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Meets the first and third Tuesdays each month at Bayland Community Center, 6400 Bissonnet near Hillcroft



Field Trip - Saturday, October 10, 2009

Scarecrow festival at Chappell Hill

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Program Night - Tuesday, October 20, 2008

Sports Photography, a Dream Job in the NBA

Presented by Sam Li

Sam was hired by a Chinese media company as a sports photographer/journalist for the second half of the 2008-2009 NBA season to cover the Houston Rockets. His talk will cover his experience as an NBA sports photographer, and present some advice on shooting indoor sports.

Sam Li was born in China, and moved to the US when he was six years old. He attended UT Austin, graduating with a BS in Biology. His interest in photography by working on his days off at Best Buy. His first camera was a Nikon D70. He started on travel and nature photography. He has since moved on and now shoots with a Canon 40D. He became a member of HCC in 2008.

His main works have been a tour of Western Europe, China, and many places within the United States. He has recently started to focus more on portrait photography, and has started doing engagement and wedding photography. Sam says, "I really like the stories that photographs can tell, and I love to write about my experiences and tell my own story through my art. Although I'm a third year medical student at UT Houston Medical School, I find as much time as possible to fuel my passion for photography."

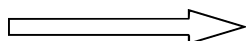
Urvine Atkinson, Program Chairman

Refreshments: **Rachel Burychka**

Dues now due

It's time to renew your dues to the HCC.

Our new year began September 1, so if you haven't done so already, it's time to renew your membership. The cost is \$30 for an individual member, with an additional \$15 for each extra member in the same household.



Tuesday, October 6, 2009

Competition Meeting - both prints and digital projection

Starting time: 7 pm

- **Projected image competition** - Enter up to 2 images in any of 5 categories: (Pictorial, Nature, Travel, Photojournalism and Creative). Send images to John Niemand by Saturday, October 3. jwniemand@windspring.net
- **Print competition** - Enter up to 2 prints in any of 5 categories: (Pictorial, Nature, Travel, Photojournalism, and Creative) .Bring prints to meeting.
- **Assignment** for October (both groups)
Fences and Gates - enter one projected image and/or print.
- **Tri-monthly Field Trip competition** (both groups)

- 1) Glenwood Cemetery
- 2) Skyline & Skate Park
- 3) Brazos Bend State Park

* Send all digital images to **John Niemand...**(this time only) by Saturday, October 3 before the competition meeting. jwniemand@windspring.net

October judges: **Gwen Kunz, Ron Towe, Ernie Wales**

Competition table: **Tom Kirila, Jennifer Martino, Louise Phillips**

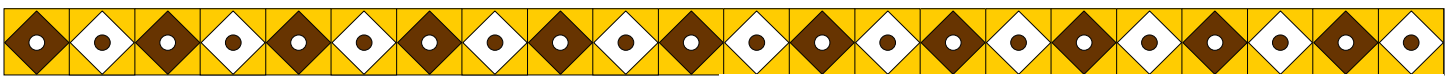
Anyone needing to change, please contact **Leslie Niemand** at 281-242-4717

One Person Show: **Marcia Raskin**

Refreshments: **Ron Towe**



Give your checks made out to *Houston Camera Club* to Treasurer **Joe Sandler**, or mail them to him at P.O. Box 35875, Houston, TX 77235.



Competition Results

September 1, 2009



Judges: Rachel Burychka, Denny Moller, Joe Sandler

Projected Images

Pictorial category - 10 entries

- 1st (21 pts) *Glassware in Orange Light*...D. Pederson
- 2nd (18) *Field Trip Flower*.....D. Moller
Pink VW.....M. Daura
Showing OffR. Gore
- 3rd (17 pts) *Drops from Heaven*.....M. Barrera
Feed the BirdJ. Martino

Nature category - 10 entries

- 1st (23 pts) *Mother and Baby Bison*.....B. Jump
- 2nd (22 pts) *Common Moorhen*.....D. Pederson
- 3rd (21 pts) *Wren Chicks*.....T. Kirila

Photojournalism category - 3 entries

- 1st (16 pts) *Back in Time*.....G. Sternes
Chinese Train Station.....S. Li
- 2nd (15 pts) *Going for a Ride*..... R. Gore

Travel category - 10 entries

- 1st (21 pts) *Brice Castles*.....J. Sandler
- 2nd (20 pts) *Anybody Home?*.....H. Wolin
Rainbow at Lion Geyser.....B. Jump
Sentry Duty.....T. Kirila
- 3rd (19 pts) *Maine Lilghouse*.....U. Atkinson
Water Man.....B. Jump

Creative category - 4 entries

- 1st (21 pts) *Downtown Houston*.....J. Martino
- 2nd (19.5 pts) *Red Passion Flower Closeup*..E. Sandler
- 3rd (17 pts) *16th St. Orton Effect*.....M. Raskin

