



**Houston Camera Club**

Member of PSA & GSCCC

# THE RANGEFINDER

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

## Toys For Kids—December 7

The club traditionally collects unwrapped toys at the Christmas dinner to donate to disadvantaged children. Because this year's dinner is so close to Christmas, please bring an unwrapped toy to the competition meeting, December 7.

## Field Trip — Saturday, December 11

### Old Town Spring—Christmas Celebration

Old Town Spring presents "Home for the Holidays, its 30th annual Christmas celebration. The town, its stores, and even its street lamps, will be decorated for your photographic enjoyment. Listen to strolling musicians and barbershop quartets. Have your picture taken with Santa. Tour the town's museum, and take a ride in a horse-drawn carriage.

Directions: Take Exit 70A off I-45 North (the Spring-Cypress exit), and proceed along Spring-Cypress Road to the parking area at Old Town Spring. We will meet at the Visitor's Bureau, 606 Spring Cypress Road, located near the parking area, at 10:00 a.m. This is shown on the map referred to below.

A map of Old Town Spring may be printed from the internet. Go to <http://www.oldtownspring.com>. Click the link for "Directions" and then click the link under the map for a larger, printable map.

Bill Burychka, John Niemand—Field Trip Chairmen

## Christmas Dinner—December 21

### Salt Grass Steak House

6:15 p.m. Social Gathering

7:00 p.m. Dinner

Program: Ciao...Italia Bella by Joe Zaia, FPSA

Joe Zaia has been a member of PSA for 39 years. He is a photographic judge, and lectures frequently at camera clubs and photographic conferences. Please welcome our very special guest and his wife Betty.

### Additional Details on the last page

Urvine Atkinson—Chairman

**Tuesday, December 7, 2010**  
**Competition Meeting:**—Projected Digital Images and Prints  
 Starting time: 7:00 p.m.

- **Projected Image Competition**—Enter up to 2 images in any of 5 categories: (Pictorial, Nature, Travel, Photojournalism, Creative). Send digital images to Bob Jump by Saturday, December 4 at [hcc\\_digital@att.net](mailto:hcc_digital@att.net)
- **Digital Print Competition**—Enter up to 2 prints in any of 5 categories: (Pictorial, Nature, Travel, Photojournalism, and Creative)
- **Monochrome Image Competitions**—Enter a maximum of 1 projected image and/or 1 print.
- **Assignment** for December *Light*  
Enter 1 projected image and/or 1 print.
- **Quarterly Field Trip**—enter 3 projected images and/or 3 prints from:
  - 1) Kemah Jazz Festival
  - 2) Lickskillet Day—Fayetteville
  - 3) Renaissance Festival

**Judges:** Bill Burychka, Kellene Jarratt, Ron Towe  
**Competition Table:** Gwen Kunz, Terry Rutledge  
 Anyone needing to change, contact **Leslie Niemand** at 281-242-4717  
**One Man Show:** Bill Burychka  
**Refreshments:** Alice Atkinson

## Calendar—Upcoming Activities

**December 7** Unwrapped Toys To Competition Meeting

**December 11** Field Trip—Old Town Spring

**December 21** Christmas Dinner



## January Architectural Contest

Earl Gilbert was a long-time member of the HCC. He worked on the design for the San Jacinto monument. To honor Mr. Gilbert, the Earl Gilbert Memorial Architectural Contest is held annually.

Entries for this contest will be accepted in January. Only prints are eligible. Subjects may be of anything of an architectural nature. Each maker may submit 1 image. Pictorial print rules apply. The images will be judged outside the club.

## Member Directory Pictures Needed

There are a number of newer members who need to have pictures taken for the directory. If the following members haven't had their pictures taken yet, please contact **Ron Towe**: Carolyn McEathron, Gary Bartz, Terry Rutledge, Connie Danley, Julius Klehm, Marilyn Holloway, Silvie Collier, Mona Rizzal, Henry Peterman, Tina Carpenter, and Alistair Peterson.

## Directory Information Updates

If you have any changes to the information in the directory, let **Gwen Kunz** know. If you would like a new picture, see **Ron Towe** to have it taken. This year's directory is going to be printed shortly.



The Grand Canyon

By: Charles Edwards

*Happy Holidays!!!*



### November Visitors:

**Debbie Williams** visited the camera club in November.

### New Members:

**Tina Carpenter** is a zookeeper and likes to take nature and pet pictures. She uses both Canon and Nikon equipment. **Alistair Peterson** is interested in nature and landscape photography, travel and portraiture. He uses a variety of cameras including Nikon. Welcome to you both.

### Member News:

In late October, **Alice and Urvine Atkinson** visited South Carolina. They spent a week in Myrtle Beach and an additional 3 days in Charleston. While they were in Charleston, they visited The Citadel and rode in a traditional carriage. They had great weather, so we might expect to see some good pictures. And, as we speak, they are off again—this time to Arizona with **Gwen Kunz**.

**Gerry Aitkin** is spending much of her time these days traveling. Her most recent trip was a two week tour of the Baltic countries, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania and also Warsaw, Poland. Lots of sightseeing and picture taking during the days and cultural activities in the evenings. The tour was organized by KUHF.

