

# The Galleon

The VOICE of the Santa Maria Camera Club for 76 years

December 2014/January 2015

## November Competition Winners 2014



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Club**  
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Place

Separate Ways by  
Alan Upshaw



Digital: Second  
Place

Washing his own  
window by  
Nyla James



Digital: Third  
Place

Capturing the  
Moment by  
Penni Powell

The Santa Maria Camera Club  
Meets the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays  
of each month, except July & August, at  
7:00pm on the second floor of the main  
building, in the activities room of  
**Merrill Gardens**  
**1350 North Suey Road**  
**Santa Maria**  
For information call the President @  
**471-9206**

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**Editors corner:** This is my last issue as editor of the Galleon.

Just a quick note of thanks to the following people who have helped me with the galleon.

To Jim Ogg whose articles are always welcomed and informative. I have learned about things on our coast that I didn't even know existed. Thank you.

To Glenn Bolivar for getting those extraordinary digital photos to me in time for each issue. Thank you.

To Dave Clary for taking over the job of Competition Winners. You made my life so much easier. Thank you.

To Penni Powell, hey sister, you made every issue worth waiting for just to see what was coming up! Thank you.

To Bill Hood and my monthly phone call with all the latest membership and monies info. Thank you.

To Janice Darby, and Ramona Cashmore and anyone else I may have missed, a huge THANK YOU.

As of January next year Alan Upshaw will be your editor for the galleon and my tenure will be finished. Thanks for allowing me to interact with you all.

Regards, Anne M.

**Officers of SMCC for 2015**

President: Nyla James

Vice President—Program chairman : Dave Clary

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Treasure: Bill Hood

**When we have show and tell.....**

**Bring up to 3 images for "Show & Tell". Remember that you don't have to follow the challenge theme. You may bring anything that you are working on that you would like to share.**

## **Santa Maria Camera Club Board Meeting- November 1, 2014, 9:30am**

### **Attendance:**

Dr. Dennis Shepard, Richard Russ, Ramona Cashmore, Ron and Elaine Calvert, Dave Clary, Nyla James, Bob Ginn, Alan Upshaw, Penni Powell, Janice Darby

Minutes were read and approved

Treasurer's Report: 48 paid members, Balance: 1845.42 as of August 31, 2014.

Ron Calvert makes a motion to change the dimensions on small print category from 9X12 to 9X13. Ramona seconds, board votes in favor to pass.

Ron Calvert makes a motion to change the monthly winning competition library images to a featured photographer of the month wall from the Santa Maria Camera Club Members. Images need to be kept within library policy guidelines.

An amendment to the motion was made- images need to be turned in at the third Wednesday of the months competition meeting, if not turned in on time, the clubs winning images for that month will be substituted. Nyla seconds, board votes in favor to pass.

Meeting adjourned at 12:15.

Many Thanks to Dr. Shepard for your hospitality and hosting our meeting.

Thanks Anne!  
Janice Darby

## **Camera Classifies**

Have received a \$500.00 Samy's Camera gift card I do not need. Will sell for \$400.00.  
Please call Donna Lehman at 805-439-2030

## **Did you know...**

Starting in December, boiler room and solicitors will be able to call your cell phone. If you answer, you will be charged for the calls.

Register your cell phone with the DO NOT CALL #1-888-382-1222 today. It blocks calls for five years.

## SMCC Field Trips December 2014 and Beyond

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

**Dec 6th (Sat 8 am) First Saturday Chat Group** - Meet at 8 am @ Francisco's Country Kitchen on North Broadway and Williams Street in Santa Maria, which is next to the Best Western Motel. After eating and chatting, head to Nipomo for the 10 am greenhouse tour.

Why go? - Enjoy photo talk over breakfast and coffee.

**Dec 6th (Sat 2:45-8 pm) Olde Fashioned Christmas in Los Olivos** - Meet at Panera Bread in Santa Maria (College and Betteravia) at 2:45pm to carpool, or see you in Los Olivos. [Read more ›](#)

"Celebrate an Olde Fashioned Christmas as the streets are adorned with luminaries and the smell of popcorn and roasted walnuts wafts through the air. Family-friendly fun begins at St. Mark's In-the-Valley, and continues into the after as local merchants welcome guests during this romantic return to small town holiday celebration. Experience musical performances and a tree lighting ceremony by our "Little Angel." from [www.losolivos.com](http://www.losolivos.com)

Those interested can have dinner together after the shoot. RSVP with Penni. For more info, call Penni at 929-2420 or 363-1931 on cell during the field trip.

