

# Camera Club Newsletter

September 2005

Volume #303  
Our 30th Year

*People with an Interest in the Art of Photography*

Meetings held the First Tuesday of the Month, 7:00 pm, Room 106  
at the Menomonee Falls Community Center, Phone 262-255-8460

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Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 6th. Our program this month will be the critique of images from our "Summer Assignment" mailed to us in July. There will be 3 photographers doing the critiquing.

The assignment was to interpret the theme and bring in your best 2 shots in each of the 5 categories below. The images can be prints, slides, or digital images. (Digital images should be jpeg 8X10 100dpi.)

**Categories:**

- Patterns of Nature
- Panning

- Sports
- Modes of Transportation
- Open

**Please remember to bring your images to this meeting for evaluation.**

We will be asking for the 5 images you want evaluated first. Then, if there is time, we will continue on to the remainder of the images.

This is the best way for us all to become better at our art.



On September 17th, we will be having a field trip to Richfield to view a display of old-time vehicles and farm equipment. This is a great chance to get a head-start of some images for our "Modes of Transportation" club slide show for next July. There will be handouts at the September meeting.

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- Sweet: Nancy Graf & Sande Berg
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**A Special Thanks to:**

Jyoti Sengupta, who did a great job as Club President last year.

Please see his letter to all of us in this month's "Odds & Ends"

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## October Meeting

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We will also be going on a field

trip to our Milwaukee Zoo on Saturday, October 1st. There will be information handouts at our September meeting. If you need any additional information, please contact Steve Haynes, who is coordinating this field trip.

And for those of you who may be wondering why we haven't asked you to bring slides for the annual PSA Region 21 Showcase, we have decided not to participate this year. This is the competition

where we select 7 images from our club, usually at the Sept meeting, and then judge images from all competing clubs in December. Your evaluations told us that we could make better use of these 2 meetings.



## The Year at a Glance

Your club board and officers met in August and set up the following schedule for meetings for this next year. We may need to make some changes as the year goes on, depending on speaker availability and other opportunities that may arise.

Nov 1, 2005: A DVD instructional video titled "How to Show your Photos Like a Pro"

Dec 6, 2005: We are looking for an outside speaker who could tell us about black & white photography. (For those who are interested, there is a hands-on class at WCTC: 203-609 B&W Photography & Darkroom. This class meets Mondays from 6:30-8:50pm from 10/3/05 through 11/21/05. Call 252-691-5578 to register.) Also print selection for January library exhibit.

Jan 3, 2006: Our annual Tabletop photography workshop. Always a favorite of our members.

Feb 7, 2006: Critique of images from our Zoo & Richfield field trips, tabletop workshop and general B&W images.

Mar 7, 2006: Macro & Close-up Photography

Apr 4, 2006: To be announced

Spring "Day in the Life of Menomonee Falls" - April or May

May 2, 2006: Lighting and posing for portraits

Jun 6, 2006: Model Shoot at Klugs Photo World.

Jul 11, 2006: Election of Officers for 2005-06. Club Slide Show—Modes of Transportation. Annual "Ice Cream Social". Print selection for August library exhibit.

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## Of Photographic Interest?

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Sept 1—Oct 31, 2005: Adell Corn Maze, Pumpkins & Llama tours. 920-994-9294

Sept 3-4, 2005: Eagle Civil War Encampment. Old World Wisconsin 262-594-6300

Sept 3-4, 2005: Fond du Lac Wisconsin Street Rod Association Corn Roast & Car Show. Annual event with more than 700 flashy street rods on display. 800-937-9123

Sept 7-28, 2005: Bayfield Apostle Island Lighthouse Celebration. Daily lighthouse cruises and tours of the 7 historic Apostle Islands lights. 800-779-4487

Sept 10, 2005: Kenosha Walk in the Woods Art Fair. More than 50 ar-

tisans exhibit their work for sale in various mediums, including photography. 262-552-8196

Sept 10-11, 2005: Beloit Heritage Days. Tours of historic neighborhoods, buildings, cemetery, and museums. 800-423-5648

Sept 10-11, 2005: Prairie du Chien Villa Louis Carriage Classic. Magnificent horses, carriages, & divers meet for a weekend of competitive and sport driving. 608-326-2721

Sept 16-17, 2005: Prairie du Chien Cannons & Redcoats Military Event. Living history exhibit of life in 1814 Prairie du Chien during the British years. 608-326-6960

Sept 17, 2005: Milwaukee River Challenge. Regatta on the Milwaukee River. 414-297-9855

Sept 17, 2005: Necedah Whooping Crane Festival. Hourly bus tours of

refuge. 608-565-2101

Sept 17-18, 2005: Green Bay Botanical Garden Renaissance Herb Faire. Visit a time of lords & ladies, knights in armor, minstrels, and herbs. 877-355-4224

Sept 18, 2005: Beloit Autorama. 900-1000 show cars of all types. 608-362-6070

Sept 24-25, 2005: Greenbush Wade House Civil War Weekend. Biggest & best reenactment in Wisconsin. 920-526-3271

Sept 25, 2005: Racine Tour of Historic Places. Guides, narrated tours of architecturally and historically significant homes. 262-635-0564

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## WACCO / PSA News

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WACCO is sponsoring an all day seminar on Sept 24th and a half day workshop on Sept 25th, both by Adam Jones, a top-ranked full time nature & travel photographer. Cost was \$40 is you registered before Aug 24th. If you have not yet registered,

cost will now be \$50. Please see Jeff Klug if interested.

