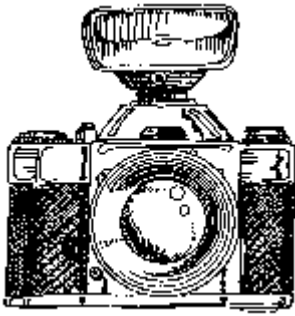


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# Collins Photo Club

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Newsletter

October 2003

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**Next Meeting:** Oct 12, 2pm, Pinicon Ridge Park

**Program:** Photo Shoot, Meet at the Wildlife Display near the park entrance

**Internal Website:** [rweb/clubs/photo](http://rweb/clubs/photo)

**Outside Rockwell:** <http://www.collinsclubs.com/cpc/>

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## From the President

Welcome to a new fiscal year for the Collins Photo Club! At the September meeting we elected a new set of officers for the coming year, and I'm happy to report that we were able to find enough volunteers to fill all our positions without any major arm-twisting. Pat Boland continues as treasurer, Dave Detwiler has moved to vice-president, and I have moved to president. Our new club officer is Denise Lloyd-Lawrence, who volunteered to be our club Secretary.

Since it's the new year, it also means that it's time to send in renewals for next year's membership. Don't forget that at the August meeting we voted to increase the dues to \$16 to cover the potential loss of the Rockwell subsidy. A copy of the membership form can be found at the end of this newsletter. Please send the renewal to Pat Boland, MS 124-314. All membership forms for FY04 need to be in to Pat by October 24<sup>th</sup> to ensure we get the Rockwell subsidy. (We're still trying to remain optimistic about the subsidy).

For the October meeting we're going out for another Photo Shoot. This time we're heading out north of town near Central City

to [Pinicon Ridge](#) county park for some wildlife and nature shots. At last month's meeting we decided to go during the regular meeting time on the 16<sup>th</sup>. However, Dave Detwiler and I went out there with our cameras on a sunny day at 5 pm and decided that there really wasn't enough light to take color photos without a tripod and long exposures. Even then there was still less than an hour of good light. As a result, we've moved the Photo Shoot to Sunday October 12<sup>th</sup> at 2 PM. We'll meet by the wildlife sanctuary near the park entrance. There's also an observation tower in the park that should provide some good photo opportunities. I'll send out an email with more information later. **Since the Photo Shoot is so close to the regular meeting date, we've decided that there will be no meeting this month on the 16<sup>th</sup>.** For the program at November's meeting we're planning to have everyone who attended share their photos.

Finally, some of you might have noticed that Cannon has begun shipping the first digital SLR camera that breaks the \$1000 price barrier, the EOS 300D Digital Rebel. It's available as a kit for \$999.95, which includes

an 18-55 EFS lens. The camera is 6.3 megapixels, and appears to be a scaled down version of the EOS 10D camera which sells for \$500 more. Best Buy is currently selling the camera, and I noticed that PhotoPro lists it on their web site as well. An early review of the camera is available on Photo.net at:

<http://www.photo.net/equipment/canon/300D/>

Rumor has it that those of us who prefer Nikon equipment will have a similar camera next spring when the D70 digital SLR is shipped.

That's all for this month. If anyone has any ideas for a program topic or photo shoot location that you'd like to see, let myself or Dave Detwiler know and we'll try and make arrangements for it. I hope to see a lot of you at Pinicon Ridge on the 12<sup>th</sup>.

- Jim Zelle President

## From the Exhibit Director

Aside from our successful CPC exhibit at the Cedar Rapids Museum of Art last September, the main activity this past year was buying the display panels. All five panels were used to display the photos from our annual contest at the Building 106 cafeteria. We have had many positive comments on the display.

After going through the process of setting up several batches of photos, I thought I would share a few comments. First of all, please measure the outside dimensions of your mount/ matte carefully. Some were just a little too long (and some weren't even close) and were not displayed. Even 1/8 inch too big on any dimension, will not fit into the club's frames. Actually, they could probably have been displayed, but either Velcro would have to be attached to the back of the mount, or some sort of pin fastener would be used. The downside of not placing our photos in the frames, is that without the glass they are vulnerable to greasy fingers and worse. As a reminder, the club's frames are 5x7, 8x10, 8x12 and 11x14 inches.

Please be sure to read the contest rules carefully, because they may change from year to year.

