



# *The Sioux Projector*

*The Official Newsletter of the Sioux Falls Camera Club*

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*"The best way to go into  
unknown territory  
is to go in ignorant."*

*Dorothea Lange*

## *JUNE 2006 Edition Summer Fun Edition! Summer Picnic Schedule*

The Sioux Falls Camera Club has reserved some local city park areas for our summer picnics. Each site is available from 3:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. (when the parks close). Plan to bring your own beverages and utensils, and a dish to pass. Also, plan to bring along your equipment in case one of those "once in a lifetime photo ops" comes your way.

*Here's the schedule:*

*Saturday, June 17th*

On June 17th we will meet at Rotary Park--it is just north of 26th Street and is along the bike path and river.

*Saturday, July 15th*

On July 15<sup>th</sup>, we will meet at the upper Tuthill Park picnic shelter. The entrance to Tuthill Park is just south of I-229 off South Cliff Avenue.

*Saturday, August 19th*

On August 19th we will meet at McKennan Park, north of East 26<sup>th</sup> Street between 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenues (by the tennis courts)

*COME ON AND JOIN THE FUN!!*

## Sioux Falls Camera Club 2006-2007



### Officers and Board Members

President:	Ron Balthazor	605-371-1607
Vice President:	Greg Honermann	507-283-3625
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3 Yr.:	(3 yr. remain) Ken Eckert	605-332-0657
1 Yr.:	Jeff Gillespie	605-371-3026

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Programs:	<b>NEED SOMEONE!!!</b>	
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N4C:	<b>NEED SOMEONE!!!</b>	
Points & Awards	Jim Stone	605-339-0187
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**Feel free to contact the board members or chairpersons concerning Camera Club business.**

### Dues

<b>Individual Dues:</b>	<b>\$18.00</b>
<b>Family Dues:</b>	<b>\$27.00</b>

Please pay Val Goering, Secretary-Treasurer, at the meetings.

The Sioux Falls Camera Club meets at 7:30 P.M., the first and third Tuesdays, September through May, in the Kenny Anderson Community Center, at Ann Sullivan Elementary School, 3701 E 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

**VISITORS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!**

### The Sioux Projector

The Sioux Projector is a monthly publication, (except for July and August), of the Sioux Falls Camera Club, Sioux Falls, South Dakota. Newsletter Deadline is the second Tuesday of the month. Contact Marty DeWitt at [martydewitt@hotmail.com](mailto:martydewitt@hotmail.com).

## THE PREZ SEZ!

*By Ron Balthazor, SFCC President*

For my last official act, I hereby decree the following: The monthly themes for the 2006-2007 SFCC season are:

- September:** Barns/Farms
- October:** Flags
- November:** Forests  
(Woods, Woodlands, Jungles, etc.)
- December:** Street Scenes  
(Avenues, Lanes, Drives, Highways, Roads, Boulevards, etc.)
- January:** Cityscapes
- February:** Snow
- March:** Security
- April:** Rain
- May:** Anything Goes

Those categories should keep you busy and encourage you to look at some new and different subjects through your viewfinder.

Also, be sure to watch in future SFCC newsletters for any change in venue for our first meeting in September. Typically, we cannot use the Kenny Anderson Center, at least on the first Tuesday of that month.

The summer picnics have been announced, and I hope you all can attend some, if not all. They will be great opportunities for fellowship and “fotography”.

I hope you all have a wonderful summer. Count your blessings and record as many of them as you can for posterity.

It has been a wonderful year. Thanx for the opportunity to be your president!

Ron Balthazor

*Our THANX to you, too, dude!*

## May 2006 Contest Results

*The May competition was our annual "Best of Show" for 2005-2006  
Judges were Gene Smith, Steve Parezo and Art Umland*

### Color Prints: 34 Entries

1st.	"Eagle and Magpie"	Marty DeWitt
2nd.	"Sunrise at the Arch"	Robert Tebben
3rd.	"Standing Ovation"	Ron Balthazor
H.M.	"Blue Eyes"	Carol Schuurmans
H.M.	"People of Verona"	Laurie Brenneman
H.M.	"Pine Marten"	Marty DeWitt

### Black & White Prints: 20 Entries

1st.	"Spanish Torch"	Robert Tebben
2nd.	"Extended Freesia"	Ron Balthazor
3rd.	"Transparent Bloom"	Ron Balthazor
H.M.	"Soft Thoughts"	Carol Schuurmans
H.M.	"The Young Lady"	Carol Schuurmans
H.M.	"Bird Silhouette"	Lori Fisher

### Color Slides: 13 Entries

1st.	"Sunset on the Bar"	Ron Balthazor
2nd.	"Glad Creek Mill"	Sandy Tebben
3rd.	"Contemplation"	Marty DeWitt
H.M.	"Homeric Poem"	Ron Balthazor
H.M.	"Blue Morpho"	Ken Starckenburg
H.M.	"Crazy Horse at Night"	Robert Tebben

### Snap Shots: 3 Entries

1st.	"Paradise Sunset"	Chastity Merkwan
2nd.	"Point Reyes Lighthouse"	Marty DeWitt
3rd.	"Putting on a Happy Face"	Marty DeWitt
H.M.	"That Quacks Me Up!"	Marty DeWitt
H.M.	"Morning Reflections"	Chastity Merkwan

*Great Job EVERYONE! Let's spend the summer exploring  
new photographic subjects and trying some new  
techniques. We'll be looking for some great stuff!*

*"In wisdom gathered over time I have  
found that every experience is a form of exploration."*

*Ansel Adams*

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*House Wrens Take Up Housekeeping*



## ***Another Nail in the Coffin!***

*Excerpted from article by  
John Markman – MSN Money*

“Picture this: A world without film cameras.