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Please pay Sande Berg at our September meeting.

Thanks,

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**Odds & Ends**

Dear Members of MFCC,

I hope that you are enjoying the summer. It seems that lately rain has become an unavailable commodity in Milwaukee. Hopefully, by the time you read this note we will have some rain shower to turn the grass green.

As an outgoing president, I would like to thank you for being the member of MFCC. I am very proud to say that in last one year our club has grown significantly. Currently, our membership enrollment is about 65 with an average attendance of 35-40 members/meeting. This makes our club the largest in Milwaukee area. This year we have performed extremely well in WACCO competition and I am hoping that we will continue this trend. We have brought several elite photographers to our club as guest speakers. We have also conducted several outdoor photography trips. We should be proud that our project entitled - 'A day in life of Menomonee Falls' was well accepted by the community and as a result chambers made a beautiful calendar this year. It is also a great pleasure that our local businesses including Allied Digital, Pop's Custard and Great Frame Up have very generously supported our club activities. I hope that we will receive a continued help and support from them in future.

I think that MFCC is a big family where we care for each other. I believe that a good interaction and discussion enrich one's skill in photography. Now a day's in photography field there is often a never-ending debate about the superiority between film-based and digital photography. Although I admit that there are pros and cons in both media, it is quite irrelevant when we put more emphasis on artwork. In my opinion, art is not just for art's sake, but for sake of humanity and society. I encourage you to share your creative photographic artwork with other members in the club to exchange a thoughtful and constructive criticism. I also encourage you to bring other enthusiastic photographers to the club to promote this great artwork.

I look forward to seeing you at the next meeting.

Thanks again,

Jyoti N. Sengupta

**Back to the Basics**

Each month we will cover some of the basics of photography. This month we will discuss how to mark your slide and print entries for competition.

**SLIDES:**

All slides must be 2"x2" only. Mark a "thumbspot" (a dark circle - I like the little 1/4 inch dots I bought at the map store) on the lower left corner of the slide as you view it. (Normally the shiny side of the slide.) On this same side, put the title and the Class and Category codes (depending upon the competition).

On the other side put your name and address. (Tiny return address labels (Avery 5267—1/2 X 1-3/4) work reasonably well. You should also include your club name for WACCO competitions.

**PRINTS:**

The new WACCO rules call for 3 size mats or boards: 8x10, 11x14, and 16x20. No framed prints will be accepted.

**Large prints** (color or monochrome) must measure larger than 8x12 and be mounted on the 16x20 mat or board.

**Small prints** can be any size from 3.5x5 up to 8x10 and must be mounted on either a 8x10 or 11x14 mat or board.

On the back clearly mark your name, address, and print title. Also place a large and dark arrow pointing the 'up' direction for the print. Please make sure that this arrow is easily visible in the darkened room where these prints are judged.

**DIGITAL:**

WACCO is working on opening up a new Digital category. When this becomes available, you will need to check with Jeff Klug on the specifics.

**OTHER COMPETITION RULES:**

Some competitions have rules different than stated here. Read all information that is with the competition announcement to be sure that you follow directions.





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We will be picking up prints for the Wisconsin

Print Circuit. Every member may submit 2 prints per person: 1 B&W and 1 color. Each print must be between 11x14 and 16x20 and mounted on board no thicker than 1/8 inch. Because there are getting to be so many entries in this competition, we are being asked not to mount our prints on the foam board any longer.

On October 1st, we will be going to the Milwaukee County Zoo on a field trip. We will meet at the Zoo at 9am. For those interested in carpooling, meet at Kmart in Menomonee Falls at 8:15am. We will be leaving for the Zoo at 8:30am. Admission fee is \$9.75 and Parking is \$8.00. Remember that the January Library Ex-

hibit theme is Zoo Animals. This is a fine opportunity for us to get those great images.



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We had between 35 and 40 members in attendance at our September meeting. We had quite a few members turn in slides and digital images and prints from our 'summer assignment'. Nancy Greifenhagen, Steve Haynes, and Richard Knisbeck graciously agreed to critique each image. Hopefully we all learned something. And a special thanks to all of our members who shared their images with us.

We also had 4 new members join us: John Mohrfeld, GiGi Rentmeester, Beverly Peters, and Paul Schmidt. And 2 members we have not seen for a while have returned to play with us: Haren Hager and Pieter Droegkamp. Please welcome them when you see them at the next meeting.

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Oct 1, 2005: Stone Lake Cranberry Festival. One of Wisconsin's largest cranberry festivals featuring cranberry marsh tours, hundreds of crafters, a farmers' market, and helicopter rides. 715-865-3378

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Oct 7-9, 2005: Mauston River of Memories Rendezvous. Reenactment of life on the frontier, pre-1840. Fur traders & buckskinners in authentic

attire. Frontier skills demonstrations and competitions. 608-847-4556

Oct 7-9, 2005: New Glarus Oktoberfest. Traditional Swiss music, yodeling, and alphorns, wagon rides, and Civil War Reenactments on Sunday. 800-527-6838

Oct 8, 2005: Baraboo Faire on the Square. Annual arts & crafts show. 608-356-7995

Oct 8-9, 2005: Egg Harbor Pumpkin Patch Festival. Scarecrow and pumpkin displays throughout the village. Silent auction, farmers market, and more. 920-868-3717