Why go? - Get into the Holiday Spirit and maybe photograph a great image to use on your Christmas card this year.

### And Field Trips Beyond...

**Jan 3rd, 2015 (Sat 8 am) First Saturday Chat Group** - Meet at 8 am @ Francisco's Country Kitchen on North Broadway and Williams Street in Santa Maria, which is next to the Best Western Motel. After eating and chatting, head to Nipomo for the 10 am greenhouse tour.

Why go? - Enjoy photo talk over breakfast and coffee.

**If you have an idea for a field trip, please let anyone in the field trip committee know about it:**

**Penni Powell, Bob Mihelic, Bob Ginn, and Alan Upshaw, at your service!**

## COMPETITION WINNERS FOR NOVEMBER 2014

### MONOCHROME PRINT -- LARGE BACK

First:	Nyla James	Waiting alone
Second:	Rosie Brancacio	Standing Watch
Third:	Ed E. Powell	Disconnected

### DIGITAL

First:	Alan Upshaw	Separate Ways
Second:	Nyla James	Washing His Own Window
Third:	Penni Powell	Capturing the Moment

### SLIDES

First:	Penni Powell	Crossing the Tracks
Second:	Dennis Shepard	La Siesta
Third:	Flavio Parigi	Peace

### COLOR PRINT -- LARGE BACK

First:	Richard Russ	Off to Market
Second:	Cheryl Maddux	Street Market
Third:	Ted Maddux	Mystic
HM:	Ramona Cashmore	Political Favors

### SMALL PRINTS

First:	Cheryl Maddux	Down Stairs
Second:	Cheryl Maddux	Boy's Boat
Third:	Elaine Calvert	Tiny Dancer
HM:	Ron Calvert	Street Artist

### The **GALLEON** is a photo/info magazine!

If you have something from any SMCC event, or of its members, monthly competition winners or images which won in any other contests anywhere in the world etc., which you think should be in the GALLEON then take the time send it to **Anne WHITTEN** ( [anne@whittenart.com](mailto:anne@whittenart.com)) as a jpg!

PLEASE send them to me as .jpg files and as an attachment— of the many ways to get images to me -this is the fastest .

**Remember** that your digital entries must be E-mailed to: **Glenn Bolivar**

**NO LATER THAN SUNDAY MIDNIGHT**

**At [glennabolivar@gmail.com](mailto:glennabolivar@gmail.com)**

with MS Word with your information to go with your images! Thanks.



## Points North and East For December 2014 by Jim Ogg

Mid Winter Snow opportunities continue especially for Yosemite and Eastern Sierra. Mammoth Mountain Ski Area opened Nov. 13. And one-to-four weeks after a drenching rainfall, look for Fungi. The Bull Elephant Seals continue to contend for control of the beaches near Piedras Blancas. Mid December brings the breeding females and the start of the birthing of pups. And continue to look for low tide opportunities and/or "winter" coastal wildflowers. The image "Beach Grafitti (SR203)" shows some spectacular archaeological ruins and colorful decorations that may be found on the beaches of Santa Barbara County, California.

The air temperature determines the opportunities for Monarch Butterfly images. The Pismo Beach Monarch web page ([www.classiccalifornia.com](http://www.classiccalifornia.com)) indicates that Monarchs cannot fly at temperatures less than 55, and at a temperature lower than 40 degrees, it is unable to move at all. At these temperatures, the Butterflies form dense clusters on the pine trees and alien Eucalyptus trees. Besides the Pismo Beach Preserve, wintering Monarchs can be found at Sweet Springs Marsh Preserve, Montana de Oro State Park, in the eucalyptus windrow next to Ramona Rd. in Los Osos, and north of Sebastiani's Store at San Simeon. Also Morro Bay State Park has several butterfly overwintering sites. Check the campground and the Eucalyptus windrows in the nearby golf course.

Sometimes the Carrizo Plains National Monument is a spectacular photography opportunity during the wetter winters especially Painted Rock, Soda Lake, Plains animals and wildflowers. Painted Rock is only accessible by humans in the winter before March 1. The petroglyphs of Painted Rock are colorful, predominately red, black, and white. Often late in February, wildflowers can be found on the trail to and at Painted Rock. Soda Lake is usually a salt flat but wet winters bring a most dramatic lake when full and supports one-fourth of the California's wintering sandhill crane population. On the plains, look for Pronghorn Antelope, Tule Elk, and Kit Fox families. Late Winter early Spring sometimes brings foreground to horizon carpets of wildflowers.

