Grand Canyon PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB

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"GCPC Plans "Walkabout"

Members are asked to bring their cameras and tripods to the July 9, 2019 Grand Canyon Photography Club meeting. A hands-on program is planned for the night beginning at 7 p.m. at the Gmeiner Art & Cultural Center in Wellsboro.

Club members should meet at the Gmeiner where they will divide into small groups. A few of the more experienced members will act as 'leaders' and try to help anyone with questions. As we walk around town we will look for compelling compositions and try to determine the best camera settings for the exposures we want to capture.

After the "walkabout" the group will return to the Gmeiner for a short business meeting and refreshment break. Paul Bozzo will give a short preview about next month's outing and how to prepare. In case of rain, we will plan to photograph inside the Gmeiner. No critique is scheduled in order to give time to enjoy the best light.



©Paul Bozzo "Walkabout Photo w/Courthouse"



©Bruce Dart -Mia Lisa Anderson and Gary Thompson from a previous outing.

"Starting at 7," notes president David Ralph, "gives us a pretty good opportunity for some good light....not quite the ideal 'golden hour' with sunset around 8:30 but a very good window."

Lots of photos of Wellsboro in this issue which should give some idea of the wonderful range of images possible. A fun time with other photographers.

"Summer Fun" is sort of a theme for the rest of the newsletter as we have had no critique images to use. Send some images from these outings for the newsletters.

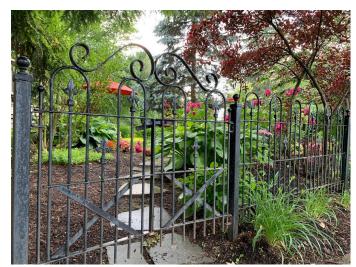
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Walkabout Summer Outing (continued)









Photos ©Linda Stager



Fun Outing (continued)



"The Deane"

Some fun photo opportunities from previous outings.

Photos by Bruce Dart



"Dusk on Main w/Texture"





PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

We all owe Ann Kamzelski hearty "Thank you!" Our June 11th meeting was held at her country, hill top house. Food was abundant, as was fellowship of the members present. Photo opportunities at Ann's Koi pond, her farm pond, and her flower gardens are always fun. And, Ann had set up some photo stations, such as photographing a light on a pendulum over one's camera lens or capturing the splash and bubbles of in a glass block caused by falling cherries, and the dueling flights of Gary Thompson's and Linda Stager's drones. Thank you again, Ann, for your hospitality, your work, and your imagination and experience in setting up the photo stations for the benefit of our Club members.

Ann's soiree is the introduction to summer, which started not two weeks later. Our next of the three summer meetings, on July 9th, will be at, or rather, mostly outside of the Gmeiner. We will be doing a twilight walk about in the Boro streets. Bring your tripod! As most know, the best low light or outside "night" shots are not taken in the dark. Rather, the twilight sky with its dwindling light often provides the best environment for a city-scape photo. This is within the golden hour light, with the U.S. Naval Observatory reporting Boro conditions for that day, Sunset 8:46 p.m., End civil twilight 9:19 p.m., and the first quarter moon that day, high in the sky with Moon transit at 7:37 p.m. That is, if we are still being rained on as we have been really since July 13th, 2018. I am looking forward to photos resulting which show the effect of that light on the buildings and grounds of metropolitan Wellsboro. When we meet at the Gmeiner, we can pair up small groups of experienced photographers with newer folks if wanted. When we get back inside the Gmeiner, Paul Bozzo will have a short slide show and talk about the August meeting, which he will lead.

The August meeting is a special time, 6:00 p.m., and occasion. Paul Bozzo will be taking us up a creek with water falls. Bring your hiking boots, or maybe better those waterproof boots you might wear while shoveling snow in the winter. Paul will have hands on tips for shooting these forest specials he takes so well. Most of you have seen his work in his recent one man show at the Gmeiner, and almost daily on Facebook.

