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METRO CAMERA CLUB MEETING

The Metro Camera Club meets the second and fourth Monday of each month (except holidays) at the Will Rogers Garden Exhibition Building, Will Rogers Park, 3400 NW 36th Street, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Socializing starts at 7:00 pm, meeting starts at 7:30 pm.

Meeting this month March 8 and 22

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March 8 - Program – 7:30 p.m.
ROBIN SMITH
of Our Lady Photography Studio

March 15 - Board Meeting – 7:00 p.m.

March 22 COMPETITON – 7:30 P.M.

MESSAGE FROM THE PREZ

If you belong to any mailing lists on the internet, you know how the topics can take off in different directions. This month the talk on the list to which I belong was about Kodak discontinuing film production. Of course, that's not true, but it sure started the messages flying! The latest is; APS format is on the way out as far as Kodak is concerned, but other films will continue to be made as long as there is demand for them. At the same time, Kodak has seen the increased demand for digital products and has thrown their immense resources into development of newer and competitive cameras and scanners. A recent survey by Bill Berryman revealed there are about as many members who use digital as there are who use film. Most use both. Our challenge is to see that the club keeps the programs and competitions exciting to users of both mediums. If you have suggestions about programs, please contact Rick McAuliffe and let him know so we can keep it interesting to all. Many thanks to those who submitted pictures for the gallery. I would like to encourage all the newer members to submit some example of your work. It's a great way to show off your interests. .Sorry I will miss the next program by Robin Smith, I really wanted to be there, but I have to go out of town.

.....Jack

COMPETITION RESULTS February 23, 2004

CLASS	PLACE	PTS	TITLE	NAME
BW				
AA	3	8	Perfect Shot	Richard Conway
AA	3	8	Tea, Anyone?	Richard Conway
AA	2	10	Adorable	Joe Spence
AA	1	11	Aspen Falls	Joe Spence
Color Print				
A	3	10	Where's Your Belly Button?	Loy Riggs
A	3	10	Wjat's Up, Doc?	Loy Riggs
A	3	10	Moses	Mark Voyles
A	3	10	Skipper #1	Andrea Norris
A	3	10	Orient Onale	Jackie Bartels
A	3	10	Water Flower #1	Andrea Norris
A	2	12	The Purr-fect Bouquet	Jackie Bartels
A	2	12	Female Cardinal #5	Jackie Bartels
A	1	13	Differential Grasshopper	Jackie Bartels
AA	3	10	Wet Rose	James Heathcock
AA	2	11	Doe	James Heathcock
AA	1	12	Sea Horse	James Heathcock
AA	1	12	Balloon	James Heathcock
AAA	3	9	Snowday at Capital	Richard Conway
AAA	2	10	Way to Grandmas	Richard Conway
AAA	2	10	Stairway of Smiles	Richard Conway
AAA	2	10	Standing Tall	Richard Conway
AAA	2	10	Nature's Splendor	Joe Spence
AAA	1	13	Nature's Design	Joe Spence
Color Slide				
AAA	3	13	Red, White & Blue Moon	Roger Taylor
AAA	3	13	Wyoming Sunrise	Joe Spence
AAA	2	14	Framed Beauty	Joe Spence
AAA	1	15	Mirror Lake	Roger taylor
AAA	1	15	Red Belly	Roger Taylor

Judges: Paula Morris, Bill Berryman, Charles Grubbs

Exhibiting in the Garden Center this month are James Heathcock and Jackie Bartels

Judges for March will be Dave Murray, Maxey Pinson and Jim Fowler

CONGRATULATIONS, ROGER TAYLOR!

Metro Camera Club members will all agree that in competition an award of 15 points is hard to come by. In fact, many of us have never earned 15 points for an entry in competition, and few of us have received a "15" more than once.

However, in the February 23rd slide competition, Roger Taylor earned 15 points not once, but twice! To the best of our knowledge, in the 27 year history of Metro Camera Club this is the first time anyone has received 15 points on two competition entries on the same night. It is an interesting comment on Roger's photographic skill and talent that they were completely different type photos, one a mountain lake scene, the other a bird close-up.

As rare as this event is, it should be no surprise that Roger is the one who did it. He is known for his innovative photography and for taking pictures that are long remembered by club members. Roger joined Metro Camera Club in 1985 and is one of those members who has always quietly done his part in supporting the club. He has served as Program Chair and was Competition Chair in 2001 and 2002. Members are accustomed to seeing him help manage the prints each competition night.

For several years Roger's primary interest in photography was shooting high school sports, particularly track and field and cross country competitions. He photographed those two sports for the publication, *Oklahoma Track and Field News*, and traveled to 35 Oklahoma cities and towns, and twice to Phoenix, AZ, for various track meets, as well as to thirty locations for cross country meets. For his sports photography, Roger first used a Nikon N90 and then switched to the Nikon F5. He said he found Nikon's Silent Wave auto focus lens coupled with the F5 to be very fast and accurate, and he also felt his sports photography improved considerably when he started using a Wimberly Sidekick gimbal head mounted on his Gitzo CF tripod. For sports photography Roger most often used print film because of faster processing and ease of scanning for publication.

