

# Gammagram

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## CALENDAR

July 12 ..... Color Slide Division  
July 19 ..... Board Meeting  
July 26 .....Prints Division

August 1 .....Electronic Imaging Division  
August 4 .....FLASH WORKSHOP  
August 9 ..... Color Slide Division  
August 9 .....Club Meeting  
August 16 ..... Board Meeting

## THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

**Esther Wieting**

As a result of the audit, and to conform to improved accounting practices, the Board of Directors had agreed that we needed to replace the North American International Exhibition Fund with a reserve fund solely to be used for replacement of existing equipment or for approved procurement of new and technically updated projection equipment.

**The majority vote by the general membership at the June 14<sup>th</sup> Color Meeting approved the dissolution of the North American International Exhibition Fund and approved the creation of a new reserve fund to be called "Capital Equipment Replacement Reserve" in the amount of \$4,000.00.**

Spending limitations that will require a vote of approval by the general membership are outlined in the Club's Bylaws. Further planning for this reserve is that if or when this reserve should become diminished through approved procurements, that it will be restored at a 1/3 basis over a period of three years from the General Operating Fund.

In this regard, the club will have a more stable financial outlook for the future as we strive to balance our expenses to meet our income.

Happy 4<sup>th</sup> of July to everyone. I hope some of you got to photograph some fireworks. Let's see some results at the next Color Slide meeting

## Visitors are Welcome to SCC:

At Sierra Camera Club people of all ages and backgrounds get together to share a passion for all kinds of photography. Our divisions have member competitions. Visitors are welcome to come and enjoy the photography at any time! The monthly club business meeting precedes the Color Division meeting. All Sierra Camera Club divisions meet at the Shepard Garden & Arts Center, 3330 McKinley Blvd., Sacramento at 7:30 p.m.

### SIERRA CAMERA CLUB DIVISIONS 2005

#### Color Slide Division

Second Tuesday of each month except Dec  
Director: Chuck Pivetti (916) 359-7049

#### Nature Slide Division

First Thursday of Feb, Apr, May, Jun, Sept, Nov.  
Director: Pat Malott, (916) 369-6581

#### Photo Travel Slide Division

First Thursday of Feb, Apr, May, Jun, Sept, Nov.  
Director: Laurie Friedman, (530) 758-9668

#### Print Division

Fourth Tuesday of Jan, Mar, May, July, Sept, Nov.  
Director: Bob Hubbell, (916)383-5188

#### Electronic Imaging Division

First Monday of Feb, Apr, June, Aug, Oct, and Dec.  
Director: Dolores Frank, (916) 446-4407

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## COLOR SLIDE DIVISION

Director: Chuck Pivetti, (916) 359-7049

### June Meeting

Just a couple of days before the meeting, our scheduled judge, Jeff Burkholder, let us know that he was swamped with work and would not be able to judge for us.

So on very short notice, Sierra Camera Club's good friend Bill Papke said that he would be glad to step in and judge our Color Slides. Thank you, thank you, Bill.

Bill evaluated 70 entries and awarded honors to the following 14:

Bob Ashley	"Old Whale Bone"
Joan D-Scheer	"Space Journey" and "Blooming Beauty"
Dee Johnson	"Grooming Gear"
Jim Chin	"Purple" and "Poppy"
Judy Tillson	"Door Angles"
BJ Ueltzen	"Carbiniere Takes a Call"
Carol Jordan	"Red Daisies"
Diane Hovey	"Fairy Wings"
Truman Holtzclaw	"Morning Patterns"
Willis Price	"Delicate Arch & Clouds" and "White Water Challenge"
Laurie Friedman	"Storm Light, Alabama Hills #1"

Diane Hovey's photograph of a young woman whose back was almost all covered with tattooed butterfly wings and whose face was reflected in a mirror won Slide-of-the-Month honors.

Tip of the month: straighten those horizons. Judges just don't like tilted landscapes and they really don't like tilted seascapes.

Oh, how the recorders appreciate a guy like Jim Chin who managed to title two slides with no more than eleven letters. His titles were "Purple" and "Poppy."

Actually, most of this month's titles were short and crisp. And that's a big help when the recorders have to get all the titles written on the score sheets during the few minutes before the judging begins.

Truman Holtzclaw still has the highest accumulated score, but Willis Price is sneaking up on him with only one point less.

### Thanks to the Workers

Jim Cehand and Jim Chin projected. Marcia Sydor, Lila Lincoln, and BJ Ueltzen worked the scoring table. Judy Tillson set up the refreshment table that featured her cookies and chocolate dipped strawberries as well as brownies made by Laurie Friedman. And a whole lot of other people pitched in setting up and taking down. Thanks.

