



**Wehr Nature
Center
Camera Club
Newsletter**

Happy New Year!! Welcome to a New and Exciting Photography Year!

January Meeting: January 11, 2019 at 9 am, 9701 W. College Ave., Franklin, WI 53132.

Program: Jyoti Sengupta is presenting on his travels in India. Jyoti has been a member of Wehr Nature Center Camera Club for many years. He is a former president of WNCCC. He takes great photos and is an awesome resource for the current members of WNCCC. His presentation will be informative, well photographed and funny! (I know, I have enjoyed it before!) Please come and enjoy his travels in India!

Reminder, the annual club dues are due in January. The amount is \$20 per person.

February Program: Is our annual Club Photographic Competition. The rules are attached to this email. Please email your projected submissions to Mary Dumont at maryldumont@gmail.com **BY FEBRUARY 5, 2020**. Bring your printed images submissions with you to the Competition.

The annual club dues are due in January. The amount is \$20 per person. **IF YOUR DUES ARE NOT PAID BY FEBRUARY 5, 2020, YOU WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE CLUB PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION.** This is a fun event and each member learns a lot. Everyone should participate. I look forward to seeing what everyone has been working on.

Beginners Corner: Starts at 8:15 am and will run till 8:45am at Wehr Nature Center (just before the meeting). Tim Kant will be coordinating this helpful and informative session. The list of topics are:

January Beginners Corner topic is **How Can I Get a Blurry Background for My Photo?**.

February Beginners Corner topic is **How Can I Get Everything in the Frame to Be in Focus for My Photo?**

If you have any ideas, or want to lead a Beginners Corner, contact Tim Kant at timkantphoto8402@gmail.com.

Upcoming Club Programs: The next few meeting dates and programs are listed below. The program co-directors are Trish McCoy and Jyoti Sengupta. If you have a topic you would like to see presented, please let them know and if you can coordinate the program, please let them know that also. You may contact them at colvinmccoy@aol.com and jnsengupta56@gmail.com..

- **February 8, 2020 – Club Competition – you cannot compete if you have not paid your annual club dues.**
- March 14, 2020 – Judging PSA Club Showcase and Mary Dumont will present on HDR
- April 11, 2020 – Judging WACCO print Circuit and Firework photography by Linnea
- May 2, 2020 -Wendy Gunderson, J.D. will present on copywrites and legal issues for photographers.
- June 13, 2020 –
- July 11, 2020 -
- August 8, 2020 –
- September 12, 2020 -

Upcoming Outings: Photo outings are a great way for the club members to share their common enjoyment of photography, learn some new techniques and share in camaraderie while getting to know our fellow club members. Our outings co-coordinators are Mary Dumont and Mary Krajnak. You may contact them at maryldumont@gmail.com and tismaryherself@gmail.com . They are working on outings that will include some traditional venues plus some new ones. If you have some ideas for outings, please let them know. Better yet, if you can coordinate the outing, pick a date and let them know so that we can announce it to the club. Perhaps you have an idea for fall colors or winter scenery.

Member Image Sharing: Members are encouraged to submit several (up to five) images to share with the club for gentle critique or just show and tell. This is a great way to get suggestions for improving your images and developing your photographic skills. In order to give everyone a chance to share their images during the year, we will select several individuals who will be featured at each meeting. Other individuals may also provide images which will be shared as time permits.

This month, **Richard Knisbeck, Mary Krajnak & Jim Kurovsky** are asked to share five to seven of their images.

Please email your images to Mary Dumont at maryldumont@gmail.com by **January 4th**. When submitting your images, please change the file name to include your name as the first information in the file name and mention that this is for the image sharing in the email subject line. Also, resize your images so that the longest side is 1024 pixels, with a maximum file size of 1 mb. This will help to streamline the process of viewing member images.

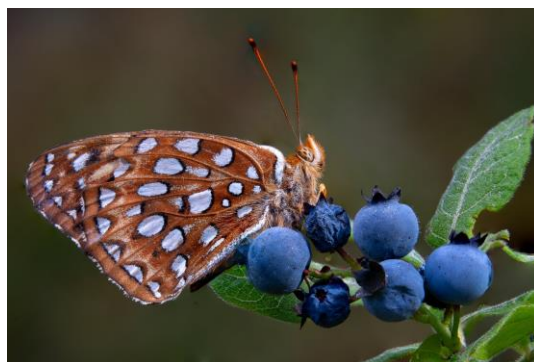
In February, Trish McCoy, Jerry Nitz & Diane Piontek will be asked to share images with the club. We all really look forward to seeing your images.

