Crosse | |
| Margrieta Delle Memorial Award | Steve Paulson | Sioux City | 1st place Nature Slide, "Sandhill Crane" |
| Richard "Doc" Winegarden Memorial Award | Jo Eland | Iowa City | 1st place Photo-Travel Print, "Jeanette in Trivandrum" |

Friendly Reminders from the Supply Chair.....

Contest Chairs - PLEASE use the available stickers for attaching info to the award ribbons. - NOT STAPLES! We now have ribbons with no grommets to avoid damaging your entries, but if staples are used, damage will still occur.

Also, please use the member numbers on the inter-club reporting forms. There will be a space for the number when the new forms are ordered. Until then please add the number, or use the form available in the supplies and forms link on the N4C website.

Thank You, Jayne Owen, supply chair

EQUIPMENT CORNER

Wheeling and Dealing-equipment and software!

Where do you like to shop for camera equipment and software? Local or Web? I'd like your feedback about the best stores (either local or national) for your equipment and software needs and why you chose them. Send me an e-mail at (d.tomes@me.com) . We'll find a location to post this information along with your reviews of each one.

I heard three or four suggestions from different N4C members during the convention:

Hunt's Photo and Video: <http://www.huntsphotoandvideo.com>

B&H Photo: <http://www.bhphotovideo.com>

What a convention!

It's been a few days since the N4C convention in Lacrosse and all I can think of is how enjoyable it was--four days packed with interesting locations for photography, captivating and idea filled presentations, plus renewing acquaintances from across N4C land. This column is long on pictures and short on text--what a welcome change you might say! A



need to plan how we want to shoot a subject to make use of one or more of these creative ways



theme that several speakers mentioned in one way or another is that digital imaging is continuing to evolve--more different and interesting ways to combine several different images into a single enhanced image---HDR for luminosity, combined focal points (Helicon Focus), and multi-layered photoshop images. And what about panorama's. Now we'll



to enjoy photography.
The Sore Loser



Put these dates on your calendar as well as your club's calendar now!!!

Springbrook April 29 - May 1, 2011

Topeka Convention Sept. 8 - 11, 2011

PLEASE HELP BY USING MEMBER NUMBERS

By Gerald A. Bonsack

For those of you made it to La Crosse for the fall convention, thank you. For those that submitted images for the "Best of N4C" with your Member ID# somewhere on the print or slide thank you again, as it made our job scanning and organizing the images very easy.

With that said, please ask your N4C Contact for your Member ID# and start noting it on your submissions. It is actually REQUIRED this year and this simple addition makes the judging club's life easier and it really makes record keeping for year end points simple. Imagine seeing a contest report listing Robert Jones as the winner in contest "A", and Bob Jones as the winner in contest "B" and yet another form with R.M. Jones as a winner in contest "C". Now is this one person, or father and son, or cousins, or not related at all? Yes the member club gets the points, but Robert, Bob and R.M. each get their own points.

The process of assigning member numbers is done at the club level and is described in the Contest Rules. Ken Johnson maintains the master list for N4C. Questions or updates can be directed to him at email web@n4c.us. The complete general contest rules are available on the web <http://n4c.us/competition.htm>.

Now if the images AND THE CONTEST REPORT FORM listed the MEMBERS ID#, then life would be good for all. (See points 6, 7 & 13 of the General Rules). There is a NEW easy to use "Contest Judges Report" form that is on the N4C website (on the "Supplies & Forms" page).

On another contest note, General Rule #20 & 22 states that, "The Chair of the Judging Committee shall not serve as a judge or jurist." Now in all of my years of judging, I know that things happen at the last minute, so please think about asking for an alternate judge, when getting volunteers to judge.

Gerald Bonsack



September Contest Results.....

Photo Travel Prints

- 1st Wheat Shocks - Larry Luebbert, Iowa City
- 2nd Church Interior - Vernice Kingsbury, Sioux City
- 3rd Lake Moraine - Ed Siems, Central Iowa
- HM Hawaian Rainbow - Jack Bristow, Sioux City
- HM Gulin, China - Jo Eland, Iowa City
- HM Old Relic - Fran Kingsbury, Sioux City

Judging Club: Shutterbug. Judges: Jack Gustison, HM Patricia Anderson, James McMurry. Comments: The top six images were very close and required tie breakers to determine the awards.

Photo Travel Slides

- 1st Palouse Wheat Field - John Chadima, Cedar Rapids
- 2nd Maroon Bells #8a - Connie Lower, Color Shooters
- 3rd Smiling Trio - Burma, Hope Solomons, Iowa City
- HM Mountain Meadow - Jim Duncan, St. Paul
- HM Slot Canyon - Ed Siems, Central Iowa
- HM Mount Hayden - John Anderson, Sioux City

Comments: Some slides showed a fair amount of deterioration due to age. Judging Club: Shutterbug. Chair: John Larson. Judges: Jack Gustison, Patricia Anderson, Shirley White. 32 Entries from 8 clubs.

