



Ridgewood Camera Club

Focal Plane

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RIDGEWOOD CAMERA CLUB MEETINGS

Are held on the 2nd, 3rd and 4th Wednesdays of the month at 8:00 p.m.
The Woman's Club of Wyckoff, 176 Wyckoff Avenue, Wyckoff, NJ
Guests are always welcome at regular meetings.



December Calendar

- Dec.5 Executive Meeting—Host: Marie Kane
- 12 Assigned Subject “The Color Red” & Print Competitions Judge: Marian Boyer
- 19 Holiday Party—at the home of Alyce & Ed Parseghian
- 26 No Meeting—Holiday Break

Saturday December 15th :

N.Y.C Christmas Spectacular!

Join us on a photographic tour of mid-town Manhattan amidst the hustle and bustle of the Yuletide season featuring a walk through the Rockefeller Center area. Photographic subjects may include art deco architecture, the statues of Atlas and Prometheus, the skating rink (nice action shots), holiday lighting and decorations and let's not forget the Rockefeller Center Christmas tree!

Due to the crowded conditions expected at this time of year, we are planning to meet at the ticket house at Port Imperial in Weehawken and take the ferry across to mid-town. Meeting time will be at 12 Noon just inside the door of the ticket office. Round trip and parking cost will be approximately \$16.00, \$6.00 to park and \$10.00 round trip ticket (which is a lot better than trying to find parking in NYC!). Free buses are available on the New York side for transport to and from the Rockefeller Center area. **(Please note:** It is recommended that you pre-pay your parking charge at the ticket house to facilitate exiting the facility on your return trip.)

The plan for the day is to wander the Rockefeller Center area for some daylight holiday pictures and to stay on through sundown and twilight for some ambient light and night photography. Bring only what you can comfortably carry. We recommend a wide angle to normal lens, a medium telephoto lens and high speed (200-400 ASA or better) film. Tripods are not recommended due to the crowded conditions and transportation considerations. If you own a mono-pod you may consider bringing that.

Directions to ferry: Take NJ Route 4 East to Palisades Parkway/Fort Lee exit. Exit onto Bridge Plaza South (stay to the right). Continue east on Bridge Plaza South until it “T” intersects with River Rd. Turn right and follow River Road south to Weehawken. Ferry terminal will be on your left. Park your car and meet at the ticket office. **Contact:** Rich Gheno at 201-342-7657 (Home) or 201-694-5856 (Cell Phone).

WORKSHOP: December 7 (Friday evening at 7:45)

Close-up Nature Photography given by Stanley Kantor. The workshop will be hosted by Stanley & Florence Kantor.

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Club Officers

President	Alice Gunther
Vice President	John Fatuzzo
Recording Secretary	Marie Kelleher
Competition Secretary	Helen Chakarian
Competition Secretary	Florence Kantor
Treasurer	Harry Becker

Awards

Yellow Water Lily
Day Flower
Forest Fungi

J. Schilling
D. Steinmeyer
J. Demkow

Zoological

Honorable Mentions

Goffle Brook Goose
Red Fox #3
Reclusive Copperhead
Elephant Seal
Laughing Gull #1
Gentoo Penguin
Polly
Tri Color Heron Portrait #2
Rockhopper Portrait
Lion With Kill
Julia Frittillary
Giraffe
Bald Eagle

J. Maene
V. Kempf
A. Simpson
F. Kantor
P. O'Malley
V. Kempf
M. Coe
S. Kantor
A. Parseghian
M. Kane
D. Friedman
J. Becker
F. Kantor

Nature Competition

November 14, 2001

General

Honorable Mentions

Sea Lion Beach Scene	A. Parseghian
Skyline Stretch	B. Curran
Harriman Stream	R. Gheno
Curves in Zion	T. Vari
Afternoon Reflections	K. Degelman
Windows to Turret Arch	T. Vari

Awards

Thor's Hammer	B. Curran
Monument Valley	F. Kantor
The Sentinel	T. Vari

Botanical

Honorable Mentions

Columbine #6	V. Kempf
Mushrooms	B. Bader
Bull Thistle	D. O'Malley
Maple Leaf Close Up	M. Coe
Pitcher Plant	D. Steinmeyer
Pasque Flower	D. Steinmeyer
Nature's Tripod	J. Demkow

Awards

Cattle Egret in Flight
Ice Cold
Great Southern White Butterfly
Green Backed Heron in Water Lettuce
American Toads
Little Blue Heron Fishing
Half Way Out

S. Kantor
W. Fox
P. O'Malley
M. Kane
A. Simpson
S. Kantor
R. Gheno



For Sale

Harry Becker (973) 702-8039) has the following equipment for sale: Canon Elan II—Canon 28-105 3.5-4.5—Canon 100-300 4.5-5.6 and Canon Strobe380 EX \$475.

