

Good Morning Everyone:

Another gorgeous week in East Tennessee. I hope you are out making the best of this incredible weather. Anyway here are some notes for this week.

(1) CLUBS:

SOUTHERN APPALACHIAN NATURE PHOTOGRAPHERS: The Next meeting of the SANP will be next week 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 Wednesday December 9 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.Lecontephotographic.com** or **Deemur@charter.net** .

BLOUNT COUNTY PHOTO CLUB--- 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:

The next meeting of the Oak Ridge Camera Club will be on Tuesday evening December 8 at Roan 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.

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://cameraclubofoakridge.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.

NEXT LEVEL PHOTOGRAPHY FOCUS GROUP...

NEXT MEETING IS THIS 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!!!

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(2) EVENTS OF INTEREST

TOM GEISLER--KNOXVILLE PHOTO TRAINING EVENT--DEC 5.

Knoxville Photography Training is hosting another downtown Knoxville night-time bus tour. This one will be similar to the very popular tour done two years ago. The agenda will be to meet at Shoney's on Chapman Hwy , immediately board a bus and go to a location where everyone can photograph a Knoxville evening cityscape with hopefully a great sunset. Back on the bus and back to Shoney's for a dinner provided by the Knoxville Photography Training and a short instructional on **photographing night shots, panning for stitching and bracketing for HDR.**

Back on the bus after dinner to travel to two more downtown Knoxville cityscape locations and a Christmas light location. Everyone will return to Shoney's about 10:30 to 11:pm. If you are thinking, "I can shoot downtown on my own for free, why do this tour", consider this: You will be traveling with a group of wonderful photographers with similar concerns and issues. You will be going to one location that is off limits to the general public. We will have an armed security guard with us so there will be no concerns for your safety. We are providing a meal and instruction as well as traveling photo assistants for the sole purpose of answering your questions and assisting you in every way they can. Finally, the camaraderie of spending the evening with Dee and Tom, haha.

This event will be held on December 5. We know that is the night of the SEC Championship game, this was the only evening possible. If you have any interest, please check Knoxville Photography Training web site at: www.knoxvillephotographytraining.com

On the website, check the reviews of this trip from last year. We have a very few spaces left. Sign up at the bottom of the page with PayPal.

Thanks, Tom and Dee

CHATTANOOGA--November 19--THIS THURSDAY EVENING

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*.

Doors will open for the Photographic Society of Chattanooga meeting on November 19, with Jim Divitale at 6:30 p.m. but the official program will begin at 7:00 p.m. Please allow time for congested traffic in getting to **CHRIST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, 8645 EAST BRAINERD ROAD.**

Directions: From I-75 exit either on E. Brainerd Road East or Shallowford Road East - both roads will get you there. Christ United Methodist is located at the intersection of the two roads. Note: Shallowford Road name changes to Morris Hill Road which dead ends at East Brainerd Road.

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.

UT STUDENT PHOTO CONTEST

A Reminder to UT photo students...The 5th Annual Fall Photo Contest open to UT Photo students only is getting close. You need to take your entries to the UT professional and Personal Development Office

at 313 UT Conference Center on Henley Street (across the street from the Convention Center)

BEFORE

Friday December 4. The winner will receive a free UT non-credit photo course worth up to \$199.)

The rules are attached as pdf file. The categories are: **Architecture, Nature, Portrait, Sports/Action and Still Life**. Get your entries in NOW! See attached file for rules. Call Jennifer Bennett at 974-0150 for any questions.

ANNOUNCEMENT

The Society for Technical Communication East Tennessee Chapter (STC-ETC) is co-hosting a **December 8** program with Friends of the Oak Ridge National Laboratory (FORNL) at the American Museum of Science and Energy (AMSE).

Timothy Joseph, an ORLN senior scientist will present his book, *Historic Photos of the Manhattan Project*. The program includes a reception and book signing. Those who choose can follow up with dinner at the Doubletree Hotel adjacent to the museum. Here are the details:

Topic: "The story of the Manhattan Project told through photos"

Speaker: Timothy Joseph, Ph.D., senior scientist, freelance technical writer, and former college professor; carpenter and raconteur, columnist for the *Knoxville News Sentinel*, and author of two novels and a book of poetry

Place: The AMSE, 300 South Tulane Avenue, Oak Ridge, about 23 miles northwest of Knoxville. For directions, check <http://www.amse.org/content.aspx?article=1168&parent=29>.