WNCCC News:

AWARDS: We will be acknowledging and congratulating members who have won ANY recognition for any of their images. So, please forward to me each month information on your awards or any recognition you may receive for any of your images. If you notice someone has received recognition, please let me know. I will try to receive permission to use the image in this newsletter. **NO RECOGNITION IS TOO SMALL.**

Jim Kurovsky won **THREE** awards at the WACCO Fall Competition:

Nap Time won First Place in Color Open Small Print:



Mystic Potion won First Place Open Special Theme:



First Encounter won Second Place in Color Open Projected:



Lastly, Face Painting won Third Place in Open Special Theme:



Facebook: Our camera club now has a Facebook page! If you are on Facebook, simply search for “Wehr Nature Center Camera Club” in the search box and you will find us. Click the join button. **The Administrator will approve you, at which time you may add posts, etc., to the site.** This is a Closed Group and open only to club members. This means that anything posted here can only be seen by members of the group. You can feel free to share your work here without fear that someone outside the club will have access to it. Anything posted here is private, so feel free to ask questions – don’t be embarrassed or shy about it. The monthly Newsletter, meeting topics and outings will also be posted here. Check it out!

Website: WNCCC has a website also. RAMONA LENGER and VINAY SINHA have volunteered to be the co-webmasters! They are working on updating the information. The website is www.wnccc.net . We want to have a gallery that has at least five images from each member. Please email five of your best images to lengerphotos@gmail.com or vinay.sinha@gmail.com . There will be an updated calendar for all of our events and meetings. This will be a place to go to get all the information on our club. If you have any ideas, please contact our co-webmasters at their email addresses.

Photo Contests and Exhibits:

Wehr Club Page on WACCO Website: The WACCO website (www.wicameraclubs.org) has pages for each member club to display photographs from club members. Check it out to see what our members and other clubs are shooting. If you would like to see some of your images on our club page, please send several of your images to Mary Dumont (maryldumont@gmail.com) . The images should be 2100 pixels on the long side and no larger than 1mb. Let’s see some of our great member photos on the WACCO site!

If you are aware of any photo contests or exhibits, please forward the information to Linnea Matthiesen at trekkielaw@aol.com .

Future Events of Interest:

If you are aware of any events of general interest, please let me know at trekkielaw@aol.com so I can share them with the club.

Wisconsin Chapter of PSA News:

- The next PSA Wisconsin Chapter meeting is scheduled for January 19, 2020 at 9 am at the Waukesha State Bank in Oconomowoc. If you are taking I-94 west bound, exit at Highway 67 and turn right. You will be taking the next left but you can see the bank. There is a frontage road that give you access to the parking lot. This is the same location as the WACCO competition. The address is 1227 Corporate Center Drive Oconomowoc, WI 53066. The afternoon speaker will be Tom Jenz – *Images of Vanishing America*.
- The spring outing for the WI Chapter will be held in the Superior/Duluth area at the Radisson Hotel-Harborview from May 15 until May 17, 2020. There is a block of 20 rooms reserved for the outing at the rate of \$109 per night. Details will be in future newsletters.
- Wisconsin Chapter of Wisconsin hosts the Youth Showcase which is a competition for high school aged photographers. This year will be the first year that the PSA WI Chapter is accepting submissions electronically. The decision was made so that High school students of all financial levels can compete. They will then print and mat the winners for an exhibition at Milwaukee City Hall in March 2020. The Chapter will be absorbing the costs of the printing and matting. If you believe this is a good cause, they could use donations for to defray the costs. Please contact me for information on how to donate.
- The 83rd Annual PSA Conference has been renamed and redesigned to be the PSA Photo Festival and will be held in Colorado Springs at the Double Tree Hotel from 9/29/20 until 10/3/20. Photo tours will start on 9/22/20. The key notes speaker will be Art Wolfe. Please watch for future announcements in future newsletters.

WACCO News:

- WACCO Spring 2020 Competition will be held in May 2020. The special categories for the spring competition is Photojournalism Sports for the open division and the nature division special category is Insects, Reptiles and Amphibians. Keep these in mind when you are out shooting. More information to come in future newsletters.

- Attached to this newsletter is a flyer for the John Gerlach seminar that WACCO is hosting on March 7, 2020 from 9 am to 5 pm. John will be speaking on *How to Shoot the Outdoors*. It will be held at Alverno Collage, Bucyrus Conference Center. The cost is \$50 early registration. Lunch IS NOT included but there is a cafeteria in the building.

Photo ops: As a club, our members have a wide variety of subjects that we enjoy photographing. This newsletter can serve as an excellent way to share various photo opportunities with club members. If you know of interesting subjects or events that may interest other club members, please forward those to Linnea Matthiesen (trekkielaw@aol.com) so they can be included in future newsletters. If you are interested in having others join you, that information can also be included. It is fun to shoot with a group!

Milwaukee Art Museum has two displays that may be of interest.

