



The Viewpoint

November 2017



Ben Anderson

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) Todd Grinonneau todd.grinonneau@promedica.org
- **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. Please RSVP to the facilitator.

For those that have not attended any of our special interest groups, now would be a good time to check it out. Our special interest groups are a great benefit of club membership. You don't know what you are missing unless you check them out.

This month's events:

November 6: Elements Group – 7:00 Clubhouse
November 2: Education Night - 7:00 Conference Center – Off camera flash
November 9: Board meeting - 7:00 Clubhouse
November 11: Studio Group – 10:00 a.m. Clubhouse
November 20: Lightroom Group – 7:00 Clubhouse
November 16: Contest night - 7:00 Clubhouse
November 28: Critique Group -7:00 Clubhouse

November 2 Education night

Ever want to better understand your off camera flash? Join us on Thursday, November 2 at 7pm in the Garden Conference Center. Pro photographer/instructor Jeff Hall will demonstrate and offer hands on learning to help better understand the buttons on your off camera flash. Bring your Speedlite or flash compatible to your camera. Make sure your batteries are charged. A model will be provided for demonstration purposes and learning. This is a free educational night.

Jeff is very enthusiastic about all types of photography. He is owner of Jeffrey Hall Photography for over 25 years. He started shooting sports for the Sentinel- Tribune in Bowling Green when he was a senior in high school. He served as the chief photographer for two years after graduating from BGSU in Visual Communication Technology. He then became the university photographer at BGSU. During this time,

he began teaching VST program. He is currently a Senior Lecturer and Photo Track leader in the VCT Program. Jeff is a member of Professional Photographers of America and Student Photographic Society. He is also a member of the Professional Photographers Society of Ohio, and invitation only group of photographers from the state.

Jeff's personal interests include travel, sport & portrait photography. He is currently working on a project with the Wood County Historical Society in which he is documenting all the County Poor Farm Sites in the state- all 88 of them. This will be an exhibit at the Wood County Historical Museum in 2019.- celebrating 150th anniversary of the Wood County Poor Farm. It will also be a traveling exhibit, as well as a book with additional information and photographs from each county.

Heralding the Holidays

Heralding the Holidays will be put on this year by the resident organizations of TBG. The Gardens will have no part in the planning or operation of the event. Please watch for emails regarding HTH. The event will only be as successful and what we put into it. **Wennie is looking for volunteers for the event. Without volunteers, our clubhouse may be closed during the event.**

Note for group/event leaders

The PACT member in charge of an event or special interest group needs to call the ranger to let them know of their times in & out for their class. The new policy indicates we need to make two phone calls to make sure the Metropark staff is aware of our meeting. First, call customer service staff at 419-407-9710. I would guess that any time during normal business hours would suffice. Second, call the Wildwood/TBG ranger at 419-270-7500 thirty minutes prior to the meeting. This appears to be an evolving policy so stay tuned.

Elements Group

This month we will be covering editing using your photos. Bring them in on a thumb drive and I will cover the tools I would use and how I use them.

Studio Group

Don't fear the flash!

Come join us on Saturday November 11th at 10am in the club house.

We will be learning about on camera flash through discussion, interaction and practice.

Plan on using your flash inside and outdoors if the weather cooperates.

Please bring your camera, flash and manuals for both. I will have a Canon and Yongnuo flash for you to use.

Critique Group

In addition to looking at pictures from four members, in October's meeting we reviewed info from another photography club about critiquing photographs - our own as well as others'. Not only do we need to look at composition, technical aspects and artistic impact, as we do in our own club judging, but originality, use of color, lighting and storytelling can also be considered. In our next meeting, we'll continue to explore these ideas, as well as continue the debate on whether we take pictures to please ourselves or with a different audience in mind.

Lightroom Group

On November 20th, we'll be discussing the recent changes made to the Adobe Creative Cloud Photography program. Lightroom has been rebranded to "Lightroom Classic CC" and a new cloud-only based program has been introduced called "Lightroom CC". This has resulted in confusion. Which to use? What is the future of the desktop version? Should I upgrade?"

Toledo Botanical Garden under new management in July

Two summary documents are posted on the PACT website.

Monthly contest categories – Digital unless otherwise noted

Nov.....Have a Seat

Dec.....no contest

October PACT Level Winners

October Assignment "Dead Tree(s)"

Beginners: no entries

Intermediate: 1st place "Dead Tree - Au Train Falls" by Cindy Buckley

2nd place "I'm Still Standing" by Wennie Anderson

3rd place "Dead Tree" by Wennie Anderson

H.M. "Dead Tree" by Dennis Herbster

Advanced: 1st place "Silver Lake Dunes" by Jim Hagan

2nd place tie "Along the Bank" by Jerry Lohman

" Grand Canyon Overlook" by Jim Hagan

3rd place "Sand Dunes Driftwood" by Jim Hagan

H.M. "King of the Mountain" by Ben Anderson

Open Division:

Beginners: no entries

Intermediate: 1st place "Cat Eyes" by Cindy White

2nd place "Ballet on the Rooftops of Detroit" by Cindy White

3rd place "Wheels" by Wennie Anderson

H.M. "Red Tailed Hawk" by Cindy White

Advanced: 1st place "Golden Eagle" by Terry Lewis
2nd place tie "Gothic Room" by Anna Koperczak
 "At the Spot" by Jerry Lohman
3rd place tie "Morning Moose" by Diane Lewis
 "Immature Bald Eagle" by Terry Lewis
H.M. "High Spirits" by Diane Lewis

PACT Roster Updates

Renewals:

Ben Anderson
Wennie Anderson
Todd Grinonneau
Ruth Rittichier
Jinny Corthell
Dale Bockbrader
Margie Langenderfer
Mickey Ross

New Members:

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.

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