



Collins Photo Club

May 2002 Newsletter

Next Meeting:
Program:

May 16 5:00 p.m. at Main Plant Cafeteria
Handtinting and Handcoloring Photos
Presented by Cathy Dewitz

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

I missed the April meeting, but I understand the contest went well and there were a number of good entries. I hope that many of the new members took the time to check out the photos and maybe thinking about entering the contest next year.

The May program will be Cathy Dewitz talking about handtinting or handcoloring photographs. I will also show a few of the photos I've handcolored and help with the program as much as I can.

I'm still promoting the idea of member photo-biographies in the newsletter. Thanks again to the seven brave members who have already sent in their biographies. So, the other 30 or so members should send their brief bio to the newsletter editor soon.

We are still looking for volunteers to run the one-shot contest.

Doug Dams - FY02 CPC President

From the Editor

Do you need some photo subjects? We are at the beginning of another wildflower season, so I encourage everyone to go outside and enjoy our local parks. Palisades Kepler State Park, which is just east of Cedar Rapids on Highway 30, is an excellent place to hike. Palisades has some scenic overlooks near the Cedar River and superb hiking trails. Also, Pinicon Ridge Country park in near Central City, which is 10 or 12 miles north of Marion on Highway 13. They have an observation tower and fenced in wildlife area where you can see white tail deer and elk up close. Last time I was there I had to back away from the fence to keep the deer from licking my lens.

By the way, if you go out to photograph some wildflowers, don't forget your tripod. Unless you are really shooting some fast film, the light can be inadequate back in the woods. I especially enjoy going out just after a rain – everything is alive with color. I have been rambling on about wildflowers, but the tame ones at the Noelridge flower garden also provide great subjects.

Finally, please note the information on Hazardous Waste Training for chemical use in the darkroom on page 3.

Gary Hamer – Newsletter Editor

Volunteer Alert

Membership Guide The existing guide needs to be updated. Contact: Doug Dams x51929 or Ron Meyer x50069 or Kathy Rutherford x54113

One Shot Contest Need a couple of people to organize this contest which is held in October. Contact: Doug Dams x51929 or Ron Meyer x50069

Slide Shows/ Meeting Programs Are you willing to give a slide show or program as part of one of our meetings? Contact: Ron Meyer x50069

Meeting Minutes – April 18

Vice President Ron Meyer called the meeting to order at 5:10 P.M.

Entries for the Annual Photo contest were placed on display, Greg Brown from the Waterloo Courier was introduced as Judge for the Contest, and entries were cut off at the announced deadline. Greg invited us to view some of his work at the paper on his laptop. While Greg proceeded to judge entries a short CPC meeting was held.

Ron reminded those present that there still was a need for volunteers for the following club activities: One shot contest, memberships guide, membership recruiting, Topics of interest for future meetings. Ron reviewed future meeting topics and activities for the remainder of the CPC year.

The club business meeting then adjourned. Membership and visitors present took part in the contest proceedings. Greg Brown shared his contest choices and reasons for those choices with us. Plaques and prizes were awarded to contest winners.

Activity Adjourned - Respectfully submitted by David Detwiler, Secretary
Photo Bio – Doug Hoeger

My interest in photography started when I

was in about junior high after going through some of my dad's slides. We enjoyed traveling and I thought it would be great to be able to capture the images of the beautiful scenery on film. Over the years my interests have expanded to include portraits and wildlife as well as macro photography.

My first camera was an Olympus OM-10 that I received as a graduation present. Now days I use Nikon 35mm equipment, usually N90S bodies, with lenses covering the range of 20mm to 500mm. I also shoot with Pentax 645 cameras with lenses including 45, 75 and 150 mm. When doing portrait work I use White Lightning strobes. My film of choice varies depending on my subject matter. For portraits I use Kodak Portra films. For scenics and general photography I typically use Kodak Royal film for its fine grain and saturated colors. When shooting slides, something I probably don't do enough of, I prefer Fuji Velvia.

My enjoyment of photography has spread to my family. My wife, Kris, recently got her first SLR, a Nikon N80, allowing us to share lenses, etc. My daughters are also showing an interest and both have their own point and shoots. As they get older I hope to share the knowledge I have gained through the years with them.

I have been a member of Photo Club for about 15 years now and have learned a lot from the other members and have seen many beautiful photographs. I particularly enjoy the annual contest, which provides me with new ideas and the motivation to expand my range of photography.

Interesting Websites

<http://showcase.netins.net/web/mjc/sharpfocus/>
Website containing the newsletter for the Central Iowa Camera Club

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	x57323
Newsletter	Gary Hamer	x59551

Photo Pro Gift Certificates - FYI

Last year Photo Pro marked their gift certificates (which were awarded at our annual contest) with an expiration date. Previous years and this year they did not have an expiration date. I called Dave Johnson at Photo Pro and he said that they do not expire. So if you happen to have one that expires in April 2002, don't throw it away. Gary Hamer

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.

