



North Central Camera Club Council

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Hello and Farewell to my fellow N4C family.

Wait, you didn't think you were getting rid of me that easily, did you? After all I am helping co-host the 2026 N4C Experience with a conference attached located in Scenic Medora North Dakota around the 2nd weekend of October 2026. Stay Tuned for more information. There are 3 clubs working on this amazing event. Lead by Tim Zeltinger, the new VP of N4C from Minot Camera Club, with Help from Fargo-Moorhead, and Black Hills. In total there will be folks from MN, ND, SD, and Montana all working to put on what will be a Wild West Adventure likely to knock your socks off. Get your Rest it will be probably 3-4 days long to fit all the activities due to the vast area to cover. More to come on that.

Someone asked me Saturday at the convention if I knew what my legacy was that I would leave behind. My response at the time was pretty much laughing at them, but then I put some thought into it as I typed the 3rd version of this letter. I was approached by a very long-time active member of N4C on Friday who thanked me for something I had done at the spring conference at Indianola. I had done a demonstration on taking a photo of a "flying" sandwich.

He took a photo and won with his photo. This gentleman was so proud and happy. He emailed me shortly afterwards that he had won, and I thought that's cool, and then at the convention he tracked me down thanking me again for bringing my knowledge to N4C and sharing. I guess I was a little humbled. I have always been a loud arrogant Front man, who should be jumping up and down on-stage smashing guitars.

So, I guess my legacy is knowledge. I have always been willing to share it. Whether it be lying in the mud with a macro lens or hiding in a blind with a 600MM super prime I will always share my knowledge about how I take my photos. My photos may not be the best, but I am always willing to help the guy next to me take a better photo than mine.

It has been my honor to serve the great folks of N4C and I can proudly say I left the Board in a better condition today than it was in last week when I was still on it. We added in not 1, but 2 brand new board members from drastic geographic locations. I think we did a good job of spreading out the board of the last couple of years, we have some vibrant young new blood coming. Our new President Jennifer is an amazing talent at organization and is a natural born leader and is great at delegating authority.

Our New Vice President Tim is a natural Salesperson who could sell ice to the Titanic is energetic, boisterous and would give you the shirt of his back and the shoes off his feet if you needed it. Second Vice President Carl as the 2024 N4C Fall Convention Chairman is quickly climbing the ladder. Our middle of the pack is our quiet and reserved Paul G and Drago both excellent photographers and fishermen but only one can speak English (inside joke). Our new Blood at the bottom 4, have all been added quickly. 2 last year, and 2 this year. 3 from Iowa and 1 from Duluth Superior Camera Club. I think I am walking away from this board knowing that N4C is in great hands and these folks have passion for N4C and that is what we need to keep this big ship afloat.

My Last duty as a President/Past President is to make a call to action for a couple clubs to jump on board and grab the reins to the 2025 N4C convention. Here is what you need, 2-3 clubs with 3-4 active folks to help organize and judge etc. and you are off and running. Those of us who have done this before are here to help you. We can give you tips, tricks, and pointers.

I leave you with 1 tip. Always, and I mean Always remove the lens cap before you shoot (unless it is a white balance filter cap).

Paul Hagen

Past President

Lifetime Member of Fargo Moorhead Camera Club





2024 N4C Fall Convention "Think, Imagine, Create in Siouxland"

October 3-5, 2024, Ponca State Park, Ponca, Nebraska

Thanks to all N4C Members who attended the 2024 N4C Fall Convention. As the host of the Convention, the Sioux City Camera Club hope you had a memorable time and gained valuable photography opportunities and photography education.

Thanks to the Presenters: Mitch Keller, Gary Gilbert, Carl Hardy, Don Poggensee, Greg Perez, and Wendy Gerlach.

And to the Field Trip venues which allowed us to use their facilities as well as the City of Ponca which invited the Convention into their town, the home of N4C Founding members Francis and Vernice Kingsbury.

A special thanks to: Carl Hardy, 2024 N4C Convention Chairman and Program Chairman, Tom Schoening, 2024 N4C Convention Co-Chairman and Field Trip Chairman, Doug Conrad, Convention webmaster and Best of the Best Presentation. And to the many Sioux City Camera Club volunteers. This Convention would not have been successful without your help. Thank you to The Gilcrest Foundation for their generous Grant.

