

Hi Everyone:

What a beautiful weekend!!! Love those little white puffy clouds too. Did you get some shots of the Full Moon Friday night??? Well you blew it! The moon was low on the horizon and very large and yellow. Really nice, but the good news is that you will get another shot at it in 28 days.

Hope you got over to the Children's Museum in Oak Ridge to see the shots in the Oak Ridge Club's salon there too. They had a walk around Saturday night telling about the images. That is really worth while in case you missed it this year.

Now for some notes:

(1) CLUBS:

SOUTHERN APPALACHIAN NATURE PHOTOGRAPHERS: The Next meeting of the SANP will be on Tuesday night November 24 at Pellissippi State Community College in the Goins Building Auditorium **WEBB SITE:** SANP website (www.sanp.net).

2010 SANP SALON

The SANP Board decided that the “special” category for the 2010 salon is “People In Nature”. The guidelines for this category are rather self-explanatory: people enjoying and interacting in nature.

We are going to have a folder in our SANP website picture galleries called member’s workshops. We are wanting to showcase the educational opportunities and the quality of our membership. So, we decided that any member of SANP who has a workshop can feature their and their students images from their workshops. This is be good for the instructors and SANP. Contact Colby McClemore at colby@colbysphotography.com for more information.

For general club information contact Kendall Chiles at kchiles@knology.net or check out the web site at www.sanp.net.

DIGITAL LUNCH BUNCH:-- The next meeting of this group is **this Wednesday November 11** 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.

LECONTE PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY. LeConte Photographic Society will meet again on Monday, December 7th at the First Presbyterian Church of Sevierville. Meeting and competition will begin at 6:30 p.m.

Our Program for December 7th comes from Rob Mosely of PicsREasy.Com. He will visit from Raleigh, NC and will give us a step by step demo on how to create a photo book, calendar and if time allows, a canvas wrap. Coupons for discounts and door prizes will be awarded at this meeting.

December assignment for club members is "Lights". By the first of November all of Sevierville, Pigeon Forge and Gatlinburg, will be strung with thousands of lights for our photographic pleasure. Manipulation on this subject is acceptable - there will be some real creativity shown for this competition.

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.

The club is going places and doing lots of good outings this 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 or Deemur@charter.net .

BLOUNT COUNTY PHOTO CLUB--- The club meets at the Blount County Library in Maryville. We will be in ROOM A the rest of the Year. Our December Meeting will be a Christmas Dinner, probably at TGI Fridays. Visitors are welcome. Our website: www.blountcountyphotoclub.com. (For more information contact Janie Mertz at aladytraveler@yahoo.com or 865 - 982-7368, cell 804-1051).

OAK RIDGE CAMERA CLUB:

This month's meeting – THIS Tuesday, Nov 10, 2009, 7:30 PM at The Children's Museum of Oak Ridge, 461 West Outer Dr., Oak Ridge, TN 37830

OCTOBER MEETING

The October meeting was a competition with the subject of Architecture. As has been the trend in recent competitions, our new members took home the lion's share of the awards. The judge was Alex Dumas who is a highly talented local artist. He brought examples of his impressive oil paintings for display and gave commentary from a little different perspective than we normally get from our traditional photography based judges.

WEB SITE:

With the help of Ray Smith, we have an established web site. As we have previously reported, he developed the site and has personally maintained the domain name with the link to the Camera Club of Oak Ridge web site: <http://cameracluboakridge.org/>

Note that the November meeting will be held at the Children's Museum of Oak Ridge on November 10th at 7:30 PM. The program will be presented by Clay Thurston on the subject of Nature Photography. He was one of our judges this year and we will also ask him to comment on specific entries from a judge's perspective. There has been considerable conversation regarding the judging of photographs; and, this should be a great opportunity to learn more about this topic.

All entries for the Salon will be picked up this night, November 10th.

Salon Location:

Children's Museum of Oak Ridge
461 West Outer Dr., (look for big Red Caboose in front of the building)
Oak Ridge, TN 37830
phone 865.482.1074
<http://childrensmuseumofOakridge.org/>

Hello,

We're trying to get our website up and running. Right now we've developed a prototype which can be viewed here -

http://michaelslay.com/ORCC/index_orcc.htm

As you can see, there is hardly any content and that is why I'm contacting you. If you submitted an entry into the November 2009 Salon please consider sending me a jpeg of your photo(s), along with title and your name, for inclusion on the site. All images will be incorporated

into a flash movie which prevents the ability to copy or save the image via the internet.

