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# Collins Photo Club

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December 2001 Newsletter

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**Next Meeting:  
Program:**

5:00 p.m. Dec. 20 at Main Plant Cafeteria  
"Show and Tell" bring photos to share

**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**

November 27, 2001

At the November meeting, the membership got the results of the one-shot contest. Congratulations to the winners. Although Pat Boland wasn't able to attend, she promised the prizes will be given out to the winners soon.

There were a couple of new members in attendance at the meeting, which is always good to see. If you are a new member, try to make it to a few of the meetings. This issue of the newsletter contains a few photo-biographies. It's hoped that this will help the new members get to know the long-time members. I encourage every member to send in a biography.

Ron Meyer, the VP, is always looking for comments, suggestions and ideas for future programs. Please contact Ron or any other board member with ideas. This is your club, take advantage of it.

And speaking of taking advantage. Has anyone tried the new club discounts at Linn Photo yet? Any feedback to pass along to other members?

Doug Dams

FY02 CPC President

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## **From the Editor**

We thought we would try something different starting with this newsletter. All members are encouraged to send me a short photography biography of themselves – via email or hardcopy to 137-154.

Some ideas:

- How did you get started in photography?
- What subjects do you like to shoot?
- What format & film type do you prefer?
- What equipment is in your camera bag?
- What do you want people to see in your photographs?
- What do you hope to get out of your club membership?
- Who has influenced your photography?

Of course this is voluntary, but we encourage you to participate. It should be a neat way to stimulate conversation and maybe help us to know who to ask when we have questions about some technique or subject. A few club officers have included bios in this issue.

Gary Hamer – Newsletter Editor

## Meeting Minutes - November 15, 2001

President Doug Dams called the meeting to order at 5:10 P.M.

Doug announced that our club newsletter would start carrying bios of our membership. Through this process, our members can get to know each other's photographic skills and photographic interests. Sharing ideas and development of some group skills will strengthen our club and make it more interesting. Doug and the officers would like to see every club member support this activity.

After waiting with anticipation for this meeting, "One Shot" participants heard Doug give the winners of the contest as: First Place - Jennifer Rand, Second Place - Tie - Dave Detwiler and Randy Ashbrenner. Some of the winning photos will be posted to the club website.

There will be an executive board meeting in January - date to be determined.

With no new business to discuss, the meeting was turned over to Ron Meyer for the monthly program.

Respectfully submitted by David Detwiler, Secretary.

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### Club Officers

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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### Buy and Sell

Bulb for Carosel slide projector 300W FHS \$14 (>\$30 value) Sue Tichy x2421

### Photo Bio – Doug Dams

I got interested in photography because of my interest in astronomy during high school. I started using 35 mm cameras mounted to an 8" Newtonian Reflector Telescope. After that it was learning darkroom work to process my astronomy photos, and then I was bitten by the shutterbug.

During college I was a member of the school photo club, but I couldn't afford a good camera until I graduated from college. Once I had a new 35 mm camera, my experience and experimentation in photography branched out.

I use 35 mm cameras mostly, but I like to experiment with different cameras, films, techniques etc. But this means I never really master any one film, camera, or technique. I really like the process of converting a 3-D world into a 2-D photo.

I mostly photograph landscapes and the mundane things in the world around us, trying to make them stand out. But I also spend a lot of time copying old family photos for my other hobby; genealogy.

I really would like to make a photograph that will cause an emotion, or recollection of a fond memory, or just a quick double-take in the viewer.

In my camera bag now, I have two Nikons; an FM2 and a N8008s. I also have an old Fuji ST801, a point & shoot Canon and a 2.1 Megapixel point & shoot Olympus digital camera.

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### Photo Bio – Gary Hamer

I have been interested in photography since my first backpacking trip in 1976. I wanted to be able to capture some of the beauty that I experienced while out in the wild – but I wasn't doing a very good job of it. In 1989, the club sponsored a class by nature photographer Jim Messina. Jim's classes, which were based on a book by photographer John Shaw, stressed good composition, exposure techniques and using a sturdy tripod. My photography began to improve immediately.

Today, aside from photographing a few high school and church events, nature is by far my favorite subject. I spend a lot of time in local parks and my backyard bird feeder in the winter. I also look forward to an annual fall canoe trip to photograph the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness in Northern Minnesota.

The last few years I have started to market some of my slides. So far I have had photos published in several magazines and calendars.

I use Canon 35mm equipment which includes: A2 and EOS 620 bodies, 20-35mm, 28-105 and 100-400 zoom. The film in my camera bag is usually Fuji Velvia 50 and Fuji Provia 100.

### Photo Bio – Ron Meyer

I don't remember an exact date when I first became interested in photography, but I purchased my first camera, a Minolta XE7, after my freshman year in college. For many years, I shot Kodachrome 64 exclusively, but occasionally use color print film and now I almost exclusively shoot B&W. My favorite subjects are landscape, architecture, night and winter photography, or anything else that happens to catch my eye. I am also interested in expanding into formal portraiture.

My Favorite photographers are the masters of landscape artist and the "decisive moment": Ansel Adams and Henri Cartier-Bresson, respectively. Lee Regal, local photographer and instructor has without a doubt influenced my photography more than any other individual. He introduced me to B&W, the photolab, night photography, and perhaps more significantly, he introduced me into the world of medium format photography.

Equipment list: For 35mm photography, I use a Minolta Maxxum 7, 24-105mm zoom. Medium format: a Mamiya 645 Pro, with 45, 80, and 150 mm lenses. Sekonic L-508 light meter. Favorite films: Verichrome, Tri-X, Ilford Pan F.

