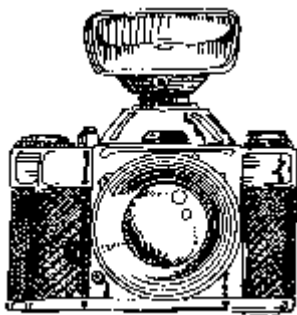

Collins Photo Club



Newsletter

September 2003

Next Meeting: Sept. 18, 5pm, Main Plant Cafeteria
Program: Election of Officers, Plan Next Year's Events
Internal Website: rweb/clubs/photo
Outside Rockwell: <http://www.collinsclubs.com/cpc/>

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From the President

Well, we had some brave people willing to run for office next year.

They are:

President	Jim Zelle
Vice President	Dave Detwiler
Secretary/Historian	Denise Lloyd-Lawrence
Treasurer/Membership	Pat Boland

If anybody else wishes to run for an office, please let me know or additional nominations can be made at the meeting. I am sure you noticed that I am not running for an office (Ok, you can stop cheering now), but with me going back to school there was no way justice could be done to both projects.

During this last year there have been some accomplishments we all can be proud of:

- Combining and updating the clubs Bylaws & Constitution
- Purchase of the new display boards
- Donation to us of the film scanner and computer
- Getting the darkroom operational
- Updating of all the membership material (still on-going)
- Putting the web site up at collinsclubs.com

I want to thank all of the officers and those who helped in any of the appointed positions, and also all of the club members. It is how active the members are that makes any organization viable. I believe the direction the club is going is a good start in increasing the club's strength. No doubt some of the ideas and changes may not have been popular with everyone, but all a person can do is try to do their best. The only hope that I had was to leave things a little better than what they were and I think that has been accomplished.

It is also membership renewal time. The renewal form is in this newsletter. You will notice that the membership fee has increased to \$16 this year. We were informed that the company subsidy will be at least cut in half this year and may be discontinued. At the last meeting we all hoped for the best that we would still receive some kind of subsidy, and we wanted to keep the one shot and photo contest. In order to keep these and not have an entry fee, raising the dues is what we came up with. If there is no subsidy, no doubt this matter will have to be revisited.

That's it for now, the baton will be passed on to the next president. - *Cliffy*

From the Editor

This is my first issue of the newsletter! There may be some changes to add my own personal touch in the future. Please let me know what you think! If there is anything you would like to see published in the newsletter, please send me email at jhdavids@rockwellcollins.com.

One thing I would like to add is a *featured photos* section to publish photos taken by members. If you have digital copies of a photo you would like to see in the newsletter, please email them to me at the above address. If you do not have digitals, remember that there is a nice scanner located in the CPC darkroom!

Also, the newsletter is being distributed in PDF format. This offers many advantages over MSWord including reduced file size, a universal file format, and additional security from viruses.

We have not completed scanning the photos from the contest just yet; hopefully we will be displaying some of the winning pictures in the next edition of the newsletter.

- John Davidson, Editor

2003 Annual Photo Contest

by Jim Zelle – Vice President

The Collins Photo Club 2003 Annual Photo Contest was held on August 21st. The seven categories had a total of 82 entries, which were distributed as follows:

People and Portraits – Color	7 entries
People and Portraits – Black and White	12 entries
Landscape – Color	14 entries
Landscape – Black and White	10 entries
Scenic and Travel	20 entries
Animals/Nature	15 entries
Special Effects	4 entries

Splitting the landscape photos into color and B&W groups, and separating them from the Scenic and Travel category appears to have helped equalize the entries like we had hoped. Still, the Scenic and Travel category remains the most popular. It's probably another candidate for splitting into color and

black & white categories. You'll find a list of the prizewinners and the judge's feedback elsewhere in this newsletter. Scans of the entries will also be available on the Club's Web site.

After the contest the club's officers got together to discuss ways of making next year's contest even better. One item we'd like to see next year is to have everyone fill out an entry form prior to the contest (similar to the form used by the Iowa State Fair) so we can keep better track of the entries. On the night of the contest a Post-It note with a number is placed on the front of the photo and written on the entry label on the back of the photo when it arrives. A sheet listing the exhibitors and the titles of the photos can be distributed to the club members so they can identify who shot each picture as they view the exhibit, something our current procedure doesn't allow. The use of numbers will allow the judge not to be biased by the names since we won't give her an exhibitor listing sheet. Hopefully using a system like this will speed up the judging since the person keeping score won't have to write down all the information about each photo. Also, it will help keep the contest fair by making it simple to enforce the 2 photos per category and 6 photos total rule.

It can be quite intimidating for a new club member or someone just starting out in serious photography to compete with the high quality photos some of our more experienced members shoot. We'd like to help address this problem in next year's show by having a couple of categories open only to beginners. In this case, we thought we could define a beginner as someone who hasn't placed 1st or 2nd in a previous CPC photo contest. We'll look through the old newsletters and make a list of the previous 1st and 2nd place winners available prior to the contest. We felt that this might help level the playing field a bit and encourage newer club members to enter photos. Also, instead of the traditional 1st, 2nd, and 3rd prizes, in the Beginner categories we could award prizes based upon other criteria, such as:

- Best Composition
- Best Visual Impact
- Best Candid Photo
- Tells a story

We would make these prizes smaller than the typical 1st place prizes awarded in the other categories to encourage beginner entries in the other categories as well.