### Next Meeting

Our next meeting will be on July 12. The judge will be Shelly Thorene who comes to us recommended by Truman Holtzclaw. She is an exhibitor at Viewpoint Gallery.

Join us at the Old Spaghetti Factory on J Street before the meeting. The food is pretty good and it is very inexpensive. We get together about 5:00 and go in to dinner at about 5:30. The judge is our guest at dinner. Please give me a call the day before so I can have an idea of how many to make a reservation for.

### COLOR SLIDES TOTAL SCORES

#### Class B

Bob Ashley	128
Sandy Parker	127
Heather Cline	126
Lillian Sinatra	118
Dorothy Farol	41
Sherry Bradley	21

#### Class A

Joan D-Scheer	132
Deidre Johnson	126
Ken Bosanko	110
Joyce Boyer*	107
Donna Sturla*	105
Gary Fregien*	92

#### Class AA

Jim Chin	133
Gail Foley	126
BJ Ueltzen	125
Judy Tillson	123
Barbara Jones*	101

#### Class AAA

Carol Jordan	134
Ron Parker	129
Diane Hovey	128
Marcia Sydor	122
Peggy Gidding*	104
William Manasse	58

#### Class AAAA

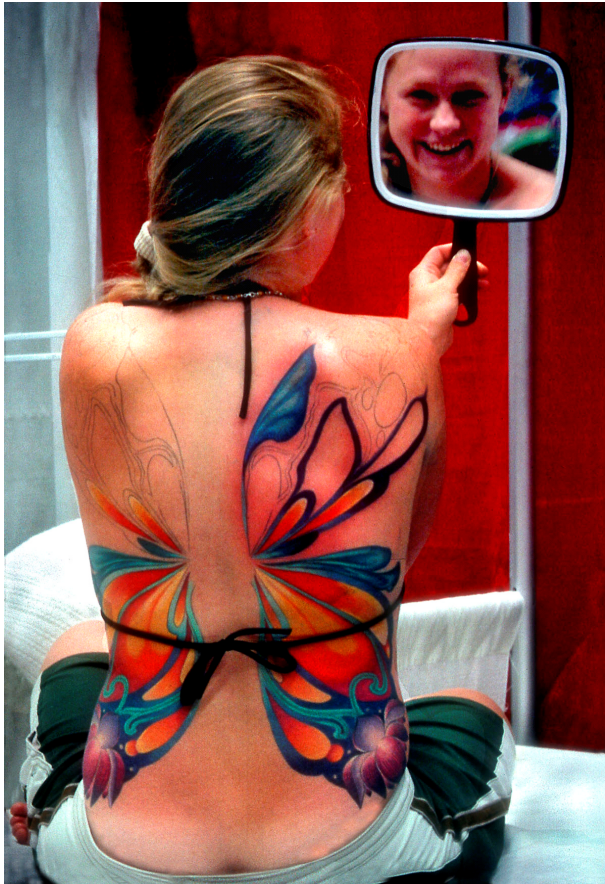
Truman Holtzclaw	139
Esther Wieting	124
Margaret Fava	121
Theo Benson	43

#### Class Top Ten

Willis Price	138
Gail Parris	136
Susan Nielsen	135
Laurie Friedman	134
Jim Cehand	133
Julius Fava	130
John Wieting	126
Bob Ehrhart	124
Dolores Frank*	106
Nadine Cronkhite	39

\*Bring two make-up slides in June

## Slide of the Month



"Fairy Wings" by Diane Hovey

## FRIENDSHIP CHAIR REPORT Margaret Fava (916) 429-7656

July is here, and the Big Celebration of the Fourth of July, along with summer weather, finally, barbecues, picnics, and good times. B.J. Ueltzen is back from several months in Italy, one of her favorite places to visit and photograph. Mary Silva is spending time sitting in her garden on these warm days. The late Noel La Due has two outstanding collections in the Holabird Americana exhibit "Collecting the West" in Reno, Nevada. Noel's first collection is "Embossed California and Nevada Soda Bottles," a private collection for over thirty years. The second is "Western Town Tokens." They are on display for purchase or auction. The tokens are from Goldfield, Ely, Tonopah and Reno, Nevada. Holabird specializes in the sale and appraisal of antiquarian western mining and history items, including photographs. The show runs through July. Call 1777-852-8822. Happy Birthday to Treven Dunning, Norman Hartman, Sandy Holtzclaw, Hope Price, and Nellie Williams.

