

Focal Plane

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Changing of the Guard

President's Final Message

Another season of the Ridgewood Camera Club has come to a close. The time went by very fast and it certainly was an eventful and historic year. During the previous season, members had noticed the rapid transition from film photography to digital, and steps were taken to keep RCC up with the times. A laptop computer and a digital projector were purchased, and our first combined slide and digital image competition was held in November. It was well received, and the rest of our slide competitions were conducted using the combined format. Next year Ridgewood will host the first New Jersey Federation of Camera Clubs combined competition.

Ridgewood was also very successful in outside competitions. Both slide and print entries in the NJFCC competitions received many ribbons and medals. Ridgewood also won back the Tri Club trophy.

The strength of this club lies with the Executive Committee. The hard work of its members makes the president's job easy and enjoyable. I offer my sincere thanks to them for their dedication and to all of the membership for your participation and support.

Have a great summer!

Marie

From the Editor

Another camera club season is coming to an end.

We had our very first digital competitions and very successful at that. The handwriting was on the wall that it would happen but nobody really expected that our members would embrace the new media with such enthusiasm. We have to thank Vinnie Kempf for his technical expertise and guidance to get this project off and running.

This is the last issue of the season, the huge printing presses at The Focal Plane will be idle for two months, the halls will be empty and nobody will be at the water cooler. The mail room will be open in case somebody wants to write to us.

Do you believe all that?

Dieter

We are having a Picnic!

THE DATE: Saturday July 30 at 11 am
Rain date July 31

PLACE: Garbeck's Backyard
Socialize, eat & swim

EVERYONE: bring something to share.
Beverages will be provided

PS: The Garbecks have a very friendly dog.
They ask please refrain from smoking on the premises.
Other vices may be encouraged.

That sounds interesting.

"A-Group Score Records"

After 18 years as one of the Competition Secretaries, I am quitting that job to leave more time for traveling.

I have a large number of record cards that list RCC members' individual A-group slide scores and cumulative scores going back to the 1980's.

I am turning over to Helen Chakarian the record cards for the past 3 club seasons. All the rest will be thrown out, unless individual competitors want to save theirs. If you want your record cards, please let me know by phone or email, and make arrangements to pick them up at my house within a week after publication of this issue of the Focal Plane. Unless claimed before the end of that time period, they will be gone forever.

Florence Kantor

Slide Presentation.

By Chick Chakarian at the Ridgewood Library on Maple Avenue on June 15, at 1 pm. The title is "Escalante/ Nova Scotia" It will be presented with music and recorded commentary.

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We meet on the 2nd, 3rd & 4th Wednesday of the month at 8:00 pm
The Woman's Club of Wyckoff, 176 Wyckoff Ave. Wyckoff, NJ
Guests are always welcome at regular meetings

Our Flower Workshop



Location



Strange setup



Picture in a Box



The Assistants

AWARDS PRESENTED AT The ANNUAL DINNER: 2004 –2005**Special Activities Awards: MEDAL Points**

Based on a grand total of scores of members entering all competitions!

CLASS A:

V. Kempf	John Dredger Award		Gold	284
M. Forrest	Ara M. Chakarian Award		Silver	280
T. Vari	Third Place Award		Gold Ribbon	270
T. Spector	4th Place Award		Blue "	267
M. Kane	5th Place	Tie	Blue "	266
D. O'Malley	5th Place	Tie	Blue "	266
P. O'Malley	6th Place		Blue "	265
R. Gheno	7th Place		Blue "	254
A. Parseghian	8th Place		Blue "	241
A. Gunther	9th Place		Blue "	237

CLASS B:

C. La Placa-Post	John Dredger Award		Gold	247
J. Placer	2nd Place Award		Silver	239

PICTORIAL COMPETITION - CLASS A:

D. O'Malley	Hale Williamson Award		Gold	97
M. Forrest	2nd Place Award	Tie	Silver	95
V. Kempf	2nd Place Award	Tie	Silver	95
M. Kane	3rd Place		Gold Ribbon	91

PICTORIAL COMPETITION - CLASS B:

C. La Placa-Post	Ed Hansbury Award		Gold	92
N. Merena	2nd Place Award		Silver	84
J. Placer	3rd Place Award		Gold Ribbon	82

NATURE COMPETITION:

P. O'Malley	Kenneth McDowell Award		Gold	95
M. Forrest	2nd Place Award	Tie	Silver	94
V. Kempf	2nd Place Award	Tie	Silver	94
D. Goodell	3rd Place Award	Tie	Gold Ribbon	93
M. Kane	3rd Place Award	Tie	Gold Ribbon	93

NATURE - TOP SCORER - CLASS B:

J. Placer			Gold Ribbon	80
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ASSIGNED SUBJECTS:

V. Kempf	Lee Meyer Award		Gold	95
M. Forrest	2nd Place Award		Silver	91
T. Vari	3rd Place Award		Gold Ribbon	90

ASSIGNED SUBJECTS - TOP SCORER - CLASS B:

