

Hi Everyone:

Sorry for the delay in getting these notes out this week but have been swamped again with all the holiday activities. New Years is Friday and is the beginning of a great year for you all. Plan now for some of the upcoming activities...especially the Wilderness Wildlife Week beginning a week from Saturday in Pigeon Forge and which is Free. It runs all the week. More on it later.

Here are some notes for this week:

**(1) CLUBS** (*All the local clubs have completed their 2009 meetings but read on to schedule those beginning next week. Plan now to attend any of the clubs mentioned as you are always welcome regardless of skill level.*)

### **NEXT LEVEL PHOTOGRAPHY FOCUS GROUP...**

**NEXT MEETING IS WEDNESDAY, January 6th** : Lunch Meeting Topic : Promotions and Specials to bring in more business....at 12PM (noon) at Makino Japanese Buffet at 8217 Kingston Pike (in front of Chuck E Cheese). We will meet in the back room to the left. This will be the last meeting of this year. The club meets on the first and third Wednesday each month and all serious photographers are invited to attend and learn from the group.

Upcoming lunch meeting dates and topics:

January 20th : Lunch Meeting : Solving and managing image storage problems

...got topics? Send your suggestions to [lisa@almphoto.com](mailto:lisa@almphoto.com)

***Don't forget to invite any serious photography enthusiasts who would enjoy sharing and learning with our group.***

:: GENERAL INFORMATION ::

Meeting format/Agenda

Each member should bring an article, website, book, DVD or photographs they have found useful on the topic to be covered to share with the group. Even if it is not a topic of interest to you, you will learn something and when we cover a topic that really fires you up you will have the opportunity to share your knowledge with everyone. Bring a paper and pen and be prepared to leave with some exciting, new information!

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## **PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY OF CHATTANOOGA:**

Check out the web site at [www.chattanoogaphoto.org](http://www.chattanoogaphoto.org) for more information and locations.

Items for the next PSC newsletter need to be sent to [psceditor@bellsouth.net](mailto:psceditor@bellsouth.net) by the 25th of each month. If you have photo related items you want to sell or are looking for a particular item, send it in to me and I will put it in the newsletter for you. Also, questions you want to throw out to the membership for feedback can be included in the Members' Corner when available space permits.

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**LECONTE PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY.** LeConte Photographic Society will meet again **Monday, January 4th** at the First Presbyterian Church of Sevierville. Meeting and competition will begin at 6:30 p.m.

On **next Monday, January 4th**, Judy Cravy will make a presentation on Architectural photography. Judy does architectural photography in the Sevier and Knox County area and has photographed cabins (lots of them), homes, labs and churches. She will explain what lens she uses, go over Nikon's Creative lighting system, and the use of Photoshop in her work.

Our speaker for February 1st at the LeConte Photographic Society will be Colby McLemore of Colby's Photography who will give a talk on Lightroom Photo Editing Software. The assignment for February would be "Frame your Subject" without manipulation.

The LeConte Photographic Society is in its second year of club activities. We will continue with our format of competitions of three levels (*this is new*) and a program by a local professional, some may not be so local, but of interest. Fee for membership is \$25. per fiscal year, and that is 12 months - we have met through last summer and will continue to meet thru the summer of 2010.

Winning photos from our most recent competition are on line now.

**I have three field trips in mind for the near future**

1. Photograph Laurel Falls with ice, and river scenes with ice bells.
2. Atlanta Zoo and possibly the Acquarium as well.
3. Newfound Gap for snow, ice scenes - that area can always be a complete surprise, once you've arrived there and many icy river scenes on the drive back down the mountain.

Anyone who "may" be interested needs to contact me, so that we can set a date to agree with your work schedule.

HAPPY NEW YEAR, ya'all,

**Dee Murphy**

The club is going places and doing lots of good outings this coming year. Please check our website for our latest competition winners, our club members have done an excellent job with their division entries and assignment competition. [www.Lecontephotos.com](http://www.Lecontephotos.com) or [Deemur@charter.net](mailto:Deemur@charter.net) .

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**DIGITAL LUNCH BUNCH:--** The next meeting of this group is Wednesday January 13 at noon at the Mandarin House on Downtown West Blvd at Gleason Road. *(This is located west of West town just off Kingston Pike. Going west (toward Nashville) from West Town Mall, get in the left lane and when you see O'Charlie's Restaurant on the right you TURN LEFT on Downtown West Blvd. and go the end of the road. The Mandarin House is on the left at the corner of Gleason Road.)*

Come and join our lively group. Everyone is welcome regardless of skill level. It is a lot of fun for an hour or so with a great bunch of photographers. Come and rub shoulders with some of the best! Cost is \$10 per person who eats at the buffet. For more information contact Larry Perry at [larryperry@att.net](mailto:larryperry@att.net).

