# The View finder

#### Newsletter of the Pikes Peak Camera Club

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# Dedicated to the memory of our dear friend - Bill Stewart



Bill at the Butterfly Pavillion several years ago.

Photo by Jacqueline Vignone





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## **November 2009 Events**

### Meeting/Competition

Where: Living Springs Worship Center

640 Manitou Blvd. Colorado Springs, CO

When: 7:00 pm

Tuesday, November 3rd, 2009

Competition Subject: At the Farmer's Market

### **Board Meeting**

The members of the board will meet November 17th, 2009.

## Salon Worknight

The Salon worknight will be on Saturday, November 14th in the regular meeting room. T.W. will confirm the time during the November meeting.

### Critique session

The critique session we held on the 21st was a great success. Many club members gathered and brought images on which they wanted a variety of opinions and ideas. I think everyone had a good time and learned some new tips. I'm sure this is something we can add to our arsenal of fun things to do on next year's schedule.

If anyone has other suggestions for club activities for next year, please bring them up during one of our meetings or email one of the board members.

## **President's Corner**

#### A Tribute to Bill

In my first President's corner article in February 2007 I wrote about Bill Stewart and how much he had influenced my photography. I hope my feeble words do him justice.

Sometimes in life you meet someone who has a profound effect on your life. Bill Stewart was that someone for me. I remember that first meeting I attended in 1993 and they put up a Bill Stewart print to be judged. I didn't know Bill but the impact his image had on me was enormous. It was like an Ansel Adams print only more appealing to me and my type of photography than Adams. I felt a tremendous surge of energy and vision. I had to join this club, because I had to see more images created by Bill.

My images of course were not like his but they were inspired by him. After a couple of years he caught on to what I was doing and I know it pleased him very much that his images were inspiring me so much. Only he and I knew I was trying to follow in his footsteps. One night after I had been in the club two or three years, he called me up and in his gravely old voice said, "TW I need some nature slides for PSA and you have some good ones." I knew then Bill Stewart liked what I was doing.

Over the years we made many field trips together and Bill didn't miss many. He loved getting out and photographing. One trip years ago was to the Pueblo Raptor center and the weather was so bad only Bill, myself and Tom Moldenhauer showed up at Sears parking lot for the trip. On the way down we talked about different places to photograph and I ask Bill what was his favorite place and he said "Bosque del Apache in New Mexico". My next trip was to Bosque del Apache. As long as I knew him he kept his sleeping bag in that Ford Explorer. Who knows the places he must have gone photographed and slept in that Ford and got up to photograph again.

About four or five years ago I noticed he was getting a little more stooped over and walking a little slower. He signed up for the Pikes Peak Challenge and I was afraid it would be to much for him. We rode up together and at the top I stayed close to him just in case. After about an hour I persuaded him to go down because I could see he was not doing well.

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"Pond"

Al Swanson

"Palms at Sunset" Bruce du Fresne





"Big Butterfly"
Rita Steinhauer

"Our Troops"

Bill Stanley





"Dad & Daughter Fishing"

Al Swanson

"Wabbit in the Gwass"

Bruce du Fresne



## **President's Corner cont.**

As his condition got worse I planned the President's dinner for 78 years instead of waiting for 80 years. Now I am so glad I did. I know he enjoyed seeing everyone and the picture of the 12 Presidents with Bill seated in front is something I treasure.

I don't know if anyone really knew Bill very well. We knew him as a great photographer and a great member of our club. Actually he was the heart and soul of the club as long as I knew him. I don't think he ever missed a meeting that I can recall. He was a very private person and never talked about family or much about himself, but he was always eager to talk about photography and the club.

After I became President he was always there to guide me and many times I had to call him for advice.

I know we are all going to miss him. I for one am glad I knew Bill Stewart, my life is richer for it. I am happy to have had him as a mentor, as a teacher and most of all as a friend.

I will miss that wonderful old gravely voice. I will miss seeing those great images. I will miss him handing out awards and ribbons at the salon. I will miss the passion he had for photography. But most of all I will just miss him.

