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# Collins Photo Club

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November 2001 Newsletter

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**Next Meeting:  
Program:**

5:00 p.m. Nov. 15 at Main Plant Cafeteria  
- Yellowstone Slide Show – Ron Meyer

**Club Website:**

<http://rweb.cacd.rockwell.com/data/clubs/photo/>  
(at present, website is not accessible from outside Rockwell)

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## **From the President**

October 22, 2001

The October meeting was a good time. The one-shot photos were entertaining and creative if not correctly exposed sometimes. Slide film can be tough on those of us who get used to bracketing exposures.

Prizes and results of the One-shot contest will be announced at the November meeting (November 15).

On Monday, November 5, 6:30 PM, Jim Messina will present a slide show entitled "Travels with Lady". It is a visual tour of various eco-systems in North America. The slides are presented with music, and the slide show is followed by a documentary video called "Pond of Dreams". The show is presented at Beems Auditorium, Cedar Rapids Public Library. It is approximately 65 minutes followed by a question/answer period.

Also, be sure to send in your renewal for next year's membership. You can send the

renewal to Kathy Rutherford (137-108). All membership forms for FY02 need to be in (to Sandi Strike) by November 1<sup>st</sup>. So, be sure to get your membership dues to Kathy by October 26<sup>th</sup>.

As always, if you have some photos or some other photography related items you'd like to share with the club, be sure to bring them along to the next meeting.

Any comments, suggestions, or volunteers to help out with programs and club activities will be appreciated

Doug Dams  
FY02 CPC President

## **Renewals**

**Renewal is only \$10 – what a deal!**

**Please send the renewal form  
included in this newsletter to  
Kathy Rutherford 137-108.**

**Renewals must be received by  
Kathy by Friday, October 26**

**If you haven't renewed, this is  
your last newsletter.**

**Last chance to avoid a late fee of  
\$7.00 - Thanks**

Retirees can send their renewals to:

Kathy Rutherford 137-108  
Rockwell Collins  
400 Collins Rd. NE  
Cedar Rapids, IA 52498

**From the Editor**

After being gone from work for nearly three weeks, I'm finally back.

The week spent canoeing and camping in the Boundary Waters was much more enjoyable than the following two weeks on jury duty. I've been having fun going through my 18 rolls of slides. After sending in my film, I had heard some horror stories about film being damaged by x-rays in the mail. So I was glad to receive the slides back with no x-ray damage.

18 rolls of 36 (that's 648 photos) may sound like a lot, but due to some tricky lighting situations, I did a lot of bracketing. That is, I shot the scene as metered and also at +.5 stop and -.5 stop. I could call this 'the year of fog' at least 4 mornings had fog rising from the water, which created all sorts of photo opportunities and challenges. I found that I preferred the results when I compensated by +.5 or even +1 stop when the scene was dominated by fog.

Hopefully I can do a slide show for the club next year and describe my canoe trip photos in person.

It's been a while since I have solicited for newsletter submissions. Please feel free to submit anything that may be of interest to other members – new equipment, new techniques tried, trip report from some interesting photo destination, etc.

Also, don't forget about our 'Buy and Sell' section. Just e-mail me a list of the items you want listed.

Gary Hamer – Newsletter Editor x9551

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**Who to call**

President	Doug Dams	x51929
Vice President	Ron Meyer	x50069
Secretary/Historian	Dave Detwiler	x59545
Treas./ Membership	Kathy Rutherford	x54113
Equip. Checkout	Rick Nelson	x52864
Exhibit Director	Darlene Ealy	x55210
Newsletter	Gary Hamer	x59551

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**Meeting Minutes - October 18, 2001**

President Doug Dams called the meeting to

order at 5:10 P.M.

- 13 members and 7 visitors were present.

Doug reminded members that it is important they renew their membership before the 26<sup>th</sup> of the month. That is the latest they can sign up and have the company add its contribution for dues to the club. If members renew their memberships after that date they will need to add the company contribution to their payments.

Linn Photo is offering CPC club members discounts on processing, film, paper and chemistry with the display of their membership card. Members presenting a CPC card will receive 15% off at stores. Members will also receive 10% off film, paper, and chemistry. E6 slide processing with 1-day turnaround is available at the Blair's Ferry store. The Westdale store is available for digital processing needs.

Club needs volunteer(s) to help with website.

Travel log called "Travels with Lady" by Jim Messina will show at 6:30 PM on Monday November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2001 at the Cedar Rapids Library.

The club then involved itself in the main feature of the October meeting, viewing and judging the "One Shot Contest." There were six participants in the in the contest.

Vice President, Ron Meyer shared with the club that next month's meeting would include a slide presentation of Yellowstone park. He will accept interests and suggestions for future meeting agendas. Please contact him with your ideas to make future meeting more interesting to you.

President Doug Dams adjourned meeting at 5:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted by David Detwiler, Secretary

**Jack-O-Lantern Photography**

Here's one area where it's almost always better to avoid the harsh, show-all light of strobe. Let's say you've just finished carving

a scary, snaggle-toothed jack-o-lantern. Let's take some pictures of it right away. You can end up with a photo of the carved pumpkin where you carved it - say, on the doorstep. Problem: The setting is apparent. And the setting can distract from the subject. Better to place it somewhere that is less distracting - for example, in the garden where the leaves can form a background for the jack-o-lantern.

Better, but not perfect. Why? Because the real magic of the jack-o-lantern doesn't emerge until it's dark and you've lit a candle inside to capture that ghoulish glow. So you wait until dark to shoot. Now, we have some new problems. If you don't override the "automatic flash" on your camera, your flash will fire and you'll end up with a picture where you don't see much of the inner glow of the candles, but you see every "complexion" defect on the pumpkin's skin and a shiny highlight that screams "Flash!"