## MEMBERSHIP NEWS, Sandy Parker windsong22@msn.com

We continue to have many new visitors to our various club division competitions. Our visitors have included: Morgan Rice who joined our club the same nite he visited the Nature/Travel slide divisions. Congratulations Morgan! In the Electronics Division, Sandra Torguson came. For the Color Division: Susan Mazza (representing her father who couldn't make it) enjoyed the evening. On Print Nite: George Langer, Ed Sold, and Debby Sprigg participated. Please continue spreading the word about our great club.

## NATOMAS PHOTO CONTEST

"July in Natomas" is the theme for the first annual photo contest in the Natomas area of Sacramento. Photos must be taken between July 1 and July 31, 2005. This event is sponsored by N magazine, and is open only to amateur photographers, for submission of unframed prints or digital images celebrating Natomas. Nonresidents of Natomas may enter in a separate category. Winning entries will be featured in a future issue of the magazine. For further information, contact N magazine at (916) 802-4966 or [Nmag@surewest.net](mailto:Nmag@surewest.net)

## Editor's Notes -

Dee Johnson (916) 359-6788  
[deidrelj@winfirst.com](mailto:deidrelj@winfirst.com)

The hunt is on for a new Gammagram Editor for the 2006-2007 Board of Directors (as well as other board positions coming up for election). Give the President Esther or me a call and we can discuss what's involved. This is an interesting and rewarding position and a good way to donate to the Camera Club. If you've got a computer, you can do it. We'll show you how.

Please send any and all newsworthy announcements to my attention by June 27. This includes member travels, photo opportunities, and upcoming regional events.



**ELECTRONIC IMAGING DIVISION**  
**Director: Dolores Frank 916-446-4407**  
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Dave Henry was our Judge for the June meeting and he found time to talk a bit about his responsibilities as a staff photographer for the Sacramento Bee. He reminded us that the Bee has a terrific guideline for Fall photography because it is his job to find “the best spots”. As it gets closer to the Fall, we can go to the Sac. Bee site [www.sacbee.com](http://www.sacbee.com) and do a search for Dave Henry and check out his findings before it is too late to plan a trip. He’ll be monitoring choice sites and will keep the Bee up-to-date for the big show. The Sacramento Bee may require you to “join”. There is no charge and you simply fill in the information required and you can use their site as often as you wish.

The E Division is settling in and we are really beginning to flow. I’ve finally decided on a format that enables us to do an “In and Out” for the judging. I’m continuing to use PowerPoint for the presentations and it is working exceptionally well. Our pictures look like slides. Well, I’m only mentioning that....for the rest of the world.

There isn’t much difference between an image presented digitally or a slide shown on a projector. Maybe, someday, we can combine the events.

Our winners for the evening:

**Traditional:**

- Diane Hovey “Snow Leopard” & “Dahlia”
- Julius Kovatch “Hillside Poppies”
- Lori Wahl “Turtle”
- Melba Martin “Napa Mustard” & “Under the SunDial Bridge”
- Robert George “Iris Macro”
- Bob Ashley “Abandoned Oil Tanks Deception Is.”
- Susan Nielsen “Anna Utca” & “Sand Patterns with Rock”
- Judy Tillson “Blue Door”

**Image of the Month for Traditional**

**Willis Price – “White Water”.**

**Creative:**

- Bob Ehrhart “Web Capture”
- Sandy Holtzclaw “Pink Rose Liquefied” & “Tulips” & “Violets”
- Truman Holtzclaw “Napa Barn” & “Roys Café Route #66”
- Carol Jordan “Iris Sketch”,
- Joan Scheer “Creation R2”

**Image of the Month for Creative**

**Chuck Pivetti “Corrosion”**

Our next meeting is scheduled for August 4. Remember, we meet the first Monday of every other month.

Our judge will be announced when I send out the request for pictures for the August competition.

**Traditional**

George, Robert	69
Nielson, Susan	68
Martin, Melba	67
Tillson, Judy	67
Frank, Dolores	66
Kovatch, Julius	66
Pivetti, Chuck	66
Price, Willis	66
Holtzclaw, Sandy	65
Ashley, Bob	64
Ehrhart, Bob	64
Hovey, Diane	64
Jordan, Carol	64
Clemens, Sam	63
Jones, Barbara	63
Holtzclaw, Truman	62
Parker, Ron	62
Benton, Bill	61
Cline, Heather	61
Manasse, Bill	59
Parker, Sandy	59
Liddle, Priscilla	58
Scheer, Joan	58
Martin, Don	55
Kretsinger, Dick	54
Wieting, Esther	54
Price, Hope	44*
Wahl, Loretta	23*