If you submitted an entry in the October competition would you consider sending those photo's as well; however, these images will be static on the site so you will need to place a copyright and signature on each image. If you don't know how to do that and have any version of Photoshop I can send you an easy tutorial on how it's done.

One last thing - if you've got ideas for the site, hear about events of interest to photographers, know of any sites that may be of interest to club members please let me know.

Thanks,

Michael Slay
Program Chairman

If there are any questions about the club, please call Douglas Hubbard at 525-1465 dfhubb@comcast.net.

PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY OF EAST TENNESSEE. PSET's next meeting will be Thursday December 3. We meet on the first Thursday of each month at Jefferson Middle School, Jefferson City, TN at 6:30 pm. The school is located at 361 W. Broadway Blvd in Jefferson City...about a 20 minute drive from Knoxville. Check out their web site at www.PSET.org.

KINGSTON TN PHOTO GROUP: The next meeting will be at the Morrison Hill Christian Church in [Kingston at 7pm on Thursday December 3.](#)

We will continue with the “Great Photography Workshop” series using Bill Fortney’s book of the same title as our guide. Read-ahead in chapter 4 as we will be discussing and demonstrating “how the camera works”. Bring your cameras to this meeting as we will have learning exercises. This month we will be talking about “Using the Creative Controls to be Creative”, folks are reminded to bring their cameras since we will have a learning exercise.

NEW CLUB FOR PROFESSIONALS AND SEMI-PROFESSIONALS...

NEXT LEVEL PHOTOGRAPHY FOCUS GROUP...

NEXT MEETING IS WEDNESDAY, November 18th 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.

Upcoming meeting dates and topics:

November 18th : Lunch Meeting : Photographing Christmas lights

November 20th : Evening Meeting (NEED HOST!)

...got topics? Send your suggestions to 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!

Purpose

The purpose of the group is to take our photography skills to the next level by focusing on one topic per meeting. A few minutes of preparation before each meeting is all that is required to be part of an amazing learning experience and interact with some awesome and talented people too. Sharing information is how we learn. We all have tons of website "favorites" or articles we have marked in magazines or books that we have purchased to help us out. To have a successful group, all it takes is for each of us to invest 10 to 20 minutes prior to each meeting to locate a link, book, article, DVD or photographs.

Let's have fun, learn something new and exciting and take our photography to the next level!

Also, don't forget to be prepared to discuss the agenda topics we cover each week such as bragging rights (bring a photo you are especially proud of), new equipment, deals and shooting locations.

Listed at the bottom of each reminder will be the topics for the next few meetings. This will give everyone more advance notice on the topics to be covered. Lots of great topics!!!

NOTE: I had the opportunity to join this group last month and loved it and the format. If you are really serious about your work and how to market it and improve it, this is a great group for you to consider. They meet several times a month at noon and always have a lively discussion. A serious amateur and professionals should consider attending this group. Larry

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EVENTS:

Georgia Nature Photographers' Association Annual Nature Photography Expo Callaway Gardens – January 29-31, 2010

Do you have a burning desire to take beautiful pictures of nature, wildlife or anything in the great outdoors? Do you want to learn how to take better photographs? Do you want to learn how to use that new camera? Do you want to learn more about the digital age of photography? Would you like to hear professional photographers speak or are you interested in meeting and socializing with other people that share the same interests as you?

Well, this is where the Georgia Nature Photographers' Association (GNPA) comes into play. GNPA is Georgia's first camera club that is dedicated exclusively to nature photography. The club was kicked off in January of this year and has been an overwhelming success. We had over 130 people join at the very first meeting and have grown to nearly 200 members as of today. We have had world renowned professional photographers speak at our monthly meetings. These include photographers such as Charles Glatzer, Bill Fortney, Craig Tanner and many more.

GNPA is having our first Annual Nature Photography Expo at the beautiful Lodge and Spa of Callaway Gardens on January 29-31, 2010. It's going to be an event that you won't want to miss. Rob Sheppard and Nancy Rotenberg will be the keynote speakers. These are two of the finest photographers, writers, and speakers anywhere in the world of nature photography. Between them they have some 35 books in publication. From Photoshop, to printing, Lightroom, field techniques of the pros and book publishing. You name it, they have it covered.