There will be a different Exhibit Director in FY04 – thanks Ron Meyer! So watch the newsletter for requests for photos to display. I expect we will try to exhibit more often than just our annual contest.

And finally, please consider giving the Exhibit Director a hand to set up exhibits. It takes over two hours for one person to prepare 20 or 25 photos for exhibit. A 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> person would really cut that time down. It also makes for some good photo conversations while preparing the photos – thanks Jim Zelle for help with the annual contest photos! I hope to see many individual exhibits on the display panels in the upcoming year. It is a great way to promote the club and your photos.

- Gary Hamer, FY03 Exhibit Director

## Your Newsletter

If you prefer to receive your newsletter via US Mail, let me know! Since we have changed to the Acrobat PDF electronic format, the file sizes will decrease dramatically. So, if the motivation for receiving hard copy is file size, give the PDFs a chance and let me know if it still does not work for you.

I have not received any contributions for *Featured Photos*. I know somebody out there has something to show. If you do, send it to me:

[jhdavids@rockwellcollins.com](mailto:jhdavids@rockwellcollins.com)

Since the natural evolution of this newsletter has taken it to a purely electronic form, remember that blue underlined text is clickable! If you see blue underlined text, then there is a hyperlink there to an associated web site. If you are writing an article for the newsletter, go ahead and add your own links or tell me what to link to and I will add them for you. Additionally, now that we have moved to the PDF file format, the table of contents will be clickable as well.

## Events

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

## September Meeting Minutes

September 18, 2003

President "Cliffy" Franzen called the regular meeting of Collins Photo Club to order at 5:05 PM in the Main Plant Cafeteria. There were a total of 15 members present.

The following corrections were made to the August 21, 2003 minutes:

Kathy Rutherford volunteered to continue as Darkroom Coordinator not Equipment checkout.

President Cliffy was going to check with employee services to see if a person without Rockwell affiliation could belong to the club without darkroom access or equipment checkout privileges.

President Cliffy read a congratulatory email from Robert Chiusano for our photo contest display. He is looking for possible vineyard/chateaus pictures or shots of Iowa wildlife such as male deer and turkeys to purchase from members.

CPC treasurer's report for September 18, 2003 was given in abstention by Pat Boland and read by President Cliffy. Today's company balance is \$2.49. There is \$100.00 in Photo-Pro gift certificates.

Please notify newsletter editor John Davidson with your mailing address if you

are unable to receive email and would like a hard copy.

Having checked with employee services, to see if a person without Rockwell affiliation can belong to CPC without darkroom access or equipment checkout privileges, President Cliffy reported his findings. Persons without Rockwell Collins affiliation cannot belong to company sponsored clubs.

The regular annual election of CPC officers was then held. The slate of James Zelle for president, David Detwiler for Vice President, Denise Lloyd-Lawrence for Secretary, and Pat Boland for Treasurer was offered to the club with the request for additional nominations or volunteers. No additional nominations were made or additional volunteers given. President Cliffy then closed nominations. Jim Sliney move that the slate of prospective officers be elected as offered in accordance with the CPC bylaws. Russ Brathwaite seconded the motion and it carried.

There is interest in starting up a Linn Area Photography Club. Those interested were offered a sign up sheet to convey their curiosity.

A discussion, at length, was held about possible subject matter, activities, trips, instruction, or photo shoots for the CPC's coming year. It was decided that next months meeting would be a photo shoot at Pinicon Ridge

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by David Detwiler,  
Secretary

## Club Information

### CPC 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 7<sup>th</sup> Ave, Suite A, Marion (Between  
Sunbeam Outlet and Country Kitchen)

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

## To Become a Member

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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## Websites

**For Access Within Rockwell:**

[rweb/clubs/photo](http://rweb/clubs/photo)

**For Access From Outside Rockwell:**

<http://www.collinsclubs.com/cpc/>

## Buy and Sell

This space available.

## FY04 Club Officers

President	Jim Zelle	x56798
Vice President	Dave Detwiler	x51866
Secretary/ Historian	Denise Lloyd-Lawrence	x52898
Treasurer/ Membership	Pat Boland	x54817
Equip. Checkout	Mark Bortz	x54860
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Webmaster	Cliffy Franzen	x53725
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## Change of Address

Please notify the Newsletter Editor of any change of address. Thanks!

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