After the convention, excess food from the banquet did not go to waste. In the spirit of giving back to the community, the Sioux City Camera Club arranged for the food to be distributed to Hope Street of Siouxland, a local organization dedicated to supporting those facing homelessness, addiction, and mental illness.

If anyone wishes to watch the You Tube video on Photoshop: The new AI update - Adobe Photoshop presented by Carl Hardy at his Converting Images into Altered Reality program, go to the link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HA87-diMxOc>

A new AI Contest for the 2025 N4C Convention was approved by the N4C Board (see page 9-10) of the Board Meetings for contest information.

Due to a communication problem, there were some errors in the slide show at the Convention. The published list of the Best of the Best winners is correct.



Welcome Center at Ponca State Park (Headquarters for the 2024 N4C Fall Convention).



Carl Hardy, 2024 N4C Fall Convention Opening Ceremony.



New N4C Vice President, Tim Zeltinger addressing the Convention.



Tom Schoening and Karlene Hohenstein presenting prizes for Photo Pursuit.



Convention Banquet – 2024 N4C Fall Convention, Ponca State Park



N4C Photographer of the Year Award was presented to Stephone Schmitz by Carl Hardy.



N4C Large Club of the Year, Dubuque Camera Club. (L to R) Stephonie Schmitz, Tim Ollendick, Ron Tigges, Andrea Pellerito, Jennifer Tigges, N4C President Paul Hagen, (Front row) Lori Ollendick. As presented by N4C President Paul Hagen.



N4C Small Club of the Year Minot Camera Club. (L to R) Paul Hagen, Tim Zeltinger, Todd Johnson, Crystal Johnson. As presented by N4C President Paul Hagen.



N4C President Paul Hagen Presenting a wooden gavel to incoming N4C President.



2024-2025 N4C President Jennifer Tigges accepting as incoming N4C President.



2024-2025 N4C Board of Directors, (l to r) Kathleen Wolleat, Stephonie Schmitz, Sonja Hogland, Lynda Richards, Tim Zeltinger, Jennifer Tigges, Carl Hardy, Andrea Pellerito, Drago Nemec, Paul Gillo, and Randy Moyer.



2023-2024 N4C President Paul Hagen Farewell Speech to the 2024 N4C Fall Convention.



N4C BOARD MEETING MINUTES

N4C Fall Convention Ponca State Park October 4, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 4:16 pm by President Paul Hagen. Present was, Lynda Richards, Paul Hagen, Jennifer Tigges, Sonja Hoglund, Carl Hardy, Drago Nemas, Andrea Pellerito, Tim Zeltinger, Stephonie Schmitz, and Paul Grillo.

The minutes for the April 26 meeting were read By Paul Hagen. Carl Hardy made a motion to accept the minutes as read. Lynda Richards seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.

Lynda Richards - gave the treasury report and reported a net balance of \$13,570.29. The year-to-date expenses of \$3,531.55. The expenses included the \$1,000 convention advance to Sioux City, postage, supplies, expenses for the mini convention of 2,285.00 and website & domain expense 113.77. We had income of \$6,514.63. Lynda also reported several Clubs have not paid their dues an audit was made on the treasury books, and everything was correct. Lynda Richards moved to accept the report and Paul Grillo seconded. The treasury report was accepted.

OLD BUSINESS

Paul Hagen - Informed us we will have a digital Historian and Archivist to be chaired by Jennifer Tigges. Jennifer will hold the paper archives and place the digital archives on Google Drive.

Paul Hagen- reported that since the Spring convention has been cancelled for 2025 there should be a board meeting via zoom on or before April 15. He also asked if we need 2 meetings each year. Tim Zeltinger expressed we need a spring meeting for items that come up mid-year. Lynda Richards made a motion to a board meeting via zoom on or before April 15. Drago Nemas seconded the motion and the motion was passed.

Paul Hagen - Thanked the Sioux City Camera Club for hosting this year's convention. Currently no club has volunteered to host the 2025 convention. Paul asked if any club would please consider hosting. Jennifer Tigges said she would help any club that volunteered to host. Paul indicated that there is a consortium of people that have volunteered to host the 2026 convention, tentatively scheduled for the second weekend in October 2026 in Medora, North Dakota.

