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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy New Year, everyone. Don't forget, the schedule for Nature and Travel has changed. In 2010, Nature/Travel will meet on the First Monday of every month. Our General Photography meeting will remain on the Second Tuesday. Coming up this month are workshops at both meetings: a Travel workshop, and on the second Tuesday a workshop about how to get started making prints. Also this month: our annual AWARDS BANQUET, Thursday, January 21. (See separate article in this Gammagram.) This is your chance to visit with friends, talk cameras, see great images and find out who won our various competitions, not to mention collecting any awards you may have earned. In addition, you'll enjoy a nice dinner. Do join us!



By Bob Hubble



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Winter rains got you down? Try some tabletop! I've been shooting flowers and dried grasses. You don't need a studio---I'm using a table near a window in our spare bedroom. When the sun is not shining through the window, or when there is no sun at all, I have nice soft, even light. You can shoot pieces of fruit or veggies, maybe with a macro lens. Or anything else around the house. You'll probably need a tripod. Also, I found

some fall leaves covered with dewdrops. The dewdrops magnify the texture of the leaf. Cool! I macro'd them on my back porch. On the other hand, you can get out in the mud and shoot fungus. They're all over the place, probably including yards in your neighborhood. Point Reyes is especially nice for fungi at this time of year, but you have to find them. Ask someone in the Nature Division where the hot spots are. And of course, this is the time to visit the bird refuges. It takes a little patience to shoot birds. Drive into the refuge and stop when you find an area that looks hopeful. Often it's best to stay in the car because it acts as a blind. Open your window and use the window frame to prop up your camera. Chico has a Snow Goose Festival in late January. Info at 800-825-8570, ext 313.

And finally, here's a website you'll enjoy. www.freemanpatterson.com <<http://www.freemanpatterson.com>> > I think Patterson is one of the best color photographers working these days. Very artistic, great use of color, with a unique eye.

May you have a photophabulous 2010!

Meet Your New Board Members

2010 Board Members

President	Bob Hubbell
Vice President	Dave Kent
Treasurer	Glen Cunnigham
Secretary	DonaSturla
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General Division Directors	Chuck Pivetti Grant Kreinberg
Travel Division Directors	Charlie Willard Jan Lightfoot
Nature Division Director	Donna Sturla
Webmaster	Paulo Oliveira

Committees

Refreshments	Gabrielle Krueger
Still needed: Additional Refreshment Persons and a Greeter to hand out name tags.	

Charlie Willard, Travel Co-Director

Charlie and his wife, Joan, joined Sierra Camera Club in late 2008. It was his first involvement with any camera club and he is finding the experience to be very worthwhile. Other camera club members have been very supportive and he is learning every day.

Charlie loves the out-of-doors and taking pictures of wildlife and natural settings. He is fortunate, in keeping with his outdoor interests, to have been able to have a career working for California State Parks. He retired in 2004, but continues to work part-time to keep a hand in projects he loves.

Charlie has had an interest in photography since taking pictures with a point and shoot on a trip to the Boy Scout National Jamboree in 1964. In his college years, he was able to purchase his first SLR, which he used for many years. After it was stolen he used a Nikon FG until he went digital. He now shoots a Canon 50d and loves it.

Charlie has many interests including canoe and kayak racing (he has competed in Eppie's Great Race 32 consecutive years), hiking (he has completed 2/3 of the Pacific Crest Trail), and photography.

In 2009 Charlie was an assistant to Truman Holtzclaw in the Travel Division, who taught him a great deal. Also, Charlie and Joan were fortunate to have the opportunity to travel with Truman and Sandy to the PSA Conference and learn photography and trailer life from them in Yellowstone, Bannack (Montana), Promontory Point, Zion, Bryce, Cedar Breaks, and Cathedral Gorge (Nevada). The photography tips and food were wonderful.

Nature Division

We had a great year for Nature with a combination of classes and competitions. We learned about some new Programs, we learned about Macro Photography, The Secrets of Nature Photography, and had a great program on Lenses.

