



The Viewpoint

February 2017



Diane Lewis

PACT Schedule and Events**

- **Educational Meeting** (1st Thursday of the month)
- **Board Meetings** (2nd Thursday of the Month)
- **Photo Contest** (3rd Thursday of the Month)
- **Photoshop Elements Group** (1st Monday) Steve Stalker sstalker@bex.net
- **Studio Group** (2nd Saturday) John Dillon - jdillon356@aol.com
- **Lightroom Group** (3rd Monday) Charlie Mather - matherc@yahoo.com
- **Critique Group** (4th Tuesday) Diane Lewis - DMDERR1218@aol.com
- **Other events**, such as IYP Classes, TBG Events, etc.

**Our Board ensures that adequate notice is provided to the members if there are any event changes. Any errors or misses are regretted. Please refer to the Schedule on our website or watch your e-mails or follow our Facebook page for the latest happenings!!

Note: Effective 2015, all special interest groups need to have a minimum of 3 participants not including the facilitator. It is only fair to the person running the group. A lot of work is put into the groups to only have 2 or less show up for the meeting. Please RSVP to the facilitator.

This month's events:

Feb 2: Educational Meeting: Metering Modes – Presentation and Hands-on
Feb 6: Elements Group - Clubhouse - 7:00
Feb 7: IYP class 5 – Editing your photos using Photoshop Elements
Feb 9: Board Meeting – Clubhouse – 7:00
Feb 11: Studio Group - Clubhouse - 10:00 a.m.
Feb 16: Contest Night – Digital – Categories Stepping back in time & General
Feb 14: IYP class 6– Putting it all together
Feb 28: Critique Group - Clubhouse - 7:00
Lightroom Group – No meeting in February due to another commitment

February Elements Group

This month we will covering layers and layer masks

February Educational Meeting – Using your camera's meter

Ever wondered why you have all those metering modes on your camera? We will discuss and have a hands-on demo on the proper (and improper) use of the modes your camera offers. February 2nd. 7:00 Conference Center

March Educational Meeting – Levitational Photography

Just a heads-up on the March 2nd meeting on levitational photography. More info to come.

Master Photographer Dennis Walston has been creating portraits since 1965. His "in barn" studio is located in Ohio, near Pemberville and Bowling Green. He has studied his art in New York City and the Winona School of Professional Photography. He is a Master Craftsman Photographer and past president of the Professional Photographers of Ohio. Dennis has had about 35 prints displayed at the national level along with many state and local awards. The studio specializes in children, seniors, families, retro and pin-up portraits. Together with his wife Shelly (a licensed beautician) they strive to make your experience one to fondly remember.

Photo Meetup – Cathedral Shoot

The meetup that was to take place November 14 was cancelled due to a funeral at the church. Michele has rescheduled for Saturday February 18th. Meet at 9am until 11am at Rosary Cathedral where we will have a short history lesson of the church and then time to roam the church and photograph the Cathedral's beautiful architecture.

Experienced and non-experienced photographers are welcome to attend. A small offering will be collect from each attendee as a thank you.

I would also like to thank club member Chris Boesel in assisting with coordinating this visit. Cathedral located at 2535 Collingwood Blvd.

Please RSVP to Michele Kipplen at mkipplen@icloud.com. or text 419-283-4616

PACT Board and Officers

The board members and officers for 2017-2018 will be elected on March 16. If you are interested in the future of the club, please consider participation as a board member or officer.

Monthly contest categories – Digital unless otherwise noted

February.....Stepping Back in Time

March.....Eyes

April.....Store front Window by night or day, your choice

May.....Night Traffic (print)

June.....no contest

July.....In Motion

Aug.....Street Shots (print)

Sept.....Through a Window

Oct.....Dead Trees

Nov.....Have a Seat

Dec.....no contest

January PACT Level Winners

Assignment "Black and White"

Beginner level - no entries

Intermediate level

1st place - "Jelly Fish Dance" by Cindy Buckley

2nd place tie - "Down by the Old Mill" by Tom Staff

"Angling at Roche de Boeuf Bridge" by Tom Staff

3rd place tie - "Brothers From a Different Mother" by Wennie Anderson

"Hotel at Waterville" by Tom Staff

H.M. - "Carson" by Wennie Anderson

advanced level

1st place - 3 way tie - "Black and White in Black and White" by Diane Lewis

"Coming and Going" by Jim Hagan

"Shelter House" by Jim Hagan

2nd place - "El Captain" by Anna Koperczak

3rd place - "Bad Moon Rising" by Jerry Lohman

H.M. - "Guadalupe Mountains" by Anna Koperczak

Open Division

Beginning level - no entries

Intermediate level

1st place tie - "James Scott Fountain" by Lana Emerson

"From Happier Days" by Cindy Buckley

2nd place - "Holland Lighthouse" by Cindy Buckley

3rd place - "Seen Better Days" by Lana Emerson

Advanced level

1st place - "Spring at Oak Alley" by Jim Hagan

2nd place - "Yellow" by Diane Lewis

PACT Roster Updates

Renewals

Gerald Lohman

Kathy & Linn Peterson

Jim Bosinger

Cindy Buckley

Christine Holliday

New Member

Sabrina Chladni

Members Photos Out and About

If you have winning photos in other contests or have your photos displayed for the general public, let me know so we can share it with the club.

For Sale or Looking For

If you have a piece of photo equipment you are either looking to sell or looking for, this newsletter will be an option for you.

Hints & Tips:

If you have an area of interest that you feel would be of interest to the club, this editor would welcome contributions. Creating an article for a newsletter normally results in learning as well as contributing.

Shooting in the rain

With a good waterproof jacket, waterproof shoes, and a protective rain sleeve for your camera, try getting out and capturing the emotion that rain creates. Capture that dreary, grey, feeling!

If you really don't want to be out in it, try shooting from a covered position – under patios and awnings, and inside cars and buildings make great vantage points. People are scarce in the rain, so you can take advantage of empty spaces that would otherwise be filled with crowds. Shoot towards a light to bring out the shine refracting through every falling drop. Just like with snow, the shutter speed you choose will either blur or freeze the water's motion, and a large aperture will separate the rain from the rest of the picture.

If fortune smiles on you, the moment just *after* a rainfall is wonderful, imbued with rich colors, gorgeous reflections, and maybe even a rainbow if you're really lucky. The drops lingering on flowers and leaves make great macro shot opportunities.

Officers and Board Members for 2016-2017

Board year is April 1 - March 31

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