For September, we bring back Jamie Montanus, the well-known Rochester photographer. He was with us several years ago, and he did a respective on his famous father, Neil Montanus, who was responsible for many of the huge Kodak images that were in the grand hall of Grand Central Station, in NYC for so many years. This time, we have asked Jamie to provide us with some insight to his composition, techniques and goals in his own landscape photos. He has a wonderful website which you might want to take a look at. Jamie will have the whole two hours, with a break at the September meeting.

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President's Message (continued)

A personal observation. The speed of seasonal change continues to amaze me, and to dismay me when I let the demands of daily family life delay me, and cost me the opportunity to take photos while the elusive flowers and animals are still here. The eaglets on Pine Creek are about to fledge and soon depart. The violet colored Dame Rockets which invade our roadsides are now nearly invisible. The nest sitting geese are now herding growing goslings around. So, I hope to take the suggestion that I make here now. Get out with your camera in hand whenever your can, even when out for other purposes. Most of us find ourselves framing shots in our head, while out and about, camera with us or not. Having the camera with us focuses our minds on that even more, looking at perspective, light, and details. On Facebook, the Tioga County Today Group, Sylvia Sherman Stager said, "When you take your walk with your camera things just look different." I think she tells the truth.

David Ralph



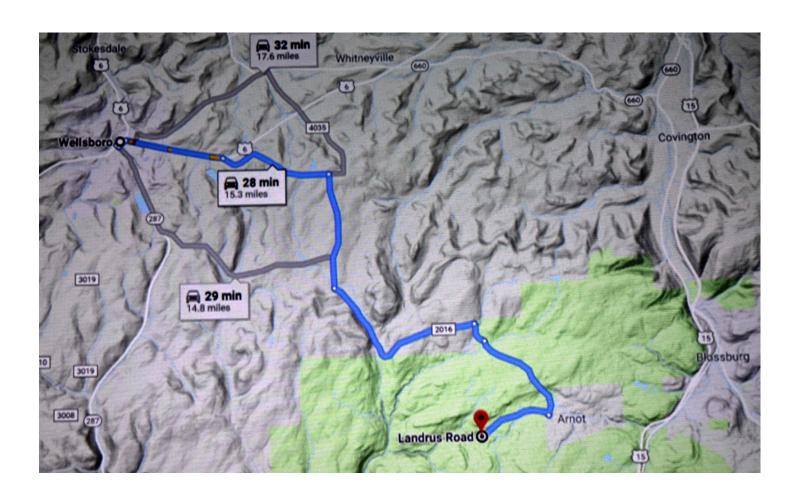
©David Ralph "Bumblebee and Flowers"

Planning for next month's outing -- A Hike in the Woods with Paul Bozzo

The plan for August is shaping up. Paul will lead a caravan from the Green Free Library to our entry point on the Landrus road (about a mile out of Arnot, Pa - see map). I would like to leave Wellsboro at 6pm. Bruce has volunteered to lead anyone who needs help coming from the Mansfield area.

There are many photo opps on the hike of about 3/8 of a mile. The best way to reach the old logging road / hiking trail is to cross the creek - and it's very easy if the flow is low or moderate!. If the flow is high, we would have to walk to the old logging road through wet, soggy ground. Either way boots are necessary. Paul hopes to explain it all at our walkabout meeting - Paul plans about 10 minutes of time before we leave the Gmeiner to photograph Wellsboro. To give some advance info about the hike.

See photos next page for three water levels of the same falls.



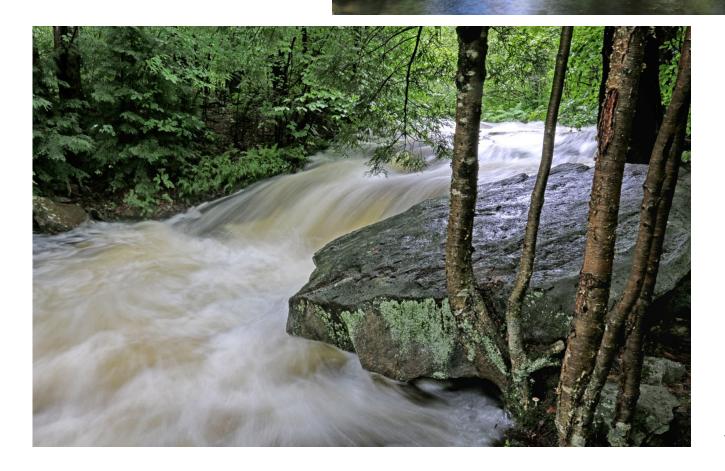
Next month's newsletter will freature info about gear, etc. Lots of trees, roadway, and large rocks to photograph on the planned hike. "Water won't be our only subject," Paul notes. "There are two waterfalls where we will start our hike."