Digital Nature

- 1st Oregon Sunset - Gene Schwope, St. Paul
 - 2nd Lunch - Linda Rutherford, Women's Color
 - 3rd McDreamy - Terry Kruse, DesMoines
 - HM A Bit Edgy - David Graham, Sioux Falls
 - HM OW - David Bair, Sioux Falls
 - HM Chipping Sparrows - Ron Tigges, Dubuque
- Judging Club: Wichita. Chair: Bruce Ward. Judges: Dean Foy, Rick Hester, Dwight Corrin. Comments: The top scoring photos were excellent. The photos which were penalized for rules violations were otherwise good photos (and may well have placed better) There is no reason for these rules violations: they pass through two sets of hands before they get to the judging club. Someone is asleep at the switch.

Digital Pictorial

- 1st Tree and Pictographs - Rick Graves, MN Valley
- 2nd Downtown #1 - Morris Gildemeister, St. Paul
- 3rd Shadows - Paul Amicucci, Fargo-Moorhead
- HM Yellow Door II - Herb Gustafson, St. Paul
- HM Days of Wine and Roses - Linda Rutherford,
- HM Women's Color
- HM Tulip93 - Mary Gagne

Judging Club: Heart O' Lakes. Chair: Paul Stowman. Judges: Richard Southwick, Glen Merz, Cathy Mason. 94 entries from 21 clubs.

2 1/4 Slides

- 1st Dam and Clinton Mill - Connie Lower, Color Shooters
 - 2nd Crazy Tree - Fran Kingsbury, Sioux City
 - 3rd Long Falls - Vernice Kingsbury, Sioux City
 - HM Fall - Kevin Smith, Sioux City
 - HM Badlands - Larry Crabb, Sioux City
 - HM Park County Bridge - Steve Paulson, Sioux City
- 20 slides from 3 clubs. Judging Club: Central Iowa. Chair: Jim Svec. Judges: Diane Barker, Wilbur Hutchens, Danny Barker. Comments: Not a lot of entries, but some nice slides.

Pictorial Slides

- 1st Pink Water Lily - JoAnn Kuntemeier, Kaposia
- 2nd Monk With Umbrella - Hope Solomons, Iowa City
- 3rd Normandy Cliffs - Ron Wiskus, Dubuque
- HM Glassware - Herb Gustafson, St. Paul
- HM Up, Up and Away - SuAnn Tichy, Cedar Rapids
- HM Young Monks - Gerry Solomons, Iowa City

40 Slides from 10 clubs. Judging Club: Huron Area. Chair: Mark Gubbins. Judges: Lowell Stanley, Mark Gubbins, Darlene Kutzler. Comments: Some very interesting slides, some slides were dirty.

Nature Slides

- 1st Monarch - Kevin Smith, Sioux City
 - 2nd Sand Dunes - John Chadima, Cedar Rapids
 - 3rd Sunrise Rainbow - Phyllis Kedl, St. Paul
 - HM Sunrise at the Arch - Ed Siems, Central Iowa
 - Mt. Shuksan in the Fall #4 - Connie Lower, Color Shooters
 - HM South Lake - Regina Kotowske, Cedar Rapids
- 38 Slides from 10 clubs. Judging Club: Anamosa. Chair: Wilma Anderson. Judges: Norma Brady, Laura Calhoun, Barry Anderson. Comments: All slides were packaged well. Was a great time and the food was awesome.

Color Prints

- 1st A Day in October - Kevin Smith, Sioux City
 - 2nd Just Like Mommy - Lynda Richards, Des Moines
 - 3rd Swamp Buggy Racing - Mike Landwehr, Des Moines
 - HM Dragon Gate Bridge - Jo Eland, Iowa City
 - HM US Brig Niagara - Tom Ling, Duluth-Superior
 - HM Before the Storm - Ron Oyer, Lens & Shutter
- 34 prints from 9 clubs. Judging Club: Kaposia. Chair: JoAnn Kuntemeier. Judges: Jane Kemp, Jeanie Yee, Stephanie Nelson.

Black & White Pictorial

- 1st Rural Story County Fox - Sharla Glick, Des Moines
- 2nd Barnyard Basketball - Scott Bricker, Sioux City
- 3rd Thomas - Diane Darnielle, Des Moines
- HM French Mansion in Fall - Connie Lower, Color Shooters
- HM Embracing Tulips - Lynda Richards, Des Moines
- HM Flints Garage - Jim Kost, Mitchell

Comments: A number of good entires, quantity down. 14 Prints form 6 clubs. Judging Club: Iowa City. Chair: Larry Luebbert. Judges: Bob Rude, Wilford Yoder, Herb Proudfit.