One is the Portrait of Milwaukee, which will be on display in the Herzfeld Center for Photography and Media Arts from now until March 1, 2020. It is a display of photos from the 1930s through the 2010s. Admission is included in the cost of admission to the museum.

The second is the James Benning and Sharon Lockhart: Overtime which is on display from now until March 1, 2020. It is also at the Herzfeld Center for Photography and Media Arts. American artists James Benning and Sharon Lockhart are separated by a generation, yet they both cite the influence of the other's films on their work. This two-part exhibition pairs the work of these two accomplished artists to highlight how close, studied observation can deepen and enrich often overlooked, everyday experiences. The photographs and films featured in the exhibition express how film, too, is photographic in nature, and offer extended views of a range of landscapes.

Photography Classes:

Mike Crivello's Cameras is celebrating their 50th anniversary with a series of photography classes throughout the year. Check out their class offerings at: https://medium.com/@Mike_Crivellos/2019-event-scheduled-de8726223d51 .

Art's Cameras Plus has an extensive list of classes covering everything from camera basics to photographing in a variety of situations, as well as how to use

some of the popular post-processing software that is available. Check out their web site: www.artscameras.com .

The Bryan Peterson School of Photography has quite a few on-line courses available at <https://bpsop.com/courses-1/> . These cost around \$129 for a four-week course BUT there are sales that bring the price down to about \$100. The sales usually run during the holidays. It is worth checking these out.

Photographic Society of America (PSA) also has on-line courses and study groups available. These are available at no charge, BUT you must be a member of PSA to participate. There is more information on all the opportunities that PSA offers at <https://psa-photo.org/index.php?thinking-about-membership> .

If you are aware of other photography classes or seminars, please forward the information to Linnea Matthiesen at trekkielaw@aol.com .

Websites of Interest:

Wehr Nature Center Camera Club (WNCCC): www.wnccc.net .

Wisconsin Area Camera Clubs Organization (WACCO): www.wicameraclubs.org

Photographic Association of America (PSA): www.PSA-photo.org .

PSA Wisconsin Chapter: www.PSA.wisconsin.org .

Friends of Wehr Nature Center: <https://www.friendsofwehr.org> .

Club Organization:

Our Club officers are:

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Member at Large	Geri Laehn

Members should feel free to contact the officers with any questions and suggestions they may have for the club.

Membership Dues: Annual membership dues are \$20 and are due at the January 11, 2020 meeting.

This is a change - We will be meeting monthly on the second Saturday of each month for the entire year, including July and August.

New This Month:

For your enjoyment, please try to find these terms in the Word Search below. They are all:

Elements of Composition

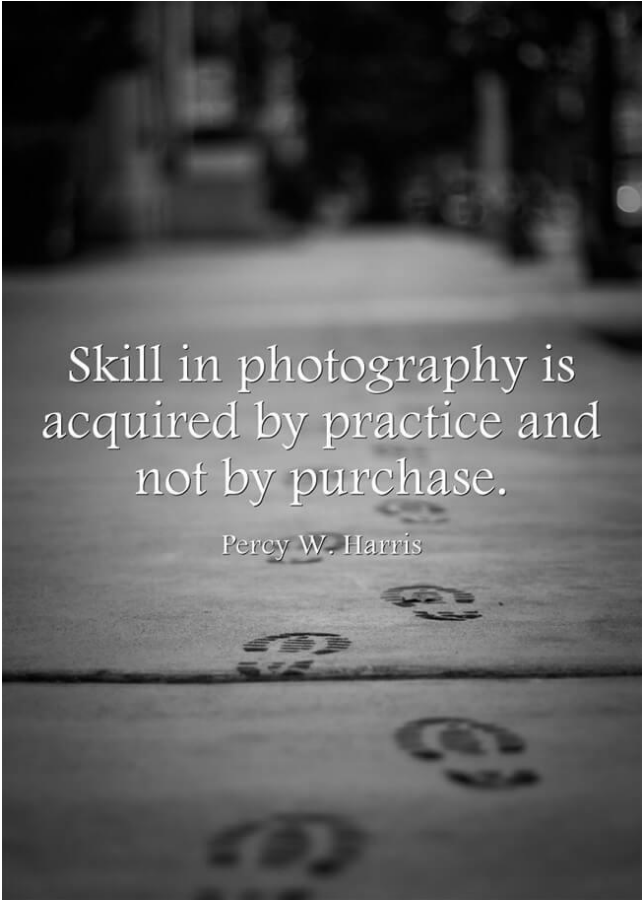
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Texture	Color
Symmetry	Viewpoint
Asymmetry	Depth
Depth of Field	Negative Space
Curves	Filled Space

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Shapes

Elements of Composition

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Skill in photography is
acquired by practice and
not by purchase.

Percy W. Harris