There will also be workshops, exclusive access to photograph raptors and butterflies, photo competition, portfolio review, member slideshow, meet and greet with the speakers and vendors and manufacturers will be present to sell and showcase their equipment.

Don't miss out on this opportunity to have a great weekend and to learn more about the wonderful world of nature photography. For more information, or to register for this event, go to www.gnpa.org.

CHATTANOOGA--November 19

The program, “The Complete Digital Photography Process,” for the **Photographic Society of Chattanooga’s** November 19 evening meeting, will be presented by Jim DiVitale at the Christ United Methodist Church located at the corner of East Brainerd Rd. and Morris Hill Rd. More details about the start time will come next week.

Jim DiVitale has been an Atlanta commercial advertising photographer and photography instructor for over 28 years. During the last 15 years, he has specialized in digital photography and computer photo illustration for ad agencies, design firms, and corporations nationwide.

In addition, Jim is a Canon “Explorer of Light,” and as a member of National Association of Photoshop Professionals Instructor Dream Team since 2000, Jim writes the “Digital Capture Workshop” column for *Photoshop User Magazine*.

Topics for the PSC meeting will include:

- Calibration and custom profiling from capture to final output
- Determining proper exposure values for digital capture
- Understanding bit depth, resolution, and file format
- Customizing Photoshop’s settings to work for your specific needs
- Processing Images from RAW capture to final DVD archiving
- Workflow processing with Adobe Lightroom
- Shooting and stitching multiple images to create large panoramas
- Working with layer blending modes and adjustment layers
- Using selection and layer masking for the multiple image montage
- Using light painting and selective focus for creative effects.
- Getting the best quality output for your client

This should be a great program. Doug Hubbard and I are going down for it and have room

for 1 maybe two more if interested let me know. Will be back late in the evening. Larry

WILD PHOTO ADVENTURES TV SERIES

Hi Larry,

The note below refers to a nature photography TV series done by CNPA member Doug Gardner. I have seen a few of the shows, and they are very good. You can watch them on PBS television, or you can see them online at www.wildphotoadventures.com. He has done one episode in Cades Cove with Bill Lea.

Brad

Just a quick reminder!

Season II of Wild Photo Adventures TV Series is well underway. Check your local listings for PBS channels and air times. If you've missed an episode or if the PBS station in your state is not airing the show, feel free to view all episodes to date online at www.wildphotoadventures.com. New episodes are added every Monday by 7:00 pm (est).

Don't miss the bonus show coming up soon, sponsored by our "Premier Sponsor" Really Right Stuff.

Thank You

Doug Gardner

JOHN SHAW IN ATLANTA--January 29-30. Great Nature program from a great presenter too.

Early registration is \$225 for both days or \$160 for only one day. Check it out at www.photosafaris.com or call 206-463-5383 for more information.

DAVID ZISER WORKSHOP IN ATLANTA MONDAY (TONIGHT) Subject: David Ziser Workshop in Atlanta on Monday

Hey guys,

I've finally decided I'm going to this big workshop in Atlanta, GA on Monday with David Ziser (a big time wedding photographer & educator) that is really affordable for \$59 with promo code. I have a car that will fit four. Tammie Lee is going too so we have space for two others. Anyone else want to go? First two to commit are in. The website for more information is:
<http://www.facebook.com/1/27166;www.digitalwakeupcall.com/>

If interested contact Colby McClemore quick at colby@colbysphotography.com or

Bus - (865) 924-1455

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(3) MISC:

CONGRATULATIONS TO Linda Waterhouse, lw46@charter.net. THIS year, out of 250 submissions from artists in 6 states, one of Linda's photos was selected to be in the National Juried Exhibition for 2009 and will be at the Emporium Center in Knoxville from Dec. 14 - Jan. 29!!! Awards and public reception on January 8! Plan now to drop by the Emporium Center next month to see

her great shot too. *Larry*

ALSO CONGRATULATIONS TO Harry Dunn for that great shot in today's (Monday's) Knoxville

News Sentinel of the fall colors on page A4. Harry is the first person to have two of his images printed

on this subject in the paper. He also just got back from a 3 week trip out to the Tetons and Yellowstone with some great shots that he has put into a digital slide program that you will get a chance to see soon.

We are very proud Linda and Harry for these awards.

Well that's about it for this week everyone. Time to get out and do some shooting.

Larry

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