



**Wehr Nature
Center
Camera Club
Newsletter**

Hello Everyone! There is some very exciting news in this Newsletter so read all the way through.

We will continue to meet via zoom as the Nature Center Building, and specifically, the classroom, are not yet open. The link is in the email to which this Newsletter is attached. Zoom is a video conferencing platform that is easy to use and accessible from numerous devices from PCs to laptops to smartphones. If you don't have video capability, you can attend by phone and just have audio. The phone number to join our meeting is 1-312-626-6799. You will still need the meeting ID and the password that is listed in the email.

If you have questions or problems attending by zoom, call me at 414-430-3693 and I will help you.

November Meeting: November 14, 2020 at 9 am, via Zoom. Meeting ID and password are in the email accompanying this Newsletter.

If you feel a friend would be interested in this meeting, please share the zoom information with them so that they can attend the meeting also! All are welcome, even if they shoot Sony. 😊

Program: Monica Laatsch, Manager from Art's Cameras Plus will present on the new mirrorless cameras that are coming out. This will be informative, especially for anyone looking for a lighter camera.

December Program: December 12, 2020 – Zoom Holiday Photo/BYO Holiday Beverage Party. **Please send between five and ten photos to display at the December meeting.** The photos should have been taken this year. Please send

them to me, Linnea Matthiesen, at trekkielaw@aol.com. They should be sized at 1400 on the longest side. You can start sending them in now until December 5th.

When we meet in December, please have your favorite holiday beverage with you to enjoy while we view each other's images.

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.

- December 12, 2020 – Zoom Holiday Party
- January 9, 2021 – Eddee Daniel, A Wealth of Nature.
www.awealthofnature.org
- January 27, 2021 – Lisa Langell, The Power of Contrast
- February 13, 2021 – Club competition?

Special Announcement: WNCCC is proud to announce that Lisa Langell has agreed to present The Power of Contrast on January 27, 2021 at 7 pm Central time. This is a free webinar that WNCCC is hosting. It is open to all Wisconsin Photographers. Please invite your photographer friends! I have attended several of her Webinars and an in person seminar (pre-COVID) and she is a phenomenal speaker. All that is needed is to register at:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/the-visual-power-of-contrast-wehr-nature-center-tickets-128283261689>

Lisa Langell is a full-time, award-winning photographer whose work has appeared in numerous prestigious publications including the cover of Outdoor Photographer magazine, plus numerous images in Arizona Highways, Ranger Rick, art galleries and more. She currently sits on the Board of Directors for the North American Nature Photography Association. She is also a proud ambassador for Tamron, FotoPro, and H&Y filters. Whether it was working as a master floral designer, a licensed psychologist, university faculty, an international consultant in K-12 education, the Chief Business Development Officer of an education technology company, a researcher, a writer, or an artist—she enjoyed meeting each challenge. Still, her strongest calling was photography—ever since childhood--when bird watching ignited her lifelong love of nature and the camera. In 2010, she turned her passion or photography into a business—and in 2015 she successfully

transitioned to photography full-time and left the corporate and consulting world behind. The journey with photography has definitely been Lisa's favorite—she loves combining her diverse background and skills into her photographic art and instruction. Bringing joy to others brings joy to her! She thrives on creating innovative learning experiences and pushing photographic boundaries. She equally enjoys enriching, stimulating and expanding fellow photographers' minds emotionally, creatively and intellectually.

Start Registering!

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. This month anyone who is willing to share may submit up to five (5) images.

Please email your images to Linnea Matthiesen at Trekkielaw@aol.com AT ANY TIME! 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.

WNCCC News:

AWARDS: If you know of a member that should be acknowledged and congratulated as they won ANY recognition for any of their images, please forward a copy of the image, the member's name and a copy of the image to Linnea Matthiesen at trekkielaw@aol.com. You may nominate yourself also. NO RECOGNITION IS TOO SMALL.

Facebook: Our camera club 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 has 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.** **If you have a website of your images, and you are willing to share, please send Ramona a link to your page.** 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.

If you have images from either of the two outings from this past fall/winter, please send them to Ramona so that she can upload them to our website.

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 meeting is January 24, 2021 starting at 9 am. The business meeting will continue till noon. Then there will be a lunch break and the afternoon program will start at 1 pm. The program for January is Keith French: Photographing Ruins.

In the nationwide Club Showcase competition, the Wisconsin Chapter of the Photographic Society of America took First Place. This was out of 12 Chapters nationwide.

If you are a member of PSA, you can join the Wisconsin Chapter of PSA for \$5. If you have already joined the Wisconsin Chapter of PSA, dues are due again. Send your \$5 to Ramona Lenger.

WACCO News:

I do not have any information on the WACCO Competition as they are judging as I am writing.

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!

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:

Co-Chairs	Ramona Lenger Linnea Matthiesen
Treasurer	Sheila Hall
Assistant Treasurer	Ramona Lenger
Co-Programs Chairs	Trish McCoy Jyoti Sengupta
Co-Outings Chairs	Mary Krajnak Mary Dumont
Webmaster	Ramona Lenger
Competition	Mary Dumont
Judge Procurement	Geri Laehn
WACCO Delegate	Mary Dumont
PSA Representative	Linnea Matthiesen
Newsletter Editor	Linnea Matthiesen
Membership Coordinator	Sheila Hall

Member at Large

Gerri 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.

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