Change of Address

Please notify the Newsletter Editor of any change of address.

Important - Hazardous Waste Training

If you use the darkroom, please check out this website. Under the training topics, see the "1 Hour C Avenue Hazardous Waste Refresher Training '02 Presentation" It is very important to understand the new ISO 14001 requirements and how they impact us. <http://rweb.collins.rockwell.com/ops/enviro-affairs/training.asp>

Some of the highlights:

- Before bringing chemicals into darkroom: check on-line for matching Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS), it's OK to bring chemicals in if MSDS exists, if no MSDS exists contact Environmental Services (Somnath Dasgupta 295-3494) before bringing chemicals to darkroom.
- Do not dispose of any chemicals in sink, it is OK to rinse residues off photos/ equipment

Call Kathy Rutherford 295-4113 with any questions.

2002 Annual Photo Contest Results

People and Portraits

	<u>Prize-winner</u>	<u>Title</u>
1 st	Mary Bortz	Innocence
2 nd	Mary Bortz	Heavenly
3 rd	Pam Zelle	Untitled (Girl on couch)
HM	Ron Meyer	My Last Shot

Nature & Animals

1 st	Gary Hamer	Winter Cardinal
2 nd	Doug Hoeger	Snarling Snow Leopard
3 rd	Doug Hoeger	Wolf
HM	Rick Nelson	Flower and Bee
HM	Kathy Rutherford	Jako

Scenic & Travel

1 st	Gary Hamer	Bergamot at Sunset
2 nd	Dave Detwiler	Fisgard Lighthouse
3 rd	Gary Hamer	Sunrise on Long Island Lake
HM	Christy Lang	Untitled (Stream in the snow)
HM	Ron Meyer	Long Shadows

Black & White

1 st	Mary Bortz	Precious
2 nd	Ron Meyer	Sun & Clouds
3 rd	Kathy Rutherford	Jake
HM	Doug Hoeger	Ann

Special Effects

1 st	Rick Nelson	Race Day
2 nd		
3 rd		

Theme: Sports

1 st	Kathy Rutherford	Tyler in the Zone
2 nd	Randy Aschbrenner	Gymnastics
3 rd	Jean Beer	Hockey

Best of Show

Gary Hamer	Cardinal in the Snow
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Photo Details from Category Winners

People and Portraits 1st (Innocence):

The picture of the baby was taken at our home using a Minolta 700SI with a 28-80 zoom lens. The Filter was a spot diffusion. Lighting was 3- Photogenic 1250DL monolights, 1- backdrop, 1- fill, and 1-main fill light and main light used umbrellas, backdrop light used shielded reflector. Exposure 1/90 sec, f8 or f9.6. Shot on Kodak Portra VC 160 speed film and developed and printed at Photo Pro. - Mary Bortz



Nature and Animals 1st (Winter Cardinal):

The photo was taken with a Canon A2 camera body using a 300mm F4 image stabilized lens. The camera settings were approximately 1/90 sec, and f4.0. The camera was mounted on a Bogen 3221 tripod. I set up my tent in the backyard during Christmas vacation near a bird feeding platform - the birds usually landed on a couple of predictable branches, before proceeding to the feeder. I used fill flash (set to -1 stop) in order to add the key light to the bird's eyes. The (Fuji Provia 100 speed) slide was printed at Slideprinter in Denver, CO. using their 'type R' process - Gary Hamer

Scenic and Travel 1st (Bergamot Flowers at Sunset):

This photo was taken at Wickiup Hill Natural Area, which is a Linn County park just off Morris Hills Road and near the Cedar River. I believe it was taken in July, the mosquitoes were terrible so I wore a head net to keep from being eaten alive. I used my Canon A2 body mounted on a tripod with a 20-35mm wide angle lens, set to about 20mm. The camera settings were approximately 1 sec at f19 for a larger depth of field. I also used a graduated neutral density filter to help match the exposure of the sky to that of the flowers in the foreground. The film was Fuji Velvia (50 speed slide film) and the print was made with Photo Pro's new digital printer, which was demonstrated to the club a couple of months ago - Gary Hamer



Black and White 1st (Precious):

This picture was taking at the Bowman Woods park using Minolta 700SI with 28-80 zoom lens with available lighting. I used Tmax film 100. The picture was developed at Linn Photo and printed at Halls Photo – Mary Bortz



Special Effects 1st (Race Day)

"Race Day" was photographed out at Hawkeye Downs at an ASA AC Delco Challenge Series race. The photograph was taken with a Polaroid SX-70 camera using Time Zero film and the image was manipulated using a stylus to achieve the painterly effect. The photograph was enlarged using a color copy machine - Rick Nelson



Theme: Sports 1st (Tyler in the Zone):

