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Nature Image of the Month
“Zebra Stripes” by Heather Cline



Travel Image of the Month
“Heceta Head Lighthouse, OR” by James Cehand

President’s Message

By the time you read this the 2008 Spring Sale will be history. Thanks for your help and contributions.

April is wildflower time. The March 24 Sacramento Bee Travel Section had a nice roundup of locations in the area. If you’ve already used that section to wrap old fish heads, go to www.sacbee.com/travel and then click the section on wildflowers. Or, if you’re the casual adventurer type, just drive out Jackson Highway or another road out of town, then take some side roads and see what you can find.

Here are some other April events from last year. Check websites for dates and details:

Scottish Games in Woodland in mid-April. www.sacaledonian.org
Lots of events, people in costume, with activity and color.

April and May: Horton Farm Iris Garden: Fri, Sat, Sun, Mon. Take I-80, exit Penryn Rd, turn south at stop sign, turn left at dead end onto King Rd, take first driveway on right. Call before you go 916-652-4351. Very nice flowers and a lovely place.

Sacramento Orchid Society, mid April at Scottish Rite Center. Scads of exotic orchids, all indoors so no wind. I used a tripod with no problem. Get there in the morning before it gets too crowded. www.sacramentoorchids.org

Rodeo: Red Bluff Round Up, held in mid April.

Familia de la Familia Festival at Cal Expo; dancing, music, etc. The city or county Chamber of Commerce ought to know the dates and times.

Bob Hubbell

March Travel Scores

Judge, Byron Hindman

NAME	TITLE	PTS	TITLE	PTS	YTD
Cehand, Jim	Heceta Head Lighthouse, OR	13*	Portland Japanese Gardens	11	70
Cline, Heather	Tanzania Fishing Village	11	Virgin River, Zion NP	9	63
Cunningham, Glen	Angel and Devil Balloon Glow	11	Rafting the Colorado	11	42
Esmanech, Tommaso	Italy Verona Ponte Pietra	11	SF China Town, Fish Market Owner	10	66
Fava, Julius	Spring In Capay Valley	9	Oregon Horse Drive	10	59
Fava, Margaret	Spring Time In Bear Valley	9	Blue Creek Vineyard, Napa Count	9	64
Holtzclaw, Sandy	Day Of The Dead Altar, MX	11	Guanajuato Cathedral	10	65
Holtzclaw, Truman	Sun Dial Bridge @ Sunset	12	Zabriski Point, Death Valley	11	67
Hovey, Diane	Day of the Dead	11	Day Of The Dead #2	10	66
Martin, Don	Mt. Rainier Meets Tall Ship	10	Oceanside Light	10	65
Martin, Melba	Great Wall of China	12	Napa Valley Vineyard	11	68
Parker, Sandy	Greek Soldier Patrolling	11	Tea Time So Park City, CO	9	65
Pivetti, Chuck	A Sunny Day in Copenhagen	11	Canadian Border Chilkoot Summit	12	66
Price, Willis	Nevada's Cathedral Gorge	12	Utah's Delicate Arch	10	39
Sydor, Marcia	Artist's Palette Death Valley.	9	Walking the Dunes in Death Valley	9	61
Ueltsen, BJ	King's College Cambridge	10	Porn Booth, London	11	68

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Fava, Julius	Sierra Fall Color	9	Spring Color In Capay Valley	11
Fava, Margaret	Carneros Vineyard, Napa	12	Seashore Play	11
Pivetti, Chuck	London's Tower Bridge	12	Moorish Window, Toledo	10
Ueltsen, BJ	Bath, Roman Baths	10	Venice Pigeon Kids	12

Travel Sequences

	<u>Jan.</u>	<u>Feb.</u>	<u>Mar.</u>	<u>Y.T.D.</u>
Cehand, Jim	11	11	MU.....	22
Cline, Heather	10	11	10.....	30
Cosulich, Charlotte	9	MU	MU.....	9
Cunningham, Glen	10	MU	10.....	20
Frank, Dolores	11	MU	MU.....	11
Holtzclaw, Sandy	11	12	11.....	34
Holtzclaw, Truman	10	12	13.....	35
Hovey, Diane	11	10	10.....	32
Hubbell, Bob	12	MU	MU.....	12
Jones, Barbara	11	MU	MU.....	11
Kent, Dave	10	MU	MU.....	10
Kent, Gay	10	MU	MU.....	10
Martin, Don	10	12	11.....	33
Martin, Melba	10	11	10.....	31
Oliveira, Paulo	12	11	MU.....	23
Parker, Sandy	11	11	11.....	33
Parris, Gail	12	11	MU.....	23
Pivetti, Chuck	12	11	11.....	34
Price, Willis	11	MU	11.....	22
Rice, Morgan	10	MU	MU.....	10
Scheer, Joan	10	11	MU.....	21