Creative Slides

- 1st Spirals - Connie Lower, Color Shooters
 - 2nd Blacklight Design - Gene Schwope, St. Paul
 - 3rd Robert St. Approach - Morris Gildemeister, St. Paul
 - HM South Dakota Paririe - Dean Randall, Mitchell
 - HM The Clown - Florence Nelson, St. Paul
 - HM Colors From the Center - Ed Lower, Color Shooters
- 16 Slides form 5 clubs. Judging Club: Des Moines. Chair: Terry Kruse. Judges: Ivan Brehmer, Alex Belikov, Lorri Easton.

Creative Prints

- 1st Crimson Banner - Ed Siems, Central Iowa
 - 2nd Old Mill, Tenn. - Wilford Yoder, Iowa City
 - 3rd Colorful Packard Tire - Ed Lower, Color Shooters
 - HM Dahlia, 6882 - Jo Eland, Iowa City
 - HM Garden Angel - Teresa Vokoun, Central Iowa
 - HM Dancing with the Clouds - Jim Kost, Mitchell Camera
- 15 entries from 6 clubs. Judging Club: Des Moines. Judges: Loren Brown, Diane Darnielle, Rick McCubbin.

Nature Prints

- Magnificant Frigate Bird - Mike Landwehr, Des Moines
- 1st Evening at Bristlecone Pine - Ed Lower, Color Shooters
- 3rd Red Head - Francis Kingsbury, Sioux City
- HM Coming In - Vernice Kingsbury, Sioux City
- HM Untitled - Dwight Tomes, Des Moines
- HM Firesteel Creed in Infrared - Diane Darnielle, Des Moines

Judging Club: Iowa City. Chair: Larry Luebbert. Judges: Hope Solomons, Gerry Solomons, Delores Meister. 13 prints from 6 clubs. Comments: A number of nice entries - quantity down.

Photojournalism Prints

- 1st Bucking Bronc - Lowell Stanley, Mitchell
 - 2nd Crashed and Burning - Ed Siems, Central Iowa
 - 3rd 3200 Meter Relay - John Larson, Shutterbug
 - HM Mighty Arm Wrestler - Delores Meister, Iowa City
 - HM Sand Box Kids - Wilford Yoder, Iowa City
 - HM Cannon Crew - Jim Kost, Mitchell
- Judging Club: Sioux City. Chair: Steve Paulson. Judges: Jim Hollander, Robert Gillespie, Curt Stoefer. 12 Images from 7 clubs. Comments: Nice set of Prints. A few clunkers, but overall good entries. With only 12 entries, I can see the trend towards digital images clearly.

Projected Photojournalism

- 1st Missed A Spot - Chris Larson, Fargo-Moorhead
- 2nd Throw is Too High - John Larson, Shutterbug
- 3rd Daddys Home - Dave Navarro, Topeka
- HM Going for Goal - Diane Darnielle, Des Moines
- HM Making a Straw Pile - Dean Randall, Mitchell
- Ruby - UNI vs U of IL, The Breakaway - Howard Hinton, Iowa City
- HM

Comments: Images were for the most part "just average" with a small number of outstanding images. Quite a few showed very little thought in titling the entry. Some entries were NOT photojournalistic and received low scores accordingly. 59 digital entries and 7 slides from 18 clubs.

Digital Creative

- 1st Mars - Paul Amicucci, Fargo Moorhead
- 2nd Rooftop Laundry - Hope Solomons, Iowa City
- 3rd Mother Nature is Watching - Herb Proudfit, Iowa City
- HM Iris Ala Van Gogh - Linda Rutherford, Women's Color
- HM Distressed 54 Chevy - Steve Paulson, Sioux City
- HM Kalona Depot - Wilford Yoder, Iowa City

Judging Club: Des Moines. Chair: Rick McCubbin.
Judges: Sharla Glick, Diane Darnielle, Jim Stepp. 65 images from 20 clubs.

Photo Trips and Tips..... (submitted by Ed Siems)

Last fall Teresa and i went on a boat trip on the Miss. at Lansing. It was a 3 1/2 hour cruise down river in to the Nation Wildlife bird Sanctuary. There were thousands of Tundra Swans , ducks ,geese and hugh variety of other birds. The morning we were there the birds were not real close. The boat captain said some days they are put close to the boat and other days they are farther away, so it is luck if you get good images. The trip last year was \$30 and included fresh cheese curds , hot apple cider and carmals to die for. We enjoyed our trip and thought it was well worth the time and money spent. Here is a link to their site:

<http://www.mississippiexplorer.com/ports/port-lansing.html>

Have an idea for "Trips and Tips" Contact editor Sharla Glick: edit@n4c.us



N4C Convention Raptor photoshoot - submitted by Ed Siems

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