Hike in the Woods.....



Here are three levels of flow on the smaller of the two falls - who knows what we will encounter.

Photos ©Paul Bozzo







About The Banner Photo

©Diane Cobourn "In Flight"

This is a female ruby throated hummingbird taking at our home in Tioga, PA.

"This brought a bright spot to an overcast day," Diane recalls. "After many shots and patience I was able to get a good capture in flight."

Diane used her Canon 5D MKII with a Tamron 160-600mm lens at 600mm. She had a shutter speed setting at 640. ISO was 1000. Made a few minor exposure adjustments and a crop in Photoshop Elements.

The Grand Canyon Photography Club

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June 11, 2019 GCPC Meeting

Outing at Ann's, no Minutes



Photos©Bruce Dart (Outing at Ann's)

June 2019 Treasurer's Report

Begin balance \$ 1601.46 Cash In \$20 (2019 Dues) Cash Out \$ 3.00 (Bank fee) End Balance \$ 1618.46

GCPC Treasurer

Gary Thompson 285 Owen Hollow Road Big Flats, NY 14814

2019 Dues

Individual: \$20. Family: \$35.







Note: With several club outings, Tony Sweet's reminder to all who go out to photograph is very appropriate.

Please observe private property and always ask permission before walking onto private property. Always defer to the locals. Drive sanely. Treat everyone with respect, you know....just commen sense stuff. Remember that we're guests.

Photos of the "green" amd buildings, as well as scenes of the town are "public domain" but houses and the rest are private property. We need to be careful and respectful.

David captured Paul and Bruce "at work" during a previous walkabout. The image below left, titled "A Salute to Lee" was a combination of a statue photo and a previous composite that was the final result of the photo at right.



Photos © **David Ralph**





©Bruce Dart





Fun Summer Photos





Photos ©Diane Cobourn

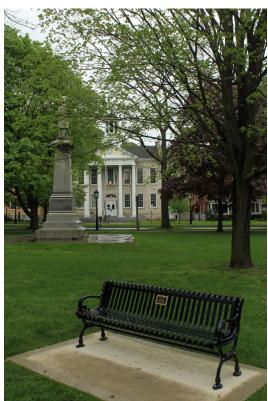








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July Meeting At a
Glance
Short slide show about
prep for August Meeting
then

Walkabout Wellsboro



GCPC 2019 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 Warehouse Theatre: Various Members

Paul Bozzo, Linda Stager, Medford Barton, Bruce Dart

Native Bagel, Central Avenue, Wellsboro

JULY - Linda Stager AUGUST - Stephanie Mattison SEPTEMBER - Sandy Foor OCTOBER - Diane Cobourn NOVEMBER -Suzan Richar DECEMBER - Paul Bozzo

Programs and Themes:

July 9: Walkabout in Wellsboro. Short preview of Hike with info on necessary gear

August 13: Hiking Outing led by Paul Bozzo. No Critique

September 10: Jim Montanus

Critique: Landscape/Nature from hike

October 8: Using Drones presented by Linda Stager & Gary Thompson. Critique: Black & White/Monotone

November 12: Lightroom and Travelogue presented by Ken Meyer.

Critique: Halloween

November: Biennial GCPC Member Exhibit at the Gmeiner.

December 10: Annual holiday party & slideshow of member

images.

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.



Mystery Macro

How observant are you?

No correct guesses Send your guesses to bdphoto@ptd.net



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