## It's Holiday Time Again!

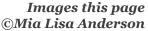
The Grand Canyon Photography Club will celebrate the holidays with their annual party on Tuesday, December 12, 2023 at the Gmeiner Art & Cultural Center in Wellsboro, PA. The festivities will begin after a short business meeting at 7 p.m.

Members should bring some sort of snack to share. Individual items or servings like we had for our exhibit reception in June would be best. Also, it's a good idea to label your items with their ingredients.



The club will supply beverages and paper products. There will also be a slide show of the members' favorite images taken during 2023 as well as a viewing

of the slideshow of images from the June Scavenger Hunt. Have a safe and happy holiday season. Enjoy using those cameras! Remember the January critique theme is Holidays!!











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#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Another year is nearly done. There were many moments of joy and sorrow for all of us. Some gains and some losses. Much success and less failure, I hope. How does our small photo club fit into the grand scheme of things? For me, the photo club has been an inspiration to learn, do, and find success. It has helped ensure that I apply myself diligently. The club has helped enrich my photography and has made it more rewarding. The club has helped develop a creative outlet for me.

This past year, I was unable to get out as much as I usually do. It was a good time to organize my images on my computer. It was a time to use new methods of editing my older images. And lastly, I had time to choose what images were worthy of becoming prints – and act on those choices.

The project I chose for myself recently was to convert some of my images into large triptychs (42" by 26"). After choosing print-worthy images, I did triptych layouts on the computer and sent them to the printer. I had a goal-oriented project. Here's a digital representative of the latest to be framed:



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To me, submitting images to our club critiques is partly a mini-version of the above project. Images must be chosen, sized, and emailed to Mia Lisa. It's all part of our learning process. Many thanks to our club for the inspiration to continue photographing the world around us. Wishing you all happiness and successes this coming New Year.

And best wishes to Mia as she takes over the presidency of the Grand Canyon Photo Club.

Paul



## GCPC November 14, 2023 Meeting Minutes

Vice President Linda Stager called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. There were 20 guests and members present. She asked for a motion to approve the minutes as they appeared in the newsletter. Diane Cobourn made the motion. Sharon Connolly seconded. Motion carried. Linda asked treasurer Gary Thompson to read the treasurer's report for the previous month.

He stated the club had \$2,726.05 in the treasury. Linda asked for a motion to approve the report. Will Slotter so motioned and Mia Lisa Anderson seconded. Motion carried.

Linda asked the guests to introduce themselves.

Linda reminded members that we need a new coordinator for the Deane Center displays and that after December no one is signed up to display.

Linda asked for any nominations for officers as we prepared to vote on the slate as it appeared in the newsletter. No further nominations were given. Linda asked for a motion to approve the slate. Sharon Connolly so moved and Bob Bair seconded. Motion carried.

Linda asked Mia to speak about the results of the November planning meeting. Mia informed members that it was a productive meeting and read some of the topics to be presented in 2024.

Linda let everyone know she will be learning how to make the membership email list and asked members about sharing their email addresses. After some discussion, it was agreed that 2 lists could be created, one for those willing to have their email addresses visible to others, and one for those members who prefer the current method of shielding all the addresses.

Linda asked for a motion to adjourn the business meeting. Diane Cobourn so moved. Sharon Connolly seconded. Motion carried.

Linda introduced Gary Thompson and his program on Architectural photography.

Respectfully submitted,

Mia Lisa Anderson

**Acting Recording Secretary** 



Remembering Fall ©Mia Lisa Anderson





## What Does a Photographer Really Need?

What is a One Minute Musing? This is the place for a quick read about our favorite hobby: photography. Join me here every month as I tackle a quick photography related topic.

This month, my social media feed and emails are full of Christmas gift suggestions. They all encourage me to ask the question: "What should I buy for Christmas?"

In our house, Dennis and I tend to give one another things we actually suggest to the other. That means it's a perfect time for me to ask for photography related items! And it sure is easy to go down that rabbit hole!

Sony has a new camera and lens out that are divine! Or.... How about a new backpack? Or new software? The list is endless.

And yet, I have to ask myself what I really NEED. I have equipment that works just fine. Buying new equipment won't make me a better photographer. (It may make it easier though). No matter what I ask for, it won't turn me into the best photographer out there. It just won't.

So I remind myself, that it's fun to shop. It's fun to upgrade. But hey, the REAL fun comes with the pleasure I get out of the hobby—being there, seeing the light, sharing…..

I'm looking forward to seeing all of the members of the club at our Christmas party. We can chat about what keeps us happy—our hobby. No need for gifts, no need for a "new anything". Just good food, good conversation, good people and a great slideshow of our favorite things. Now THAT Is something I both

want AND need.



Christmas Time ©Mia Lisa Anderson





### The Grand Canyon Photography Club

#### 2023 Officers:

President: Paul Bozzo

Vice President: Linda Stager

Treasurer: Gary Thompson

Recording Secretary: Vacant

Corresponding Secretary: Sharon Connolly

#### **Directors:**

2022-2023: Bob Bair, Tana Carpenter

2023-2024:

Mia Anderson, David Ralph

## Committee Chairpersons:

Newsletter: Mia Lisa Anderson Membership: Gary Thompson

**Exhibits: Bruce Dart** 

Website: Mia Lisa Anderson

Publicity: Linda Stager For more information, please

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Paul Bozzo - E-mail: president@gcphotoclub.org

## Club Reminders Critique Submissions

Please send critique submissions (or other images you'd like to submit for the newsletter) to Mia at:

mialisa1957@gmail.com. Follow the guidelines we have always used, i.e. 1024 or 2048 pixels on the long side and one submission per critique. Remember to put your name in the file name, e.g. anderson\_tulips.

Treasurer's Report-September		
Beginning Balance	\$2,726.05	
Cash IN		
2024 Dues	\$20.00	
Cash OUT		
Bank Fee	\$3.00	
Ending Balance	\$2,743.05	
	Respectfully Submitted	
	Gary Thompson, Treasurer	



#### GCPC 2023 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 Deane Center, Main Street, Wellsboro:

December 2023: Mia Lisa Anderson

**The Warehouse Theater: Various Members** 

#### **Programs and Themes:**

December 12, 2023: Holiday Party. No critique

January 9, 2024: *Your Questions Answered* panel presentation by various members. Critique: *Holidays* 

February 13, 2024: *Qualities of Light* presented by John Newell. Critique: *Photo that Answered a Question from January* 

March 12, 2024: The Story Behind the Photo panel presentation by various members. Critique: Photo Demonstrating a Quality of Light

April 9, 2024: *Nature Photography* presented by Brad Adams. Critique: *Photo with a Story* 

We still need an exhibit coordinator for our displays at the Deane Center and Warehouse Gallery. Let Mia know if you are interested in the position or exhibiting.

#### **December Refreshments:**

Everyone!

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

Mystery Macro images kindly supplied by Maggie Holmes



## **Mystery Macro**

How observant are you?

No Correct Guesses:

Tea Bags







## **Still Life Critique Images**



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