Minutes of the September 15, 2024, board meeting that was held via zoom were created and distributed by Stephonie Schmitz. Drago Nemec motioned to approve, and Andrea Pellerito seconded, and motion passed. Minutes are attached at the end of this document.

NEW BUSINESS

Paul Hagen suggested we look at job shadowing for the offices of treasury and web duties. Lynda already has a rubric of how she does things written down and two other signers on accounts as backup. It was suggested that, Doug Conrad. Stephonie Schmitz or Ron Tigges could assist with web updates. Lynda Richards offered to discuss with Ken Johnson about working with that group.

Paul Hagen - Suggested new rules for the Panorama Contest. (1) Panorama contest will be a digital contest happening once a year. (2) One image per person and one image per email. (3) should be a minimum ratio of 2:1 (4) the file size should be a minimum of 5mb and a maximum of 25mb (5) judging will be done in the spring. Images should be sent to Ed Siems Panorama Chair by May 15th (with May submissions). Submissions should send a separate email to confirm that submissions were sent so he can confirm. Stephonie Schmitz moved a motion to accept these new rules, Drago Nemas seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Paul Hagen - Suggested rules for a new contest using AI. (1) One digital image per year per person (2) Entry must start with a base photo taken by the photographer then can use generated artificial intelligence to let creativity flow. (3) The use of AI may be done at the photographer's choice to create a unique image (4) Submission must consist of 2 images, one of the original photographers' images and one of the manipulated images using the standard size and naming conventions with the category "AI". (5) Images are due May 15 and emailed to AI chairperson Stephonie Schmitz. These images will be judged by fellow N4C peers and displayed at the Fall Convention. This contest will not earn points for end of the year contests. Tim Zeltinger made a motion to accept these new rules. Carl Hardy seconded the motion. The motion was passed.

Paul Hagen - Asked for discussion on the need to continue to ship supplies of ribbons to print chairs? Greg Hoglund suggested each club that enters prints in competition request a supply of ribbons based on the number of winners they have had in the past. This would be following the same standard as the digital competitions.

After discussion it was decided to leave the ribbon responsibility to the Judging chairs and the judging clubs as has been in the past.

Paul Hagen - Gave a list of the 2024-2025 officers. Dwight Corrin resigned, due to health reasons, his position of Vice President. Therefore, everyone moved up one spot leaving Director 5 & 6 open. Paul Hagen recommended that Randy Moyer be added to the slate as Director 5. The Director 6 Position was still vacant. Kathleen Wolleat agreed to fill that position.

President - Jennifer Tigges

Vice President - Tim Zetlinger

2nd Vice President - Carl Hardy

Secretary - Sonja Hoglund

Treasurer - Lynda Richards

Director 1 - Paul Grillo

Director 2 - Drago Nemas

Director 3 - Stephonie Schmitz

Director 4 - Andrea Pellerito

Director 5 - Randy Moyer

Director 6 - Kathleen Wolleat

Tim Zeltinger made a motion to accept the slate of officers, Drago Nemas 2nd. The slate of officers was accepted.

Paul discussed starting the 2025-2026 judging matrix right now and getting information on availability to Tim Zetlinger.

Stephonie Schmitz suggested each month for print winners (or club judging chairs) to send or upload winning image files to google drive archive, so they are available to post on website and newsletter like digital winners. Then winning images will also be available for convention clubs to use for their awards winner's reel. Judging clubs should request these images.

Suggestion from Past President Bob Lahti that the Service Award Committee needs to be updated with new past presidents.