Gwenn Levine (gwennkarel@att.net) is selling two wide angle lenses, both in great condition as follows: 1.) Nikon 24-50 mm B&H Price \$320 Gwenn's price \$230. @.) Sigma 21-35 mm for Nikon body. B&H estimates value as \$100 Gwenn's price \$100.

Let Gwenn know if you'd like her to bring a lens to an RCC meeting so you can examine it and/or buy it.

S L I D E S C O R E S	CLASS A	P	A	N	TOTAL
	S. Kantor	48	23	50	121*
F. Kantor	46	21	51	118*	
R. Gheno	49	21	47	117*	
M. Kane	47	20	47	114*	
V. Kempf	43	21	48	112*	
T. Vari	40	23	45	108*	
A. Parseghian	45	20	41	106*	
J. Becker	40	23	42	105*	
A. Simpson	38	19	45	102*	
A. Gunther	45	19	37	101*	
H. Becker	42	19	37	98*	
P. Minnich	42	17	39	98*	
K. Degelman	38	22	37	97*	
D. Hoffman	44	16	37	97*	
T. Spector	37	18	42	97*	
G. Levine	40	16	37	93*	
M. Kelleher	36	18	33	87*	
B. Bain	45	6	35	86	
D. Friedman	42	20	22	84	
M. Molino	42	18	18	78	
M. Coe	23	22	21	66	
D. Steinmeyer	18	18	25	61	
A. Chakarian	42	17		59	
C. Hjelm	38	20		58	
F. Alam	37		18	55	
B. Albert	21			21	
L. Vinecour			21	21	
B. Ullman	18			18	
	CLASS B				
B. Bader	45	16	38	99*	
P. O'Malley	40	18	40	98*	
A. Kapoian	36	20	36	92*	
E. Glass	38	19	33	90*	
D. O'Malley	39	15	36	90*	
J. Fatuzzo	38	20	31	89*	
B. Curran	44		44	88	
S. Perry	38	17	33	88*	
C. LaPlaca-Post	35	17	35	87*	
M. Badala	33	17	36	86*	
D. Ugenti	36	12	34	82	
P. Glass	16	17	33	66	
W. Fox	29		32	61	
J. Demkow	15		38	53	
A. Miller	16	17	16	49	
L. Lembo	18		17	35	
J. Maene	18	7	8	33	
D. O'Beirne	15	11		26	
D. Goodell			24	24	
R. MacLeay			18	18	
J. Schilling			9	9	

*Entered 3 slides in all competitions

P R I N T S C O R E S

BLACK & WHITE:

M. Molino	25*
R. Gheno	20*
P. O'Malley	20*
D. O'Malley	17*
J. Schilling	17*
A. Kapoian	6

*Entered 3 prints in all competitions

COLOR BY MAKER:

M. Molino	24*
V. Kempf	23*
D. O'Malley	22*
J. Schilling	20*
B. Bain	19*
W. Fox	19*
P. O'Malley	19*
B. Winston	18*
R. MacLeay	6

*Entered 3 prints in each competition

TRADE:

A. Parseghian	17*
B. Bader	15*
A. Gunther	14*
M. Kelleher	14*
S. Perry	14*
A. Chakarian	13*
A. Kapoian	13*
G. Levine	13*
P. O'Malley	13*
D. O'Malley	12*
R. A. Simpson	12*
J. Fatuzzo	10*

*Entered 2 prints in each competition

Welcome New Members

Stuart M. Alpart
Fair Lawn, NJ

Michael Pizza
River Edge, NJ

Stephen Miller
Ridgewood, NJ

NJFCC Salon**Marie Kane**

Following are the results of recent New Jersey Federation of Camera Club slide competitions.

Tops in New JerseyRunner-Up Medal:

Stanley Kantor..... “Water Lily No. 5”

Merit Award:

Marie Kane..... “Black Light and Lace”

HM’s:

Joan Becker..... “Old Barn in the Tetons”

Chick Chakarian..... “Rocky Coast Sentinel”

Gwenn Levine..... “Millenium Fireworks, NYC”

Fall Nature

Florence Kantor..... “Double Crested Cormorant Swimming”

Stanley Kantor..... “Calf Creek Falls #2”

Stanley Kantor..... “Snowy Egret about to Land”

Paul Minnich..... “Genus Araneus with Pumpkin Beetle”

R. Allen Simpson..... “Common Split Gill Fungus”

Joan Becker..... “Cooling Off”

Douglas Goodell..... “Clemoe Calls – Red Throated Hummingbird”

Marie Kane..... “Lion with Cape Buffalo Kill”

Marie Kane..... “Common Squacco Heron”

Marie Kane..... “Impala Portrait”