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**BLOUNT COUNTY PHOTO CLUB---**

Reminder: There is no meeting in December. The club will meet again on Thursday January 21, 2010. **Beginning Jan. 21. Our Club meetings will be moving to the 3rd Thursday of the Month.** We will be in Room A at the Blount County Library. Please check our website for information about Bob Quinn's classes at FAB for photo lessons.

Wishing everyone a great NEW YEAR!

Thank You

Our website: [www.blountcountyphotoclub.com](http://www.blountcountyphotoclub.com). (For more information contact Janie Mertz at [aladytraveler@yahoo.com](mailto:aladytraveler@yahoo.com) or 865 - 982-7368, cell 804-1051).

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**PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY OF EAST TENNESSEE. PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY OF EAST TENNESSEE.** PSET's next meeting will be Thursday, January 7 at 6:30pm. Their **new meeting** place is the Rose Center, 442 W 2nd North Street, Morristown, TN 37814 (diagonally across from the county court house). This is about a 40 minute drive from Knoxville. Please check out their web site at [www.PSET.org](http://www.PSET.org).

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**KINGSTON TN PHOTO GROUP:** The next meeting will be at the Morrison Hill Christian Church in [Kingston](#) at 7pm on **Thursday January 7**.

We will meet the first Thursday at 7PM at the Morrison Hill Christian Church in Kingston <http://morrisonhill.com/> at 7PM. We will continue our series based on Bill Fortney's Great Photography Workshop with the topic "Exposure Exposed". We will have a learning exercise so bring your cameras and willingness to learn (and pitch in).

For more information contact; Brian Kalderbach at [kaldenbk@bellsouth.net](mailto:kaldenbk@bellsouth.net) .

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**OAK RIDGE CAMERA CLUB:**

The next meeting of the Oak Ridge Camera Club will be Tuesday evening January 12 at Roane State Community College, Oak Ridge Campus on Briarcliff Road. The meeting will begin at 7:30 pm in the City County Room just inside the front door of the main building. Everyone is welcome.

**FUTURE COMPETITION SUBJECTS:**

Bob Stone, our competition chairman, has been listening to our members and is using subjects suggested by them. February is "Things Aloft". The "things" can be high like clouds, or low like bumble bees, or medium like kites, but they have to be photographed in a state unsupported by the earth. April is "Color as a Subject" where color is used to give a lifelike rendering of the subject. In these pictures, the color is an end in itself. I can see an abstract work filling the bill, or a false color photo, or maybe just a collection of unrelated but intensely colored objects. He made June "Water" pictures. These topics are different than normal for us and cover a wide enough range that everyone already may have a few entries or be motivated to look at subjects a little differently.

Again, congratulations to all the winners of our 61st Annual Salon and thanks to all those who made it possible!

We appreciate your input and help in carrying out our projects and suggesting future activities. Please continue to provide us with your input and we will try to put them to use.

Check out the new web site at [www.cameraclubof oakridge.org](http://www.cameraclubof oakridge.org). (*Really nice...Larry*)

If there are any questions about the club, please call Douglas Hubbard at 525-1465  
[dfhubb@comcast.net](mailto:dfhubb@comcast.net).

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#### **SOUTHERN APPALACHIAN NATURE PHOTOGRAPHERS CLUB:**

**The next meeting of the club will be on Tuesday evening January 26, 2010.** For general club information contact Kendall Chiles at [kchiles@knology.net](mailto:kchiles@knology.net) or check out the web site at [www.sanp.net](http://www.sanp.net).



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#### **(2) EVENTS**

#### **WILDERNESS WILDLIFE WEEK CONTEST--The Fantastic (*my words*) Annual Wilderness**

Wildlife Week in Pigeon Forge will be next year from January 9 thru the 16th in Pigeon Forge. If you

have never been to any of the events, you have missed one of our area's finest events for photographers and those just interested in Nature. There are seminars and workshops all week long and the cost is

**FREE!!!** The Photo Contest is open to everyone. Entries must be taken to the Pigeon Forge Office of Special Events at Stoplight #5 in Pigeon Forge no later than January 8, 2010. You can simply Google Wilderness Wildlife Week on the internet for more information. There is a limit of 5 images per person and only one in each of the following categories: Any subject related to **nature wilderness or wildlife, any landscape or seascape image, wny wildlife subject, Great Smoky Mountain landmark. Read the instructions carefully when making up your image for submission!!**

*(If you need entry forms, email me and I will send to you. Larry)*

*SPEAKING OF THE WWW CONTEST: Several of you have sent questions of interest to everyone about the contest. Here are some questions and hopefully the answers:*

