

Meeting Minutes

Date: March 17, 2021

By: Jean Davids, Secretary/Treasurer

The meeting started just after 7:00 pm and was presided over by president Heather Reinhart. We had a great turnout with 11 of 19 members in attendance. Once again, we met via Zoom and will continue at least through April. We will continue to ask our membership how they want to proceed as meetings progress.

We started the meeting by Jean letting the membership know of the passing of Sanford Smith who was a long-time member and great contributor to our club. His knowledge of photography and his willingness to share it was amazing. He was one of the most generous and humble people we knew. He will greatly be missed. It was discussed how we could best commemorate his life and it was agreed that we would send a card to his wife and contribute \$100 to the Muscular Dystrophy Association in his memory. *Note: this was done by Jean on 3/19/21.*

The assignment for this month was: Snowflakes/Frozen Soap Bubbles. We had 3 members share their images. Thank you all for sharing them.

The topic for the night was “workshops you have taken or like best – group share”. Bob Somerville started us out with 23 of his photos from 3 different workshops he attended. Two of those workshops were Bryan Hansel workshops. He highly recommends these for the great learning opportunity they provide. Here’s a link to his workshop page: <https://www.bryanhansel.com/services/photography-workshops-and-photography-courses/>

Anthony Hall discussed shooting black bears at the Vince Schutte Wildlife Sanctuary (American Bear Association). They have photography workshops where you can get down in there with the bears and learn to take great photos of them. Whether you choose to take the workshops or simply attend and stay on the high platform, Anthony says you can get some great photos as bear clubs like to climb the trees and you would be eye level with them from the high platform. Here’s a link to their workshop page: <https://www.americanbear.org/event-calendar/photography-workshops/>

Once again, the mobile phone app PhotoPills was mentioned to know where the sun/moon will be at specific times for taking photos in various locations.

Jean Davids mentioned that she mostly does video webinars put on by Olympus and by Tim Grey. Tim Grey also offers what looks to be excellent workshops like trips to the Palouse area of Washington(?). There are magnificent rolling hills and other attractions there as well as other locations he travels to. Right now he hasn’t got anything scheduled because of Covid but here is a link to his page: <http://www.timgreypphoto.com/workshops>

The last topic covered for the night was our April meeting. We agreed we should do it one more time via zoom while we wait for more of us to get vaccinated. Heather has arranged for a lifestyle photographer named Tasha to do a Q&A for us. However, many were asking what is lifestyle photography and what we really need is a better explanation of it and maybe she could walk us through her photos so we can understand it better. Heather will discuss it further with her and she and Jean will come up with a better description of what this meeting will entail. Jean has 4 videos on the topic as well as some links to information. With that, the meeting was adjourned just after 8:45.

2021 Camera Club Meeting Dates and Topics

April 21

Assignment: Best photos you took at a workshop or using a skill you learned at a workshop
Topic: Lifestyle Photography (speaker via zoom plus Jean has some videos)

May 19

Assignment: Lifestyle Photography
Topic: Mobile Device Movie Making - Speaker/Member experiences/video – Anthony/Jean/others

June 16

Assignment: share a movie (short one) that you made on your mobile device
Topic: Editing video – DSLR or mobile – Anthony/Jean/others

July 21

Assignment: edited video
Topic:
Featured Photographer: Heather Reinhart sharing her Alaska Photos and experiences

August 18

Assignment:
Topic: Shooting Sunflowers (sunflower group photo shoot might be arranged at well)

September 15

Assignment: sunflower or flower photos
Topic: Voyagers Nation Park - Jeff Lavigne

October 20

Assignment:
Topic:

November 17

Assignment:
Topic:

December 15

Assignment: Top photos of 2021
Topic: Holiday party, open discussion