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## August 2006 Newsletter

### From the Prez:

Here we are in the dog days of summer already, and our first meeting of the new year is soon upon us. I hope that all of you have had a chance to indulge some time in this wonderful hobby that brings us together each month. We live in an area that just begs to be photographed, and the many events that take place give us plenty of opportunities to “shoot” landscapes, people, music, architecture, sports, water, and agriculture.

Your Board has been enthusiastically at work over the summer planning a year that should be entertaining, educational, and fun. I’m looking forward to the programs, workshops, field trips, digital meetings and competitions that are planned. And most of all to seeing all of you again.

I look forward to the next year as your Chairperson, and hope that I can live up to the leadership of those that have gone before me. Please feel free to let me and any of our board members know what we are doing right, and where we can better meet your needs.

Keep on Clicking  
Marilyn Hoogstraten

*Congratulations to Bill Wilson and Tom Haxby*, who placed first and second respectively in the Traverse City Convention and Visitors Bureau 2006 Winter Scenic Photo Contest. The winning photo will be published in the 2007 Area Guide, and both will be hung in the TCC&VB at 101 W. Grandview Parkway.

## Board Minutes of June 22, 2006

**Present:** John Eschelweck, Chad Tufts, Marilyn Hoogstraton, Babs Young, Heidi Browning, Cris Burgess, Duane Dinse, Kay Smith, Chris Holdwich, Mindy Moore, Donna Lane, Hugh Rea, Barb White. **Absent:** John Russell, Kathie Carpenter, Lori Piggott.

The meeting was opened by Marilyn, who said there were 104 members at last count, and it would be helpful for membership lists to be available to board members.

**Lending Library:** Cris will get a committee by October to review usage and recommend any changes to the library and practices.

**Mentor:** Donna will prepare a list of members and mentors for each category. Jim Blue will give digital help. John Russell had let Marilyn know he would be glad to help with Mentor program. We could use additional committee members.

**Program:** Committee will meet in July to plan next year. Todd Reid from Ludington is scheduled for the first month. Babs and Kathie are looking for suggestions for presenters.

**Web Site:** Heidi reported that the site now contains three pages----welcome, newsletter, and collage.

**Newsletter:** Kay stated that it is progressing well.

**Student Contest:** John E reported that flyers will be mailed out each semester to schools to encourage participation. It was suggested to visit the schools directly.

**Photo Displays Exhibit:** Marilyn reported that Lori had agreed to take on this task, which will include the annual Library Show.

**Merchant Discounts:** Hugh will contact businesses for any changes in participation, and look for new businesses to see if they will give member discounts.

**Seminars:** Plans are being made for the last weekend in Oct. in 2007. Among several possibilities are Steve McCurry, Nevada Weir. Duane will have more suggestions in Sept.

**Friday night live:** We are scheduled to participate in Art weekend, July 28, by having a booth in front of the Camera Shop from 5:30 to 9 PM. We need volunteers.

**Digital:** Panoramas will be the topic in October. More news later.

**Vice Chair:** Babs agreed to act as Vice Chair, but is not interested in taking on Presidency. All board members were asked to check By-Laws and recommend changes to Babs in time to review at the September Board meeting.

**Church Show:** The ministry Fair will be Oct. 8th, 10-12:30 PM. Help is needed for set-up Oct. 7<sup>th</sup>.

**SWMCC:** We no longer belong, but Kay has info about their activities.

**Oregon plan:** There was discussion about a plan to take people on photo trips. Jim Blue was contacted to see if he would like to do it

**Cris:** He is starting a group to study Photoshop and would like to use our projector. It was proposed by Chad and seconded by Hugh that he could use it in the church, if he got approval to meet there. Motion passed. Agreed that this should be a written policy for everyone.

Meeting adjourned 9:15 PM. Respectfully submitted, Barb White

### ***Committees need your help:***

I want to thank all of our board members and committee leaders, including Steve Engle and Rick Loy who aren't board members, but have taken on hefty assignments with competition, field trips, and the scavenger hunt.

