

Celebrating 2019

On Tuesday, December 10th, the Grand Canyon Photography Club will hold its annual holiday party. Members are asked to bring a dish to share. This can be chips, cookies, or something more fancy. The club will provide the beverage, napkins, and cups. Festivities will begin at 7 p.m. at the Gmeiner Art & Cultural Center in Wellsboro, PA.

Members are also encouraged to submit images for the annual member slideshow. David Ralph will once again put together the show. Please send up to five of your favorite images from 2019 no later than Friday, December 6th. Use the same format as critique submissions (long side either 1024px or 2048px) and your name in the digital file. Please send the images to Mia at mialisa1957@gmail.com.

May everyone have a safe, happy, and healthy holiday season.



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I hope you all had a great Thanksgiving and an opportunity for time together with your family. Christmas and Chanukah season will be soon upon us, and, those holidays, pumped up by the commercial aspects of the photographic market, means that camera gear acquisition syndrome (GAS) can afflict some of our members more easily this time of year. Camera, software, and lens sales are popping up everywhere, especially in my email's inbox. So, I tell those attacked by GAS to stand strong to protect the family treasury and help keep marital bliss. For those who find themselves giving in to GAS, I eagerly look forward to seeing what new gear you got and learning about its details.

For our December 10th meeting, three things are essential: looking forward to a good time conversing with fellow members more than is possible in most of our meetings, bringing a dish to pass of finger food, and submitting up to five of your favorite images from calendar year 2019. We'll start off with a slide show and possible comments by contributors and then play the series of images in an endless loop for the balance of the meeting.

For our January 2020 meeting, we have a volunteer for the intermission beverages, but we still need a volunteer for the snacks. The 2020 refreshments sign-up sheet will be back in the side room for the December 2019 meeting.

This marks the last meeting of my two terms of office as president. While I kind of knew how things were put together before taking office, that process looks you right in the face when one gets pushed to the top of the pyramid. As Harry Truman said, "the buck stops here". 2019 was harder than 2018. We had four short notice cancellations of programs which had been on the calendar for a year or more caused by illnesses, surgeries, a parental death, and understandable, deep sorrow. So, four programs were put together on short, almost no notice. Not

the usually year, but, stuff happens.

I am glad the club is still active at the end of its 19th year. I will be glad to be able to shoot some photos and not worry so much where I will find the time. It has been a wonderful time in this club, by that I mean my whole time in the club. It has helped me grow as a photographer, pushing me to try new things and to require that my work meet higher standards. By the same token, I have seen some other member photographers grow into excellent and confident photographers. I am grateful to the club for all these experiences and for helping make me a better photographer.

David Ralph
2019-2020 President



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November 1, 2019
Finding Color



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Image of the Month

Greg Starner's infrared photograph is the featured image. According to Greg:

"I took it with a Nikon D70 that was converted to infrared. It was taken handheld with an 18mm to 70mm zoom at 18 and 1/500@ F5.6 ISO of 400.



© Greg Starner

I used a free program, Gimp to start. I used the channel mixer to swap the red and blue, and the auto white balance.

It was then changed to black and white with Silver Efex Pro2."

(Below original and color image from GIMP)

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"Sperr Park"



The Grand Canyon Photography Club

2019 Officers:

President: David Ralph

Vice President: Diane Cobourn

Treasurer: Gary Thompson

Recording Secretary: Paul Bozzo

Corresponding Secretary:
Sharon Connolly

Directors:

2018-2019:

Nancy Bickham, Linda Stager

2019-2020:

Mia Anderson, Med Barton

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December Meeting Refreshments: Everyone



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Minutes of the November 12, 2019 GCPC Meeting

The monthly meeting of the Grand Canyon Photography Club was held in the Gmeiner on November 12, 2019. There were 22 people present. President David Ralph called the meeting to order a 7:03 p.m. He told us that our incoming president Diane Cobourn was scheduled to run the meeting. However, she was unable to attend as her husband was having knee surgery. We hope all went well.

David presented us with a slate of candidates for our governing body:

- President - Diane Cobourn
- Vice President - (vacant)
- Treasurer - Gary Thompson
- Recording Secretary - Paul Bozzo
- Corresponding Secretary - Sharon Connolly
- Board Members - Linda Stager and Nancy Bickham.

The slate was passed.

Other business: All photos from our exhibition at the Gmeiner should be picked up Sunday, November 24 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. A sign-up sheet for 2020 refreshment was displayed. All members can send Mia (mialisa1957@gmail.com) up to five of their favorite images from 2019 for our Christmas slide show. All images are due December 6. The need for a new GCPC laptop is becoming apparent. A call for winter photographs to hang in the Warehouse theater was issued.