What I would like from YOU is: What would you like to LEARN about Nature Photography in 2010? If you're new, don't be afraid to ask for something we've already had. We can always learn new things even when we've already heard them.

PLEASE REMEMBER THAT NATURE AND TRAVEL WILL NOW BE MEETING ON THE FIRST MONDAY EACH MONTH. So our first meeting will be January 4th. It will be dedicated to Travel, with a program by Truman Holtzclaw. I will be there, mostly because my travel pictures are not so great. Please come on January 4th, and do let me know what you would like for Nature in 2010 !

Happy New Year! Donna Sturla

Web sites for meet-up groups

Jan Lightfoot's Group <http://www.meetup.com/exploringphotography>

Albert DeBrugen's Group - <http://www.meetup.com/photo-631>

Other Groups

http://www.meetup.com/sacramento-digital-photography/?a=fd_new_rsvp_grp

http://www.meetup.com/clickmonkeys/?a=fd_new_member_grp



Charlie and Joan at Bryce Canyon

2010 Membership Renewal

<u>Subscription Type</u>	<u>Annual Dues</u>
Single Membership	\$45
Family Membership	\$70
Juniors (Under 18)	\$10
FT Students (under 22)	\$22.50
Gammagram Only *	\$15
(* Not voting members of the club)	

***Please make check to:
Sierra Camera Club***

Mail to:
Glen Cunningham
SCC Treasurer,
780 Coronado Blvd
Sacramento, CA 95864

Please provide information for the Club Roster. Circle any changes from last year.

Name(s) (please print) _____

Street Address _____

City & Zip _____

Phone(s) _____

e-mail(s) _____

Renewals for 2010: Membership dues are due January 1 and are delinquent after February 1, 2010. Any member whose dues are not paid by February 1st, will be dropped from the membership roll after notification by the Treasurer, not included in the club directory, and ineligible for competition. Members agree to abide by the club constitution, by-laws, and competition rules.

Save Postage
Bring your checks for
2010 Dues and Awards Banquet
to the Nature/Travel Meeting on Monday Jan 4th.

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January Calendar
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- Monday Jan 4Nature/Travel Meeting 7:30 pm How to Take Good Travel Images by Truman Holtzclaw
- Sunday Jan 10Field Trip: Muir Woods
- Tuesday Jan 12General Meeting 7:30 pm Printing Your Images by Chuck Pivetti
- Thursday Jan 21 ...Awards Banquet and Show, 6:00 pm.
- Saturday Jan 23Field Trip, 2:30 pm. Snow Geese at Colusa National Wildlife Refuge

For Sale

Epson 9800 Printer. \$2900.00 Linda Lewis Taylor (friend of Dolores) phone 530.272.5615 cell 530.913.3396
email: tayimages@comcast.net

Official Invitation to the Sierra Camera Club Annual Awards Banquet

Club Pheasant 2525 Jefferson Blvd, West Sacramento, CA 95691

Thursday January 21, 2010

6:00 Social
6:30 Dinner

Menu

Garlic Steak Sandwich

Served with choice of French Fries or Ravioli

or

Oven Fried Chicken baked in white wine rosemary and garlic

Served with choice of Baked Potato or Ravioli

or

Prime Rib Served with Baked Potato or Ravioli

*Dinners include soup,
salad, coffee, tea and
Spumoni ice cream*



Directions: From Highway 50 in West Sacramento take Jefferson Boulevard Exit South. (Left on Jefferson) Continue on Jefferson past the canal. The Restaurant is located on the left side of Jefferson. Turn left on Lake Washington Blvd. Then Right into parking lot. (On the corner in front of the Nugget Market)



Name _____

Garlic Steak Sandwich with French Fries or Ravioli (\$25.00) \$ _____

Oven Fried Chicken with Baked Potato or Ravioli (\$25.00) \$ _____

Prime Rib with Baked Potato or Ravioli (\$30.00) \$ _____

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Total \$ _____

Make Check out to Sierra Camera Club

Send check and dinner choices to: Dave Kent, 8773 Cheer Court, Elk Grove, CA 95624