The more people who are involved, the better our activities can represent the needs of the membership. If you have some time to give to any of these committees, be it a little or a lot, you would be welcomed. We particularly need help with **Student competition, Member Exhibits, Lending Library, Competition, and Programs.** Contact any committee leader to see how you can help. Thank you. Marilyn

### **Jim Blue's Digital Photography Class**

Due to family illness there will NOT be a digital class this fall by Jim Blue. However, there is one scheduled for April 23, 26, and 27, 2007. Digital instruction can usually be arranged by contacting a camera club member or by talking to someone at Blue Photo. We have a mentor program which means that the club will try to arrange for you to work with someone in the club who has the same camera as you have. If you are interested, talk to one of the board members.

### ***Summer Scavenger Hunt***

Don't forget that your Summer Scavenger Hunt photos are due by the first program meeting September 21<sup>st</sup>. Submit 4x6 prints in a regular mail envelope with your name, address & phone number on the front of the envelope.

### **Field Trip to Pierce Stocking Drive**

The perfect summer evening was enjoyed by those members who made it to the August 7 field trip to Pierce Stocking Drive at the Sand Dunes. On the drive over we worried that the clouds would disappear and we would have a plain sun dropping into the water, but a few remained just at the horizon for a beautiful red and orange sunset. While we were waiting for the sunset we captured a full moon rising to the east, just south of Glen Lake. Many thanks to Tom Haxby for coordinating this field trip, and to Tom and Terry Clark for driving the "get away" cars!



Marilyn Hoogstraten – Pierce Stocking Drive

## Education Opportunities

Michigan Field Workshops  
John & Barbara Gerlach Photo Tours  
October 1-7 or 8-14  
[www.gerlachnaturephoto.com](http://www.gerlachnaturephoto.com)  
ph (208) 642-4444

Rod Planck Photography Seminar  
Sunday, October 22, 2006  
Holiday Inn West Conference Center  
Lansing, Mi  
Sponsored by St. Johns Camera Club  
<http://sjccmich.tripod.com> or call  
Bob Sheap at 517-699-5114

### Check the NMC Fall Schedule of Extended Education Classes – they offer:

Printing/Output/Scanning  
Introduction to Digital Photography  
The Digital Camera  
Cropping Photos for Impact  
Tips & Techniques from a Pro  
Nature & Landscape Composition  
Photography – Nature Through a Camera  
Lens  
On-Site Nature Photography – One-Day  
Workshop  
(The Last 5 listed classes are taught by our  
own TACC member Michael Impellizzeri)  
Photo I – Lecture  
Photo I – Lab

### Two interesting things. *Hugh Rea*

1. Nikon will soon be releasing the new D80 10mb.
2. Ritz Camera has a new Epson 7800 printer that will print up to 24 x 36 prints for \$40.00

### Congratulations Dick

TACC member Dick Templeton will have a Photo Retrospective "55 years of Photography by Dick Templeton", Traverse City Public Library, October 2-30th, Opening reception Sunday, October 15th from 2-4 pm.



Baby fregit – Donna Lane



Barb Young – Ladyslippers

## TACC Programs 2006-2007

September 21-Todd and Brad Reed Lighthouses

October 19- John Robert Williams at his studio

November 16- Workshops

December 21?- Cherry Festival in December

January 18- Dave Speckman Product, still-life photography at the studio

February 15- TBA

March 15 - Infrared Bette Bos

April 19- TBA

April 23, 26 and 27 - Jim Blue digital photography classes

May 17- TBA

## Competition Topics

Competition night begins on Monday October 2<sup>nd</sup> at 5:45 pm at The Presbyterian Church. The

Topics for the year are the following:

October: Portrait of Hands

November: Motion

December: Reflections

January: Up Close & Personal

February: Food

March: Music

April: Games

May: Architectural Interior

June: Perspective

## Digital

Digital Meetings begin on Saturday October 14<sup>th</sup> at 9 am at The Presbyterian Church. The program is scheduled to be how to do panoramas. Topics for the year will be announced in the September newsletter.

The Registration Form for 2006-07 membership can be found on TACC's website, [www.tacconlin.com](http://www.tacconlin.com). Print it off and mail it to Chad Tufts with your dues. Chad's address is on the form.



Steve Engle – a flaming tulip



Kathie Carpenter - a mouse's view



Jerry Boner - Mt. Rainer