It's a little hard to believe, but it's entirely likely that children under the age of two will grow up without ever seeing a film-based single-lens reflex camera, the kind that make delicious whirring noises and don't have instant-delete buttons. Everywhere you look, they are being phased out and shut down as people have switched en masse to digital cameras and camera phones.

Just last week, the industry's largest manufacturer, **Canon**, announced that it would halt development of new film cameras and devote all its resources to digital cameras. A couple of months ago, supersized peers Konica, Minolta and Nikon said much the same. As a result, faster than you can say "cheese!", the sexy, solid, mechanical film camera of our youth is going the way of the typewriter, the rotary phone and the phonograph.”

## ***For Sale!***

Canon Backpack Camera Bag. 14" high, 10 1/2" wide and 5 1/2" deep. Has dividers that you can arrange in different configurations. Like new condition. \$30.00

Canon Z155 (film) camera with small camera bag. Has many features and in excellent condition. \$30.00.

Please call Sandy Tebben at 605-743-2044 or email at [stebben@sio.midco.net](mailto:stebben@sio.midco.net)

## ***Official Results "2005-2006 SFCC Awards"***

Special thanx to Jim Stone for tabulating this season's official club results. Congratulations to the winners, and best of luck to all of you as we approach a new photographic year!

### ***Accumulated Points Certificates***

#### ***Master Pictorialist (1000 pts)***

Ron Balthazor (1212 pts)

Greg Honermann (1077 pts)

### ***SFCC Traveling Trophies***

#### ***B&W Division***

Ron Balthazor

#### ***Color Print Division***

Ron Balthazor

#### ***Color Slide Division***

Marty DeWitt

## ***HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!***

I have it on good authority that two of our very own SFCC members celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in April. Our very special congratulations go out to Ken and Verlyn Eckert for this milestone achievement!

If you would like to wish them well, plan to drop by their Open House from 1:30 – 4 p.m. on Saturday, June 10<sup>th</sup>. The location is the East Side Lutheran Church at 1300 East 10<sup>th</sup> Street (just east of Cliff Avenue).

***Congratulations Ken and Verlyn,***

***AND ALL OUR BEST FOR***

***MANY MORE HAPPY YEARS!***

## *Take Your Best Shot!*

*By Marty DeWitt, SFCC Editor*



*Sioux Falls Artist Marian  
Henjum Paints a  
Palisades Watercolor*

Since the last issue of the SFCC newsletter, there has been a lot of activity. The area state parks are once again proving that it doesn't really matter what the price of gas might be....people are still going to go camping!

I'd like to send out some words of appreciation to several folks who have really made a difference in recent months. I was real impressed by the efforts of those who participated in May's SFCC Scavenger Hunt. The images resulting from the team effort turned out well, and exhibited some great creativity. Even though I probably can't speak for everyone, I can sure say that I personally enjoyed the opportunity to spend a day with friends, shooting some stuff I wouldn't normally consider. It was a great way to expand my photographic horizons. Thank to Steve Thompson for making it happen!

Next, I'd like to thank the folks who joined me for our annual Spring Open House Weekend at Palisades. We were certainly outnumbered by more than 40 "painting" artists, but none-the-less we had an opportunity to visit with park visitors about our craft and show some of our images. The Plein Air painters commented it was one of their best events, and it sure did showcase the beauty of the Palisades! I look forward to other ideas for photo outings we can do, in the parks or elsewhere, when we can further advance our hobby, and share it with others.

Lastly, I'd like to thank all the SFCC members who have given so generously of their time and talents to keep the club going. Without your help, and you know who you are, we wouldn't have an organization. Some tasks may seem more basic than others, but they all come together like cogs on a wheel. So, thank for all you do! Now, with that said, it's time for a special plea. As with any organization, there comes a time when some new energy is needed to fire things up

and add some spark to the organization. Several committee chairmen are seeking to "pass the torch" on to someone new, someone who will bring new life and creativity to the tasks at hand. You will notice on page 2, a listing under Chairpersons, where several positions are being advertised. Won't you consider throwing your hat into the ring? These are not real complex jobs (shoot, I kant rite two wel, butt you stil let me due yer newzletr!). I'll even bet you've got some neat ideas, and some innovative things you'd like to see the club venture into.... Well, now's your chance to shine! If you are interested, contact me or any of the board members/officers/chairpersons and we'll be happy to help you out! Also, if you would like to take on the role of president, that position of honor is also available. I'll extend to you the same courtesy I did for Ron. I will be happy to be a free "ghost-writing" service for your first couple columns in the *Sioux Projector*. After that, I will only write nice things about you.

So, give it some thought. The future of the Sioux Falls Camera Club depends on each of you. In the meantime, carry the list of monthly subjects in your camera bag, and shoot away! Have a great summer!

*Marty DeWitt, editor*



*Don Rensberger Lights a Spark  
in a Young Photographer!*

*The Fine Print* – The opinions expressed in "Take Your Best Shot" are those of the SFCC *Sioux Projector* editor, and not often (but occasionally I get lucky) those of the SFCC and its awesome photographers. Corrections, rebuttals, and certainly kind words are graciously invited but, depending on my mood, may or may not be published in future issues. Got a better idea? Think I'm all wet? Bring it on!!!