

THE NEWLETTER OF THE PORTLAND PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY

CROPPINGS

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**REMEMBER THE FORTY SECOND ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE
CCCC AT SPOKANE; OCT 6, 7 and 8. Palouse fieldtrip, slideshows, and how-to sessions!**

FRANCES MAHONEY

In memoriam

Frances Mahoney, one of our longest members, died July 26th after 5 months of illness. She was a long time member of PSA, Clackamas Camera Club, Oregon Color Slide and 4Cs. She was an asset to all these clubs, serving in many capacities; offering her home for meetings, leading field trips through the Columbia River Scenic area for the Portland 4Cs Annual meeting, and having plant sales to augment lean club treasuries. She was a great gardener and many stopped by to photograph her flowers.

Frances was a top print and slide contender at photographic competitions and county fair salons. At one of the last slide competitions she entered she won 44 out of 45 possible!

She attended "The Horse Drive" sessions in the Bend area for 14 years and collected ribbons and medals from her "horsey" themes. At the ranch party last year Wilma Roberts, FPSA honored her with a large cake for her faithful attendance and interest. She was interested in the annual raft and kayak races on the swift Clackamas River and one can remember her gingerly ambling over large rocks to perch herself in a chair/umbrella combo. She was an inspiration to all ages of photographers.

During her stay in the hospital she showed prints to nurses and gave prints to the staff.

She will be remembered and missed by many long time friends and relatives. Even those who knew her for only a short time will remember her kindness, wit and love of photography.



Calendar:

Sept. 7-- Prints -- Category => Wild Flowers
Sept. 14 -- Slides -- Category => People Doing Something
Sept 21 -- Seminar -- ??
Oct. 5 -- Prints -- Category => Church
Oct. 12 -- Slides-- Nature Close Up
Oct. 19 -- Seminar -- ??
Nov. 2 -- Prints -- Category => Window
Nov. 9 -- Slides -- Wild Flowers
Nov. 16 -- Seminar -- ???
Dec. 7 -- Prints -- Category=> Fall Season
Dec. 13-- Slides -- Category => Macro
Dec. 19 -- Seminar -- ??



Volunteers are needed for the following:

Judging — See Doris Doerfler

Refreshments — See Pat Starr



**Susie Rydquist needs judges for an October PSA
group competition.**

She needs three judges, a projectionist and a scorer. She also requests some ideas about where to hold this competition. Volunteer and you will be able to help set the date, time and place. She has also requested two traveling slide sets from PSA. Keep your eye on the Croppings for the date of their presentation.☼

MULTNOMAH COUNTY FAIR RESULTS

Once again PPA was the only club to enter the county fair, so we won!!! PPA members also entered individually and many won awards. Among the participants were Bob Baker, Jim Baker, Paul Blixt, Aaron Brockman, Adrienne Brockman, Susie Rydquist, Roland Smith, Pat Starr, and others.☼

A View Camera Festival

Folks interested in large format photography will meet at PSU October 6th and 7th. Speakers such as Stu Levy, John Wimberley, Charles Cramer, and others will be featured. Admission is \$40/person for the weekend. Actually, **anyone** seriously interested in photography is welcome and will find lots of information and interesting people. The weekend is sponsored by the *Portland Photographers Forum*, a club that meets here in Portland every 3rd Wednesday. See Adrienne Brockman or Pat Starr for more information. ☼

Galleries

AIA Gallery 315 SW Fourth Ave, PDX
Gene Faulkner and Ken LeGros, Silent Strengths. Sept 5th to 29th.

Blue Sky Gallery 1231 NW Hoyt --Terry Evans shows mid-western B/W landscapes, Vincent Cianni shows B/W portraits.

Elizabeth Leach Gallery 207 SW Pine St.
Ken Smith shows botanical photographs. Ends 9/30.

Photographic Image Gallery 240 SW First Ave. Orville Robertson presents nightscapes of New York.

White Gallery/PSU 1825 SW Broadway, Room 250. Raven Lloyd shows "Transformation", explorations of the changes from child to adult and film to digital.

Asian Art Gallery 224 SW Hamilton St (274-9079) John Men Wong. Photographs in celebration of the new Classical Chinese Gardens.

Cameraworks at 22nd and Northrup hasn't announced its artist yet, but you KNOW there will be good photography shown. ☼

FILM NOTES

Fuji's Provia 100F was named Best Slide Film by the Technical Image Press Association. The very fine grain was the major criterion for the selection. Best color negative film was Kodak's Supra family of films. It comes in three speeds, 100 (very sharp and excellent color), 400 (as good as the previous 200 speed). Supra 800 which is the highest speed of these can be pushed to 3200 with minimum loss of shadow detail and color saturation.