**Leslie and John Niemand** got away for a brief trip to Las Vegas. Believe it or not, the photography was great.

## Upcoming Assignments

January	Holiday Store Window Display
February	Still Life
March	Human Hands or Feet



Zombie Attack By: Ross McEathron

## November Competition Results

Judged November 2, 2010

Judges: Urvine Atkinson, Manuel Barrera, Gwen Kunz

### Projected Images

#### **Pictorial Category** – 6 entries

1 <sup>st</sup> (19 pts)	Hurry Up I'm Cold	J. Klehm
2 <sup>nd</sup> (18pts)	Red Mug	B. Jump
3 <sup>rd</sup> (17 pts)	Beware	R. Towe
	Fayetteville Girl & Roses	G. Sternes

#### **Nature Category** – 6 entries

1 <sup>st</sup> (22 pts)	Proud Papa	B. Dupré
2 <sup>nd</sup> (21 pts)	Rep 13	J. Breaux
	Roadrunner Running	B. Jump
3 <sup>rd</sup> (18 pts)	Gator Pestered By Dragonfly	M. Holloway

#### **Photojournalism Category** – 9 entries

1 <sup>st</sup> (21 pts)	After The Storm	B. Dupré
2 <sup>nd</sup> (18 pts)	Four Thunderbirds Taking Off	G. Sternes
	Injury	M. Holloway
	The Last Trumpet Call	J. Klehm
3 <sup>rd</sup> (15pts)	I Will Take This	R. Towe
	July 4	R. McEathron

## Projected Images Continued

#### **Travel Category** – 4 entries

1 <sup>st</sup> (17 pts)	The Grand Canyon	C.T. Edwards
2 <sup>nd</sup> (16 pts)	Amish country Farm 5156 J. Sandler BC Waterfall	G. Jump
3 <sup>rd</sup> (15.5 pts)	Sullivan Isle Lighthouse	U. Atkinson

#### **Creative Category** – 4 entries

1 <sup>st</sup> (20 pts)	Bees On Sunflower 5264	J. Sandler
2 <sup>nd</sup> (19 pts)	Church Hallett	J. Breaux
3 <sup>rd</sup> (18 pts)	Wrinkled Petals	E. Sandler

#### **Assignment: Farmers' Market**— 6 entries

Winner:	Fresh Food	R. Towe
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### Prints

#### **Pictorial Prints** – 10 entries

1 <sup>st</sup> (22 pts)	Yosemite Dawn	B. Dupré
	Up Up & Away	C. Danley
2 <sup>nd</sup> (21 pts)	Colorado Colors	R. Gore
3 <sup>rd</sup> (20 pts)	Acrobatic Plane "Oracle"	G. Sternes
	Beautiful Rose	L. Niemand

#### **Nature Prints** – 8 entries

1 <sup>st</sup> (20 pts)	Me Whoooo	C. Danley
	I'm Hungry	M. Holloway
2 <sup>nd</sup> (19 pts)	Morning Frittillary	E. Sandler
3 <sup>rd</sup> (18 pts)	Temporary Landing	L. Niemand



## November Competition Results Continued

### Prints Continued

#### **Photojournalism Prints** – 5 entries

1st (20 pts)	Kelly Runner Upset	G. Sternes
2 <sup>nd</sup> (19 pts)	Turn Me Loose	M. Holloway
	Protect Schaub From The Rush	Ross Gore
		John Niemand
3 <sup>rd</sup> (18 pts)	Got Me	

#### **Travel Prints** – 7 entries

1 <sup>st</sup> (21 pts)	Mountain Peak In Spotlight	B. Jump
	Corpus Christi	M. Barrera
2 <sup>nd</sup> (20 pts)	Room With A View	H. Wolin
3 <sup>rd</sup> (19.5 pts)	Sailing	U. Atkinson

#### **Creative Prints**—4 entries

1st (19.5 pts)	101—Believe It or Not!	G. Kunz
2 <sup>nd</sup> (18 pts)	“Kiss” Look Alike	U. Atkinson
	Bent Petals	E. Sandler
3 <sup>rd</sup> (16pts)	4 Way Wind	J. Sandler

#### **Unlimited Prints**—14 entries

1st (25 pts)	Puerta de Colores	M. Katz
2 <sup>nd</sup> (23 pts)	Braided Stream	B. Dupré
	Albuquerque Balloon Fest	R. Gore
3 <sup>rd</sup> (22.5 pts)	Hilton	M. Barrera

#### **Assignment: Farmers’ Market**—8 entries

Winner:	Oranges	B. Jump
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## Interclub Competitions

### GSCCC Nature Projected

Judged: November, 2010 Judged on basis of 15 points.

Judged By: Photography Enthusiasts of El Paso

Struggle for Life	15 pts	Manuel Barrera
Eating Away	14 pts.	Evelyn Sandler
Too Big To Handle	8 pts.	Ross Gore
Green Heron With Fish	7 pts.	Marilyn Holloway

Congratulations to Manuel for his second place win in the competition and to Evelyn for her second honorable mention.



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News Deadline: Third Tuesday

Officers: President.....	Ross Gore
1st Vice President.....	Urvine Atkinson
2nd Vice President.....	Ross McEathron
Secretary.....	Rachel Burychka
Treasurer.....	Joe Sandler



***Houston Camera Club  
Christmas Dinner***

***Tuesday, December 21***

***Salt Grass Steak House***

***9110 Southwest Freeway***

***Between Gessner and Bissonnet***

***6:15 Social Time***

***7:00 Dinner***

***Program:***

***Ciao...Italia Bella***

***A Retrospect Of Picturesque Italy And Sicily***

***By Joe Zaia, FPSA, ASIIPC, FMC***

***Sign up at the Competition Meeting  
or with Kellene Jarratt***

***Guests Welcome***

