



the Galleon

the Santa Maria Camera Club Newsletter August 2017



Affiliated since 1938

Meetings

1st & 3rd Wednesday
of the month
at 7:00pm
(3rd Wednesday only
for July & August)

Location

Merrill Gardens
Retirement Center
1350 N. Suey Rd.
Santa Maria, CA

Membership Dues

\$25 Person; \$35 Family
\$15 year Competitions

2017 Club Officers

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Upcoming Events...

August 2... Pizza Party Swap Meet, 7 pm, Merrill Gardens (see pg. 2)

August 5... Saturday Chat, 8 am, Francisco's Country Kitchen (see pg. 2)

August 5... La Fiesta Field Trip via Train, 7:30 am (see pg. 6)

August 9... Board Mtg., 7 pm, @ Merrill Gardens. All are welcome to attend.

August 16... Competition Mtg., 7 pm, open theme, @ Merrill Gardens

September 2... Saturday Breakfast Chat, 8 am, Francisco's Country Kitchen

President's Message:

Here we are in the middle of summer. My wife and I have faced a close threat of wildfire already. I have to confess it was a great photo opportunity. So between periods of intense activity trying to make sure we had done everything on our checklist to protect our home, I was able to set up two cameras (three if you count my iPhone 7s ... which I put on a tripod) and take photos. The flames in the distance could be quite impressive. Sometimes it looked like the flames were sneaking up on an oak tree and then all of a sudden enveloping it and ... whoosh! It was gone.

I'm glad it is over and never reached our side of Tepusquet Road. The firefighters did a great job. They saved all the homes across the canyon that we could see. In some cases the fire had surrounded the house on three sides and the helicopters still saved the home with load after load of water from a vineyard pond.

Lil and I wish to thank everyone in the camera club who contacted us by phone or Email expressing concern and often offering to let us come into town and stay with them. It was very encouraging to see such generosity. We lost contact when the electricity quit, and only regained it two days later when we had time to hook up our big generator. We dodged the bullet on this one and feel fortunate.

The Milky Way has been shining brightly in the nighttime sky up here, and I have taken some photos of it. I invited those who were going to go on the trip to the Carrizo Plains to come up to my place for Milky Way photography. Greg Doudna, Tom Wahweotten and Richard Russ were able to make it. We may see some entries in our competitions. Competition entries or not, we had a lot of fun, taking photos and comparing notes.

Prez Dave

NON-Program Meeting

On August 2 the club will hold its 3rd Annual Pizza Party/Swap Meet, 7:00 PM, at Merrill Gardens. The club will provide the pizza. Several club members will bring drinks, salad and desserts. Feel free to bring in any photography related items you'd like to sell, trade, or give away, or even just show to the rest of the club. As always, it will be a fun time to eat and mingle with our group. Who knows what you might end up taking home!

Our regular program schedule resumes Wednesday, September 6 with a special program presented by Nyla James; a preview of the one that she'll be presenting to the PSA Convention in October.

Alan Upshaw

1st Saturday Chat

Saturday, August 5, 2017 is our next breakfast chat at:

Francisco's Country Kitchen
1701 N. Broadway, Santa Maria

Meeting time is 8:00 AM

The usual length is approximately 2 hours.

For a friendly critique of your work, bring no more than 4-5 small prints (8"x11") and a Sharpie for marking up your work.

If you have any questions or ideas for discussion, contact Jim McKinniss, the coordinator of this monthly get-together.

Meet our Judge for August!

Kam Jacoby is a local photographer who lives in Los Alamos and teaches photography at Allan Hancock College. He graduated with a BA in Fine Art in 1981 and went on to earn his BFA in Communication Design in 1985 and his MFA in Photography in 1989. He has taught photography, sculpture, and other art forms at Dunn High School and photography at Butte College in Oroville, California as well as the University of Illinois.

In 2009, he published a book called *Layers: Composite Photos from the Lompoc Valley*. For this project, he scanned old black and white historical photos of local people and recognizable places to use as a marker for taking a current color image in the same location as the original photographer. He then laid the old images over top the current image in Photoshop and blended them into an image that often spanned more than 100 years of time-lapse. The image below shows a re-creation of one of such historical photographs and how the layers of the past live within the present.



He has been the curator and co-curator of work shown in the Betteravia Gallery in Santa Maria and the Channing Peake Gallery in Santa Barbara. His work has also been displayed in numerous shows and installations throughout the country. To see a bit of his work and read more about him, visit his website at kamjacoby.com.

Ramona Cashmore

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Richard Russ

Slide Projectionist

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SMCC Directory & Calendar

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Judge Recruitment

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Saturday Chat

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Program Recruitment

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Refreshments

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Nyla James

Library Coordinator

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Meeting Room Setup

Dalton Pittman

Sunshine Lady

Bonnie Adams

Field Trips

Penni Powell, Bob Mihelic

Rosie Brancacio, Bonnie Adams

Alan Upshaw

Name Tags

TBA



"Smokey San Simeon" ~ Janine Bognuda

Winning images from our
July club competition
(on this page and continued on pg. 5)



"It's a Serious Role" ~ Janine Bognuda

Competition Special Subjects



March 2017

Wildlife

June 2017

Patterns in Nature

September 2017

Blur



Competition Rules

Each member may submit
a maximum of 3 entries
per competition in any
combination of categories.

Categories will be:

Small Prints (9x13 max)

**Monochrome Prints
(Large Back)**

Color Prints (Large Back)

Slides

Digital

Submit your images for
digital competitions to:

Richard Russ

rruss12@gmail.com

Images can also be submitted on
a flash drive, or other media.
Digital images **MUST** be received
no later than Wednesday at
6:45pm the day of Competition.
Images not received in time will
not be entered into the
competition.

