



# The North Central Camera Club Council News Bulletin

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## *President's Message*

Greetings to all of you N4C folks on a dreary day in Iowa. Fortunately, our mini-convention at Springbrook had nearly perfect weather on Saturday which allowed people to do so many things in that lovely park. We had sixty people attend this year and although we would like to have seen more it was a great group. It's always fun for me to meet friends I've known for a long time (note I didn't say "old friends") and meet some new ones. We had I believe three folks who had never been to Springbrook and at the end when I spoke to them they said they really enjoyed it and plan on coming back. One of them came in particularly handy as he is retired Navy and fixed a toilet the men's bathroom in the lecture hall and a loose drain in the men's dorm without being asked – how great is that? The park doesn't have someone on call that can come in unless it is an emergency (although some would say a clogged toilet is an emergency) so his efforts were particularly appreciated. I regret that I don't remember his name but he was from the Duluth area, a tall guy with a great beard. You know who you are sir so please take a big thank you from all of us (particularly the guys!)

Marv Gustafson and Lois Kuehle had an aging contest and Lois won – let's leave it at that. Pat and Gene brought Marv down but Lois drove herself from her home in Boone. What amazing folks! Our friends the Kingsbury's and the Solomons were unable to be with us this year but we invoked their names.

One of the more important things the BOD discussed was the Travel Contest labeling of images. Our prior discussions according to Pat's excellent minutes state that the country or state has to be in the title of the image. We upheld that and reminded folks that we really have an opportunity to intercept those without the proper label by our local contest folks who send our images in for judging. Please know that I'm the one who sent a digital travel entry in last month titled "Pineapple Lady" – not a location so know that your president messed up as well as a few more of you.

We also discussed providing comment on images with scores under 30 to help people grow and the final vote stated that we would "encourage" clubs to make comments on the images that score less than 30. Predictably every time we discuss judging it is a lively discussion with no perfect solution although we try.

We had a BOD vacancy and I'm very pleased to say Doug Conrad who is current president of the Sioux City club agreed to serve. Thank you Doug!

The 2017 convention dates have been set **Black Hills Convention - September 22-23, 2017** Rushmore Plaza Holiday Inn, Rapid City, SD Also note this date: Springbrook 2017 will be April 28-30, 2017.

Although I announced it at the BOD meeting – Dwight Tomes (d.tomes@me.com) needs a club to judge photo essays next year. If your club does not enter photo essays perhaps you could volunteer?

Please mark your calendars for our **2016 60<sup>th</sup> N4C convention in Fargo** September 29-October 1<sup>st</sup> - Please check the N4C Website( <http://www.n4c.us/>) for the link to the Convention Welcome Video and other details. And as long as I'm sending you to our N4C website a big thank you to Ken Johnson for maintaining it and keeping so many of our N4C records –this is a BIG deal and he needs to be recognized.

So I guess that's about it for this month as we wind down our competition year and head into summer. I've got a couple of photo opportunities lined up but need more.

May your shutter fingers be active, your lenses clean, and your memory cards full!

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## Contest Results

### **2 x 2 Slides**

- 1st Glade Creek Grist Mill - Diane Darnielle, Des Moines
- 2nd Ready for Salsa - Bob Rude, Iowa City
- 3rd White Lillie - Wilford Yoder, Iowa City
- HM Fawn - Diane Darnielle, Des Moines
- HM California Golden Gate #2 - Jim Duncan, Saint Paul
- HM Alberta Falls Stream - Bob Rude, Iowa City

34 entries from 4 clubs. Judging Club: Huron Area. Chair: Jackson Peterson. Judges: Mark Gubbins, Donna Palm-lund, Don Pageler. Comments: Ties were decided by judge's vote. Wide assortment of subjects.

### **B & W Pictorial Prints**

- 1st Platform - Nor Azhari, Iowa City
- 2nd Cruiser's Café - Doug Conrad, Sioux City
- 3rd Common Grackle - Kathleen Wolleat, Duluth-Superior
- HM Failure - Robert Lahti, Duluth-Superior
- HM Roped In - Vernice Kingsbury, Sioux City
- HM Metal & Glass Trophies of the Past - Paul Grillo, Des Moines

29 entries from 9 clubs. NO OTHER INFORMATION PROVIDED ON EDITOR'S COPY

### **Color Prints**

- 1st Butterfly #1 - Roger Van Klompenburg, Sioux City
- 2nd Misty Morning - Mike Jones, Sioux City
- 3rd New Harbor - Diane Darnielle, Des Moines
- HM Shave & Haircut - Michael Greiner, Sioux City
- HM Prairie Sunrise - Paul Hagen, Fargo-Moorhead
- HM St. John the Baptist Cathedral - Robert Lahti, Duluth

39 entries from 8 clubs. Judging Club: Cheyenne. Chair: Judy Berkley. Judges: Tim Leberman, Don Edington, Paul Bobenmoyer. Comments: Overall quality of prints higher than last time we judged. One club member said that the evening was the best education in impact, technique and composition he had attended since joining club - by listening to all the comments.