Oct 9, 2005: Sheboygan Fall Open House at Kohler Andrae State Park. Free admission the the park for only one day. 920-451-4080

Oct 15, 2005: Appleton Romp in the Swamp. Stroll through the beautiful trail system of the Gordon Bubolz Nature Preserve. Enjoy rest stops along

the way serving delicious goodies for all hikers. 920-731-6041

Oct 22, 2005: Portage Pumpkinfest. Bring a carved or decorated pumpkin to line the Wisconsin River Levee and help set a WORLD RECORD !!! Lots of other activities, too. 800-474-2525

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The Digital Image should be a maximum of 1024 (Width) x 768 (Height) or 7.5" (Height) x 10" (Width) @ 100dpi. It should be JPEG format with a maximum file size of 1.4mb. They must be on a CD which should have your Name, Phone number, and E-mail address on it. The images should be put into folders labeled for the category entered (General or Nature). Each image should be labeled with Category, Entry #, Title. Where the category would be "G" for General and "N" for Nature, the entry # from the report card, and the title of the image with an underscore between each item as shown:

**Example: G\_1\_Milwaukee Art Museum.jpeg**

The image is not eligible if it had previously received an Honorable Mention or any award from any division.

The Digital entry CD is to be mailed to the WACCO P.O. Box with completed entry form, fees, and self-addressed envelope or address label for the return of your CD by the host club.

## Back to the Basics

Each month we will cover some of the basics of photography. This year I'm going to cover a variety of topics that will deal with creative photography and special effects. The topic this month is multiple exposures.

There are many different techniques that you can use to make multiple exposures. You can actually take multiple images on the same piece of film, or you can take separate images and then place them together on the same final image. This last technique is easiest to do with slides.

Regardless of the technique, one of the most critical factors is getting the exposure on each image correct. If you are going to be photographing multiple subjects against a dark background, and the subjects will not overlap on the final image, then you can shoot at the normal expo-

sure. If however, your subjects will overlap, or the backgrounds are not dark, then you will have to adjust your exposure so that the sum of all of the multiple exposures should equal the total amount of light for a single exposure. You can do this by adjusting the f-stop or aperture as follows:

For 2 exposures, stop down 1 stop

For 3 exposures, stop down 1-2/3 stops

For 4 exposures, stop down 2 stops.

Or you can adjust your ISO setting to be the default ISO setting of your film times the number of images.

For example, if you are planning 5 images shooting 100 ISO, set your ISO to 500 and then shoot at your camera's exposure. But with this, you need to remember to reset your ISO setting when you go back to shooting single exposures.

Now on to the creative side of multiple exposures. You can let your creativity run wild with this. To get you started, here are a few examples I've seen:

2 images of the same flower, one sharp in focus and one blurred. This results in a sort of 'halo' effect.

Closeup detail for the 'background', like maybe a weathered barn board, and then an image of the actual barn.

A "Ghost" image taken at 1/4 exposure against a cemetery gate at 3/4 exposure.

Take these as a starting point, and let your creativity guide you towards those creative images.







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At this meeting we will be se-

lecting prints for the January exhibit at the Menomonee Falls Public Library. Our 'theme' for this exhibit is Zoo Animals. So select your favorite shots and get them enlarged and mounted for the December meeting. Remember that the exhibition area is on a wall that is accessible, so your prints may be touched. So far we haven't had any of our prints damaged, but please be aware that we do not have a 'secure'

exhibition area.

We also will be having our annual holiday feast sponsored by our club and organized by Virginia Wick. As in the past, if anyone would like to bring home-made holiday treats, they will be a welcome addition to our feast.



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Nov 12, 2005: Oshkosh Holiday Parade. Floats, marching bands, animals, giant balloons and Santa. Main Street, 9am. 920-303-2266

Nov 18-20, 2005: Sturgeon Bay Christmas on the Bay. Tree lighting, caroling, Santa parade Friday 7pm.

Other activities, hay & trolley rides, art & craft show. Downtown. 800-301-6695

Nov 18-20, 2005: West Allis Holiday Folk Fair International. America's premier multi-cultural festival. Wisconsin State Fair Park. 800-324-7468

Nov 19, 2005: Baraboo Holly Jolly Light Parade. Fifty lighted floats, novelty units and musical groups. Downtown, 6pm. 888-356-7995

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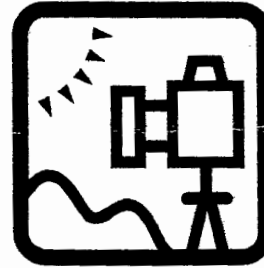
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Nature Slide & Digital: Natural Landscapes, defined as landscapes with no evidence of the hand of man, ie no roads, trails, lightpoles, buildings, cut lawns, domesticated flowers, etc.

This is the first time WACCO has had a Digital Image division. Instructions for the digital images are in the "Odds & Ends" column on page 4 of this newsletter. They are also on the entry form you can pick up at any meeting.

All forms & fees, along with slides and digital images must be in by October

29th. Prints can be turned in between 10 and 11am the day of the competition.

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**Menomonee Falls  
Recreation Department**

**Camera Club Notes**

**Special Reminder**

Our club's yearly dues are due every September. The dues are \$15 per member or a special rate of \$20 for two members living at the same address.