Roland Smith has done an exhaustive survey of 39 slide films now available and has given each a rating, based on resolution, sharpness, saturation, grain, contrast and exposure latitude. Velvia, Sensia II, Ektachrome 100S and 100VS (can be pushed to 200 and is more neutral than Velvia) and Kodachrome 25 all had the highest rating. Nice piece of work Roland. ☼

Lepp Lecture Series

George Lepp, one of MY favorite photographers, will be in Portland February 3 and 4th. The two day seminar series is on 1.) Optimizing the Possibilities in Outdoor-Nature Photography and 2.) The Digital Desktop Darkroom. George writes for Outdoor Photography and does lots of really good lectures, shows and workshops. Mark your calendars and watch for more info. ☼

Remember Spokane:

Oct 6,7,8

ADRIANNE BROCKMAN WINS 4Cs AWARD

Adrienne Brockman received a prestigious gold medal from the PSA for her slide: "Mt. Rainier". The slide won in one of the monthly competitions of the 4Cs, and then went on to Group C judging of the Color Slide Division of the Society's international competition. There it earned a blue ribbon and was then sent to the annual year-end competition where it was selected as one of the finalists. The slide will be included in the travelling collection that can be viewed by clubs who request the set. Congratulations Adrienne!!☞

PPA BOARD MEETS AT PAUL BLIXT'S HOME

On 8/12 nine members of the PPA board heeded Jeanette Heidtbrink's call to order. The treasurer reported that there was \$304.65 in the checking account and 823.03 in savings. Jeanette confirmed that we had received the insurance policy for PPS liability at the church.

Old business included some clarification about when the additional star should be awarded (220 points after joining Master Class, and each additional requires 220 more.

There was also discussion concerning the calculation of high-average award for slides. Roland Smith made a motion that in order to bet an average score for an award for a printor slide competition, the maker must have participated in at least 21 out of a possible 27 slide or print competitions. Fewer submissions than 21 will result in the use of the 21 minimum as a divisor. Seconded and passed.

Roland Smith reported on his efforts to get more ribbons for club awards. He will purchase 200 blue ribbons to be used for either prints or slides. In the future, to cut

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costs, we will explore trying to coordinate with other clubs to get a quantity discount.

A contribution in the name of Frances Mahoney will be made to PSA, the amount and type to be discussed at the next board meeting.

It was agreed to send flowers to Ethel Heerdt, a life member of the club, who has been ill. She is a Deerfield Village #34, 577 Kellogg Creek Drive in Milwaukie (97222) for others who might like to keep in touch.

Pat Starr offered to update the PPS pamphlet that could then be distributed at various locations to advertise the strengths of our club and perhaps aid in getting new members.

The next board meeting will be at IHOP 82nd and Raymond, on 10/21 at 8:30 am.☞

**John Hodge SEZ DUES ARE
DUE. They are a real bargain for
\$18/year**

NATURE PHOTOGRAPHERS OF THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST

A new club for nature photographers is being started. The first meeting will be April 7th, 2001 in Corvallis from 10-5. Bill Silliker, a highly published nature photographer, will be the invited speaker and will present "Just Eagles" in the morning and "Camera Hunting North America" in the afternoon. There will be print and slide competitions. Exhibitors will also participate. For more information about this club that plans to meet only 2x/year, call Larry Rosenkoetter in Corvallis at 541-752-1846.

Volunteer to Judge!!!

How well Does Your Autofocus work?

This is a simple test to show whether your autofocus actually focuses where you want it to. Take a white card about 11X14 and run a piece of electrical tape (1") across it vertically. Place the board on an outside wall or garage door in open shade. Use aperture priority or manual to set the widest aperture available. With the camera on a tripod, take a shot from about 20 feet using the central part of the autofocus on the vertical black line. Do it at tele- and at wide-angle. Now repeat the two shots in doors with the card on the wall illuminated by fairly dim window light. The test can be done manually, too if you don't use autofocus -- just shows you how good your eye is.

The black line should be crisp under 10X magnification. If not, better get a professional check. (From Pop Photo 2/99)

Who's Been Doin' What?

Adrianne and Aaron Brockman and Pat Starr attended the John Wimberley black and white printing workshop this summer. Let's see if their prints show the results...

Ed Brant, John Hodge and Paul Blixt have been back to the Trout Lake region -- this time for shots of Echinacea (coneflower) fields against Mt. Adams.

Doris Doerfler and Jeannette Heidtbrink visited the Swan Island Dahlia Farms in Canby. Good time for good color.

Any one else??? Give me a call with your neat trips so we can all know good places to go. Thanx

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