This photo was taken during my nephew Tyler's soccer game in Little Rock, Arkansas. I used my Canon EOS ELAN (lens 70-210) with 200 speed Kodak film. This was my first attempt of using the fast action mode for that camera and for trying to attempt taking pictures of a fast acting sport. There was a lot of running up and down the sidelines but most of the credit for the photo goes to the kids in the game and their enthusiasm for the sport.
Kathy Rutherford



Judges Comments from the Contest

Thanks to Rick Nelson for capturing the following comments:

People:

1st Place	Nicely done, good color balance
2nd Place	Color balance slightly off, too much cyan in skin tone, nice framing and expression and nice light
3rd Place	Technically well done, nice exposure, good job printing
HM	Gunfighter, nice picture but did not like matting, picture off center
HM	Jako, Classic pose, nice tonal range, would like to see more contrast

Sports With sports photography keep backgrounds clean, focus on the main center of attention (i.e. ball, puck, players, etc.) If you don't have the long lenses to get in tight, crop your pictures to cut out distracting backgrounds

Scenics

1st Place	Technically well done, nice colors, nicely matted and framed
3rd Place	Nice tranquil mood
HM	Snow needs to be more white
HM	Nice shape, lines, and shadows, could be printed with more contrast

Nature

1st Place	Very well done, difficult shot requiring lots of patience
2nd Place	Color balance right on, nice expression on animal
3rd Place	Good color balance, nice catchlight in eyes
HM	Clean background, nice complimentary colors, even tighter shot possible
HM	Dog is nicely done, burn down corners even more

General Comments: Be patient and look for the right situation. Pay attention to backgrounds. Attention to details (e.g. color balance, matting, cropping, contrast, etc.) is what separated winners from those that were being considered for an award. Greg was impressed with the quality of the photos and was excited to see the passion for photography that members of the club exhibited. The judge was Greg Brown, Waterloo Courier photographer.

Contest Summary We would like to thank everyone who entered the contest this year - lots of great photos again! There were a total of 61 entries and about 17 members and guests present. People and Portraits was the largest category with 19 entries, Scenic and Travel had 14, Nature and Animals and Black and White both had 11, The Sports category had 5 and Special Effects only had 1 entry.

Exhibit Note: As most everyone knows, the boards where we normally exhibit our annual contest photos in Bldg. 105, have been removed. At present, the award-winning photos will be scanned and posted on the photo club web site. We are unsure where/ if all of the photos will be exhibited.

Gary Hamer, Rick Nelson, Dave Detwiler – 2002 Annual Contest Committee

Treasurer's Report

	March 1, 2002	April 1, 2002	May 1, 2002
Current total cash balance from Previous Month:	\$924.36	\$547.53	\$547.00
Number of new members	1		2
Credits Photo Pro	\$94.17	\$0.00	\$0.00
Gift Certificates	\$65.00	\$65.00	\$70.00
new member dues (\$10 per new member)	\$10.00	\$0.00	\$20.00
Rockwell Subsidy (\$15 per member) petty cash	\$20.00	\$25.00	\$10.00
total:	\$1,113.53	\$637.53	\$637.00
Outstanding Balances			
House of Trophies (april)		\$106.00	\$106.00
Contest Judge		\$40.00	
total:	\$0.00	\$146.00	\$106.00
Expenses for Month			
Prizes for One-Shot (Photo-Pro Credit)			
Tim Rand lamps (petty cash)			
Mark Boltz sync cord (expense)			
Contest Prizes (photo pro credit 94.17/club 275.83)	\$370.00		
Rockwell Budget Cut	\$111.00		
Judge Fee (cashed \$25 gift cert & \$15 petty cash)			\$40.00
total:	\$481.00	\$0.00	\$40.00
Cash Balance	\$547.53	\$401.53	\$461.00
Gift Certificates	\$65.00	\$65.00	\$70.00
Petty Cash	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$10.00
Total:	\$637.53	\$491.53	\$541.00

Kathy Rutherford – Treasurer

Collins Photo Club Membership – May 2002

#	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	139-140	x0683	employee
11	Ealy	Darlene	108-103	X7323	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	Miller	Cheryl			spouse
23	Miller	Todd J.	124-300	X8689	employee
24	Mishler	Rich	110-101		employee
25	Nelson	Rick E	137-108	x2864	employee
26	Paeth	Bill		(319)396-6470	Retiree
27	Rand	Tim	108-207	x0059	employee
28	Rand	Jennifer			spouse
29	Rutherford	Kathy	137-108	x4113	employee
30	Shelton	Lori	110-101	X4343	employee
31	Slincy	James	109-191	x4229	employee
32	Slincy	Sharon L. Beckley-		(319)378-8930	spouse
33	Smith-Mees	Amy		(319)373-4954	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
38	Wild	Pam			spouse
39	Zelle	Jim	124-313	X6798	employee
40	Zelle	Pam			spouse
41	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