

THE VIEWFINDER

NEWSLETTER OF

THE PIKES PEAK CAMERA CLUB

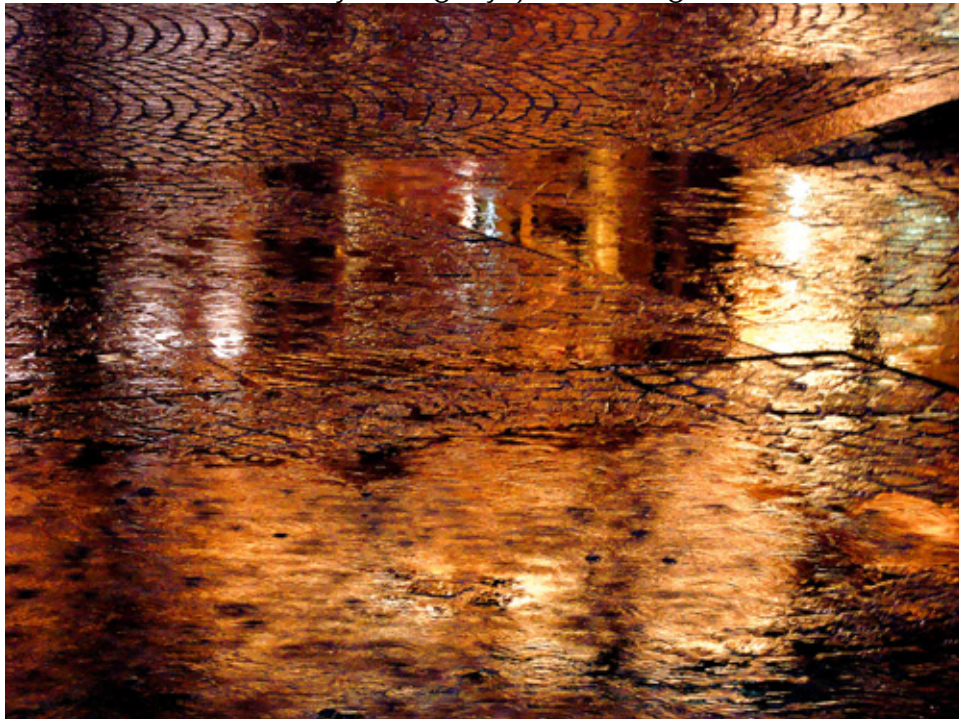
Established 1930

Member of the Photographic Society of America



Volume 22 - 4 - April, 2010

"Rainy Evening" by Spencer Swanger



www.PikesPeakCameraClub.com

April 2010 Events:

Monthly Meeting:

Tuesday **April 6, 2010 7:00pm**, at Living Springs Worship Center, 604 Manitou Blvd. Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Come at 6:00pm for **The Learning Workshop** with Jim Van Namee. We will be doing a Panorama clinic at 6 PM prior to the first Tuesday meeting.

Monthly Subject: PSA Digital Judging, and Spring Scavenger Hunt "Slide" Show, Come and see some great photography.

PSA:

PSA Digital Judging April 6, 2010, come and see we judge the PSA images.

Third Tuesdays:

April 20, 2010 This will be the evening for the 2nd Annual El Paso County High School Contest Judging. See Future Focus for more information.

Travelogue:

With a Andy De Nary TBA

Learning Work Shops:

With Jim Van Namee TBA

Board Meeting:

The members of the board will meet **April 20, 2010**. After the High School Contest judging.

New Members:

I am very pleased to announce two new members to the Pikes Peak Camera Club:
GiGi Wilmsen and Galen Short.



“Under Road” by Jim Van Namee

The Presidents Corner:

Hello Pikes Peak Camera Club members, **Yea! It's Spring!**

I'm sure that everyone has read Bruce's update on Debra James. I talked with Ron on Monday, and the flowers that Rita sent on behalf of the club were very much appreciated: thank you Rita. We will continue to share new information as soon as we receive any. Let's all keep Deb and Ron in our thoughts and prayers throughout these trying times.

I have mentioned how well I think the Learning Workshops are going, and have been getting some great feedback from members as well. I also enjoy the articles Jim has been sending out; not only the digital imaging articles, but the articles on photography in general. The one, 4 Tips, was especially helpful. I feel it is good to get back to the basics, or the root of photography, but as the article mentioned, “breaking the rules” leads the photographer to her or his artistic self.

Which leads me to mention: Some members have expressed concern that with the digital imaging classes being presented; the Pikes Peak Camera Club may turn into a digital imaging club rather than staying focused on photography. I was concerned about this, too, when the club first ventured into digital photography.

However, I also realize that as a camera club we need to evolve with the changing times. I truly feel that digital photography is here to stay. This is not a bad thing for the club, or for its long standing members. I still love to shoot slide film. However, I find myself doing more and more digital photography. Granted, after shooting digital images it's time spent on the computer converting from RAW and/or manipulating images. I've also found that being able to manipulate an image from time to time, however, can enhance my work.

Speaking of manipulating images, I am very satisfied with how the members are handling their digital images. I am pleased that most of the digital images presented in competition

look like photography even though in digital competition, anything goes. I think everyone is doing a fine job here.