Home lab: Beseler 45 enlarger, B&W processing only.

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### One-Shot Contest Results

<u>Category</u>	<u>Category Winner</u>
NAME	JENNIFER RAND
FRIENDS	SHARON SLINEY
RIVERBOAT	DAVE DETWILER
AIRPORT	RANDY ASCHBRENNER
BEANS	DAVE DETWILER
WILD FLOWER(S)	JAMES SLINEY
WIRE	RANDY ASCHBRENNER
HIGH SCHOOL	JAMES SLINEY
REFLECTION	JENNIFER RAND/ SHARON SLINEY
CHILD	RANDY ASCHBRENNER
LIGHT	DAVE DETWILER
RESTAURANT	JENNIFER RAND
MOVIE HOUSE	DAVE DETWILER
SUNSHINY DAY	JENNIFER RAND
PIG	JENNIFER RAND
SCALE	JENNIFER RAND
SAD	RICHARD MISHLER
SPACE	RANDY ASCHBRENNER
WATER	JENNIFER RAND
JOURNEY	RANDY ASCHBRENNER
MESSY	RICHARD MISHLER
FARM	DAVE DETWILER
CROOKED	RICHARD MISHLER
SWING	RICHARD MISHLER

First Place - Jennifer Rand  
\$15.00 Photo Pro Gift Certificate

Second Place (we had a tie) - Dave Detwiler and Randy Ashbrenner  
\$10.00 Photo Pro Gift Certificate - each

## **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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## **Photo Contests**

[http://www.nyip.com/sub\\_idx\\_pgs/contestidx/contestwatch1101.php](http://www.nyip.com/sub_idx_pgs/contestidx/contestwatch1101.php)

<http://www.fieldandforest.com/contest/contestrules.html>

## **Snow Photography**

Below I have listed a couple of links to articles that describe how to get proper exposure for your snow photos. The theme of both articles – don't automatically take your photos as your camera's meter dictates. If you do, you will end up with gray photos. The camera's meter is calibrated for an average middle-tone (gray) scene.

To avoid gray snow, lock your meter's reading after metering a legitimate middle-tone object – blue sky, gray tree trunk, etc. Another option is to meter the snow directly, then add about a stop of light and bracket.

Also, snow photos can take on a bluish cast, in this case, a warming filter (81A, 81B) can be used.

<http://www.forphotography.com/how-tos/snow.shtml>

<http://www.photoresource.com/workarchive198.html>

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## **How to Photograph Holiday Lights**

The link below is an excellent article from the New York Institute of Photography that tells how to photograph holiday lights. Their four main tips are:

1. Turn off your flash unless you have a very good reason to use it.
2. Use fast film – they suggest ISO 800
3. Avoid camera shake. Use a tripod... or at least brace the camera
4. Trust your camera's built-in meter.

[http://www.nyip.com/tips/topic\\_holidaylights1298.html](http://www.nyip.com/tips/topic_holidaylights1298.html)

### Treasurer's Report

	October 1, 2001	November 1, 2001	December 1, 2001
Current total cash balance from Previous Month:	\$0.00	\$925.00	\$925.00
Number of new members	37	0	0
Credits	\$201.00	\$201.00	\$127.88
Gift Certificates	\$65.00	\$65.00	\$65.00
new member dues (\$10 per new member)	\$370.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Rockwell Subsidy (\$15 per member)	\$555.00	\$0.00	
<b>total:</b>	<b>\$1,191.00</b>	<b>\$1,191.00</b>	<b>\$1,117.88</b>
Outstanding Balances			
<b>total:</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
Expenses for Month			
Prizes for One-Shot		\$73.12	\$0.00
<b>total:</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$73.12</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
Cash Balance	\$1,126.00	\$1,126.00	\$1,052.88
Gift Certificates	\$65.00	\$65.00	\$65.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$1,191.00</b>	<b>\$1,191.00</b>	<b>\$1,117.88</b>

Kathy Rutherford – FY02 Treasurer x4113

## Collins Photo Club Membership – December 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	DeKlotz	Ken		(319)922-2058	retiree
9	Detwiler	Dave	137-117	x9545	employee
10	Dewitz	Cathy	139-228	x0683	employee
11	Ealy	Darlene	108-103	x5210	employee
12	Franzen	Clair	105-152	X3725	employee
13	Hamer	Gary	137-154	x9551	employee
14	Hindman	Evan	105-191	x5239	employee
15	Hiratzka	T. Doug	108-206	x0268	employee
16	Hoeger	Doug	108-136	x4911	employee
17	Kittrell	R.L.		(319)854-7459	Retiree
18	Kittrell	Janet		(319)854-7459	Retiree
19	Lang	Christy	108-237	x7254	employee
20	Marzen	Vince	106-191	x5525	employee
21	Meyer	Ron R	108-205	x0069	employee
22	Mishler	Rich	110-101		employee
23	Nelson	Rick E	137-108	x2864	employee
24	Paeth	Bill		(319)396-6470	Retiree
25	Rand	Tim	108-207	x0059	employee
26	Rand	Jennifer			spouse
27	Rutherford	Kathy	137-108	x4113	employee
28	Shelton	Lori	110-101	X4343	employee
29	Sliney	James	109-191	x4229	employee
30	Sliney	Sharon L. Beckley-		(319)378-8930	spouse
31	Tichy	SuAnn	109-206	x2421	employee
32	Weber	Linda	106-114	x3955	employee
33	West	James B	108-102	x8433	employee
34	Wilcox	Sherri	108-136	x3556	employee
35	Wild	Pam			spouse
36	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