If you have not yet paid, please pay Sande Berg at our November meeting.

Thanks,

Your Board & Officers

**Odds & Ends**

WACCO has now included a Digital Image division in the bi-annual competitions. This division has the same 'special' categories as the current slide divisions. The instructions for digital images is included on the entry forms you can pick up at any meeting. But I have reprinted them here for your reference.

The Digital Image should be a maximum of 1024 (Width) x 768 (Height) or 7.5" (Height) x 10" (Width) @ 100dpi. It should be JPEG format with a maximum file size of 1.4mb. They must be on a CD which should have your Name, Phone number, and E-mail address on it. The images should be put into folders labeled for the category entered (General or Nature). Each image should be labeled with Category, Entry #, Title. Where the category would be "G" for General and "N" for Nature, the entry # from the report card, and the title of the image with an underscore between each item as shown:

**Example: G\_1\_Milwaukee Art Museum.jpeg**

The image is not eligible if it had previously received an Honorable Mention or any award from any division.

The Digital entry CD is to be mailed to the WACCO P.O. Box with completed entry form, fees, and self-addressed envelope or address label for the return of your CD by the host club.

**Back to the Basics**

Each month we will cover some of the basics of photography. This year I'm going to cover a variety of topics that will deal with creative photography and special effects. The topic this month is Creative Blur.

Shutter speed has a far more creative use in photography than in simply being one of the factors in determining correct exposure. With some imagination and a lot of practice, it can capture movement and action in your image that cannot be seen by the naked eye. Longer than normal exposures can result in some blurring that will give your final image a sense of speed, power, moodiness, or unreality. It can give your images a dimension of time.

Examples of this type of creative blur can often be found in sports photographs and in moving water or waterfall photographs.

In sports photography, you can use a longer than normal exposure and then

pan your camera to follow the action. In the resulting image, your subject will be relatively sharp and the background and other static surrounding objects will be blurred. This makes your subject stand out and emphasizes the speed of the action.

When taking pictures of waterfalls, moving water, or waves breaking over rocks, a longer exposure will produce a milky-like look to the water. You will have to experiment with exposure times, but usually shutter speeds of 1/10 to 1/3 of a second produce the soft flow of water, but still leave in some of the details. Exposure times of a second or more can result in a very soft, ethereal image, but often the detail in the water is 'washed out' during these long exposures. You'll have to experiment with different speeds to see what effects you prefer.

Another technique you can use to give a sense of motion to a static subject is to take a long exposure using a zoom lens, and then change the focal

length (zoom in or zoom out) during the exposure. This works best with a simple subject centered in the image.

For all of these techniques, you will need to use a tripod to steady your camera during the long exposures. A remote shutter release is also helpful and will eliminate the slight movement of the camera when you depress the shutter button. And in some sunnier locations, you may need to use a polarizer or neutral density filter to allow you to get the longer shutter speeds you will need.

These techniques will add a new dimension to your photographic skills. It will take a lot of patience and practice to get the image you have in mind, but this technique can produce images of surprising beauty and considerable impact.





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**The next meeting will be: Tuesday, December 6th, at 7:00pm.**

Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 6, 2005.

This month, we will have a digital presentation by Jeff Klug. He will show us different ways to convert color images to B&W and will show us how to size our images.

At this meeting we will also be **selecting prints for our January exhibit at the Menomonee Falls Public Li-**

**brary.** The theme is "Zoo Animals". Please bring between 1 and 4 prints that have been mounted and/or matted. The sizes can range from 8x10 to 16x20 (or so). The selection process will depend upon how many prints we receive.

Also at this December meeting, we will be taking our annual **Club Photograph.** So comb your hair, freshen up that makeup (optional), and show up ready to smile for the camera.



Refreshments for this meeting will be our Annual Holiday Feast sponsored by our club. Virginia Wick has again graciously agreed to organize the purchase of food. **Members are asked to bring homemade holiday treats, they will be a welcome addition to our 'feast'.**

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### A Special Thanks to:

All of our Club Members who helped out at the WACCO Fall Competition on November 5th.

Your help contributed to the success of the competition.

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Bring your camera, tripod, filters, and your imagination.

And of course, film if you are not shooting digital.

We should have more information to share with you about this at our December meeting.



## Club News and Future Events

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8x10 \$2.25, center mount \$3.00

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UV Filtering Glass

8x10 \$3.25, clear glass \$1.65

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Just present your Camera Club membership card.

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Camera Club name tags are available. \$5.00 Please clearly print your name and give to Steve Haynes.

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Santa Fe Workshops is sponsoring a one day seminar on "Inside Secrets of Successful Travel Photography". Speakers are Keith Bellows, National Geo-

graphic Traveler magazine editor-in-chief and Jim Richardson, Traveler photographer. It will be coming to Chicago on Sunday, February 6, 2006. Cost of \$195 includes lunch. For more information contact them at [www.santafeworkshops.com](http://www.santafeworkshops.com).