My final thought: We are a camera club, have been one since 1930, and I'd like to keep the camera the major component in making the photographic images we present within the club.

Jerry Moldenhauer



"Butterfly" by Jacqueline Vignone



"Romanian Road" by Rita Steinhauer

From the Editor:

Okay, back in the saddle again, it has been a while since I have done a newsletter. If anyone has any suggestions for improvements, let me know. If anyone has anything they would like me to place in the monthly newsletters, please get the information to me by the 20th of the month. I can be reached at 237-8728 most all the time. Better yet, just drop me and email. streetrodder30@q.com

Jerry Moldenhauer

Future Focus:

April 20, 2010 This will be the evening for the **2nd Annual El Paso County High School Contest Judging**. A panel of three judges, Jacqueline Vignone, T.W. Woodruff and Spencer Swanger will judge 84 images from high school students within the El Paso County school districts. Come and see what the younger generation finds worthy of photographing, you may be surprised.

May Fieldtrip: In May I will be leading a fieldtrip to photograph shore birds. I'm thinking of heading to Antero Reservoir, or Fountain Creek Regional Park, or maybe the Rocky Mountain Arsenal. I will gather more information and make a decision a little later on. The date will be May 22, 2010. The time will be 8:00am. Meeting place to be determined. For more information call Jerry at 237-8728.

Something New:

50 minute Work Shops:

Thanks to Jim Van Namee, the club is doing a **50 Minute Workshop** at the beginning of the regular monthly meetings, on the first Tuesday of each month. April 6, 2010 Jim will be doing a Panorama Clinic at 6 PM prior to the monthly meeting.

PRINT COMPETITION RESULTS: *As of March 2010:*

PRINT COMPETITION - MONTHLY STANDINGS AS OF MARCH 2010

ENTRANTS		SUBJECT CURRENT		OPEN CURRENT		TOTAL CURRENT	
		MONTH	YTD	MONTH	YTD	MONTH	YTD
Cellini	Beverly	14	47	15	52	29	99
Costick	Marco	0	18	0	16	0	34
Lloyd	Bill	16	44	18	57	34	101
Lohnes	Larry	0	0	0	10	0	10
Meinert	Tim	0	0	0	10	0	10
Merkle	Yvonne	0	16	0	17	0	33
Stanley	Bill	14	45	16	54	30	99
Starr	Tim	16	57	18	59	34	116
Steinhauer	Rita	16	51	14	49	30	100
Swanson	Al	22	39	15	51	37	90
Van Namee	Jim	19	36	24	45	43	81
Vignone	Jacqueline	17	50	15	49	32	99

Subject: Roads

Awards:

Colorado Covered Bridge by Jim Van Namee

Ranch Road by Al Swanson
 Honorable Mentions:
 Abandoned Road by Jacqueline Vignone
 Colorado Country Lane by Al Swanson

Open

Awards:
 Trapped in Ice by Jim Van Namee
 Hard Tail Beauty by Jim Van Namee

Honorable Mentions:
 Waiting for Dinner by Bill Lloyd
 Twin Falls by Tim Starr



“Frost” by Bill Holm



“Garden Morning” by Jerry Moldenhauer

Slide Competition Results: *As of March 2010*

SLIDE COMPETITION - MONTHLY STANDINGS AS OF MAR 2010

	SUBJECT		OPEN		TOTAL	
	CURRENT MONTH	YTD	CURRENT MONTH	YTD	CURRENT MONTH	YTD
CELLINI, BEVERLY	15	46	21	56	36	102
DE NARAY, ANDY	21	60	16	53	37	113
MOLDENHAUER, JERRY	16	48	19	56	35	104
MOLDENHAUER, TOM	20	37	17	53	37	90
STARR, TIM	17	50	17	52	34	102
SWANGER, SPENCER	18	58	18	59	36	117
SWANSON, AL	18	18	17	55	35	73

Subject: Roads

Awards:

Rush Hour by Andy de Naray
Evening Light by Tom Moldenhauer

Honorable Mentions:

Natures Curves by Andy de Naray
Owl Creek Pass by Al Swanson

Open

Awards:

Delicate Wings by Beverly Cellini
Big Storm, Little Shed by Jerry Moldenhauer

Honorable Mentions:

Dallas Divide by Al Swanson
Schwartwald Germany by Spencer Swanger



“Trouble Coming” by Bruce du Fresne

Digital Projection Competition Results: *As of March 2010*

PROJECTED DIGITAL - MONTHLY STANDINGS AS OF MAR 2010

	SUBJECT		OPEN		TOTAL	
	CURRENT MONTH	YTD	CURRENT MONTH	YTD	CURRENT MONTH	YTD
Beverly Cellini	17	47	16	50	33	97
Sherwood Cherry	16	52	17	51	33	103
Marco Costick	0	37	0	45	0	82
Bruce Du Fresne	17	57	22	60	39	117
Nancy Ellis	0	0	8	8	8	8
Bill Holm	20	56	20	57	40	113
Tim Meinert	0	15	0	18	0	33
Yvonne Merkle	17	26	16	33	33	59