When OT&FN ceased publication, Roger started shooting mainly slide film; his favorite is Fuji Provia 100F and occasionally Provia 400F. His main photographic interest now is all kinds of nature photography, including scenics, flowers and wildlife. He still uses the Nikon F5 and added an F100 a couple of years ago. He also enjoys photographing star trails and meteor showers and says when possible, the International Space Station makes interesting photos.

Keep shooting, pictures, Roger. We are all looking forward to seeing your future work.

VIEWPOINT COMPETITION

And the subject is WATER! Each member is allowed one entry in each category, i.e. a black and white print, a color print and a color slide. Entries must be NEW photographs, taken after the first announcement of the competition on February 9, 2004.

This competition enjoyed great participation by our members last year. It's a challenge to creativity, so let's take pictures of water---frozen, running, streaming from the sky, shooting up from the ground, falling over rocks, from a cliff, in a river, in great waves, in little trickleswhateverit's your challenge and your imagination.... Just remember the subject...it's **WATER!**

The photos will be judged at the first meeting in May, and everyone who walks in the door that night will be a judge! WHAT FUN!

HANDS-ON PHOTO FAIR AT THE HALL OF FAME

In February the International Photography Hall of Fame held its second annual Photo-Fair for children of all ages and their families. The Metro Camera Club volunteered to man the Digital Photo Booth for this event. Bill Berryman headed the volunteer group and furnished the light set-up, his printer, some of the cameras and computer equipment. Among the club volunteers who helped were Jack DeLisle, Linda Roach, Don and Paula Morris, Charles Emmerling, Darol Affeldt, Jim Fowler, Derrel Dover and Bill Webster.

The volunteers took portrait photos of the children, which were then printed and given to them to take home. As in most things in life, the more you give the more you get, and the volunteers found working with the kids was a lot of fun

!! ROBIN SMITH !!

Metro members are looking forward to the program on March 8th which will be presented by **Robin Smith**, whose studio, **Our Lady Photography** on Paseo, is well known to knowledgeable photographers.

Robin says she never meant to be a photographer. Her credentials include a BA in Journalism and a ME in Education with emphasis on photography. She has taught for 30 years in public schools and was hired by the Edmond public schools to create a photography program. She taught newspaper, yearbook and photography, and along the way changed her approach from journalistic to artistic, and went from being part of the journalism department to becoming a member of the art department.

Her approach to photography will be of interest to all our members. Be sure to come to the meeting, and **BRING A GUEST!**

Eat well, stay fit, die anyway. (Just remember how lucky you were to get a free trip around the sun.)

METRO CAMERA CLUB STATISTICS FEBRUARY 23, 2004

NAME	CLASS	TYPE	ENTRY	SCORE	TOTAL	AVERAGE
Trawick, R.	A	BW Print	2	21	86	10.5000
Riggs, L.	A	BW Print	1	10	10	10.0000
Spence, J.	AA	BW Print	4	44	303	11.0000
Conway, R.	AA	BW Print	3	16	315	8.0000
Nault, M.	A	Color Print	2	26	39	13.0000
Bartels, J.	A	Color Print	4	47	47	11,7500
Grubbs, K.	A	Color Print	1	10	10	10.0000
Trawick, R.	A	Color Print	4	40	113	10.0000
Voyles, M.	A	Color Print	1	10	10	10.0000
Norris, A.	A	Color Print	3	29	57	9.6667
Riggs, L.	A	Color Print	3	28	28	9.3333
Krish, E.	A	Color Print	4	36	60	9.0000
Pate, D.	A	Color Print	1	9	9	9.0000
Pinson, M.	AA	Color Print	1	13	139	13.0000
Grubbs, C.	AA	Color Print	3	34	151	11.3333
Heathcock, J.	AA	Color Print	4	45	266	11.2500
Spence, J.	AAA	Color Print	4	45	1743	11.2500
Conway, R.	AAA	Color Print	4	38	436	9.5000
Grubbs, C.	A	Color Slide	2	19	69	9.5000
Taylor, R.	AAA	Color Slide	4	55	1155	13.7500
Spence, J.	AAA	Color Slide	2	27	1622	13.5000
Dover, D.	AAA	Color Slide	4	11	765	11.0000
Wilson, J.	AAA	Color Slide	5	52	4256	10.4000
Conway, R.	AAA	Color Slide	4	40	425	10.0000
Hughes, W.	AAA	Color Slide	4	40	552	10.0000
Ranney, J.	AAA	Color Slide	3	35	4388	8.7500

NOTE: Go to our website – www.metrocameraclub.org for a larger view of the information shown at right.

While you are at the website, check the Gallery. The photos are great!

Don't worry about what people think; they don't do it very often.

Artificial intelligence is no match for natural stupidity.

There is always one more imbecile than you counted on.

Experience is a wonderful thing. It enables you to recognize a mistake when you make it again.

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