Lynda Richards moved to adjourn the meeting and Jennifer Tigges seconded and the meeting was adjourned at 5:18 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sonja Hoglund

With updates by Jennifer Tigges

Congratulations to all the 2023-2024 N4C "Best of the Best" Competitions and Annual Award Winners

Contest Category	Year End Award	Photographer	Name of Club	Title
Digital – Altered Reality	1 st	Teresa Hofer	Black Hills	Where the Buffalo Roam
	2 nd	Allen Kurth	Omaha	Team Roping
	3 rd	Melissa Anderson	Western Wisconsin	Hiding from My Predator
	HM	Bob Rude	Iowa City	Mystery at Midnight
	HM	Mike Barker	Omaha	Turning on the Lights
	HM	Stephonie Schmitz	Dubuque	It Was All Just a Dream
Digital - B&W	1 st	Chap Achen	Western Wisconsin	Trees, Versailles, France
	2 nd	Mark Gromko	Iowa City	Great Sand Dunes NP
	3 rd	Allen Kurth	Omaha	I'm Watching You
	HM	Deb Zimmerman	Black Hills	Harsh Yellowstone Winter
	HM	Anna Frissell	Fargo-Moorhead	Mom and Pups
	HM	Doug Conrad	Sioux City	Weathered Gaze
	HM	Sharon Watson	Fargo-Moorhead	My Favorite Perch
	HM	Margaret West	Omaha	Farmer 2
Digital - Journalism	1 st	Ken Cheung	Minnesota Valley	The Dig
	2 nd	Markus Erk	Black Hills	(MMIW) Missing & Murdered Indigenous Women
	3 rd	Steve Hansen	Black Hills	Who's Riding Who
	HM	Patricia Konyha	Wichita Area	Motocross Rider and Army Vet Amputee John Cleary
	HM	Bob Felderman	Dubuque	Truck Crash Flames Under Dubuque Street Overpass--1
	HM	Bruce Danuser	Fargo-Moorhead	The Hands of Hospice

	HM	Gordon Court	Fargo-Moorhead	Paynesville Airshow Features the Red Baron Stearman
Digital - Nature	1 st	Dorothy Sansom	Omaha	Love
	2 nd	Ronnie Hartman	Saint Paul	Bunny at Breakfast
	3 rd	Allen Kurth	Omaha	Yellow Warbler Gathering Nesting Material
	HM	Anne S Olson	Great River	Froggy Moore's Model #2
	HM	Markus Erk	Black Hills	Proving Dominance
	HM	Sheldon Farwell	Great River	Poison Dart Frog
	HM	Barry Mullin	Saint Paul	What Is Up Ahead
	HM	Bonnie Law	Black Hills	Eagle
	HM	Anna Frissell	Fargo-Moorhead	Loon Family
Digital - Pictorial	1 st	Mike Barker	Omaha	Struggle Against the Wind
	2 nd	Cindy Carlsson	Saint Paul	Juggling Artist at Work
	3 rd	Diane Lowry	Des Moines	Night Lights
	HM	Diane Lowry	Des Moines	Shining Light
	HM	Martha Farwell	Great River	Booted Rackettail and Bee
	HM	David Perez	Minnesota Valley	Solo 5-6 Inverted Reflection Pass
	HM	John Corey	Minnesota Valley	Iceland Icebergs
	HM	Martha Farwell	Great River	Doubles
	HM	Anna Frissell	Fargo-Moorhead	Together

Digital - Travel	1 st	Melissa Anderson	Western Wisconsin	Sunrise, Torres Del Paine National Park, Chile
	2 nd	Dorothy Sansom	Omaha	Camino in the Fog-Spain
	3 rd	Diana Borash	Iowa City	Rush Hour In Havana Cuba
	HM	Ron Tigges	Dubuque	Roaring Fork Creek Great Smoky Mountains NP TN
	HM	Doug Conrad	Sioux City	Bourbon Street New Orleans LA
	HM	Diane Sisko	Western Wisconsin	Yellowstone Geyser WY
	HM	Elliott Lindgren	Saint Paul	Magenta Twilight St Paul's Urban Glow, MN
	HM	Dorothy Sansom	Omaha	Bali Indonesia Temple Sunrise
Print – Pictorial - B & W	1 st	Robert Lahti	Duluth-Superior	Pre-Flight Check
	2 nd	Ken Epstein	Saint Paul	Wolf beneath the fray
	3 rd	Mitch Keller	Sioux City	Carbide and Carbon Building
	HM	Steve Guns	Des Moines	Familial Bond
	HM	Crystal Johnson	Minot	The Gathering
	HM	Ron Tigges	Dubuque	The Guardian
Print – Pictorial - Color	1 st	David Abernathy	Minot	Post Tree
	2 nd	Patty Foster	Des Moines	Dewy Clover
	3 rd	Tim Zeltinger	Minot	Ghosts of ND Rail Car
	HM	Stephonie Schmitz	Dubuque	Lenticular Clouds (Early Morning)
	HM	Peggy Boike	Saint Paul	Clematis Fascination
	HM	Robert Lahti	Duluth-Superior	Morning Badlands Colors
	1 st	Kevin McTague	Dubuque	Where Is Jaclyn?