### **Digital B&W**

- 1st Looking Up - Nor Azhari, Iowa City
- 2nd Red Rock Crossing - Don Loseke, Omaha
- 3rd Style Trumps Time - Sondra Barry, Wichita Area
- HM Grain Elevator - Mocassin, MT - Diane Darnielle, Des Moines
- HM Swan Resting - Marge Springett, Western Wisconsin
- HM Field of Forgone Memories - Ron Tigges, Dubuque
- HM Moonrise over the Flint Hills - Dave Horner, Topeka
- HM Sweet - Melissa Anderson, Western Wisconsin
- HM Shine on Wheel - Jill Armentrout, Des Moines
- HM OnPoint - Jerry Ranch, Des Moines

93 entries from 20 clubs. Judging Club: Great River Camera Club. Chair: Ryno W Olson. Judges: Harold Wilson, Martha Farwell, Hal Woods. Comments: Many good images. Hard to score.



### **Digital Creative**

- 1st Peacock Feathers - Steve Olson, Saint Paul
- 2nd Gabled Barn - Rachel Cain, North Metro
- 3rd Under the Blood Moon - Ryno W Olson, Great River
- HM Butterfly Effect - Bonny Fleming, Black Hills
- HM Shady Ladies on Mt Rushmore - Jean McDonough, North Metro
- HM Slow Down - Cara Pusateri, Dubuque
- HM London Eye - Nor Azhari, Iowa City
- HM The Magic of Wine - Betty Nordstrom, Minot
- HM Air Show - Larry Syverud, Saint Paul
- HM An Illusion of Snow Geese - Lori Moilanen, Western Wisconsin
- HM Best Friends - Melissa Anderson, Western Wisconsin

105 entries from 23 clubs. Judging Club: Lidgerwood Camera Club. Chair: Sharon Frolek. Judges: Alan Costain, Daniel Frolek, Virginia Goerger. Comments: Judge's Bios: Alan Costain - World traveler and has been taking great pictures for many yrs.; Dan Frolek - Educated as a Commercial Artist. Has taken pictures for yrs.; Virginia Goerger - Club President and owner operator of Virginia's Photos & Flowers business. Has been taking pictures for 50 or more years.

### **Digital Journalism**

- 1st Creation - Lori Burrows, Dubuque
- 2nd Garage Fireworks - Mike Magda, Black Hills
- 3rd White Belt Throw for a Point - Ron Tigges, Dubuque
- HM Feeling the Burn - Rich Bugalski, Dubuque
- HM Crack of the Bat - John Larson, Shutterbug
- HM Ragbrai Perseverance - Michael Greiner, Sioux City
- HM Please - Deb Zimmerman, Black Hills
- HM Bull Rider - Peggy Boike, Saint Paul

80 entries from 20 clubs. Judging Club: Topeka Camera Club. Chair: Greg Hognlund. Judges: Tom Arnhold, Bob Wright, Craig Strever. Comments: Judges scores overall were low. Highest was a 13 and the lowest was a 7 but the spread was representative of the entries submitted.

### **Digital Nature**

- 1st Glass-frog - Sheldon Farwell, Great River
- 2nd Sunrise above the Island - Pavel Blagev, Western Wisconsin
- 3rd Wagner Falls - Pat Boudreau, North Metro
- HM Red Fox Staring Back - Diane Darnielle, Des Moines
- HM Nice Catch - David Brown, Des Moines
- HM Monarch on Milkweed-2 - Dennis Hoyne, North Metro
- HM Fawn-breasted Brilliant - Martha Farwell, Great River
- HM Great Gray Owl 3722 - Rick Graves, Minnesota Valley
- HM Bison-in-the-Snow - Mike Barker, Omaha
- HM Yosemite Reflections - Marty Barker, Omaha
- HM Canyon Rainbow - Nikki McDonald, Omaha

105 entries from 20 clubs. Judging Club: Southwest Iowa Shutterbugs. Chair: Brenda Strauss. Judges: Deb Bates, Kim Walter, Deb Loudon. Comments: A lot of great photos.



### **Digital Pictorial**

- 1st Lurking in the Rain - Sharon Watson, Fargo-Moorhead
- 2nd The Fiddler - Nikki McDonald, Omaha
- 3rd Brown Violet Ear - Sheldon Farwell, Great River
- HM Morning Silhouette - Robert Lahti, Duluth-Superior
- HM Walking Alone in April - Tim Beaulier, Duluth-Superior
- HM Amaryllis - Sue Retzlaff, La Crosse Area
- HM Sunrise at the Fence - Rick Graves, Minnesota Valley
- HM Pause for Refreshment - Lori Moilanen, Western Wisconsin
- HM Lone Tree Guarding the Milky Way - Gordon Court, Fargo-Moorhead
- HM Gnarled Tree - Al Kiecker, Minnesota Valley
- HM Hanging Out - Cindy Anderson, North Metro
- HM Bosque del Apache Sunrise - Melissa Anderson, Western Wisconsin
- HM Buff-tailed Coronet - Martha Farwell, Great River
- HM Old Truck - 1 - Bob Rude, Iowa City

132 entries from 22 clubs. Judging Club: Dubuque Camera Club. Chair: Cara Pusateri. Judges: Lori Burrows, Ken Kiss, Kevin Mctague.