Once the club membership and Rockwell subsidy is determined this fall we'll be able to create our budget and determine the number of categories our prize money will support. Our hope is to have the annual contest in April or May of next year, instead of waiting until August where it makes it difficult for members who also want to enter the Iowa State Fair photo contest. We'll also try to finalize our categories for the 2004 contest this fall so everyone can work on their entries over the winter. Of course that means we'll need volunteers to run the contest, so contact a club officer if you're interested in helping out.

Events

September 17, 2003 6:30 PM

Jim Messina, a local photographer, will present a slide show and lecture in Beems Auditorium on at the Cedar Rapids Public Library. The topic is Composition and Technique for Nature Photography. The presentation is free and open to the public. *Thanks to Pat Boland for submitting this!*

If you know of any photography related events happening in the Eastern Iowa area, let me know so I can post them here!

Collins Photo Club (CPC) August Meeting Minutes

August 21, 2003

President "Cliffy" Franzen called the regular meeting of Collins Photo Club to order at 5:10 PM in the Main Plant Cafeteria. While the business meeting was in progress the Club's 2003 Annual Photo Contest was

being judged. All entries were due prior to the business meeting.

President Cliffy told club members that the last of the darkroom safe lights had been installed. There are now three safe lights to use in the darkroom. He reminded users not to use the florescent safe lights because they were not safe and spoiled regular photo paper.

The scanner is available and ready in the dark room for those interested in using it. President Cliffy suggested that several members give it a try.

Since Rockwell Collins is cutting back on club support due to budget tightness, the club will not be receiving the regular monetary help per club member. Discussion was held on how to keep the club finances in order without company support. David Detwiler moved that dues be raised from \$10.00 a year to \$16.00. Denise Lloyd-Lawrence seconded the motion and it carried.

Ron Meyer asked the club if it needed to meet every month. He stated that several other Collins clubs met bi-monthly or quarterly. After discussion, Amy Smith-Mees moved that the club go to by-monthly meetings. Kathy Rutherford seconded the motion and it carried.

The following volunteers are available to be next year's officers:

Jim Zelle - President
 David Detwiler – Vice President
 Pat Borland – Treasurer
 Denise Lloyd-Lawrence
 Kathy Rutherford – Equipment checkout
 John Davidson - Newsletter

Kathy Rutherford moved the meeting adjourn.

The meeting adjourned to hear the results of the 2003 Annual CPC Photo Contest and the judge's feedback.

Respectfully submitted by David Detwiler, Secretary

Annual Photo Contest Prizes and Winners

People & Portraits - Color

	Prize-winner	Title
1 st \$30	Doug Hoeger	“Heroes in Training”
2 nd \$20	Rick Nelson	“Do you see what I see?”
3 rd \$10	Pat Boland	“MMM ... tomatoes”
HM	Mark Bortz	“Flower Girl”

People & Portraits – Black & White

1 st \$30	Mark Bortz	“My Girls”
2 nd \$20	Ron Meyer	“Fishin”
3 rd \$10	Pam Wild	“Untitled”
HM	Clair Franzen	“Untitled”
HM	Kathy Rutherford	“Jessa Lynne”

Landscape - Color

1 st \$30	Dave Detwiler	“Alaskan Rainbow”
2 nd \$20	Kathy Rutherford	“Untitled”
3 rd \$10	Kris Hoeger	“Lake Louise – Canada”
HM	Tim Rand	“Na Pali Coast”

Landscape – Black & White

1 st \$30	Ron Meyer	“Spirited Trees”
2 nd \$20	Ron Meyer	“Foggy Trees”
3 rd \$10	Amy Smith-Mees”	“The Holy City”
HM	Doug Hoeger	“Untitled”

Scenic & Travel

1 st \$30	Pam Wild	“Untitled”
2 nd \$20	Ron Meyer	“The Bridges of Cedar Rapids”
3 rd \$10	Pat Boland	“Chapel by the Sea”
HM	Tim Rand	“Ohi’ a Tree and Lydgate State Park”
HM	Dave Detwiler	“Cann Island”

Animals/Nature

1 st \$30	Doug Hoeger	“Butterflies I”
2 nd \$20	Rick Nelson	“Goldfinch at the Watering Hole”
3 rd \$10	Kathy Rutherford	“Camera Shy”
HM	Christy Lang	“Parrot”
HM	Rick Nelson	“Up Close and Personal”

Special Effects

1 st \$30	Rick Nelson	“Erika”
2 nd \$20	Christy Lang	“San Antonio Municipal Auditorium”
3 rd \$10	Dave Detwiler	“Claire”
HM	Amy Smith-Mees	“Swiss Swans”

<u>Best of Show</u> \$10	Doug Hoeger	“Heroes in Training”
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Total gift Certificates @ Photo Pro \$430

CPC Member Discounts

Please show your Collins Photo Club Membership Card to receive the following discounts.

Photo Pro

(319)395-9121
153 Collins Road NE, Cedar Rapids

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

Mote Brothers Custom Framing

(319) 366-7311
701 Third Ave SE, Cedar Rapids

- 25% off list price

Linn Photo

(319) 373-0658
1725 Blairsferry Road, Marion
(319) 396-3182
2405 Westdale Dr. SW, Cedar Rapids

- 15% off Film Processing
- 10% off Chemicals
- 10% off Paper
- 10% off Film

Kyle's Framing and Gallery

(319) 377-5739
601 7th Ave, Suite A, Marion (Between
Sunbeam Outlet and Country Kitchen)

- 50% off matte board
- 30% - 50% off framing and glass

Membership Information

To become a member of the Collins Photo Club, fill out the form at the end of the newsletter and send it to:

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Rockwell Collins
400 Collins Rd. NE
Cedar Rapids, IA 52498
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Websites

For Access Within Rockwell:

rweb/clubs/photo

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