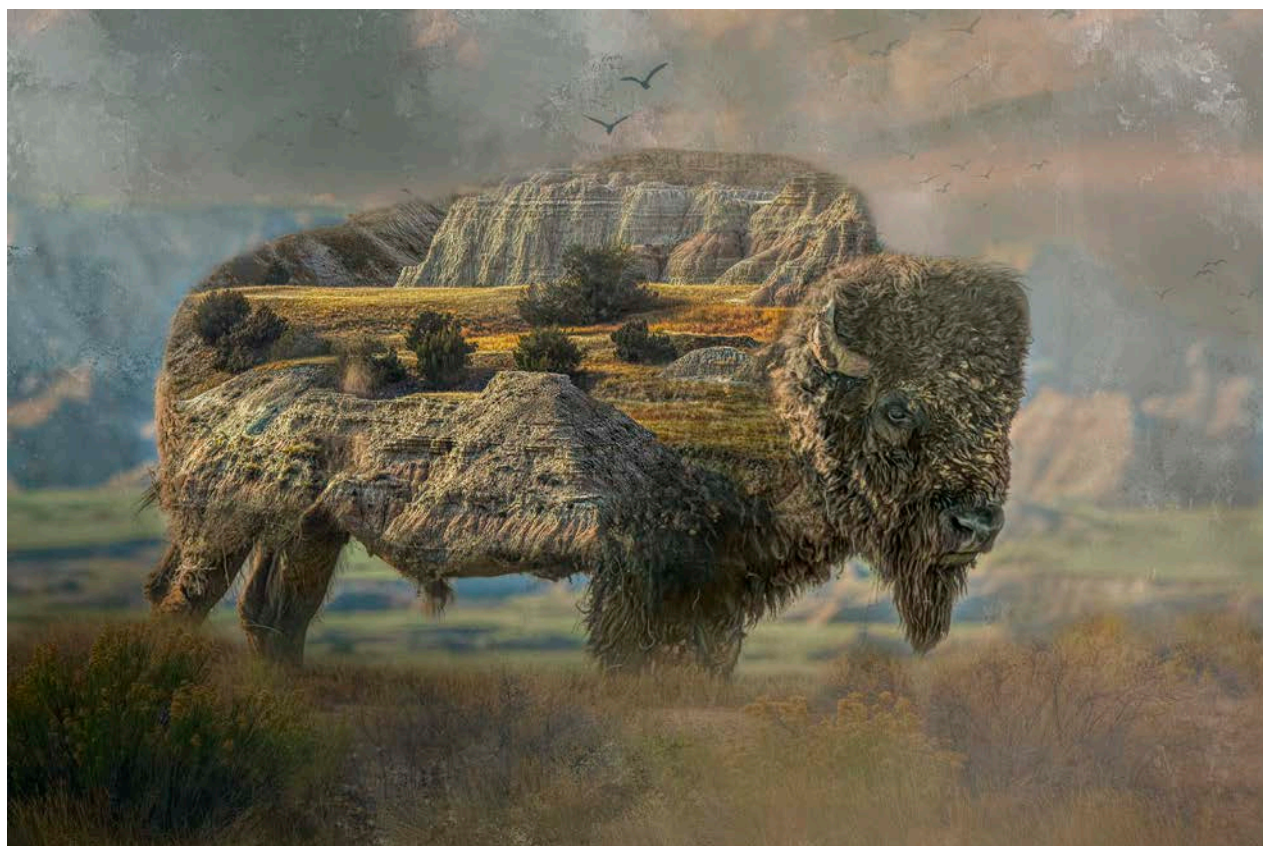
Print – Altered Reality	2 nd	Kevin McTague	Dubuque	The Ghost of the Castle
	3 rd	Kevin McTague	Dubuque	Hunters
	HM	Stephonie Schmitz	Dubuque	Land and Sea Coexist Series #2
	HM	Tom Kedzie	Dubuque	Two Days after the Asteroid
	HM	Doug Conrad	Sioux City	Spanish Stallion
Print - Journalism	1 st	Stephonie Schmitz	Dubuque	Aftermath of Fun Travel Adventures with Dad
	2 nd	Robert Lahti	Duluth-Superior	Looking for the Next Barrel
	3 rd	Ron Tigges	Dubuque	Run Boy, Run!
	HM	James Durrant	Dubuque	Throwing Smoke
	HM	Todd Johnson	Minot	Steer Wrestling Gone Wrong
	HM	Todd Johnson	Minot	World Champion Zuni Hoop Dancer w/Drummer
Print - Nature	1 st	Debbie Carroll	Duluth-Superior	Hide 'n Seek Pine Marten
	2 nd	Paul Rogne	Saint Paul	Spruce Grouse in the Boundary Waters
	3 rd	Stephonie Schmitz	Dubuque	Bull Moose in Water
	HM	Peggy Boike	Saint Paul	Cactus Flower and Five Buds
	HM	Ken Epstein	Saint Paul	All Aboard
	HM	Stephonie Schmitz	Dubuque	Underwater World of Moorea
Print - Travel	1 st	Stephonie Schmitz	Dubuque	Dramatic Skies Bring Bright Rainbows - Capital Reef, UT