### **Digital Travel**

- 1st River Reflections - Argenton, Frances - Terry Butler, Western Wisconsin
- 2nd Balloon Festival, Colorado Springs, Colorado - Bob Rude, Iowa City
- 3rd Good Morning Prague - Czech Republic - Allen Kurth, Omaha
- HM Rialto Beach Olympic NP, Washington - Barry Mullin, Saint Paul
- HM St. John The Evangelist Moggerhanger, England - Amanda Bierbaum, Western Wisconsin
- HM Capitol Rotunda - Madison, Wisconsin - Ron Tigges, Dubuque
- HM Siena, Italy - Melissa Anderson, Western Wisconsin
- HM Mammoth Springs in Frost - Yellowstone, WY - Deb Zimmerman, Black Hills

90 entries from 18 clubs. Judging Club: Wichita Area Camera Club. Chair: Dwight Corrin. Judges: Patricia Konyha, John Moody, Bruce Ward.

### **Journalism Prints**

- 1st Race to the Top - Robert Lahti, Duluth-Superior
- 2nd Relief of Cabin Fever - Scott Thomson, Duluth-Superior
- 3rd The Big Kahuna - Delores Meister, Iowa City
- HM Safe or Out - Michael Walsh, Sioux City
- HM Firing Up the Balloon - John Larson, Shutterbug
- HM Woodcarver's Motto - Let It Fly - Paul Grillo, Des Moines

15 entries from 6 clubs. Judging Club: Cedar Rapids. Chair: Sandra Kotowske. Judges: SuAnn Tichy, Regina Kotowske, susan Stepanek. Comments: Some prints were missing member# and club names.

### **Nature Prints**

- 1st Let's Play - Mark George, Central Iowa
- 2nd Here I Am - Doug Conrad, Sioux City
- 3rd The Loon - Paul Hagen, Fargo-Moorhead
- HM Nice Catch - David Brown, Des Moines
- HM Red Tail Hawk - Jack Bristow, Sioux City
- HM Brown Bear - Mark Gromko, Iowa City

33 entries from 8 clubs. Judging Club: LaCrosse. Chair: Gerald Bonsack. Judges: Peder Schoenfeld, Robert Mueller, Paul Schoenfeld. Comments: Lots of great images with variations from the normal aspect ratio. The use of metallic paper made several images really "pop".



## Contest Results

### ***Panorama Print (Annual)***

- 1st White Pocket Glow - Mark Gromko, Iowa City
- 2nd Fiery Sunset - Ed Siems, Central Iowa
- 3rd Fluidity - Greg Punelli, Des Moines
- HM Blue Ridge Morning - Diane Lowry, Des Moines
- HM I'm Not Clowning Around - Paul Grillo, Des Moines
- HM Tall Grass Prairie at Sunset - Sonja Hoglund, Topeka

20 entries from 7 clubs. Judging Club: Springbrook Meeting. Chair: Ed Siems. Judges: Herb Gustafson, Bob Lahti, Gene Schwope. Comments: Nice selection of panoramas. Wide variety of subjects.

### ***Photo Essays (Annual)***

- 1st Roadside Distractions.mp4 - Bob Rude, Iowa City
- 2nd Seeing Things.mp4 - Nancy Heather Brown, Des Moines
- 3rd Our Club's Digital Winners 2014-15.mp4 - Diane Lowry, Des Moines
- HM My Garden v2.mp4 - Terry Butler, Western Wisconsin
- HM Gym in the City .m4v - Dwight Tomes, Des Moines
- HM Amazing City Lights Around The World.mp4 - Nor Azhari, Iowa City

10 entries from 4 clubs. Judging Club: Omaha Camera Club. Chair: Dwight Tomes. Judges: Myers Burnmeister, Ina Ohnmeiss, Kery Burns.

### ***Travel Prints***

- 1st Pemaquid Lighthouse - Blue Light of Dawn, Maine - Diane Darnielle, Des Moines
- 2nd Daytime in the City of Des Moines - David Brown, Des Moines
- 3rd Iowa Soybean Harvest at Sunset - Steve Litwiller, Iowa City
- HM Grandview from the Beaver Pond - Delores Meister, Iowa City
- HM White Pocket, Arizona - Mark Gromko, Iowa City
- HM Geometry, Tybee Island Lighthouse GA - Diane Lowry, Des Moines

23 entries from 7 clubs. Judging Club: Cedar Rapids. Chair: Sandra Kotowske. Judges: SuAnn Tichy, Regina Kotowske, Susan Stepanek. Comments: Many entries did not have state/country in the print title or on the paper, member code, or club name.

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## N4C Service Award

The service award is presented to a candidate for his or her outstanding contribution of service to N4C along with service to their own camera club and photographic service to their local community.

Any person who is a member of a camera club in good standing with the Council, may act as a proposer for a candidate(s).

The candidate must also be a member of a club in good standing with the Council.

For more information go to Section D-1 Awards and Recognition Service Award Requirements in the N4C Directory.

Applications are available from the chair of the Service Awards Committee

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Let us know what's going on in your neck of the woods!

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