On the other hand, if you override the flash and make sure it doesn't fire, you end up with a picture with lots of candle glow, but no sense of pumpkin! This isn't exactly right either! What to do? How can you get a combination picture that shows the glow of the candles, and also shows the pumpkin?

Call in the pyromaniacs. What we do is place the jack-o-lantern in the fireplace and make a small fire from a few sheets of newspaper behind it. How do you get these different effects? By varying the lighting. (By the way, one thing is constant. To get enough candlelight inside the pumpkin, we use three candles. Our experience is that one or two are not enough!)

Here's another technique for low-light Halloween pictures. Take a tip from the pros. When they want to show a scene at night, they often shoot before it's totally dark. They shoot during twilight when the sky has that rich blue/purple color shortly after sunset. Like them, you'll find that finished prints or slides make the scene look darker than it really is so that the viewer will assume it was shot at night. When you apply this technique, use fast film. Whether you use a

single lens reflex (SLR) or point-and-shoot, load your camera with a film that is ISO 400 or faster, such as Kodak's Gold Max or Super G 800. You'll be thrilled with the results. Try it!

*To see the full article with photos, visit the New York Institute of Photography website:*

[http://www.nyip.com/tips/topic\\_halloween01.html](http://www.nyip.com/tips/topic_halloween01.html)

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### **New Club Discounts at Linn Photo**

Linn Photo has agreed to offer the members of the Collins Photo Club a discount at Linn Photos two stores.

The processing deal for the drop off boxes here at work is the best deal Linn Photo can offer members, but if you want to drop film off at Linn Photo, Linn Photo is offering a 15% discount off of processing. Linn Photo is also offering 10% off film, paper, and chemistry.

Linn Photo (Blairs Ferry store) offers one day turnaround on E6 processing. At the Westdale store digital processing is done. You can come in, have the pictures from your digital camera (smart media, memory stick, etc.) downloaded then pick up 4x6 prints on photographic paper the next day.

Vina, at Linn Photo is interested in getting more photo club business and also wants to hear our comments on the quality of their processing and services. *Thanks to member Bruce Bjorseth for making initial contact with Vina.*

Doug Dams x1929

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### **Change of Address**

Please notify the Newsletter Editor of any change of address.

Contact Gary Hamer at 295-9551, email to [gahamer@collins.rockwell.com](mailto:gahamer@collins.rockwell.com), or mail to M.S. 137-154. *Thanks!*

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## **CPC Member Discounts**

- **Photo Pro**

Photo Club members can receive the following discounts and specials at Photo Pro, 153 Collins Road NE, Cedar Rapids. Note these specials are not valid with any other offer.

- Film Processing            20%
- Mats                            20%
- Darkroom Chemicals    20%
- Photographic Paper    10%
- Film                            Cost +15%

- **Mote Brothers Custom Framing**

Photo Club members can receive the following discount at Mote Brothers Custom Framing, 701 Third Ave SE, Cedar Rapids. To receive your 25% off list price discount you must present your Collins Photo Club membership card

- **Linn Photo**

(Show your membership card)

15% off PROCESSING

10% off FILM, PAPER, & CHEMISTRY.

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## **Buy and Sell**

This space available

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## Collins Photo Club Membership – November 2001

#	Last name	First name	Mail stop	Phone	Status
1	Aschbrenner	Randy	109-134	x5885	employee
2	Beer	Regine	137-108	x4984	employee
3	Bjorseth	Bruce		(319)393-6820	retiree
4	Boland	Pat	124-314	x4817	employee
5	Bortz	Mark	108-206	x4860	employee
6	Bortz	Mary			spouse
7	Dams	Doug	153-250	x1929	employee
8	Dedich	John		(319)377-1702	retiree
9	DeKlotz	Ken		(319)922-2058	retiree
10	Detwiler	Dave	137-117	x9545	employee
11	Dewitz	Cathy	139-140	x0683	employee
12	Ealy	Darlene	108-237	x5210	employee
13	Hamer	Gary	137-154	x9551	employee
14	Heires	Jim	127-150	x3800	employee
15	Hindman	Evan	105-191	x5239	employee
16	Hiratzka	T. Doug	108-206	x0268	employee
17	Hoeger	Doug	108-136	x4911	employee
18	Hovis	Gerald	153-100	x7022	employee
19	Kay	Denise		(319)377-8365	retiree
20	Lang	Christy	108-237	x7254	employee
21	Liske	Ken	105-191	x4099	employee
22	Marzen	Vince	106-191	x5525	employee
23	Meyer	Ron R	108-205	x0069	employee
24	Mishler	Rich	110-101		employee
25	Nelson	Rick E	137-108	x2864	employee
26	Poellet	Matt	105-191	x2129	employee
27	Rand	Tim	108-207	x0059	employee
28	Rand	Jennifer			spouse
29	Rasmussen	Mardi	106-103	x4930	employee
30	Rutherford	Kathy	137-108	x4113	employee
31	Ruzicka	Ken	108-237	x6199	employee
	Shelton	Lori	110-101	X4343	employee
32	Sliney	James	106-191	x4229	employee
33	Sliney	Sharon L. Beckley-		(319)378-8930	spouse
34	Tichy	SuAnn	109-206	x2421	employee
35	Weber	Linda	106-114	x3955	employee
36	West	James B	108-102	x8433	employee
37	Wilcox	Sherri	108-136	x3556	employee
	Wild	Pam			spouse
38	Zhang	Ke	112-103	x7194	employee
39	Zook	Lance	124-210	x0508	employee

Please let me know if you see any errors or if something needs to be updated.

Thanks – Gary Hamer x9551