IMPORTANT

Send your travel images to Truman
scctravel@comcast.net
 Deadline: Saturday April 12th
 by 10:00 am.

From Your Gammagram Editor

Please submit articles and information by the 25th of the month. We welcome submissions from all members. We would love an article about someplace you have visited with a couple of pictures. Gay Kent kent@macnexus.org

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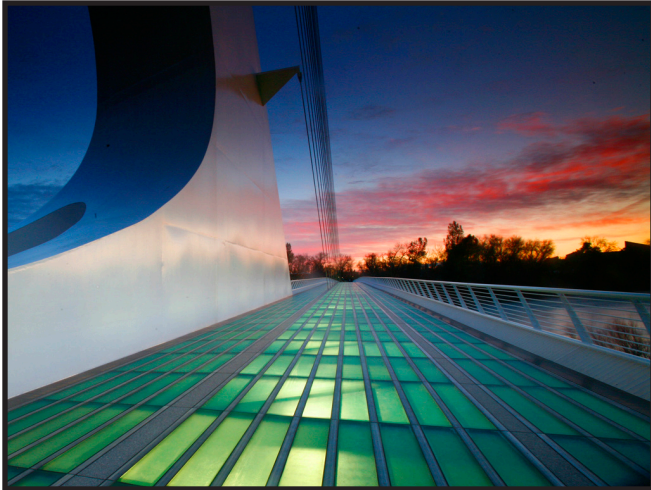
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Frank Laurich

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Travel Division Honors

February Honors Judged By: Byron Hindman



“Sun Dial Bridge @ Sunset”
By Truman Holtzclaw



“Carneros Vineyard, Napa County”
By Margaret Fava

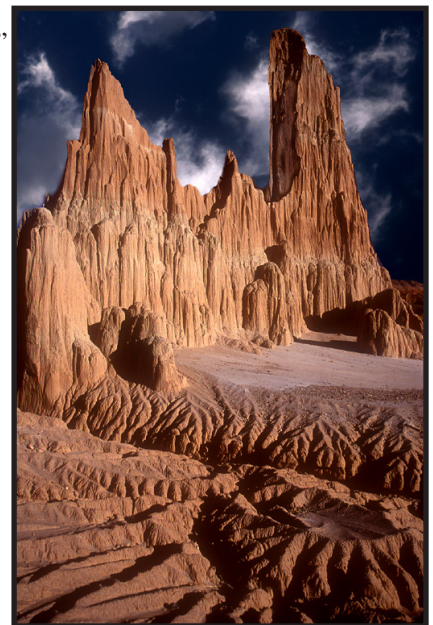


“Venice Pigeon Kids”
By “BJ” Ueltzen



“Canadian Border Station at Chilkoot Pass Summit”
By Chuck Pivetti

“Nevada’s Cathedral Gorge”
By Willis Price



“Great Wall of China”
By Melba Martin

Nature Division News

Don and Melba Martin, Directors

March Meeting

I think we had another good nature competition for March. We had 45 images shown and Heather Cline took the top score with her image of "Zebra Stripes". see page 1

April Nature Competition

We are accepting images for April. The deadline is Saturday April 12th at 10:00am. This will be the last Nature and Travel competition until November

There will be no Nature/Travel Meeting in May, a local field trip is planned for May 21st. Look for more information in the May Gammagram.

2nd Saturday Shows

We had a good turn out at the Art Show and Wine Tasting at Rail Bridge Cellars on March 8th and I hope that everyone had a good time. BUT REMEMBER WE ARE DOING THE SAME THING ON April 12th at the same location 400 North 16th Street, Sacramento from 5:30 to 8:30 pm.