	2 nd	Stephonie Schmitz	Dubuque	Iconic Overwater Bungalows Moorea of French Polynesia
	3 rd	Stephonie Schmitz	Dubuque	Golden Gate Bridge at Dusk- CA
	HM	Henry Matthiessen II	Dubuque	Moody Oregon Coast
	HM	Marv Vikla	Saint Paul	A Table Beckons Toulouse France
	HM	Roy Hakala	Saint Paul	Breakfast Time at the Opera, Sydney Australia
Panorama Print	1 st	Stephonie Schmitz	Dubuque	Tranquil Surface
	2 nd	Tom Kedzie	Dubuque	Down by the Farm
	3 rd	Henry Matheissen	Dubuque	Hole in One
	HM	Ron Nichols	Sioux City	Sunset on the Beach
	HM	Bob Felderman	Dubuque	Winter Sparkles in Dubuque
	HM	Ed Hohenstein	Sioux City	Pacific Panorama
Photo Journalism Story	1 st	Tom Schoening	Sioux City	Feeding Third World Countries
	2 nd	Bob Rude	Iowa City	Jingle Cross
	3 rd	Mike Magna	Black Hills	Badlands Bombing
Photo Essay	1 st	Bob Rude	Iowa City	Out of the Shadows
	2 nd	Tim Zeltinger	Minot	Welcome to North Dakota
	3 rd	Robert Felderman	Dubuque	Composition of Family Poses for Magazine Covers
	HM	Nancy Heather Brown	Des Moines	Wild Imaginings
Video Essay	1 st	Kathleen Wolleat	Duluth-Superior	Unplug in Nature
	2 nd	Tom Schoening	Sioux City	Railroad Song #9