July Competition Results

Judge: Joe Dickerson

Monochrome Prints

1st	<i>Mario Peria</i>	Robert Ginn
2nd	<i>She'll Love This</i>	Jeanne Sparks
3rd	<i>Gathering of Panama Hats</i>	Ted Maddux
HM	<i>Rainy Day Tree</i>	Penni Powell

Small Prints

1st	<i>Masai Olympics</i>	Ted Maddux
2nd	<i>Pelicans at Play</i>	Scott Clark
3rd	<i>Little Rodeo Clown</i>	Patty Blythe

Large Color Prints

1st	<i>Smokey San Simeon</i>	Janine Bognuda
2nd	<i>Camels Sunrise</i>	Robert Ginn
3rd	<i>Roseate Spoonbill</i>	Jeanne Sparks
HM	<i>Charmin: The Fox</i>	Robert Ginn

Digital

1st	<i>It's a Serious Role</i>	Janine Bognuda
2nd	<i>Walt Disney Concert Hall</i>	Tom Wahweotten
3rd	<i>Three Generations Spin</i>	Gregory Doudna
HM	<i>L.A. Building</i>	Tom Wahweotten

Slides

1st	<i>Top of the Heap</i>	Penni Powell
2nd	<i>Birch in Winter Sun</i>	Penni Powell
3rd	<i>Zulu Dancers</i>	Dalton Pittman



Treasury Report

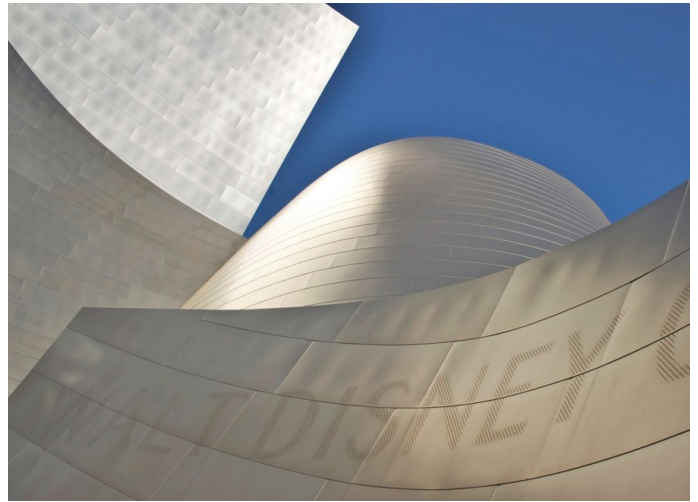


The Club balance is \$1918.14.
Currently, there are 51 paid members.



"She'll Love This" ~ Jeanne Sparks

"Walt Disney Concert Hall" ~ Tom Wahweotten



"Three Generations Spin" ~ Gregory Doudna



"LA Building" ~ Tom Wahweotten

"Roseate Spoonbill" ~ Jeanne Sparks



SMCC Field Trips July 2017 and Beyond

by Penni Powell

Please note: Rain or bad weather can cancel outdoor activities. Contact the leader if you are in doubt. Check your email for any updates.

August 5th (Sat) Train Trip (?) to La Fiesta in Santa Barbara - *SIGN UP IN ADVANCE!* with trip leaders Penni Powell and Bob Mihelic - Children's Parade and more!

Here's what you need to know about this field trip, as advance ticketing for Amtrak is necessary to get the best pricing. **AMTRAK** - Pacific Surfliner Guadalupe to Santa Barbara (RT)

Depart Guadalupe @ 7:30am Arrive Santa Barbara @ 9:24am (duration 1hr, 54 min)
(Spend the day in Santa Barbara on foot, within about 1 mile of the train station)

Depart Santa Barbara @ 5:42pm Arrive Guadalupe @ 7:36pm

The cost for a group ticket (5 persons RT) is only **\$26 per person!** This deal is only for groups of five, otherwise, the price is \$56... more than double. **Bob is taking reservations through the August 2nd Swap Meet meeting and you must pay by this day with cash!** We hope to have interested travelers in groups of five for the lowest cost, but last to reserve may have to pay more, so sign up ASAP.

Contact Bob Mihelic at 473-0716 or rmihelic@charter.net for more info.

Why go? - ¡VIVA LA FIESTA!

and Beyond...

Sept 16th (Sat) - Danish Days in Solvang

October - Fall Color in the Eastern Sierras



“The use of the term art medium is, to say the least, misleading, for it is the artist that creates a work of art not the medium. It is the artist in photography that gives form to content by a distillation of ideas, thought, experience, insight and understanding.”

~ Edward Steichen

Santa Barbara County Fair Display

A big shout out goes to **Jim and Lynda Snodgrass** for handling the set-up and maintenance of our Camera Club display at the Santa Barbara County Fair, which was held July 12-16, 2017. Representative of the club were images from 14 of our fellow members as well as informational cards about the club for interested viewers. Thank you to all who participated or helped out in any way during Fair days!

As part of the Fair, we also had a number of members who entered work in the Fair competition. I didn't take notes while attending the Fair but I do remember seeing work from [Jeanne Sparks](#), and [Ed & Penni Powell](#). (If others also entered, I apologize for leaving you out. My memory is only so good these days!) All of these competitors had winning photographs but Penni won the coveted Rosalie and Clarence Minetti Award for her image, *“In Need of Polishing.”* That particular award is the top award in the Adult competition. Her image also won Best of Show in the Close-up Division category. **WAY TO GO, PENNI!**

Ramona Cashmore

