



The Sioux Projector

The Official Newsletter of the Sioux Falls Camera Club

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October 2006 Edition "Fall Fling" Edition Monthly Meeting Schedule

Tuesday, October 3, 2006

REMINDER!!! ALL SFCC OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS WILL MEET AT 7 p.m., JUST BEFORE THE REGULAR MEETING.

The Sioux Falls Camera Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. at the Kenny Anderson Community Center, at Ann Sullivan Elementary School, 3701 East 3rd Street, Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

Dan Kelley will be presenting a program about what is needed to make impressive poster-sized prints of your favorite images.

The October subjects are "***Flags***" and "***Nature.***"

Verlyn Eckert will be providing the refreshments, so bring your appetites!

Tuesday, October 16, 2006

The Sioux Falls Camera Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. at the Kenny Anderson Community Center, at Ann Sullivan Elementary School, 3701 East 3rd Street, Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

October judging and N4C awards will be announced.

New member ***Roger Rose*** has signed up to provide treats.

Steve Thompson and ***Marty DeWitt*** will share a couple "***Gadgets of the Month***".

Sioux Falls Camera Club 2006-2007



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President:	Ken Starkenburg	605-338-0209
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	Val Goering	605-335-3834

Feel free to contact the board members or chairpersons concerning Camera Club business.

Dues

Individuals: \$18.00 Family: \$27.00

Please pay Linda Rensberger, Secretary-Treasurer

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 3rd Street, Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

VISITORS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!

The Sioux Projector

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THE NEW PREZ SEZ!

This has been a very busy summer for me. In August, I judged open class photography in Lincoln and Turner Counties and 4-H photography in McCook, Minnehaha, Lincoln and Turner Counties for their fairs and achievement days.

I have been doing this for many years and, as cameras and film improved, so did their photos. This year, at least 90% of the photos were taken with digital cameras with zoom lenses. This is a far cry from the little 110 cameras of a few years ago.

McCook and Minnehaha Counties had conference judging. The child sits across from me while I critique their photos. After I make comments, they have an opportunity to ask questions. This is more information than the written comments in a limited space.

Two five-year-olds came for conference judging this year! Their mothers stood in the background, smiling as they listened to comments I made about their child's photos.

Not wanting the kids to get ahead of me, I bought a digital, too – a Nikon DSLR – so I could use some of my lenses and filters. The best thing about it is that little button with a picture of a garbage can on it. Better to dump the bad photos before they are printed than after!

Ken Starkenburg, SFCCPresident

“Seeing, in the finest and broadest sense, means using your senses, your intellect and your emotions. It means encountering your subject matter with your whole being. It means looking beyond the labels of things and discovering the remarkable world around you.”

Freeman Patterson

September 2006 Contest Results

The September subjects were “Barns and Farms”
and “Nature

Judges were Ron Balthazor, Ken Eckert , Sandy
Tebben and Robert Tebben

Color Prints: 17 Entries

1st.	“Early Risers”	Ron Balthazor
2nd.	“Window”	Tim Breitreutz
3rd.	“Winter Frost”	Bill Leshovsky
H.M.	“Painting the Bridge”	Robert Tebben
H.M.	“Yeah! Fruit Loops in my Easter egg!”	Laurie Brenneman
H.M.	“The Other Side of the Fence”	Ron Balthazor

Black & White Prints: 12 Entries

1st.	“Simply Grass”	Ron Balthazor
2nd.	“Barn by the Big Sioux”	Tim Breitreutz
3rd.	“Hart-Parr 1836”	Sandy Tebben
H.M.	“Getting the Corn Picked”	Sandy Tebben
H.M.	“Clark Towers”	Robert Tebben
H.M.	“Favorable Skies”	Ron Balthazor

Color Slides: 6 Entries

1st.	“Reflections of a Barn”	Ron Balthazor
2nd.	“Farm Tours”	Ron Balthazor
3rd.	“Shoeing the Horse”	Sandy Tebben
H.M.	“Silo-ette”	Ron Balthazor
H.M.	“Mini Barn”	Sandy Tebben
H.M.	“The Clouds”	Sandy Tebben

Winter Photo Assignment

*Ron Balthazor came up with a great idea
for a club shooting assignment. Each
member should explore different ways to
shoot a self-portrait. There are no more
boundaries than that. Just a time limit...in
time for the spring banquet in May. So get
your thinking caps on and start shooting!*

Monthly Subjects

October: Flags

November: Forests
(Woods, Woodlands,
Jungles, Parks, etc.)

December: Street Scenes
(Avenues, Lanes, Drives,
Highways, Roads,
Boulevards, etc.)