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Dec 9-10, 2005: Eagle Winter Lamplight: A Taste of Old World Wisconsin. See the holidays as our immigrant ancestors lived them. Reservations required. Old World Wisconsin. 608-264-6586

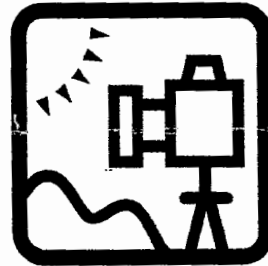
December 10, 2005: Rudolph's Country Christmas. A family event with live reindeer, a camel, baby lambs, horse-

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Dec 10-18, 2005: Pleasant Prairie Jelly Belly Center Holiday Happenings. Santa, live entertainment, games, and more. Jelly Belly Center, Sat & Sun afternoons only. 262-947-3800

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We will also be having a setup this time for rear projection and mylar reflection. So if you have a favorite slide that you would like to play with, please bring it.

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and your imagination. And of course, film if you are not shooting digital.



Refreshments for this meeting:

- Sweet: Betty Jusak & Carole Bailey
- Salty: Phil Block & Regan McCormack
- Soda: Tom Gentz & Carole Bailey

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**Steve Reyer**

Who won the December photo competitions sponsored by Photographic and Popular Photography and has the winning images published in those magazines.

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## February Meeting

Our February meeting will be held on February 7, 2006.

At this meeting, several of our club members will be giving us a presentation on Macro Photography.

In the past, we have had several short programs on macro photography, but at this meeting, we are going to try to tie all of the components of macro photography together.

Our presenters will be discussing the various lenses, filters, accessories, and lighting options used in macro photography. They will demonstrate the various techniques that you can use for taking macro images. And they will show the results of the different kinds of equipment and techniques. And of course, they will answer all of your questions.

If you have any macro equip-

ment, please feel free to bring it to this meeting. The more options we have available for demonstration, the better for all of us.



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John Dykstra & Ed Post are offering their 2006 Turkey Run Workshop on April 25-28, 2006. The area in Indiana has 32 covered

bridges, many historic buildings, and many opportunities for landscape and wildflower photography. Tuition is \$195. Participants are responsible for their own lodging & meals. Check out their websites for more information:

[www.johndykstraphotography.com](http://www.johndykstraphotography.com)

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Jan 14-15, 2006: Prairie DuSac Bald Eagle Watching Days. Birds of Prey shows, guided bus tours, wildlife photography seminar, and more. 800-683-2453

Jan 21, 2006: Knapp Horse & Cutter Parade. Featuring horseback riders, horse-drawn vehicles, sleighs, cutters,

and wagons. 800-283-1862

Jan 21-22, 2006: Wisconsin Dells Flake Out Festival. Annual festival including Wisconsin's only state-sanctioned snow sculpting competition. Ice carving demonstrations, kite flying, snowman making competition, hot air balloons, horse-drawn wagon rides and much more. 800-223-3557

Jan 27-29, 2006: Wausau Badger State Winter Games. Olympic-style winter sports festival is the largest in the nations. 608-226-4780

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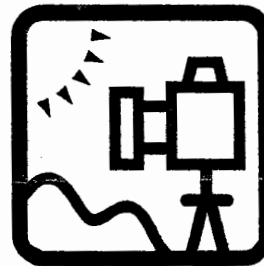
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Feb 1-5, 2006: Winterfest & US National Snow Sculpting Competition. Judging is Saturday from noon to 2pm. Many other activities during the weekend. 800-345-1020

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There are several techniques that can be used to create abstract images:

1. **Isolation:** showing only one small part of the original

"whole". A long-focus lens is useful for this.

2. **Enlargement:** to reveal new details not seen when viewing the "whole". A macro lens can be used for this.
3. **Technical Manipulation:** throwing the image way out of focus, using long exposures for moving subjects, zooming during exposure.
4. **Unusual lighting or camera angle:** showing the subject in a perspective not normally seen.
5. **Removing identifiable elements:** to concentrate on the visual elements and force the viewer to think about what they are seeing.

In abstract photography, composition is critical. Since there is no 'subject' as such, you need to emphasize one particular aspect of the

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Abstracts do not necessarily do well in competitions. People (and judges) are often uncomfortable viewing something that does not easily fit within their 'frame of reference'.

However, working on taking abstract photographs can strengthen our powers of observation and release some of our untapped creativity. It can be very satisfying to create an image that is our very own, personal, interpretation of the world we all share.





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If you have any macro equipment, please feel free to bring it to this meeting. The more op-

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Everyone who participated had a great time. Your board was considering doing another this coming spring, in either April or May. For the 2003 shoot, we set morning hours, afternoon hours, and early evening hours and members joined together when they could. So think about if you would be interested in participating in this event



## Club News and Future Events

We had about 35 or 40 members at our January tabletop shoot. It was hard to count, with everyone wandering about the different displays. Don Gorzek and Jeff Klug brought several different set-ups where we could experiment with various different lighting and reflection techniques. Carole Bailey brought a simple 'party light' setup where we could play with the way different colored light bulbs reflected off of cut glassware. Everyone who brought cameras had a great time.

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forming processes. 608-835-5553

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Last summer, we all had **photographic 'assignments'** that we then discussed in our September meeting. Our 5 assignments were to take images of patterns of nature, panning, sports, modes of transportation, and open. Think about if you would like a similar 'assignment' for this coming summer. We will be discussing this at a meeting in the near future.

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During the day, the light provided by the sun, and all of its many reflections and diffusions, provide our lighting. However, after the sun has set, we need to rely mostly on artificial light sources for our photography. Most evening photography relies on static light sources, such as building lights, street lights, flash, and reflections of these sources. However, you can capture some interesting, and sometimes, dramatic images by using moving lights.