Assignment: Tombstones & Cemeteries - 12 entries

Winner: *Two Sads*.....R. Towe

Digital Prints

Pictorial prints - 5 entries

- 1st (21 pts) *Back Off*..... M. Barrera
Flower CloseupE. Sandler
- 2nd (19 pts) *Bilago Gardens*U. Atkinson
- 3rd (18 pts) *Hollywood Kiss*..... L. Phillips

Nature prints - 7 entries

- 1st (20 pts) *Butterfly #8*.....R. Gore
- 2nd (19.5 pts) *Snowy Egret on Branch*....E. Sandler
- 3rd (19 pts) *Hey Get in Line Back There*..B. Jump

Photojournalism Prints - 2 entries

- 1st (15 pts) *Starting the Swing, Ball Coming*
.....J. Sandler
- 2nd (13 pts) *Squash That Quarterback*G.Sternes

Travel Prints - 5 entries

- 1st (19 pts) *Sunset on Yellowstone Lake*..B. Jump
Reservation Gas..... H. Wolin
- 2nd (18 pts) *Covered Bridge*.....U. Atkinson
Leaving the Dock.....R. Gore
- 3rd (13 pts) *Statue of Liberty*.... L. Phillips

Unlimited Prints - 17 entries

- 1st (22.5 pts) *Harris Hawk* R. Burychka
- 2nd (22 pts) *Crawfish for Lunch*..... R. Gore
- 3rd (21pts) *Oxbow Bend*..... B. Jump
Zoo Profile.....J. Sandler
Lone Pelican.....E. Sandler

Assignment: Tombstones and Cemeteries - 12 entries

Winner: *Paradise* by Ron Towe

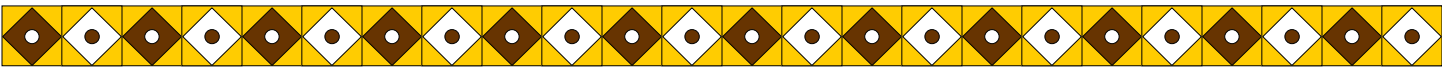
Interclub Competition Results

GSCCC Pictorial Projection, judged by Jackson Photographic Society, Mississippi

- Sunrise Reflection*.....J. Sandler.....10 pts
- St. Augustine Lighthouse*.....R. Gore.....9 pts
- Pots for Sale*.....H. Wolin.....9 pts
- Red Roof*.....U. Atkinson.....9 pts

GSCCC Nature Projected Images, judged by North Louisiana Camera Club, Monroe, LA (Stinkers)

- Striking Green Heron*.....R. Burychka.....11 pts
- Snake*.....J. Breaux.....11 pts
- Dragonfly Hitching a Ride*.....D. Pederson.....8 pts
- Hawk*.....B. Jump.....4 pts



First place Travel Category **BRYCE CASTLES**
by Joe Sandler



First place Nature Prints **BUTTERFLY #8**
by Ross Gore



New member: We welcome **Gerry Jump** as a new member. Gerry is Mrs. Bob Jump.

News of Members: **Louise Cannings** was married last month. Her name now is **Louise Phillips**.

Leslie and John Niemand chilled out on a trip to Alaska. They explored the Kenai Peninsula, including Homer and Seward, mostly in the rain. The second week was spent in Denali National Park. Here the sun was out and they saw Mt. McKinley every day. Spectacular landscape!

Alice and Urvine Atkinson were off on their way to eastern Canada - Montreal, Quebec, etc.

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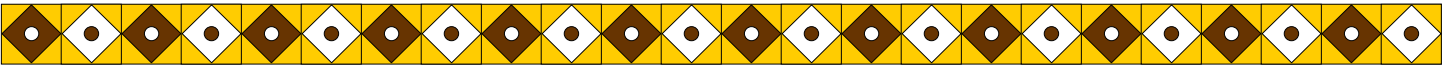
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2nd Vice President.....Tom Kirila
Secretary.....Manuel Barrera
Treasurer.....Joe Sandler



Field Trip to Scarecrow Festival - 10 am

Saturday, October 10, 2009 at Chappell Hill, TX

The festival boasts more than 250 juried exhibitors (home décor, gardening, artists, craftsmen, jewelry, clothing, etc), delicious food, live entertainment and music. Tours of the historic community are also held.

Admission is free to the festival and museum. Convenient parking for cars, buses, and handicapped persons is available.

To get to Chappell Hill, take Hwy 290 northwest toward Austin, TX, and go about 57 miles. Banners will be strung across the highway.

Ross Gore, Chairman



First Place Photojournalism Print

STARTING THE SWING, BALL COMING

by **Joe Sandler**



First Place Pictorial Projection

GLASSWARE IN ORANGE LIGHT

by **Don Pederson**



Calendar of HCC Meetings

- October 6.....Competition meeting
- October 10.....Field trip
- October 20.....Program meeting

Future assigned subjects

- November.....Reflections
- December.....Sunrise/sunsets
- January.....After dark