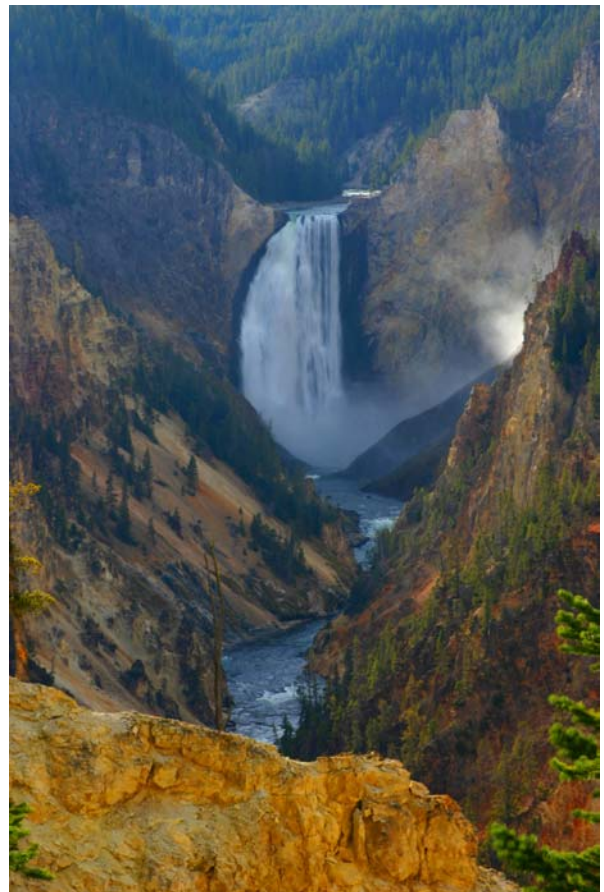
January: Cityscapes

February: Snow

March: Security

April: Rain

May: Anything Goes





Welcome New Members!

The Sioux Falls Camera Club is proud to welcome the following new members to the ranks. Thanx for joining our merry band of picture-takers!

***Eric Brockberg
Lorale and Alexandria Johnson
Aaron Koning
Nik Lipp
Jennie Patrick
Terry Rea
Carrie Reitsema
Roger Rose***

And a special thank you goes out to Jennie Patrick for agreeing to be railroaded into the exciting Vice President position, and for the return of an old (or should I say “former” member) Terry Rea for taking on the judging activities.

Welcome Aboard!!

Want to Show Off Your Stuff?

The Argus Leader has been printing many reader’s photographs in recent editions of the paper. Check it out and send some in. It may be the beginning of a great career! Also, not to be outdone, KELO is getting into the game, too. Check out keloland.com and explore their “U-Share” link. They are encouraging folks to post their images and video, as well as coming events on their website.

Hospitality List

The following members have graciously agreed to bring tasty treats to our meetings. Many THANX in advance for your assistance!

***October 3rd – Verlyn Eckert
October 17th – Roger Rose***

***November 7th – Eric Merrill
November 21st – Sandy Tebben***

***December 5th – Laurie Brenneman
December 19th – Christmas Banquet***

***January 2nd – Rensbergers
January 16th – Chastity Merkwan***

***February 6th – Ron Balthazor
February 20th – Val Goering***

***March 6th – Bill Leshovsky
March 20th – Terry Rea***

***April 3rd – Steve Thompson
April 17th – Jim & Dorothy Stone***

***May 1st – Lorale Johnson
May 15th – Spring Banquet***



Take Your Best Shot!

By Marty DeWitt, SFCC Editor



Where did September go? Seems like it was here just a moment ago! Now it's gone. Must be because I was gone so much last month that it flew past. My apologies for a bit shorter (and later!) edition of the *Sioux Projector* than planned, but there just aren't enough hours in a day...I'll try to do better for the November issue. If you have anything you'd like to have included, please get it to me sooner than later. If I don't get good stuff from you, then I just have to make up stuff, and that can be dangerous!

I did have the pleasure of teaching photography at the 2006 Becoming and Outdoor Woman Workshop at the Methodist church camp on Lake Poinsett. It was a great location for the class, however Mother Nature was less than cooperative. It poured on Thursday, and calmed down to a cold, windy drizzle for the classes on Friday and Saturday. None-the-less, I was intent on proving that many a great image is captured on a less than ideal day.

The classes were made up of women from all areas and walks of life. They showed up with everything from a disposal camera to 35mm film point and shoot cameras to 35mm SLRs and digital point and shoot models. But most importantly, they showed up with energy, enthusiasm and a real thirst for learning. We discussed the concepts of film speed/ISO, exposure, lighting, equipment and depth of field. Then we wrapped up with a power point presentation about composition. I was really concerned about filling three and a half hours, but with their great questions, time, like September in general, vanished.

When the classroom work was covered, it was time to venture outside. I stole some ideas from Steve Thompson and Ron Balthazor for the outside portion. They were sent around the camp on a photo scavenger hunt, with one assignment to capture a self-portrait. After collecting their film, I raced to the Watertown Walgreens for one-hour developing, and had them burned to a CD. Then we all reassembled during their free time to critique their images. I think they were pleasantly surprised at how a few basic tips made them look their subjects differently, and dramatically improved their shots. And their creative interpretations of self-portraits gave me some great ideas for our SFCC assignment.

Anyway, it was a great experience for all. I always come away from those sessions learning some new things myself. You can only do so much in a vacuum. You need to hang out with others who share your interest in photography. That's what SFCC is all about. Maybe some folks will put together some field trips around Sioux Falls so we can all go out and explore. If you decide to, let me know and we'll get it in the news. Also, if you have any ideas for programs or other club activities, whether it's just something you might be interested in, or something you would be willing to lead or teach, by all means let us know so we can help meet your needs. We have many new faces, in both members and in committee positions. That is really neat! Let's get some new ideas and make this the best year yet in SFCC!



Marty DeWitt, editor

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!!!