The most common example of this technique we see is moving cars and

trucks along a street or highway. With long enough exposures, these lights appear as red, white, and yellow 'string' patterns. Depending upon the location, other objects in the frame, amount of traffic, and duration of exposure, you can get some very interesting images.

However, there are various other sources of 'moving light' that we can use for this technique. Some of these sources are carnival lights in Ferris wheels and other moving rides, moving neon signs, fireworks, lightning storms, and even the stars overhead.

For all of these types of moving lights, you need to control the shutter speed so that the exposure time is long enough to capture the movement. You will have to experiment with different times for each situation to figure out which will give you the results that please you. But here are a few suggested settings that you can

start at. (All are for 100 speed film.)

Carnival lights: f32 16s

Moving neon signs: f8 2s

Moving traffic: f16 20s

Fireworks: f2.8 1-2s

Star Trails: f3.5 2-6hours (not recommended for digital because of the long exposure required to see movement)

Lightning: bulb, expose through set of strikes. (Remember, tripods are great lightning rods. DO NOT work in the middle of a storm. Wait until you can see the lightning off in the distance.)

So if you feel like getting out to shoot after dark, keep an eye out for those moving lights and see what images you can capture.





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[www.peoriacameraclub.com](http://www.peoriacameraclub.com) or Sam at (309) 691-7647

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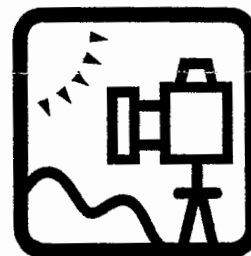
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Nancy Greifenhagen—[www.SpiritWolfPhotography.com](http://www.SpiritWolfPhotography.com)

Devinder Sangha—[www.pbase.com/divender](http://www.pbase.com/divender)

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**Summer Field Trips:**

May 20, 2006 - "Day in the Life of Menomonee Falls". We'll be shooting historic buildings & locations. This will be the theme for our August Library exhibit.

June 24, 2006 - Old World Wisconsin, led by Nancy Greifenhagen

July 15, 2006 - Lapham Peak State Park, led by Jyoti Sengupta

August 19, 2006 - "Renaissance Faire", coordinated by Jeff Klug

**Summer 2006 Assignments & Sept 5th Evaluation Meeting:** Images taken at any of the 4 locations above, either during our club field trip or on your own.

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We all know that the 'proper' use of filters, like polarizers and split neutral-density filters, can add to the beauty and impact of our images. But have you ever thought to use your filters to create your own version of reality?

Some filters that can be used creatively are the 81 and 82 series. The 81 series (81A, 81B, and 81C) are amber or yellowish in color and will warm up an image by imparting a yellowish tinge to everything. The 82 series (82A, 82B, 82C) are bluish in color and will cool down an image by imparting a bluish tinge. The A's are the lightest and the C's are the darkest. Try using the yellow filters for sunsets, sunrises, fall colors close-ups. Try using the blue filters for waterscapes, stormy skies, foggy or misty days.

The enhancing filters are similar to the 81 warming filters, except they have little effect on the blues and greens and will only 'warm up' the red/orange colors. Try using these for flower close-ups, fall landscapes, beachscapes and other images that have a mix of 'warm' and 'cool' colors.

There are also special effect filters made by COKIN and other manufacturers. These consist of a holder that screws onto your lens that has 2 or 3 'slots' in front of your lens. You can then slide in one or more 'special effect' filters. Some of the more common ones are:

'star filters' that are crosshatched plastic or glass that will produce 4, 6, 8, or 16 point stars on your image wherever there is a reflection of sun or other light. I saw a very interesting image of a fireplace fire taken with one of these filters.

'soft focus' or diffuser filter that will 'soften' your final image.

'spot in color' filter that is clear in a center ring, but highly diffused outside

'fog' filter that is clear on the bottom half gradually getting more diffused to simulate fog on your final image.

'radial zoom' filter that is clear in a center ring, with etched concentric circles to the end that will produce a zoom-like image.

The challenge with using these types of filters for creative images is to find subjects and structures that will work well with the filters and the image distortions.

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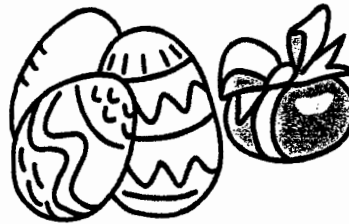
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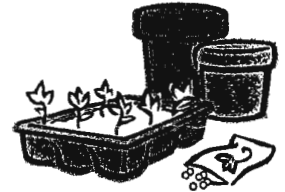
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July 1-15: Indian Plantain, Prairie Phlox, Black-eyed Susan, Prairie White Fringed Orchid, Prairie Clover

July 15-30: Sunflowers, Nodding Onion, Milkweed, Wild Bergamot

August 1-15: Great Lobelia, Gayfeather, Swamp Thistle

August 15-31: Gentians, Blazing Star, Ladies' Tresses Orchid, Asters, Grass of Parnassus

For those of you interesting in shooting wildflowers, I hope this starts you thinking about spring flower photography.

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There are differing views as to whether photographers are artists or not. This author's view is that, of course we are. We create our very own interpretation of reality every time we capture an image. Although we all became aware of the basic rules of composition and exposure very early in our lives as photographers, we should also be aware that we can break these rules to create truly creative and imaginative images. The author then goes on to

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If any of these tips sound interesting, try to find the article by Budd Titlow and see what other ideas he has.

