



Southern Illinois Photographic Society

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September 2015 Newsletter

August Meeting

Our program for August was given by George Stone. George presented slides from his travels out west over many years. His presentations featured Glacier National Park, Zion National Park, Bear River in Utah, Yellowstone National Park, and the National Bison Range. In addition to majestic landscapes, George also showed us his great images of the birds and wildlife of the west, including wild mustangs in Utah, Lewis' woodpecker, Clark's nutcracker, and courting Western grebes. George completed his presentation with some very evocative music.

Our 15 Minutes of Fame this month featured Bill Randall. Bill showed us pictures from a birthday trip to New Orleans. His images walked us through the architecture of Jackson Square, Decatur Street, and Royal Street, as well as statuary of St. Joan of Arc and several other historic figures. Bill also visited the World War II museum in New Orleans.

Bill used a Canon 7D with a Tamron 18-270mm lens for this trip. He noted that the large zoom range on the Tamron lens gave him great flexibility, allowing him to shoot wide indoors as well as zoom in on specific details of exhibits.

In preparation for the August outing at the Cobden Peach Festival, Karen Carlton gave a brief talk on Cobden, IL, its size and history, and told the story of the fabled Cobden Appleknockers basketball team. She made recommendations on where and what to photograph, including a museum, a café, and other historic places in and around the town. She mentioned that The Old Feed Store often has live music performances on the weekends.

For Show and Tell, Jo Dodd brought a collection of images she captured for the Black and White Photography Workshop, led by photographer Will Clay in Naperville, IL. Carol Sluzevich, Linda Bundren, and Joanna Gray also attended.

Our contest for this month was "Wildlife and Wild Places." Our winners were:

1st place: Jim Osborn, "Lizard"

2nd place (tie): Cathy Jennings, "Mantis"

2nd place (tie): Melinda McGill, "Nyala Buck"

2nd place (tie): Jim Osborn, "Bison"
Congratulations to these winners! Next month, our contest is "Festivals."

Announcements and Events

The SIPS displays at Mr. Koolz frozen yogurt shop in Marion are continuing, with Edwina Arington and Carole Baker having their photos on display through the mid-September. Karen Carlton has volunteered to display her photos next.

Several SIPS members took honors at the 2015 LEAA Photo Invitational. In the Photo Art category:

Joanna Gray, First Place with "All Aboard for Silverton"

Melinda McGill, Second Place with "Contemplation"

Melinda McGill, Honorable Mention with "On the Third Day"

In the Photography category:

Joanna Gray, First Place with "Ooh, Blue Lew!"

Jim Bornert, Honorable Mention with "Glass Mask on Rust"

Ruth Ann Rabideau, Honorable Mention with "Olde Time Yellowstone"

In the Youth category, Jo Dodd's granddaughter Kelsey took Second Place with "When Are We Going South?"

There is a reception for the contest at LEAA on Sept. 27 from 2pm to 4pm.

Missing Newsletters

The regular reader will no doubt have noticed the absence of the SIPS Newsletter for the past few months. This is simply due to inattention by your humble editor (Jonathan). By way of explanation but not excuse, I've been busy with other events this summer. I hope to return to a consistent schedule this fall. My apologies for the lapse of issues!

Calendar of Events

September

Meeting: Sept. 1

Program: Swap meet

15 Minutes of Fame: Tom Rabideau

Contest: Festivals

Outing: Wine Trail

Planning Meeting: Sept. 15

October

Meeting: Oct. 6

Program: China, Mike Hicks

15 Minutes of Fame: Bill Thomas

Contest: Clouds / Sky

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Outing: Ft. Massac

Planning Meeting: Oct. 20

November

Meeting: Nov. 3

Program: Online photo sites,

Jonathan Springer

15 Minutes of Fame: Max Pardee

Contest: 1. Night Scenes

2. Annual Calendar

Outing: Cape Girardeau

Planning Meeting: Nov. 17

Inside...

All the SIPS news, announcements, and upcoming events.

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