	3 rd	Eric Williamson	Des Moines	Meet the Red Fox Family
Club Communications – Newsletter	1st	Kevin Segrud	Black Hills	Black Hills Expressions
	2 nd	Laurie McShane	Duluth-Superior	Snapshot
	3 rd	Carl Hardy	Sioux City	Sioux Scope
Club Communications - Web	1st	Terry Butler	Western Wisconsin	https://wiphotoclub.com/
	2nd	Joe Santos	Minnesota Valley	https://minnesotavalleyphotoclub.org/
	3 rd	Doug Conrad	Sioux City	https://www.sccameraclub.com/
Small Club of the Year			Minot Camera Club	
Large Club of the Year			Dubuque Camera Club	
Photographer of the Year		Stephonie Schmitz	Dubuque Camera Club	

Digital Altered Reality – Best of the Best

1st Place

Teresa Hofer Where the Buffalo Roam Black Hills Camera Club



2nd Place

Allen Kurth

Team Roping

Omaha Camera Club



3rd Place

Melissa Anderson Hiding from My Predator Western Wisconsin



H.M.

Bob Rude

Mystery at Midnight

Iowa City Camera Club



H.M.

Mike Barker

Turning on the Lights

Omaha Camera Club



H.M.

Stephonie Schmitz It Was All Just a Dream Dubuque Camera Club



Digital B&W – Best of the Best

1st Place

Chap Achen

Trees, Versailles, France

Western Wisconsin Photography Club



2nd Place

Mark Gromko

Great Sand Dunes NP

Iowa City Camera Club



3rd Place

Allen Kurth

I'm Watching You

Omaha Camera Club



H.M.

Deb Zimmerman

Harsh Yellowstone Winter

Black Hills Photography Club



H.M.

Anna Friessell

Mom and Pups

Fargo-Moorhead Camera Club



H.M.

Doug Conrad

Weathered Gaze

Sioux City Camera Club



H.M.

Sharon Watson

My Favorite Perch

Fargo-Moorhead Camera Club



H.M.

Margaret West

Farmer 2

Omaha Camera Club



Digital Journalism – Best of the Best

1st Place

Ken Cheung

The Dig

Minnesota Valley Photo Club



2nd Place

Marcus Erk (MMIW) Missing & Murdered Indenenous Women
Black Hills Photography Clu



3rd Place

Steve Hansen Who's Riding Who Black Hills Photography Club



H.M.

**Patricia Konyha Motorcross Rider and Army Vet Amputee John Cleary
Wichita Area Camera Club**



H.M.

**Bob Felderman Truck Crash Flames Under Dubuque Street Overpass
Dubuque Camera Club**



H.M.

Bruce Danuser

The Hands of Hospice

Dubuque Camera Club



H.M.

Gordon Court Paynesville Airshow Features the Red Baron Stearman

Fargo-Moorhead Camera Club



Digital Nature - Best of the Best

1st Place

Dorothy Sansom

Love

Omaha Camera Club



2nd Place

Ronnie Hartman

Bunny at Breakfast

St. Paul Camera Club



3rd Place

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Yellow Warbler Gathering Nesting Material

Omaha Camera Club



H.M.

Anne S. Olson

Froggy Moore's Model #2

Great River Camera Club



H.M.

Markus Erk Proving Dominance

Black Hills Photography Club



H.M.

Sheldon Farwell

Poison Dart Frog

Great River Camera Club



H.M.

Barry Mullin

What Is Up Ahead St. Paul Camera Club



H.M.

Bonnie Law

Eagle

Black Hills Photography Club



H.M.

Anna Frissell

Loon Family

Fargo-Moorhead Camera Club



Digital Pictorial - Best of the Best

1st Place

Mike Barker

Struggle Against the Wind

Omaha Camera Club



2nd Place

Cindy Carlsson Juggling Artist at Work St. Paul Camera Club



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Minnesota Valley Photo Club



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John Corey

Iceland Icebergs

Minnesota Valley Photo Club



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Great River Camera Club



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Digital Travel – Best of the Best

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Western Wisconsin Photography Club



2nd Place

Dorothy Sansom Camino in the Fog – Spain Omaha Camera Club



3rd Place

Diana Borash Rush Hour in Havana Cuba Iowa City Camera Club



3rd Place

**Ron Tigges Roaring Fork Creek Great Smoky Mountains NP TN
Dubuque Camera Club**



3rd Place

Doug Conrad Bourbon Street New Orleans LA.

Sioux City Camera Club



H.M.

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Yellowstone Geyser WY.

Western Wisconsin Photography Club



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Elliott Lindgren

Magenta Twilight St. Paul's Urban Glow, MN

St. Paul Camera Club



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Bali Indonesia Temple Sunrise

Omaha Camera Club



Print Pictorial B&W – Best of the Best

1st Place

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Pre-Flight Check

Duluth-Superior Camera Club



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Familial Bond.