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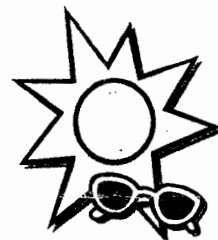
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We are starting up a **club web site**. It can be found at [www.falls-photo.org](http://www.falls-photo.org). If you have any suggestions or contributions, please see Bill Rietz at one of our meetings.

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Use of reflections can turn a normal subject into an interesting image because the reflection distorts the subject and adds visual interest. If done creatively, you can add a great deal of impact to an otherwise common subject.

You can find many reflective surfaces for your reflection photographs: water, glass walls or windows, ice, even chrome auto bumpers. Water can be rivers, lakes, or streams, but can also be swimming pools, puddles in the street, or water in culverts and ditches. Each can give you opportunities for interesting shots.

To get a really distorted reflection, you can use mylar film as your reflective surface. You can mount your mylar loosely to a piece of cardboard and take it out in the field and set up your

image so that it is reflected in the mylar. We've already done this in our tabletop sessions, but you can also use this same technique out in the field.

Here are some technical tips for taking reflection photographs:

- Some light is lost on reflections, so the subject and the reflected image never appear equally bright in the final image. Decide which part of the image you want to emphasize and set the exposure for that area.
- In some cases, you may need to use a graduated neutral density filter to get good exposure in both areas.
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- If your reflective surface is much closer to your camera than the object, you need to make sure that you use a small enough aperture

so that your subject is in focus.

- Still water generates an almost identical copy of the real subject. If you'd like a little more distortion, toss pebbles into the water to create ripples and your final image may be more interesting.

Because most reflective surfaces are unstable and variable, you will want to try several different positions with your camera off the tripod to find an angle that gives you the most interesting results. Once you find an angle you like, remount your camera on the tripod and set up your final composition.

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**All member club slide and digital shows.** The theme this year is "Transportation".

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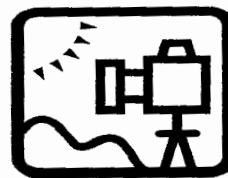
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**Odds & Ends**

Our 'Modes of Transportation' club slide & digital shows will be presented at our July meeting. We will be accepting any images of vehicles that transport people or things: autos, bikes, trucks, trains, planes, boats, ... You must bring in your slides and digital images at the June meeting. There is no limit as to the number you may submit. When we put together the shows, we may not use all of your images; it depends on how many we get. (Digital images should be maximum of 1024x768 @ 100 dpi, jpeg format with maximum file size of 1.4mb.) Please make sure your name is on all of your slides so that we can return them to you.

Nancy Greifenhagen will be leading our **June field trip to Old World Wisconsin on Saturday, June 24, 2006**. We will be meeting at Old World's Admission Building at 10am. Those who want to car-pool can meet at the Menomonee Falls Kmart (new Sears) parking lot at 8:30am. This is 'Baseball History Day'. There is a baseball game at 1pm this day. The park closes at 5pm. Admission is \$14, which includes tram rides all day long. The tram travels a circuit throughout all areas of Old World Wisconsin roughly every 15 or 20 minutes. You may either bring a bag lunch or there are concessions available.

**Odds & Ends - continued**

Here are a few **guidelines for live model shoots**:

- Never touch the models. If you want a model to pose a certain way, use only verbal instructions.
- Never invade the models' personal space. Use appropriate lenses so that you can stay at least 7 feet away from them at all times.
- Do not dominate a model's time. There are other club members who also would like time to photograph them. Please be considerate of other members and offer your space to others who may be waiting.
- Use common sense. Use of inappropriate language, actions, or suggestions will not be tolerated.

- Remember these models volunteer to pose for us. The only payment they receive are those prints we members make for them. Please be generous.

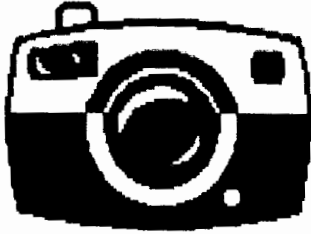
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- Jyoti: Best Portrait Color Slide, Best Insect Nature Slide, 1HM
- Nancy Greifenhagen: Best Open Digital, 1HM
- Diane Bentfield: Best Portrait Digital, 3HM
- Bill Rietz: Best Open Monochrome Small Print, 5 HM
- Jessie Buchholz: 1HM

- Ken Warning: 1 HM
- Richard Knisbeck: 2 HM
- Jeff Klug: 3 HM
- Marcia Messman-Getto: 3 HM
- Lynn Drumm: 4 HM
- Ed Kolinski: 7HM

My normal "Back to the Basics" column will return next month. I just had too many other pieces of information for this newsletter.





# Camera Club Newsletter

July 2006

Volume #313  
Our 30th Year

*People with an Interest in the Art of Photography*

Meetings held the First Tuesday of the Month, 7:00 pm, Room 106  
at the Menomonee Falls Community Center, Phone 262-255-8460

**The next meeting will be: Tuesday, July 11, at 7:00pm.**

Our July meeting will be held on July 11, 2006. At this meeting, we will be doing all of the following:

**Elections for Vice-President.** Your current Vice-President, Steve Reyer, will take over as club president for next year. The newly elected VP will be president the following year.