Jerry Moldenhauer	16	55	19	53	35	108
Art Porter	8	34	16	55	24	89
Tim Starr	19	56	17	59	36	115
Rita Steinhauer	18	35	16	31	34	66
Spencer Swanger	19	54	17	58	36	112
Al Swanson	18	56	16	50	34	106
Jim Van Namee	21	39	18	35	39	74
Jacqueline Vignone	15	48	19	52	34	100
T.W. Woodruff	0	32	0	35	0	67

Subject: Roads

Awards:

Midwest Winter by Bill Holm
Under Road by Jim Van Namee
Rainy Evening by Spencer Swanger

Honorable Mentions:

Dallas Divide by Beverly Cellini
Romanian Road by Rita Steinhauer
Cornering by Tim Starr

Open

Awards:

Frost by Bill Holm
Snow Covered by Bruce du Fresne
Butterfly by Jacqueline Vignone

Honorable Mentions:

Garden of Gods Morning by Jerry Moldenhauer
Snow Layers by Jim Van Namee
Trouble's Comin' by Bruce du Fresne



“Twin Falls” by Tim Starr

Field Trip Report:

March 2010 Field Trip

It was a nice balmy 13 degrees when I rolled into the King Sooper’s parking lot on March 20th. Shortly after I arrived, Nancy Ellis pulled into the parking spot next to the Blazer. We took off for the Paint Mines around 7:15am, and the skies were clear. About three miles west of Calhan, Colorado we came into a low lying cloud bank that spread to the east and south. You guessed it, the clouds hung right over the Paint Mines. I stopped at the Paint Mines north parking area, and from there we hiked into the Paint Mine area. On my way to the south end, where the bigger formations are, I came across Tim Starr and his son George. Galen Short, a new member was also there.

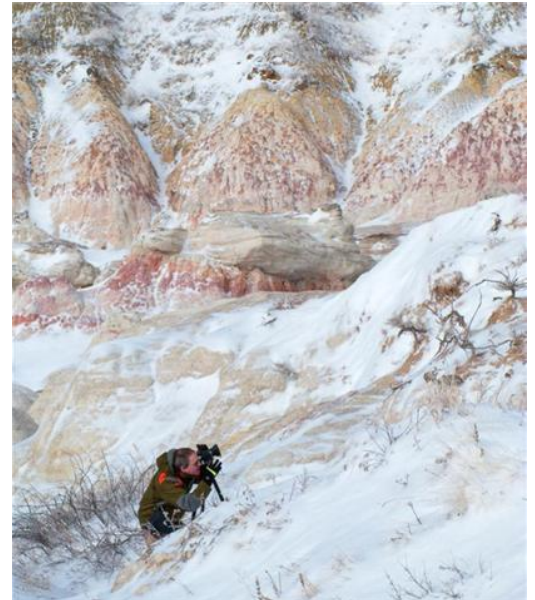
Once in the Paint Mines, it was gorgeous. The frigid temperature allowed frost to form on the yuccas and shrubs. Snow was drifted in the washes and around the formations. Around 9am the clouds began to burn off. This was when most of my pictures were getting made. The clouds were breaking, the light was changing, and the pixels were burning. We shot until around 11:00. By that time the clouds had burned away, the sky

was clear as can be, the snow was starting to melt, and the clay was turning to mud. It seemed like a good time to call it a shoot.

After our morning shoot at the Paint Mines, I mentioned to Nancy that I have been to the Paint Mines on several photography shoots, but never when they had snow on them. It was a brisk morning, but as long as a person is dressed for the conditions, it wasn't too bad. For me it was well worth braving the cold conditions, because I made pictures at the Paint Mines like I had never made before.

Jerry Moldenhauer

Photographs from the March field trip: All Photographs by Tim Starr



The 2010 Monthly Competition Subjects

January Machinery

February The Color Orange

March Roads

April PSA/ Judging
Spring Scavenger Hunt

May The Paint Mines

June Shore Birds, Waterfowl, Wading Birds

July Rectangles

August **Wetlands Scenery:** See here for the definition of wetlands:
<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/wetland>

September Grasses or Grains

October **Fall Scavenger Hunt:** Subjects will be announced later.

November **“My Place”:** - Any photo taken in or of the photographer’s house, apartment, condo, yard, farm, or ranch

December **Salon:** Subjects will be announced closer to December.

Club Officers for 2010

President	Jerry Moldenhauer	237-8728	streetrod30@q.com
Vice President	Rita Steinhauer	637-7664	ritacs10@comcast.com
	Bill Stanley	593-9161	wmstanley@aol.com
Treasurer	Bruce du Fresne	550-9883	badufresne@comcast.net
Secretary	Rita Steinhauer	637-7664	ritacs10@comcast.com

Digital Projection /
WebMaster Tim Starr 683-4347 timstarr@falconbroadband.net
Learning Coordinator Jim Van Namee jvannamee@gmail.com
Travelogue Andy de Naray 481-0426 andydenaray@msn.com

Acting Newsletter Editor / Field Trip Coordinator Jerry Moldenhauer 237-8728
Streetrodder30@q.com