Please provide additions, corrections and comments via e-mail, [jimogg@tcsn.net](mailto:jimogg@tcsn.net), and visit the website, [www.tcsn.net/ogg](http://www.tcsn.net/ogg). Also enjoy my show "Christmas Cards from the High Sierra" at the Club's Christmas Party.

### Beach Grafitti (SR203)

The boundary between Central California cultural influence and that of Southern California is not precisely defined. However a partially destroyed structure on the beach west of Santa Barbara appears to reflect the cultural differences. The Southern California grafitti contrasts with the Central California beautiful outdoor art form.

The "Beach Grafitti" image is part of the Sealth body of work which are digital images of landscapes, scenics, and the human form and are based on locations in the Santa Barbara, Goleta, Central Coast of California and High Sierra.



## UPCOMING PROGRAMS

January 2015

There is no program meeting in January as we have the awards banquet in January.

### GREAT UNDERWATER PHOTOGRAPHY ... February Program Meeting on Wednesday February 4, 2015

Jules Reuter has brought to our attention a local photographer who has a different view than most of the rest of us. Ray Tsuyuke, a Santa Maria Endodontist (read specialist in some difficult dentistry), is an outstanding underwater photographer. He has a degree in marine biology and has used his interests and skills in his hobby. I have visited his office and looked at the images on his 60 inch LG display on his lobby wall. WOW! 'nuf said. Ray will bring some of his gear to show us as well as a program of his images. Even if you have never donned a wetsuit, DON'T MISS THIS PROGRAM!

### IMAGERY OF CUBA ... March program Meeting on Wednesday, March 4, 2014

There are a few photographers nationwide who have figured out a way to work with the complex treasury rules (Why on earth are they in that department?) that regulate travel to Cuba. A number of local members have made the trip with a photographer out of Ventura. I (Dave Clary) have signed up to travel with another such trip leader, Charles Anselmo. He is based in the Bay Area and has lead 28 organized photo trips to Cuba. Howard Ignatius and Peggy Janssen from the SLO club have gone on trips to Cuba with him and have raved about them. Howard did the presentation to our club on Night Photography and Peggy on her great grandfather who was a leading general under Czar Nicholas in Russia.

Charles has a 6-page resume of shows he has participated in and routinely does presentations on Cuba and other topics. So I asked if he would be willing to do such a presentation to our club. He readily agreed. His presentation will be largely based on printed photos about Cuba. For anyone interested in this culture of contradictions (communism, dictatorship, equality, poverty, great music, great sports teams, high health standards, high literacy and educational attainment [not so common in Latin America], a mobile museum of 50s cars, friendly people, and wonderful imagery), this should be a great program. It should be an eye opener even if a trip to Cuba is not on your bucket list. Isn't that part of what we do? Expand our horizons?

We will be working on some mini programs for the second half of our program meetings in order to provide variety and keep y'all interested. So stay tuned.

Dave Clary, 2015 VP and program chairman.

**December 6th— Saturday Chat is at 8am at**

**January 3rd - Saturday Chat is at 8am at  
Francisco's in Santa Maria**

**Bring Your Laptops & Some of YOUR Photos To Show &  
Talk About. It's a Great Time To Get Feedback Without  
The Competition Or Any Judges!**

The 2015 competition year is open to everyone in the SMCC.

You can enter three (3) different images in any combination of Divisions at each competition meeting!

This means that you can enter 3 of your images in one Division, or 1 in any 3 Divisions which you are qualified for, or two in one and one in another.

### **DUES PER YEAR      TREASURE'S REPORT**

*\$25.00 per person*

*\$35.00 per couple or family*

*\$15.00 for full-time student*

*An additional annual \$15.00 competition entry fee is charged  
for any member who wishes to compete during the year.*

As of this issue, we have 48 paid members with a working balance of \$1,627.18 Thank you. Bill Hood



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The SMCC competition meeting are held at  
**2013 AT MERRILL GARDENS**  
1350 North Suey Road, Santa Maria

**No subjects for Evaluation for December  
And January**

*Upcoming dates!*

*Wednesday December 10th—6:00-9:00 pm*

**CHRISTMAS POTLUCK** @ Casa Grande Mobil Estates

*519 W. Taylor St., Santa Maria, Ca. 93458*

*Wednesday January 10th—6:00-9:00 pm*

**Awards Dinner** @ Casa Grande Mobil Estates

*519 W. Taylor St., Santa Maria, Ca. 93458*