**All member club slide and digital shows.** The theme this year is "Transportation".

**Selection of prints for our August Library display.** The

theme for this display is "Historical Menomonee Falls: Then & Now". We will be selecting images of Menomonee Falls Historic buildings taken during our May 20th "Day in the Life..." or at some other time if you did not get a chance to join us on that day. If you have other great images taken in Menomonee Falls, please feel free to bring them, too. In case we do not get sufficient images of historic buildings, we will need others to make a full display.

**Club Ice Cream Social.** A fun way to end

our club year and socialize with your fellow club members.



And finally, just in case this isn't enough to fill the time, we will also be having a "**White Elephant Sale**". If you have any photographic equipment that you want to sell, bring it with a tag indicating your name and price. Perhaps another member can use what you no longer have need for.

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### Special Thanks to

Sharon Whitman of Pop's Frozen Custard on Appleton Avenue in Menomonee Falls for donating the icecream and fixings for our July Ice Cream Social.

This is the 5th year that she has sponsored our Ice Cream Social. Please consider patronizing Pop's as a way of thanking them for treating us.

## Camera Club Board Members & Officers

### Board Members:

Jon Moscicki	....	414-464-6479
Jeff Klug	.....	262-628-1255
Bill Rietz	.....	262-251-7106
Don Gorzek	.....	262-251-8073

### Officers:

President: Nancy Graf	.....	262-253-0871
Vice-President: Steve Reyer	....	262-242-4553
Treasurer: Sande Berg	.....	262-628-3050
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## August Board Meeting

**We do not hold a regular club meeting in August.** In place of this, we will hold our annual Board Meeting on Tuesday, August 1st, at 7pm in our normal meeting room. All officers and board members are invited. At this meeting we will be planning our 2006 - 2007 meeting and field trip schedule.

All members are invited to contribute input to this planning by talking with your officers and board members. If you have a program that

you would be willing to put on or a speaker that you feel may be of interest, please share that as well.

We want to provide a year's worth of programs that will interest you and will help to make you a stronger photographer. And the more input we get from all of our members, the more varied and interesting our programs will be.

There will be no newsletter in August. You will receive your next one before our September meeting.



Have a great summer!

## Club News and Future Events

Francy from Allied Digital has offered us a great deal !!! Bring in your Menomonee Falls Camera Club membership card and she will give you 15% off of all film processing and silver halid (film or digital) printing. Allied Digital is located at N112 W16296 Mequon Rd in Germantown. This offer is good for the entire year.

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The Great FrameUp in Menomonee Falls is also offering our club members between 15% and 25% off of their framing services.

Just present your Camera Club membership card for these great deals.

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The SWMCCC (Southwest Michigan Council of Camera Clubs) Summer Weekend of Photography will be held from Thursday, July 27 through Sunday, July 30, 2006, at Hope College in Holland, Michigan. This is a 4-day gathering of

photographers with a variety of classroom lectures & workshops and off-site field trips. The conference fee is \$125 with field trips running between \$30 and \$45. Rooms are available in campus dorms for a reasonable fee. For information see [www.swmccc.org](http://www.swmccc.org) or call 616-392-6606 weekdays between 7pm & 10pm.

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WACCO is putting on a "Digital Solutions" program on August 5th. It consists of 4 sections:

1. Color Management
2. Photoshop Tips
3. Scanning Techniques
4. Digital Workflow using current programs, mainly Capture One.

Please contact Jeff Klug if you have any questions about this ([kpw1255@aol.com](mailto:kpw1255@aol.com))

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"Chevrolet Cars & Trucks". 715/445-4000

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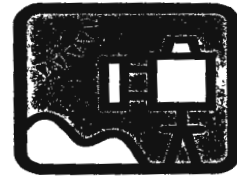
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Aug 6, 2006: New Glarus Volksfest. Swiss Independence Day celebration with music and dancing. Swiss choral folklore music, yodeling, and much more. 800/527-6838

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Those that want to car pool can meet in the parking lot of Sears Grand (previously Kmart) on Appleton Avenue at 7am. We should be at the park by 7:30 or 7:45 for those who wish to drive by themselves.

There are two areas of interest in the park: a pond area with tall grasses where you can photograph insects, tree frogs, and turtles, and a butterfly garden where you can photograph wild flowers and different species of butterflies. There is also an observatory tower.

A sturdy tripod and macro lenses will come in handy if you have them.

Hope to see you all at the park for this opportunity for some great nature shots.

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Each month I use this column to cover some of the basics of photography. This year I've been covering a variety of topics that deal with creative photography and special effects. I thought I'd wrap up this year with some general thoughts on being creative.

When we start out as photographers, we take the basic classes in composition and the techniques of taking 'good' photographs. As beginners, we try to stay with what we've learned to create acceptable images. But after we achieve some level of competence with this, we need to start taking some risks and breaking

rules to get the truly outstanding images that we are seeking.

With digital cameras, we have the freedom to experiment without the cost of film, developing, and printing. So now we can play with new lenses or filters or techniques we've not used much. We can try unusual compositions that may not work. Try taking some time out in the field playing with some of your seldom-used equipment and see what it can do.

Explore what other artists have done. Visit museums and art galleries, look at magazines and art books. Find images

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Each of us has his own unique way of looking at the world we live in. Allow yourself to interpret what you see in a way that is most pleasing to you. For the greatest pleasure we can get as photographers is to create a beautiful image that is uniquely our own.