ONE BIG CHANGE! WE NEED ALL OF OUR MEMBERS TO TELL NON-MEMBERS TO COME AND ENJOY.

Our members are great but don't purchase much in the way of framed photo images, you print your own work. Tell your friends about this great show. If you want to invite a group and need help, just send me an e-mail list and I will get-r-done.

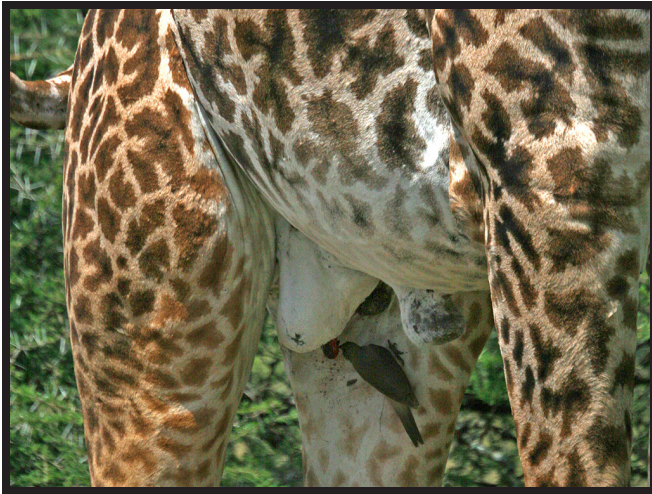
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Nature Scores March 19, 2008

NAME	IMAGE TITLE	PTS	IMAGE TITLE	PTS	YTD
Cehand, James	Regal Horned Lizard	11	Shooting Stars	11	69
Cline, Heather	Elephant Face Panoramic	9	Zebra Stripes	13	66
Cunningham, Glen	Eagle Catching Fish	12	Goanna Hunting	10	22
Ehrhart, Robert	Eroded Sandstone Whitehouse UT	11	Storm Brewing Mt. Moran Yellowstone	10	65
Esmanech, Tommaso					41
Farol, Dorothy	Graylag Goose Chewing Grass	9	Male Mallard on One Leg	9	62
Fava, Julius	Moon Jellyfish	10	Wood Duck Colors	10	64
Frank, Dolores	Black Headed African Heron	10	Yellow-Crowned Night Heron, Florida	12	68
Holtzclaw, Truman	Pelican Swallows Cue-wi Fish	11	Adobe Lily Magic Light	9	66
Holtzclaw, Sandy	Elephant Family & Mud Bath	12	Oyxpecker Feeds On Giraffe Sore	12	67
Hovey, Diane	Black Bear Leaping for Salmon	9	Sally Lightfoot Crab Walking Forward	10	61
Jones, Barbara					41
Kent, Dave	Glacier Spring	9	What's Up	10	61
Kent, Gay	Beauty from Decay	9	Oregon Sunset	9	60
Kovatch, Julius	Canadian Snow Goose in Flight	11	Pacific Harbor Seal	10	69
Martin, Donald	Flamingo at Rest	10	Spring Wildflowers	11	63
Martin, Melba	Moth on Rocks	10	Pelican Coming in for a Landing	10	64
Oliveira, Paulo					45
Parker, Sandy	Woodstork Building Nest	10	Death Cap	10	41
Parris, Gail	Flight of Terns Startle Pelican	11	Goldfinch in the Spring	9	63
Pivetti, Chuck	Leopard #101 in Tree	11	Lilac Breasted Roller	10	68
Price, Willis	Dragonfly Moults from Nymph Stage	9	Snail on Paintbrush Flower	11	63
Rice, Morgan					40
Scheer, Joan	Panda Snack	9	Pelican Pose	10	61
Sturla, Donna	Bush Baby	11	Zebra tails	10	65
Sydor, Marcia	I Travel the Sand.	10	Mineral Deposits, Titus Canyon, Death Valley	11	60

Judge, Byron Hindman

Nature Division Honors



“Oyxpecker Feeds On Giraffe Sore”
by Sandy Holtzclaw



“Elephant Family & Mud Bath”
Sandy Holtzclaw

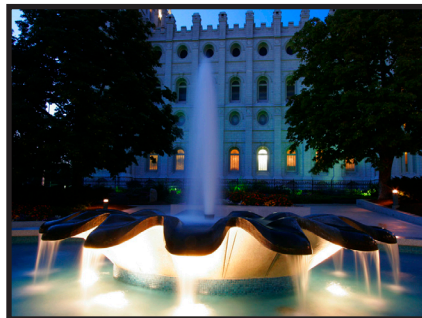


“Yellow-Crowned Night Heron Resting in Corkscrew
Swamp, Florida” By Dolores Frank