*(1) Is there a minium size for the print mounts? Do they have to be on 16 X 20 mounts?*

*A: NO. The minimum size of the print is 64 square inches (8 x 8 Inches for example). The maximum is 20 inches wide however. So anything in between will be acceptable.*

*(2) When do they have to be taken to the contest?*

*A: They need to be taken to Pigeon Forge Office of Special Events--Stoplight #5---in Pigeon Forge between JANUARY 4-8 --9am until 4:30 pm OR on January 9 between **9 am and 1 pm** to the Convention Center at the Music Road Hotel in the Cello Room.*

*(3) Who can enter?*

*A: There is a place for everyone either Amateur or Professional depending upon the category and if you earn ANY money from your photograpy.*

*(4) When will they be judged?*

*A: Ribbons will be placed on the photographs at 9 am on Thursday January 14.*

*(5) Will there be monetary prizes?*

*A: Yes: First place = \$100; Second place= \$50 and Third place= \$25.*

If you are not entering the contest, then plan on coming to one or more of the great seminars and workshops there. You can get a list on line. The presenters are among the best in the business too!!!

For more information call the Pigeon Forge Department of Tourism Special Events Office at 865-429-7350, or to see the complete itinerary go to:  
[www.mypigeonforge.com/winterfest-06wwwclasslist.asp](http://www.mypigeonforge.com/winterfest-06wwwclasslist.asp).

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## **SANP CONTEST:**

### **2010 SALON RULES & REGISTRATION:**

**Please read the rules carefully, especially regarding the parameters of digital entries. Changes for this year's rules are in bold print. The entry filing date is between: January 11-23, 2010, at Thompsons Photo. Be sure you read the rules and complete the entry form too.**

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### **(3) CLASSES AND SEMINARS:**

**WILDERNESS WILDLIFE WEEK:** I keep mentioning this annual event in the hope that you who are really interested in photography will attend one or more of the week long FREE Programs in Pigeon Forge beginning a week from Saturday January 8-15. It is held at the Music Road Convention Center to the right of Stop Light #1 in Pigeon Forge near the Music Road Hotel. Many of the country's best photographers will be presenting too. **THIS IS A MUST ATTEND EVERYONE.** If you can't come most of the week come on the two Saturdays anyway. **GREAT PROGRAMS.** For more information call 865-429-7350 or check out the events at [www.mypigeonforge.com](http://www.mypigeonforge.com). The programs to be presented are much too numerous to list here but trust me folks, this is well worth the trip over. You won't be disappointed and will learn something for sure. Larry

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### **GEORGIA NATURE PHOTOGRAPHERS ASSOCIATION:**

Hi Larry, I was wondering if you would mind including the following on your next

Photo Notes issue?

Georgia Nature Photographers Association

Annual Photo Expo – Callaway Gardens

**January 29-31, 2010**

GNPA is holding their Annual Photo Expo at the beautiful Lodge and Spa of Callaway Gardens this coming January. Don't miss out on this opportunity for an educational and fun packed weekend. The keynote speakers will be Rob Shepard (former Outdoor Photographer Editor) and Nancy Rotenberg (professional nature photographer). There will be exclusive opportunities to photograph butterflies and birds of prey, photo competition, portfolio review, visit and speak with equipment vendors, buy and sell equipment, social events and much more. The winners of the Photo Competition will have their images displayed for 6 months at Callaway Gardens.

For more information and to register for this great event please go to GNPA's website at [www.gnpa.org](http://www.gnpa.org)

Thanks

*Todd Sparger*

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**TOM AND PAT CORY WORKSHOPS**

*2010 Schedule*



*Nature Photography Workshop.....January 9, 2010  
Part of Wilderness Wildlife Week, Pigeon Forge  
The Joy of Photography.....January 10, 2010  
Part of Wilderness Wildlife Week, Pigeon Forge  
Beginning Digital Photography.....January 12, 2010  
In conjunction with the Tennessee Aquarium  
In-Depth, a Day at the Tennessee Aquarium...January 16, 2010  
In conjunction with the Tennessee Aquarium*

See our website, [Tomandpatcory.com](http://Tomandpatcory.com) for our program schedule, our current newsletter, and archives of our newsletters. If you have a problem reaching that URL, please try [Coryphotography.net](http://Coryphotography.net) Or you can reach us at 423-886-1004

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**(4) MISC:**

**UT GARDENS on Neyland Drive...**It is my understanding that the model trains are still running out at the UT Gardens through Sunday. If the rain holds off this will be a great opportunity to get some really neat shots of the large model trains running through the flowers out there. *Larry*

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**BARN BLOWN DOWN IN CADES COVE:**

An often photographed image from Cades Cove will no longer be possible. The big Kermit Caughron barn, has collapsed after the winds on Christmas Eve.

