



Southern Illinois Photographic Society

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November 2010 Newsletter

October Meeting

For our program this month we had a special presentation by the SIU Carbondale School of Journalism and Multimedia. They showed some great images of the Shawnee National Forest and towns south of Interstate 64. They also gave some tips on public photography. In particular, no release is needed to photograph in a public place, though you cannot photograph on (or enter) private property without permission.

For additional images from this project, visit www.theshawneeforest.net and www.southof64.net. For general camera tips, they suggest taking a look at www.nikonusa.com.

We had two new visitors at our regular meeting this month: Steve Palmer and Cindy Taylor. Steve, from Carterville, likes to shoot anything; Cindy, of Carbondale, likes to shoot plants, birds, and barns, and we welcomed her into SIPS.

Four of our members were honored at the 2010 Shrode Photography Competition. Dave Hammond, Linda Martin, Bill Thomas, and Dana Tetzlaff were 4 of the 27 artists selected, out of a field of 75. They had 6 photos selected between them, out of 39 total selected. The photos will be shown at the Shrode at Cedarhurst in Mt. Vernon until Dec. 31. The Shrode is open Tuesday through Saturday 10 to 5, and Sunday 1 to 5.

David Brewer will be teaching a class on concepts and postprocessing on Wednesday afternoons at the Little Egypt Arts Association in Marion. The classes are 3:30 to 4 p.m.

The SIPS Christmas Party is coming up, and people need to make reservations to attend. The fee this year is \$20 per person; SIPS members may bring a guest. Dana will start collecting at the November meeting.

This month's contest was Music, and we had 13 entries.

1st place: Mike Hicks, "Mr. Shaw's Piano"

2nd place: Joanna Gray, "John Primer, Jazz Player"

3rd place: Jim Osborn, "Sax Player"

Congratulations to all of these! Next month, we have two long-term contests due: the two-month Mystery Tour and the yearlong Technical Excellence contests. Complete details on these contests are on our website in the News section.

Finally, at the meeting, we learned that Monroe has celebrated his 88th birthday. Happy birthday Monroe!

Photo Op

By Jim Osborn

I just got rejected and I was thrilled!! One of my photography resolutions for 2010 was to submit more images to magazines for publication consideration. I submitted some images to Shutterbug and Popular Photography but, after being a member of the North American Photography Association (NANPA) for the past few years, I never sent anything to them. Dave Hammond has been published in NANPA's Expressions and I have always considered the images that NANPA publishes there to be world class. To be honest, I thought it was a waste of my time to submit anything. But a couple months ago I decided to bite the bullet and send in 5 images for consideration. I had no false hopes, but just the fact that I entered my images gave me a feeling of accomplishment and satisfaction. Then in early October I received a notice from NANPA. It said that, while none of my images had been selected for publication, three of the five images I submitted had made it to the semi-final round of judging. The letter stated that the semi-final images were approximately the top 20% of all images submitted. Knowing the caliber of photography submitted to NANPA, I was ecstatic! Sure, it would have been better to have had one selected for publication, but knowing that three of my images made it to the semi-finals in judging made my day. The old adage goes, "Nothing ventured, nothing gained." If you are afraid of



Calendar of Events

November

Meeting: Nov. 2

Program: Jim Bornert

15 Minutes of Fame: Christine Keeney

Contest: Technical Excellence and Mystery Tour (both 1 year)

Outing: Magnolia Manor, Cairo

Planning Meeting: Nov. 16

December

Meeting: Dec. 7

Program: Al Perry

15 Minutes of Fame: none

Contest: none

Outing: none

Planning Meeting: none

January

Meeting: Jan. 4

Program: Dave Brewer, lighting and the Better Beamer

15 Minutes of Fame: TBD

Contest: Up, Up, and Away

Outing: Eagles at Alton

Planning Meeting: Jan. 18

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rejection or failure you will never succeed. Every year I try to set some goals for myself, and some of the goals have to do with photography. Perhaps you could care less about getting published...perhaps you have some other personal goal for your photography. My advice is to challenge yourself and then follow through. Even though I was rejected, I broke the ice, and I know that I will keep submitting images until some day, with the right image and the right judge, I will get something published. As we approach 2011, think about the challenges you want to set for yourself for next year.

Things I Notice

by Ray Brown

Do you know what these animals & birds are called when many are together at the same time?



Apes - Shrewdness of;
Badgers - Cete, or seat of;
Bears - sloth or sleuth of;
Bees - Hive when enclosed, not enclosed - Swarm Drift Bike of;
Chickens - Brood, clutch, peep of;
Coots - covert of;
Cranes - Heard of;
Deer - heard, or mob of;
Dogs - pack or kennel of;
Doves - a flight, dole or piteousness of
Ducks - a paddling of ducks when on the water; also a raft, a bunch, or a team in flight of;
Finches - charm or chirm of;
Fish - run of fish in motion;
Flies - cloud of;
Foxes - a skulk of;
Geese - a gaggle, skein, team, wedge of;
Goats - flock, herd or trip of;
More next month

Remember, people will judge you by your actions, not your intentions. You may have a heart of gold, but so does a hard-boiled egg.

A bend in the road is not the end of the road unless you fail to make the turn.

The robbed that smiles, steals something

from the thief. *—Shakespeare*

Example is the school of mankind, and they will learn at no other. *—Edmund Burke*

If your work speaks for itself, don't interrupt. *—Henry J. Kaiser*

Are you ambisinister?

Don't worry, its just a fancy way of saying that you're clumsy with both hands. The literal meaning is "with two left hands" the manual equivalent of having two left feet.

Its been reported that gangster Al Capone paid in today's dollars, upward of \$300,000 in bribes every week.

The French once raised domesticated beavers as a food source.

Thought for the day: "Man is a credulous animal, and must believe something; in the absence of good grounds for belief, he will be satisfied with bad ones."

—Bertrand Russell

You can always find reasons to work.

There will always be one more thing to do. But, when people don't take time out, they stop being productive. They stop being happy, and that affects the morale of everyone around them. *—Carisa Bianchi*

History is a kind of introduction to more interesting people than we can possibly meet in our restricted lives; let us not neglect the opportunity. *—Dexter Perkins*

In the 1860's there was actually legal currency printed in the United States with an image of Santa Claus on it. It was issued by Saint Nicholas National Bank of New York City.