“Eagle Catching Fish”
By Glen Cunningham

March Travel Sequence of the Month: “PSA International, Salt Lake City” by Truman Holtzclaw



COLOR MEETING REPORT

The feedback from our March meeting has been outstanding. We watched a show created by Sam Shaw which featured many of us and other Gold Rush Members. If the wonderful pictures in the video didn't fire you up, then nothing will. Many of the images were innovative and all of them showed well.

We have a lot of excellent photographers in our group and that was illustrated not only by the video, but also by the images presented for discussion during our meeting. In all, we had 60 images for discussion and great comments from you all. But, the best part is that we had some fun with our "stuff".

Someone pointed out that "beauty is in the eye of the beholder" and it is true. There is no one way to make a great picture. Having such a wonderful variety of images and levels of photography give us ideas and helps to remind us what we can do...and, in some instances, what we don't want to do. It all works together to help us grow as photographers. That's my goal. I hope it is yours also.

Next month, April 8th, will be a workshop.

Bob Hubbell has graciously volunteered to lead a Photoshop Workshop. The subject will be Collages and Composites. It will involve working on layers, dragging layers from one image to another, sizing layers and layer masks. It should be informative and inspiring for all levels of Photoshop users.

Our next competition meeting will be in May. We will have competitions for both Digital Image and Print Divisions. You will be able to enter two in each division. There will be details about the judges etc. in next month's newsletter.

I'm trying to get a professional photographer as speaker for a future event so if any of you know someone who might be interested, let me know who they are and I'll see what I can arrange.

Thank you to the providers of refreshments for our meetings, Dolores Frank, Color Director.

COLOR MEETING DINNER

Optional before meeting dinner 5:00-5:30 pm at the Old Spaghetti Factory 19th and J Street Sacramento. Let Chuck know if you plan to attend so he can make the reservation. (916) 359-7049 or cpivetti@winfirst.com



Photo by Dan Albertson

COLOR DIVISION IMAGES



Photo by Glen Cunningham



Photo by Paulo Oliveira



Photo by Carol Jordan



Photo by Robert George



Photo by Bob Bill

Tip of the Month.

To stroke an image in Photoshop: Select all and then go to Edit and find Stroke. Decide on the color of your stroke by clicking on the "color" box and select a color and say ok. Then, decide if you want the stroke to be 2 or 3 or more pixels. You have three choices ...inside or center or outside and also opacity. I usually leave opacity at 100%. Experiment with the center, outside and inside choices and select the one you prefer. Also, keep in mind this works best and easiest on a flattened image.

2008 Annual Membership & Newsletter

Sierra Camera Club of Sacramento, Inc. is an incorporated, non-profit club whose members join together to promote all aspects of photography. Members participate in club competitions, workshops, field trips, and other activities designed to further expertise in, and appreciation of photography. Anyone interested can join using the form below. This form can be mailed or brought to a club meeting.

Renewals for 2008: Membership dues are due January 1 and are delinquent after March 1, 2008. Any member whose dues are in arrears for two months, i.e., not paid by March 1st, will be dropped from the membership roll after notification by the Treasurer, not included in the club directory, and ineligible for competition.

<u>Subscription Type</u>	<u>Annual Dues</u>
Single Membership	\$45
Family Membership	\$70
Juniors (Under 18)	\$10
FT Students (under 22)	\$22.50
Gammagram Only *	\$15

(* Not voting members of the club)

Members agree to abide by the club constitution, by-laws, and competition rules.

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Photography Interests: _____

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April Meetings

Color Meeting
Tuesday April 8, 7:30 pm
Photoshop Workshop
no competition
Dinner at Spaghetti Factory
19th & J, 5:30 pm

Nature and Travel Meeting
Wednesday April 16, 7:30 pm
Nature, Travel and Travel
Sequence Competition
Dinner at Fresh Choice,
Howe Avenue, 5:30 p.m.