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For all the results from the monthly contest check out the website



Photo by Kathy Fisher

QUOTES FOR THOUGHT by Michele Kipplen

As a photographer, Andy Warhol's quote, "The best thing about a picture is that it never changes, even when the people in it do," resonates deeply. A photograph captures a fleeting moment, freezing emotions, expressions, and connections in time. While life inevitably moves forward, and people grow, change, or drift apart, the image remains a constant, preserving that unaltered snapshot of who they were in that exact instant. Photography offers a way to revisit those memories, allowing us to connect with the past even as everything around us evolves. Through this lens, a picture is not just a memory—it's a timeless keepsake.



PACT PAPARAZZI- MICAH & JEFF

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Scavenger Hunt 2024

We have kicked off our annual scavenger hunt. Here is the list. All images are due to **Michele by October 31st**. Images are to be photographed only in the Toledo Botanical Gardens.



GALLERY REFRESH SCHEDULE

It is time to refresh our clubhouse gallery! We're excited to share a schedule of themes and dates for adding or exchanging works in the clubhouse. We encourage you to provide framed and/ or matted images, as the clubhouse is open to the public every second Saturday of the month from now through December. Here's the schedule: In October, the theme is cemeteries and landscapes.

Drop off/ pickup - Saturday, Sept. 14, 11am-4pm

Please review the calendar of events on our website for drop-off and pick-up dates for your work. Let's work together to make our gallery vibrant and engaging!

Text Michele if you have any questions .



Additional Drop off dates

Sept 14- 11am-4pm Sept. 19th- 7pm -9pm

Gift Card Collection

It's time to collect gift cards for our Annual Gift Card Raffle held during the Heralding the Holidays event! The cards can be sent to the clubhouse by mail or dropped off on the 2nd Saturday of the Month from 11-3 pm. Please <u>do not</u> leave them in the outside mailboxes! Drop off cards Sat. Sept. 12th!

RSVP'S Be diligent & RSVP when needed.- Thank you

We encourage you to RSVP for our upcoming activities, photo walks, and interest groups! By confirming your attendance in advance, you help us ensure that we have everything prepared for an enjoyable and fulfilling experience. RSVP allows us to organize the events more efficiently, offering you the best possible environment to connect with fellow members and explore shared interests. It also helps us cater to specific needs and preferences, such as transportation requirements or other arrangements. Please take a moment to let us know if you'll be joining us so we can make these events memorable for everyone. Thank you for your cooperation!





MEMBERSHIP ASSISTANCE

We are seeking enthusiastic volunteers for upcoming events: We need greeters to help open and close the clubhouse, ensuring a smooth and welcoming experience for all attendees. Your participation will make these events memorable and enjoyable for our community. If you're interested in volunteering, please get in touch with Wennie Anderson and join us in making these events a success!

Spooktacular Fest - Oct. 12. Greeters to pass out candy for shifts during 11am till 4pm. Heralding Holidays-Thursday, Dec 5- Exterior Decorating/ Setup- 4pm till 8pm Friday, Dec. 6- Greeters- 4pm till 8pm Saturday, Dec. 7- Greeters- In shifts 10am till 4pm Sunday, Dec. 8- Greeters- In shifts 11am till 4pm

Spooktacular Fest Saturday, Oct.12 11am-4pm All artist villages will be open for passing out candy. We will have a spooky photo wall set up.

Officers Michele Kipplen- President Ross Ellet- Vice President Cindy White- Secretary Michele Ross- Treasurer Wennie Anderson- Past President Board Members Mary Mather Charlie Mather John Dillon Laurie Detrich

Committee Chairs see website



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UPCOMING EVENTS

Interest Groups

• Are on temporary summer vacation. We encourage to participate in the photo walks.

Club Member Leads Photography Workshop

Ben Ayling is a Fine Art, Landscape, Nature, and Wildlife photographer based in Maumee, Ohio. After a career as a choral conductor and university professor, he developed a ravenous passion for photography. His work in this genre has him traveling extensively to capture rare and interesting animals, birds, and scenic landscapes across the globe. Come join Thomas Yackley and Ben in an adventure to our "Happy Place," The Great Smoky Mountains National Park this October.

https://www.naturephotoworkshops.com/



Valid only for Fall Smokies Workshop, 2024, while openings remain.

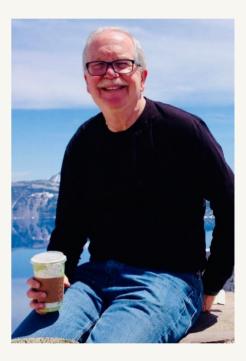




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Sunset Shoot-Sept 7th

Join us for a Sunset Photography Outing on the Grand Rapids Railroad Bridge on September 7th. Please register to secure your spot; the cost is \$10 cash that evening. Non-members and nonphotographers are welcome to join for \$10. We'll board around 7:20 PM. with sunset at 7:57 PM. The railroad carts hold up to 8 people each, with space for 15 participants (I'm the 16th). You can bring a tripod, and the carts will be positioned on the bridge for a clear view. Some may choose to arrive early to explore and take photos. We'll be on the bridge for about an hour. Parking is available on site.



Photo by Jack Myers

Educational Nite- September 12 - 7pm Ins and outs of Art Fairs

Kelly Chalfan and Mickey Ross will share their experiences participating and getting started in juried art fairs.

Please plan to attend.

This is virtual due to the Jazz in the Garden event. See the calendar for Zoom link.



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Night Sky Photo Trip

September 20th at 8pm

The Photo Arts Club is planning a night sky photo shoot at Lake Hudson Recreation Area. The Michigan State Park is about 50 minutes to an hour from the Toledo area, but it is a darker sky site where the Milky Way is faintly visible. The shoot is planned around a new moon (lack of light) on **September 20th at 8pm**. If the sky isn't clear or mostly clear, we will shoot for **September 21st** at the same time instead. <u>Please RSVP on our website</u>. We will email everyone as we get closer on if we need to go to our makeup date or if the sky will stay clear. 9pm is when true darkness begins, but you may want to show up earlier when there is available light especially if you are new to the park. We will meet down by the lake in the open parking lot.

By Ross Ellet



Photo by Ross Ellet





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UP COMING PHOTO DAY TRIPS

Fall Day Trips

Covered Bridges - October 19th

Let's capture the history and architecture of some of Ohio's noted covered bridges with a scenic background of Fall colors.

Bridges we will stop at as time allows:

- Smolen-Gulf Covered Bridge
- Benetka Road Covered Bridge
- Middle Road Covered Bridge
- Netcher Road Covered Bridge
- Windsor Mills Covered Bridge More details to come!



REMINDER

In person Monthly Contest will resume.

Just a friendly reminder that our Monthly Contest will resume in person on Thursday, September 19th at 7 pm. Your presence is incredibly valuable, and I encourage you to join us in person whenever possible. If you've submitted an image but can't attend in person, please make plans to join virtually. Being present, whether in person or online, allows us to support one another and learn from the valuable feedback shared during the review. Your participation enriches the experience for everyone, so please make a point to attend. Thank you!

> The September contest is a print contest in the clubhouse. The Assignment is Roads, Paths or Trails.