"Rest in peace my old friend"

-T.W.





"8 Megapixels"
Bruce du Fresne

"Morning News"

Bill Stanley





"Balloon at Night" Rita Steinhauer

## **2009 Competition Subjects**

#### **January**

Curves - Image emphasizing one or more curves.

#### **February**

**Shades of Gray** - An image depicting shades of gray

#### **March**

**Bovine** - An image containing anything related to bovines (cows or oxen)

#### **April**

**PSA/Spring Scavenger Hunt** - Subjects on previous page - judging will take place on March 31st.

#### <u>May</u>

**Walking the Dog** - Image containing any scene related to walking a dog

#### **June**

Cute - Anything you deem as cute

#### <u>July</u>

Outhouses - Scene containing at least one outhouse

### **August**

**Flowering Trees** - Scene containing any part of a flowering tree

#### <u>September</u>

**Florissant Fossil Beds National Monument** - Any image depicting a scene at the monument

#### **October**

Fall Scavenger Hunt - Subjects on previous page

#### **November**

At the Farmer's Market - An image containing anything relating to a farmer's market

#### December

**Salon** - Subjects to be announced later in the year

"Great Living"

Al Swanson





"Stuffed Smile"

Bill Stanley

"Hand Held"
Bruce du Fresne



## **Scavenger Hunt Results**

Subject #1 – Western Life HM – Great Living by Al Swan- son AW – Morning News by Bill Stanley	Subject #2 – After Dark HM – Ballon at Night by Rita Stein- hauer AW – Under the Lights by Bruce du Fresne
Subject #3 – Bug HM – Big Butterfly by Rita Stein- hauer AW – Grasshopper #2 by Bruce du Fresne	Subject #4 – People Playing a Sport HM – Time Trial #2 by Bill Stanley AW – Dad & Daughter Fishing by Al Swanson
Subject #5 – People Having Fun HM – Happy Hikers by Bruce du Fresne AW – Wet Feet Fun by Bill Stan- ley	Subject #6 – Backlit HM – Palms at Sunset by Bruce du Fresne AW – Backlit Flower by Bill Stanley
Subject #7 – Modern Technology HM – Sabretooth Motorcycle by Al Swanson AW – 8.2 MegaPixels by Bruce du Fresne	Subject #8 – Macro HM – Stuffed Smile by Bill Stanley AW – Wabbit in the Gwass by Bruce du Fresne
Subject #9 – Movement HM – Hand Held by Bruce du Fresne AW – Flag Spinners #1 by Bruce du Fresne	Subject #10 – Open HM – Our Troops by Bill Stanley AW – Pond by Al Swanson

### **Points Summary**

Al Swanson – 116 pts Rita Steinhauer – 137 pts Bill Stanley – 156 pts Bruce du Fresne – 166 pts

"Sabertooth Motorcycle"

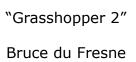
Al Swanson





"Wet Feet Fun"

Bill Stanley







"Backlit Flower" Bill Stanley



"Time Trial 2" Bill Stanley



"Happy Hikers" Bruce du Fresne



"Flag Spinners" Bruce du Fresne

### **New Feature?**

Do you have a favorite place where you like to go often to shoot? Or have you been on a recent trip? Maybe there's an annual event you like to shoot?

Would you like to share some of your images and information with the other club members? If so, I thought it might be fun to give members some space in the newsletter. Please keep the text and images to less than two newsletter size pages.

You can size your images down, but leave them at full resolution so they will print better.

This will be on a first-come, first-serve basis so get your entries to me soon! Just send them to debljames@hotmail.com. If the combined size of our images and text exceeds 10 mb, please break your entry into more than one email.

Thanks!

-deb

## **Adorama Sales Contact**

Below is information passed along to me from Jim Van Amee about the ADORAMA rep. that he uses when ordering camera stuff. He is a pro photographer in his own right and can be counted on to give you good information about what you might need or if what you think you want is good for your purposes. Anything you order from ADORAMA through him is shipped free.

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