Our program was a video of Jim Brandenburg's 90-day photo journey. He shot one image each day from the fall equinox to the winter equinox in the area around his home in the north country. All 90 were published in National Geographic. Jim talked about his decision-making processes as he explored. He published a book about his experiences: *Chased*

by the Light - A Ninety Day Journey.

Gary Thompson presented 14 black & white images shot by members for our critique.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Bozzo

Treasurer's Report	
Beginning Balance	\$1,686.46
Cash IN	
Dues (2019)	\$20.00
Dues (2020)	\$40.00
Show Entry Fees	\$210.00
Cash OUT	
Bank Fee	\$3.00
Ending Balance	\$1,953.46
<i>Respectfully Submitted</i>	
<i>Gary Thompson, Treasurer</i>	



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Thoughts on Photographing the Holiday Season

At this time of year we gather with family and friends and celebrate life, love, and each other. There are so many opportunities for holiday images, it's hard to know where to begin. Family portraits in front of the Christmas tree and children opening presents are always classics. Holiday lights and decorations are good subjects as is a beautifully set holiday table. And don't forget all the possibilities with food and beverages.

Personally, I also enjoy creating still lifes (surprise) and using the Intentional Camera Movement technique (surprise again).

Something I look forward to every year is my annual snowflake cookie photo. My friend Heather bakes and decorates beautiful and delicious sugar cookies shaped like snowflakes. Each year in December I purchase some and then try to come up with a new photograph. It's a fun photographic challenge, and when I'm finished I get to eat the cookies!



Have fun
and Merry
Christmas.

Mia



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GCPC 2019-20 Calendar of Events

Meetings are at 7 p.m. on the 2nd Tuesday of every month
at the Gmeiner Art & Cultural Center unless otherwise noted

Mini-Solo Shows at the Native Bagel, Central Avenue, Wellsboro:

November- Suzanne Richar, Max and Kelle Johnson

December- Paul Bozzo

January 2020- Open

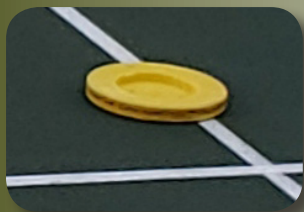
The Warehouse Theatre: Various Members

Please contact Bruce Dart at bdphoto@ptd.net if you are interested in displaying your photos at the Native Bagel or if you have images suitable for display at the Warehouse Gallery.

Programs and Themes:

- December 10: Annual holiday party & slideshow of member images.
- January 14, 2020: Iceland Travelogue by Linda Stager. Critique Theme: Travel
- February 11: DVD TBD. Critique: Frozen/Winter
- March 10: 4x5 Film Camera Work by Brad Bireley. Critique: Forests/Woodlands
- April 14: Lightroom Workflow/Wildlife Travelogue by Ken Meyer. Critique: Reflections
- May 12: From Capture to Critique by Mia Lisa Anderson. Critique Theme: Spring
- June 9: Photographing Insects by Ann Kamzelski. Critique Theme: Animals (Wild or Domestic)

What is this? Send your guess to:
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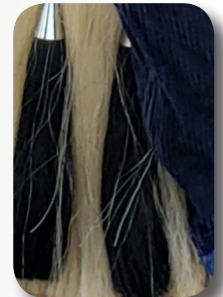
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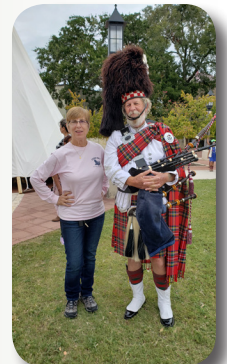
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November Critique: Black and White



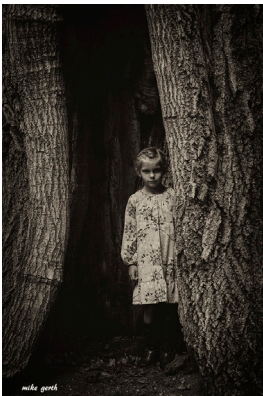
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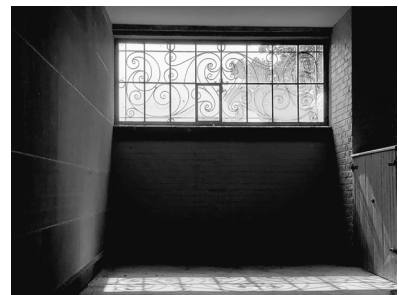
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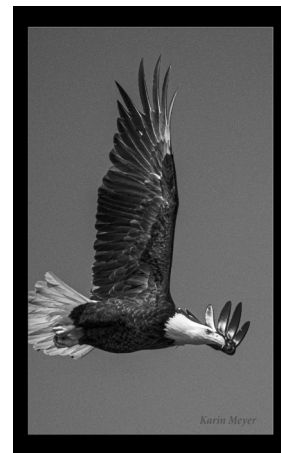
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