Des Moines Camera Club



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Crystal Johnson

The Gathering

Minot Camera Club



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Ron Tigges

The Guardian

Dubuque Camera Club



Print Pictorial Color – Best of the Best

1st Place

David Abernathy

Post Tree

Minot Camera Club



2nd Place

Patty Foster

Dewy Clover

Des Moines Camera Club



3rd Place

Tim Zeltinger

Ghosts of ND Rail Car Minot Camera Club



H.M.

Stephonie Schmitz

Lenticular Clouds (Early Morning)

Dubuque Camera Club



H.M.

Peggy Boike

Clematis Fascination

St. Paul Camera Club



H.M.

Robert Lahti

Morning Badlands Color

Duluth-Superior Camera Club



Print Altered Reality - Best of the Best

1st Place

Kevin McTague

Where is Jaclyn?

Dubuque Camera Club



2nd Place

Kevin McTague

The Ghost of the Castle

Dubuque Camera Club



3rd Place

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Hunters

Dubuque Camera Club



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Land and Sea Coexist Series #2

Dubuque Camera Club



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Two Days after the Asteroid Dubuque Camera Club



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Spanish Stallion

Sioux City Camera Club



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Run Boy Run!

Dubuque Camera Club



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James Durrant

Throwing Smoke

Dubuque Camera Club



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Todd Johnson Steer Wrestling Gone Wrong Minot Camera Club



H.M.

**Todd Johnson World Champion Zuni Hoop Dancer w/Drummer
Minot Camera Club**



Print Nature – Best of the Best

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Hide 'n Seek Pine Marten

Duluth-Superior Camera Club



2nd Place

Paul Rogue

Spruce Grouse in the Boundry Waters

St. Paul Camera Club



3rd Place

Stephonie Schmitz Bull Moose in Water Dubuque Camera Club



H.M.

Peggy Boike

Cactus Flower and Five Buds

Duluth-Superior Camera Club



H.M.

Ken Epstein

All Aboard

St. Paul Camera Club



H.M.

Stephonie Schmitz

Underwater World of Moorea

Dubuque Camera Club



Print Travel – Best of the Best

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**Stephonie Schmitz Dramatic Skies Bring Bright Rainbows –
Capital Reef, UT. Dubuque Camera Club**



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of Fresh Polynesia Dubuque Camera Club**



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Stephonie Schmitz

Golden Gate Bridge at Dusk CA

Dubuque Camera Club



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Henry Matthiessan III

Moody Orgeon Coast

Dubuque Camera Club



H.M.

Marv Vikla

A Table Beckons Toulouse France

St. Paul Camera Club



H.M.

Roy Hakala

Breakfast Time at the Opera, Sydney Australia

St. Paul Camera Club



Panorama Prints

1st

Stephonie Schmitz Tranquil Surface Dubuque Camera Club



2nd

Tom Kedzie Down by the Farm Dubuque Camera Club



3rd

Henry Maatheissen III Hole in One Dubuque Camera Club



H.M.

Bob Felderman. Winter Sparkles in Dubuque Dubuque Camera Club



H.M.

Ed Hohenstein Pacific Panorama Sioux City Camera Club



H.M.

Ron Nicolls

Sunset on the Beach

Sioux City Camera Club



Shortly after the 2024 N4C Fall Convention Pat Schwope, long time celebrated N4C member and the wife of long time member Gene Schwope passed away. Pat joined Gene in his work with N4C and was inducted into Founders Club along with Gene in 2006. She also was the N4C Secretary for many years.

Schwope, Patricia Sep 16, 1940 - Oct 11, 2024 Patricia Cecelia Schwope, age 84 of Woodbury, passed away on October 11, 2024. Survived by husband Gene; son Christopher Gildemeister (Carma); daughter Melissa Uzelac (Mike); step-daughter Laura Capistrant (Josh); grandchildren Joseph, Benjamin, Isaac, and Theo; and other family and friends. Memorial Service will be held at 12PM Friday October 18, 2024 at St. James Lutheran Church, 460 Annapolis St. W., West St. Paul (651-457-9232), with visitation at 11 AM. Luncheon following service. Interment, Sunset Cemetery, 2250 St. Anthony Blvd., Minneapolis, following luncheon. In lieu of flowers, memorials preferred to Phipps Center for the Arts, 109 Locust St, Hudson, WI 54016.



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