



The Viewpoint

November 2014



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PACT Schedule and Events

Please check our updated Schedule on www.toledophotoartsclub.com.

- **Educational Meeting** (1st Thursday of the month)
- **Board Meetings** (2nd Thursday of the Month)
- **Photo Contest** (Third Thursday of the Month)
- **Critique Group** (4th Tuesday of the Month) Diane Lewis
- **Photoshop Elements Group** (1st Monday of the Month) Steve Stalker
- **Studio Group** (2nd Saturday of the Month) John Dillon
- **Lightroom Group** (3rd Monday of the month) Charlie Mather
- **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 that the 2 monthly general meetings are in the Conference Center and special interest groups meet in the clubhouse.

This month events:

- November 3 - Photoshop Elements Group - 7:00 clubhouse
- November 6 - Water Drop photography - 7:00 Conference Center
- November 8 - Studio group - 10:00-Noon - clubhouse
- November 13 - Board meeting 7:00 clubhouse - all welcome
- November 17 - Lightroom Group - 7:00 clubhouse

November 20 - Contest night - Digital - 7:00 Conference Center - see category below

November 25 - Critique group - 7:00 clubhouse

December 1 - Deadline for submitting Holiday Potluck photos

Note: Due to Heralding the Holidays, the December first Thursday meeting and second Thursday board meeting dates are swapped.

Monthly contest categories

November "Color" - digital

December - No contest - Christmas Potluck presentation

January - "Black and White" - Print

February - "Broken" - digital

March - "Clocks" - digital

October Monthly contest results

Assignment:

1st place: "Bee From Behind" by Chris Holliday

2nd place: "The Same But Different" by Diane Lewis

3rd place tie: "6x6+1" by Tony Kirk

3rd place tie: "Field Corn" by Jim Hagan

Open Division:

1st place: "Foggy Morning" by Mike Walls

2nd place: "At the Grain Elevator" by Jim Hagan

3rd place: "Mr. Blue" by Cathy Douglas

Special Interest Groups

The Lightroom Group meets on the 3rd Monday of each month (except during the summer) at the Club House from 7pm to 9pm.

The group is open to all members interested in learning more about this photo workflow and post-processing software from Adobe.

Laptops are welcome, but not necessary at the meetings. We will be concentrating mostly on the "Library" and "Develop" modules.

Folks attending vary from those with no hands-on experience to those with several years of use. The intent is to expose those with no experience to the software's basics and to have the experienced attendees share their best practices. We are still working on how to strike that balance.

In November we will be meeting on Monday, 11/17

The Critique Group is an informal group that (usually) meets the fourth Tuesday of the month from 7-9 pm at the clubhouse. The group provides an opportunity for people to get feedback and discuss their images in a supportive, constructive, positive environment. PACT members are invited to bring 2-4 images on a flash drive, CD, or in print form. Images are projected on a screen and everyone present offers feedback. This is not the setting to bring your most fabulous, “publication ready” images, but rather those images that you’d like some help with: they don’t quite work and you’re not sure why or you’ve edited several versions and you’d like feedback on which works best. Some people choose to bring in images they’re preparing for competition. Club members, especially newer photographers, may find the idea of having their pictures “critiqued” intimidating, but those who take the plunge and attend one of our meetings typically find it to be helpful, thought-provoking, and not nearly as intimidating as they feared!

Attendees are always welcome to bring whatever images they choose, but we do sometimes issue a challenge to give individuals some inspiration to go shooting. Most recent challenges included “bokeh” and “backlight.” No rules (other than family friendly), no restrictions, just whatever images the challenge inspires. The November meeting, on the 25th, will be our last of the calendar year, since we won’t be meeting in December. There is no specific challenge, but people who attend will be invited to bring some of their favorite images from the year. Again, maybe these aren’t “prize worthy” pictures, but just the ones for which you have a particular fondness or attachment.

Meetings are facilitated by Diane Lewis, but feedback is offered by everyone present. Diane, while happy to answer questions from anyone considering going, is by no means the final arbiter of all things photographic. This is a group effort, with everyone learning from each other. Come join us!

The Photoshop Elements Group meets on the 1st Monday of each month (except during the summer) at the Club House from 7pm to 9pm. The group is open to all members interested in learning more about this software.

Laptops are welcome, but not necessary at the meetings.

Most topics covered apply to Photoshop as well as Photoshop Elements. Novembers' meeting will be covering selection/masking. If you have a difficult photo (trees, hair, etc) that you would like to have processed, bring it on a thumb drive.

In November we will be meeting on Monday, 11/3

Improve Your Photography class dates set

If you want to go beyond shooting snapshots and start creating photographs, this seminar is for you. The classes are geared toward digital cameras although the majority of the information applies to film as well. Appropriate cameras include Digital SLR's and point and shoot cameras that have the capability of non-automatic modes (manual, shutter priority and aperture priority).

Classes are held on 6 Tuesdays beginning January 13, 2015 from 7:00 – 9:00 pm

Classes are held at

Toledo Botanical Garden Conference Center
5403 Elmer Drive. Toledo, Oh 43615

Note: Camera and manual are recommended for all sessions.

If Toledo or Lucas County issues a Level 1, 2 or 3 snow emergency, class will be postponed and remaining classes will be shifted one week.

Brochure/application should be posted on the website by Oct. 15
Class size is limited

Christmas Potluck slide show

Holiday Potluck Slideshow

It is that time of year again as we get ready for the Holiday Potluck in December. All club members are encouraged to submit up to 15 photos to be included in the slideshow.

Photos should follow the club's rules for digital contests:

- Jpeg format (either .jpeg or .jpg)
- 1080 pixels on the long edge
- 72 dpi resolution
- Named with initials followed with title, i.e., "CEM – A Lovely Bunch of Coconuts.jpg"

Photos should be emailed to the following email address no later than December 1st, 2014: potluckpics@toast2.net

All of these photos by default will be available in a DVD after the potluck. If you wish to exclude your photos from the distributed DVD, please specify when submitting the photos

PACT Roster Updates

Renewals

None reported

New Membership

None reported

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.

Books for sale by Chris Holliday, asking \$5 each. If somebody wants to call about them, my phone number is 419-389-7313.

1. *PHOTOGRAPHY* (7th edition) by Barbara London, John Upton, Ken Kobre, Betsy Brill
2. *35 mm Handbook* by Michael Langford
3. *Encyclopedia of Digital Photography* by Tim Daly
4. *Mastering Digital Photography* by David D. Busch
5. *The Art of Black and White Photography* by Lee Frost
6. *The Book of Photography* by John Hedgecoe
7. *Photography for Dummies* by Russell Hart
8. *The Photographer's Manual* by John Freeman
9. *Digital Stock Photography* by Michal Heron
10. *35mm Photography* by John Hedgecoe
11. *Understanding Exposure* (Revised Edition) by Bryan Peterson
12. *Black and White Photography: Manifest Visions: An International Collection* by James Luciana
13. *Digital Photography for Seniors for the over 50's* by Nick Vandome
14. *Sellphotos.com* by Rohn Engh
15. *50 Fast Digital Photo Techniques with Photoshop Elements 3* by Gregory Georges
16. *Photographer's Market 2006* by Donna Poehner, Editor

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.

Ink Jet Cartridges

From Larry Shuman:

Here is the address for John Cone inks. I am converting my Epson Stylus Pro 4000 over to John Cone Ink. I'll be dropping my 220 cart costs from between \$79-\$120 to \$45. inkjetmall.com

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