PSA COMPETITIONS October, 2001**by Marianne Badala****PICTORIAL**

Gosen Trotter	Vinnie Kempf	10
Sundown	Maggie Molino	13
Red Barn, Kent, CT	Rich Gheno	11
... By Any Other Name	Rich Gheno	13
Jet Boat Flying	Alyce Parseghian	11
Painted Rocks Waterfall	Marianne Badala	11

CREATIVE

A Deadly Brew	Rich Gheno	10
The Paris Café	Vinnie Kempf	10 HM
Sparkling Night	Alice Gunther	11 HM
Poppy	Vinnie Kempf	11 HM
See, Hear and Speak No Evil	Robert Bader	9
Shimmering Lights	Robert Bader	9

NATURE

Great Blue Heron Portrait	Rich Gheno	14 HM
Baby Blue Jay	Maggie Molino	14 HM
Maligne Lake—Jasper	Larry Vincour	12
Confrontation	Alice Gunther	11
Black Browed Albatross	Vinnie Kempf	14 HM
Cicada Emergent	Rich Gheno	13

“Ridgewoodcameraclub.org”

By Vinnie Kempf

This article about our new website at ridgewoodcameraclub.org is mainly for people that have not received any Email notices about the new site but others should peruse it too since it contains some new information. If you did not receive any Email about the site and you have Email service it means that we do not have your address. If so would you please send us an Email with your Name and Email address to webmaster@ridgewoodcameraclub.org.

When your Email address is received we will add it to our database and send you a reply giving you the User Name and Password needed to enter the Members Only section of the website. The reason that we send you the User Name and Password by Email rather than publishing it in the Focal Plane is that we want to protect the privacy of our member's personal data. Once in the Members Only pages you can check your address, phone number and Email address and if incorrect simply fill out the changed items on the Update Contact Info form and we will work all the update magic for you. While in the form you will also be asked how you want the Focal Plane delivered and if you want your personal contact information posted in the Members Only section (only members can see those pages).

If you have not visited the website enjoy exploring it. It is packed full with useful and topical information. You can at last find information to contact your fellow RCCers. If you are doing digital manipulations we have started a whole new section for you. The “Digital Gang” will even answer your questions.

We would also like to know if you want to receive your monthly Focal Plane via the web rather than by mail. Go to the Focal Plane page to obtain your copy. You will need Adobe Acrobat Reader on your machine but we made that easy for you to obtain. Simply click on the Adobe icon on any of the pages requiring it and follow the download and install prompts, it is easy and free. If you have any difficulty obtaining your Focal Plane copy contact: webmaster@ridgewoodcameraclub.org. and he will assist you. If you would like to obtain the Focal Plane by picking it up from the web please use the Update Contact Info page on the web and select the Web delivery option on the form.

The benefits to you are:

- 1) You get the Focal Plane earlier.
- 2) You no longer have to file it away. The intention is to keep a catalog of all future issues on the web. If you ever need an old copy simply go to the Web library. You can sit in your jammies in a warm house with a blizzard raging outside and get to the library on the website.
- 3) Your copy is safer. It does not come to you through Anthrax infected facilities.
- 4) If you are traveling, have a portable PC or can find an Internet Café, you can receive your copy and stay in touch.

You would help the club by:

- 1) Allowing future issues to be in color for things like images. You can print them of course in color or black and white.

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2) Allow more information to be published if desired. Today we are bound by very heavy printing costs and this keeps the publication most times to 4 pages.

3) The printing of the Focal Plane is our second largest expense after the rent. Today we spend approximately \$1200.00 per year printing and mailing the Focal Plane. If we get half of the active members to use Web delivery we would have \$600.00 per year for other things. We can use that money for new services or keeping Dues at their current level longer.

If you elect Web delivery we will send you an Email each month informing you that the new issue is on the site ready for you.

If you have an Image you would like to have put in the Photo Gallery of our website, you may send it to webmaster@ridgewoodcameraclub.org. The image should be sized to 5 x 7 inches at 72 DPI and preferably GIF format although a JPEG would be acceptable.

If you would like to see any new features or information posted on the site please let us know, by using the Feedback page on the website.

Maggie Magee Molino's Photography to be on Exhibit at Pro-Set

An Exhibit of Maggie's photographs will be on display at Pro-Set, 1231 McBride Avenue, W. Paterson throughout the month of January 2002. Pro-Set is open weekdays from 8 a.m. – 6 p.m. and until 8 p.m. on Thursday evenings.

January 2002 Schedule

- Jan. 2 Executive Committee – Host: Maggie Molino
- 9 Nature Competition—Judge: Dr. Phil Echo
- 16 Pictorial Competition—Judge: Simon Leventhal
- 23 "All Print" Competition—Judge: Joseph Thomas
- 26 Saturday—Ridgewood International Competition
- 30 Program—"Photographing People and the World as I See It" by
Gil Lopez Espina



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