### Time to Get Back To Nature with Paul

For our August meeting we will assemble in front of the Green Free Library at 5 p.m. on Tuesday, August 11th. Departure time will be 5:15 p.m. According to Paul, "I am hoping we can use a maximum of 4 vehicles.

The parking area can hold no more. Please wear a mask for the 25 minute drive.

The road through the forest might catch your eye. The sun will not be a factor once we hike down to Blueberry. The shadow of the hill will protect

us from direct sunlight. Be advised that the path, although short, is STEEP. Wear sturdy hiking shoes or boots. I will have micro-spikes on my boots.

Also I have tall muck boots for protection from rattlesnakes - I've not seen any in this area, but it doesn't hurt to be prepared.

If you hope to hike a bit around the creek, waterproof boots are recommended. Also,

don't forget long pants and bug spray to discourage ticks. My white truck is blown-out by the sunlight which is high above us as we descend to Blueberry. The path comes out on this large rock formation that runs along side of the creek. It is about 8 feet about the level of the water. It is wide and comfortable. The path emerges from the forest at

the right side of the photo. If we have had some recent rain, we might get some interesting water shots. If the flow is low, we should get some good

shots of the pools in front of the rock ledge, upstream, and downstream. This is the view from the upstream edge of the ledge. Just below the rock ledge is channel that the water has carved. For the ambitious, there are many more features farther downstream."





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#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Well, 2020 is 2/3 of the way over! I'm hoping that the last 1/3 of the year brings us some good news and we can get back to business. As you know, we will not be able to meet at the Gmeiner until at least October. Hopefully, that will not get pushed back again. I am still deciding on what to do for our September meeting. I am looking for outing suggestions if anyone has one.

We had a good group of folks for our July Scavenger Hunt in



Wellsboro. About 12 folks showed up and walked around the town taking photos from the list of items that was provided. I personally had a good time but



have not had time to process my photos yet. The September critique will be photos from our July and August outings or other outdoor photography. Paul will lead a group on August 11th to Stony Fork. He has provided instructions that are posted in this newsletter as well.

There wasn't supposed to be a critique for August, but I have made a folder on Facebook for one. It will be Insects, Butterflies, and Reptiles. Hope everyone enjoys it. Ann has graciously agreed to do the critique for us.

I am still looking for a volunteer for Vice President, please contact me if you are interested. I am also looking for suggestions on a guest

speaker for next spring. I am looking at the May timeframe if everything goes well.

It's not too soon to be thinking about the 2021 photo show at the Gmeiner either. Mia has suggested that we include a display to celebrate the 20th Anniversary of the Club. I really like that idea, but we do need a theme for the show so be thinking. I will be looking to start a show committee by the end of the year.

As the year starts to wind down, I want to thank everyone again for their patience during this unusual and stressful time. I truly hope everyone is staying safe and healthy.



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Keep on Shooting! Diane Cobourn



# The Grand Canyon Photography Club www.gcphotoclub.org

## **Image of the Month**

The Grand Canyon Photography Club

### 2020 Officers:

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Diane Cobourn - E-mail: president@gcphotoclub.org Brad Bireley's photograph is the featured image. According to Brad:

"As I was driving around looking for hunting camps to photograph for my ongoing project, *Pennsylvania Hunting Camp Portrait Project*, I spotted this shed that had the American Flag proudly painted on the side of the shed. I just had to photograph it! I photographed it using my Minolta Autocord TLR that was made in the late 1950's. I photographed it on Kodak Ektar 100 color print film and scanned the negative."



**©Brad Bireley "Patriotic Barn"** 



## Thoughts on Photographing the "On My Street" Challenge

As most of you know, back in March I challenged myself to go out on my street and photograph something everyday. I coud use any camera, lens, or technique as long as I stayed on my street. I did this for 100 days, capturing images of everything from cloud formations to japanese beetles. This challenge began as something to do at a time when the world was in lockdown, but it evolved into a learning experience and an appreciation of the wonders to be found in my neighborhood.

I think as photographers, we're often made to feel that we must travel to far away places to make compelling images. I know I've felt that way at times. Now, after my 100 days, I've learned that simply isn't true. All I had to do was stop, look around, and let myself really "see" what was before me. As I paid attention to light and shadow, the changes in weather and nature, the large and the small,





I was amazed at what I found to photograph on my little street that is 435 steps long. Of course, not every image I took was an award winner, but I took many that I really like, including the ones featured in this article. These images were a balm to the soul when it was needed. So remember the words of Dorothy from *The Wizard of Oz*, "If I ever go looking for my heart's desire again, I won't look any further than my own backyard."

I encourage you to look in your backyard.

Mia





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#### GCPC 2020 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:

August 2020-Kelle Johnson

September 2020-Travis Snyder

October 2020-Diane Cobourn

November 2020-Available

December 2020-Mia Lisa Anderson

**The Warehouse Theatre: Various Members** 

Please contact Bruce Dart at <a href="mailto:bdphoto@ptd.net">bdphoto@ptd.net</a>
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:**

August 11: Hike led by Paul Bozzo. Critique Theme: Insects, Butterflies, or Reptiles

September 14: .TBD. Critique Theme: Outings or Outdoor Photography

October 13: Photographing an Air Show by Gary Thompson. Critique Theme: Macro Photography

November: Lightroom Workflow and Travelogue by Dr. Ken Meyer. Critique Theme: The Sky Above

December: Holiday Party and Member Favorite Images slideshow.

# What is this? Send your guess to: <a href="mailto:mialisa1957@gmail.com">mialisa1957@gmail.com</a>

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# **Mystery Macro**

How observant are you?

1 Correct Guess: David Ralph-Cactus







## **Patriotic Critique Images**



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Cash IN	
Dues (2020	\$0.00
Cash OUT	
Bank Fee	\$3.00
Ending Balance	\$2,000.11
Respectfully Submitted	
Gary Thompson, Treasurer	