Parking: In the museum parking lot

Times:

- Reception and book signing: 5:30 to 6:30pm (no charge to the public)
- Presentation: 6:30 to 7:15 or 7:30pm (no charge to the public)
- Dinner at the Doubletree: 7:30pm on; an optional event (at individual expense)

Food: The Soup Kitchen in Oak Ridge will supply refreshments at the reception; dinner at the Doubletree is your choice.

Cost: The dinner at the Doubletree for whatever you order, if you choose to go; \$30 for Tim's book if you buy a copy that night. Cash appreciated; checks and credit cards accepted.

Benefit: Learn more about our ET history; find out how to research a topic and get published; find the perfect gift for a special friend, or relative; meet a special person

Action: Important to RSVP to maryrai@bellsouth.net by December 6 if you plan to go to dinner at the Doubletree after the program so they can set up accurately.

HELP NEEDED EVERYONE:

Hi All,

I found out today that one of my images was selected as a Top 10 Finalist for the Knox-News "Scenes of Autumn" photo contest. This is a pretty neat honor, particularly when considering there were over 360 entries! You can go here to see the Contest Finalists, as well as all the entries (scroll down after you get there):
<http://im.knoxnews.com/ContestGallery.aspx?e=92>

The overall winner of this contest will be decided by the on-line readers. The voting started today and ends at **noon on the 20th (of Nov)**. And if you have a little free time...and if you're interested...you can help. If not, no problem!

Anyone can vote. But you have to be registered first. Registration is needed so that Knox-News can limit the number of votes made by each voter. The registration process is really simple and only requires that you enter your first and last name, and e-mail address. Then you pick a nick name and a password. Remember to write down your nick name and password somewhere so you don't forget them.

To register go to the above link. On the left-hand side of the screen click on "Sign Up Now!" (it's directly under "Don't Have An Account?"), then follow the instructions. You only need to fill-out the fields marked with an asterick, "*". That's it!

Now you can vote by simply clicking on "Vote for me!" under the image of your choice. Hint: My image has "Harry" under it. HeHe. Actually, please vote on the image that you like best! And it's very important to note that you can vote every day! That's right! Once per day until the 20th!

Wish me luck! And thanks in advance for your support!

Harry Dunn
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P.S. - The quality of the images on this site aren't very good because the original files get down-sized (thus the quality is significantly down-graded).

(3) HINTS AND TIPS

COLD WEATHER TIPS

Jack Goodwin passes along some tips for Cold weather photography:

(1) Keep a spare camera battery in your shirt pocket that is close to your body. Your body heat will keep it active.

(2) Carry a small artists brush to brush off the snow from your lens. (*Hopefully we will have snow this year!!! Larry*)

(3) Make a homemade camera cover from a leg from an old used rain pants. Cut off a leg, and then cut slit down the side, sew Velcro on each side of the slit. Works great.

I found the tips in the Mentor Series Newsletter (www.mentorseries.com).

Jack

BATCH PROCESSING IN PHOTOSHOP

I have received a lot of emails lately that want to know how to change a whole folder from TIFF to JPEG or other conversions. It is very easy in Photoshop: Go to the Menu to FILE>SCRIPTS>IMAGE PROCESSOR>CLICK. Then just fill in the blanks as to what and where you want to convert. Very easy and very fast. You can even change the sizes. Try it and you will see...*Larry*

(4) CLASSIFIEDS:

I have for sale Tamron 28-75mm F2.8 (constant) LD aspherical lens. (*No camera fitment listed. Must email seller to see what it fits.*) It is 8 months old since the day of my purchase, very carefully used. I love this lens on my cropped sensor camera but it doesn't fit my FF body. This is the only reason I am selling it.

It comes with the original box, hood and all documentation. I think it is still under warranty.

This is a review for this lens on the photography forum

<http://photography-on-the.net/forum/showthread.php?t=145586>

I am asking \$200 for it. Cash only. I got it for \$350

E-mail if interested irinasray@yahoo.com

Well that is about it for this week everyone. Hope to see you at one of the club meetings

soon.

Make it a great week now everyone.

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.