C. La Placa-Post	Gold Ribbon	79
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PRINTS:**Black & White by Maker - Class A:**

D. O'Malley	Fred Frankle Award	Gold	96
R. Gheno	2nd Place Award	Silver	91
P. O'Malley	3rd Place Award	Gold Ribbon	90

Color By Maker - Class A:

R. Gheno	First Place Award	Gold	95
J. Fornarotto	2nd Place Award	Tie Silver	94
P. O'Malley	2nd Place Award	Tie Silver	94
F. Helfst	3rd Place Award	Gold Ribbon	92
M. Molino	4th Place Award	Tie Blue Ribbon	90
D. O'Malley	4th Place Award	Tie Blue Ribbon	90
B. Bain	5th Place Award	Blue Ribbon	87
C. Fox	6th Place Award	Blue Ribbon	86

Black & White by Maker - Class B:

F. Lopez	First Place Award	Gold	83
J. Placer	2nd Place Award	Silver	81

Color by Maker - Class B:

M. Forrest	First Place Award	Gold	94
J. Levine	2nd Place Award	Tie Silver	87
A. Parseghian	2nd Place Award	Tie Silver	87
J. Placer	3rd Place Award	Gold Ribbon	83
F. Lopez	4th Place Award	Blue Ribbon	78

Trade:

A. Parseghian	First Place Award	Gold	94
T. Spector	2nd Place Award	Silver	92
D. O'Malley	3rd Place Award	Blue Ribbon	85
A. Chakarian	4th Place Award	Blue Ribbon	83
A. Gunther	5th Place Award	Blue Ribbon	82
J. Fatuzzo	6th Place Award	Tie Blue Ribbon	79
F. Lopez	6th Place Award	Tie Blue Ribbon	79
V. Nazzaro	7th Place Award	Blue Ribbon	78

PROMOTIONS FROM CLASS B TO CLASS A - "SLIDES"

Camille La Placa-Post

Nancy Merena

PRINT PROMOTIONS: FROM CLASS B TO CLASS A

M. Forrest

J. Levine

A. Parseghian

Results of the Annual Competition

Pictorial

Honorable Mentions

Sunlit Aspen on the Sneffle Range.....	T. Spector
Portland Head Light.....	T. Vari
Old Patriarch	J. Fornarotto
Maroon Bells, Colorado.....	T. Spector
Oriental Poppy	D. O'Malley
Salmon Rose	M. Kane
Blue Bellied Roller	M. Kane
Morning with Cranes and Eagles.....	D. Goodell
Arden Falls.....	J. Fornarotto
Rainbow Balloon	M. Forrest
NYC Museum	V. Kempf
Reggie	P. O'Malley
Hibiscus in Burano.....	C. Laplaca-Post
Pink Columbine and Bud.....	D. O'Malley



Merit Awards

Totem Pole Morning	T. Vari
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The Winner

Coming in for a Landing.....	M. Kane
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Nature

Honorable Mentions

Great Blue Heron Wading	P. O'Malley
European Eagle Owl	M. Forrest
One Last Push	R. Gheno
Green Heron.....	P. O'Malley
Cheetahs.....	V. Kempf
Friends.....	V. Kempf
Hmmm	S. Szostak
Daisy Duck.....	M. Molino

The Winner

The Totem Poles& the Yebichai.....	T. Spector
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Annual Print Competition

Black and White

Honorable Mentions

Joseph.....	R. Gheno
Rope Splice Detail	C. Gottlieb
Stony Creek in Harriman	P. O'Malley
Turtle Close-up	D. O'Malley
Coxcomb	R. Gheno

The Winner

Tracey with Hat.....	P. O'Malley
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Color by Maker

Honorable Mentions

Mountain Laurel #1.....	R. Gheno
Young Male Lion.....	J. Fornarotto
Bald Eagle.....	D. O'Malley
Bleeding Hearts.....	A. Gunther
Ridges at Grand Canyon	B. Bain
Flapping Goose	P. O'Malley
Autumn Vine & Fence	R. Gheno

Merit Awards

Morning Stars.....	D. Goodell
Lilac Breasted Rollers.....	V. Kempf
Meadowlark #2	J. Fornarotto
Cheetah	V. Kempf



The Winner

Ducks in Formation.....	P. O'Malley
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Trade Prints

Honorable Mentions

Header	C. Gottlieb
Pretty Little Face.....	C. Chakarian
Ear of the Wind.....	T. Spector
Alexis	F. Lopez
Autumn at Ken Lockwood Gorge NJ	T. Spector
Ruddy Joe.....	C. Chakarian

The Winner

Pink Tulip Trio.....	D. O'Malley
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Assigned Subjects for the 2005/2006 season

There will be only two this season to allow more time for other subjects.

1. Fruit and Vegetables

2. Fog



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