This would be the very large dark barn one comes to face after coming up over a hill, while the barn sits at the bottom of the hill with a small stream alongside it.

It's a shame such historic barns are not maintained to prevent such a collapse. In my opinion,

Dee Murphy  
LeConte Photo Society Club

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**IMAGING USA:**

**Gaylord Opryland Resort & Convention Center**

**The Official Headquarters of Imaging USA 2010**

**Sunday & Monday from 11 - 4:30pm  
Tuesday from 9:30 - 1:30pm**

2800 Opryland Drive  
Nashville, TN 37214  
615-889-1000  
[www.GaylordOpryland.com](http://www.GaylordOpryland.com)

The big photo show will be in Nashville from January 10-12 at the Opryland Hotel. It is mostly for professional photographers, but everyone is welcome. You can get a free pass to visit all of the booths but it will cost you to attend.

### **Why should I attend the Imaging Expo?**

**WAY more than a tradeshow ... it's a three-day, business-boosting, interactive and exploratory extravaganza! Show hours complement the class and conference schedule:**

**11AM - 4:30PM Sunday & Monday (January 10 & 11)  
9:30AM - 1:30PM Tuesday (January 12)**

**Maintaining momentum in your business demands relationships with the right collaborative suppliers and partners. New players are forever arriving on the scene, clamoring for your attention. How do you make sure you're maximizing your opportunities, especially with everything else you have on your plate?**

**As the first major industry event of 2010, the annual Imaging EXPO is one smart way. It's your chance to engage face-to-face with hundreds of service providers and product distributors. It's an opportunity to establish new relationships, think about managing your business in innovative ways, and talk over deals more efficiently and effectively than you can via websites and phone calls. Perhaps best of all, you can compare notes and experiences with your fellow conventioners before making any decisions.**

**Here's a sampling of what you'll find at this, the largest photographic expo in North America:**

- **Software programs designed to make your job easier**
- **A source for quickly creating web-based videos to promote your business**
- **The best in photography backgrounds to augment your artistry**
- **A membership community of Photoshop professionals**
- **A wide range of photofinishers and digital imaging processors**
- **Expert business, finance, and marketing resources**

- **Suppliers of albums, frames, mounts, bags, equipment, and other accessories**
- **Specialty suppliers, including pro photography books and children's portraiture clothing**
- **And so much more!**

**For more information [Click Here](#)**

**GET YOUR FREE IMAGING EXPO PASS! [Click Here](#)**

Show dates are January 10th, 11th and 12th 2010.

Several of you have expressed an interest in car pooling down one day and back the same day just to go through the exhibits. If you are interested email me and let me know and I will put those interested in contact for a possible trip down...*Larry*.

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**WILDERNESS WILDLIFE WEEK CRITIQUE NOTE:**

Mr. Ron Placencia of the Photographic Society of E. Tennessee has asked that I pass on to you a request to send more images in for the photo critique during Wilderness Wildlife Week.

This is a valuable service to any photographer - we photographers always want and need to know how our images may impact other people.

Following is a web page with good information for the submissions with an alternative to be there for the critique or have the critique e-mailed to you, personally. What a great opportunity.

<http://pset.org/?p=145>

[wwwcritique@gmail.com](mailto:wwwcritique@gmail.com) to mail the images.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Dee Murphy

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**FAKE PHOTO IN CONTEST:** *(A note from Ron at PSET):*

Hi Larry,

First: HAPPY NEW YEAR, Everyone!

Next: What follows is a lot of stuff about one thing. I think you'll personally find it interesting. Perhaps you could include links.

I found about this competition while reading about this year's winner being accused of faking his prize winning photo. The comp itself is legit though. This link takes you to it. I thought maybe you might want to share this with your readers.

Ron

<http://www.bbcwildlifemagazine.com/artist2010.asp>

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**NEW PRINTER:** Charles Reeves has acquired a new wide printer with long life inks. *Maximum print size is around 42" wide by 90" long.*

*Call for prices and turnaround time.*

Charles Reeves, Jr. - [reevesca@tds.net](mailto:reevesca@tds.net)  
[ReevesMaps.com](http://ReevesMaps.com)  
10812 Dineen Dr  
Farragut, TN 37934-1809  
865-966-5768

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*Well that is it for this week everyone. I hope that this Friday **NEW YEARS DAY** is*

***the first day of the best year ever for you and yours. Take time to spend with your family and yes drag out the camera to make those life long remembrances. Cherish it while you can.***

***Larry***

PS: If you do not want to receive these weekly notes, please email me and I will remove your email address from the master lists. If you receive more than one copy, please simply DELETE the other copies as the list is from 11 different lists and it is very time consuming to eliminate the duplications. Thank you.

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