**Creative**

Holtzclaw, Sandy	68
Nielson, Susan	67
Ehrhart, Bob	66
Holtzclaw, Truman	66
Frank, Dolores	65
George, Robert	65
Jordan, Carol	65
Benton,	64
Clemens, Sam	64
Jones, Barbara	64
Martin, Don	63
Scheer, Joan	63
Hovey, Diane	62
Pivetti, Chuck	61
Ashley, Bob	60
Parker, Sandy	60
Price, Willis	60
Wieting, Esther	60
Liddle,	57
Martin, Melba	57
Kretsinger,	38*
Manasse, Bill	37*
Parker, Ron	41*
Price, Hope	42*
Treven,	16*

# NATURE DIVISION

Pat Malott, Chair

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## June Competition

David Rosen of Woodland judged our June competition and awarded twelve honors. David is a biologist and a former member of our camera club. He is an experienced photographer and tour leader and very active in the field. We appreciate his meaningful comments and also having him share some of his own work with us.

Thank you to Laurie Friedman, Lila Lincoln and Marcia Sydor for recording all the entries and scores. Jim Cehand and Laurie Friedman, we thank you for projecting the many slides. Margaret Fava, thank you for bringing and managing the refreshments. We have had lots of positive feedback about our social time after the meetings. We thank the many members who are so generous in helping us set up all our equipment and then putting it neatly away after the meeting. You are all indispensable!

### HONORS:

Peggy Gidding	“Spider Web With Dew”
Sandy Parker	“Bryce Hoodoos in Winter #12”
Patricia Malott	“Black Legged Kittiwakes Nesting” and “Tidal Pattern at Sunrise”
John Wieting	“Cluster of Poppies”
Jim Cehand	“Greater Yellow Legs”
Truman Holtzclaw	“Erosion Forms Devil’s Garden”

### Slide of the Month

Truman Holtzclaw “Erosion Forms Devil’s Garden”

Please check your nature slide titles and shorten them. Have all slides titled and spotted for projection, and remember no “cutesy” titles in Nature. Our next meeting will be September 1, so get out and take lots of good pictures this summer and have a great vacation.

### Total Scores:

#### Class AA

Peggy Gidding	92
Margaret Fava	87
Sandy Parker	86
Wendell Johnson	84
Gary Fregien	66*
Dorothy Farol	43*
Joyce Boyer	41*

#### Class AAA

Patricia Malott	89
John Wieting	86
William Manasse	85
Marcia Sydor	85
Julius Fava	84
Diane Hovey	66*

#### Class AAAA

Truman Holtzclaw	97
Robert Cothrin	91
Richard Kretsinger	90
Jim Cehand	89
Esther Wieting	83

\*Makeup due

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## PHOTO OPS

Bob Hubbell (916) 383-5188

“I left my lens cap in San Francisco...” Lots to shoot there, from skyscrapers to the zoo, from Fort Point to Haight-Ashbury, to the murals in the Mission District and more. In summer the city may be fog-bound so check weather reports, but remember fog can be good! A few references for you:

Paperback book: Photo Secrets: San Francisco and Northern California by Andrew Hudson (Photo Secrets Publishing). It identifies locations, time of day, and lots more information.

[www.sfvisitor.org/visitorinfo/html/walkpdfs.html](http://www.sfvisitor.org/visitorinfo/html/walkpdfs.html)  
Includes downloadable walking maps for various interesting areas.

Inexpensive but good docent-guided SF walking tours: Call City Guides at (415) 557-4266.

Want a fun day? Take Amtrak (5th & I Streets in Sac, or Davis Station) to San Francisco and then hop on the Muni transit system to get around the City. A little less convenient, a bit more time, maybe, but no driving or parking problems.

In Sacramento, try the zoo, not only for the animals but for flowers. (The water lilies are often very nice in July.) Also, the Railroad Museum ought to be running its steam train on weekends. On windy days look for sailboards at Rancho Seco Lake County Park, and in the Sacramento River (I should say on the river) near Rio Vista.

# PHOTO TRAVEL DIVISION

Director: Laurie Friedman

(530) 758-9668

Dave Rosen was our judge for the June meeting and showed a few slides from his recent nature work, as well as offering us excellent commentary in both the Travel and Nature divisions. Thanks, too, to all the helpers who make the programs happen. Below are the current score totals:

### Sequence Honors

Marcia Sydor	“Pick your favorite mode of travel in India”
Bob Cothrin	“Shanksville, Pennsylvania— Crash site of Flight 93”
Laurie Friedman	“Taos Pueblo, New Mexico”

### Single Slide Honors

Esther Wieting	“Bodie’s Tomb, Bodie Historical Park”
Truman Holtzclaw	“Devil’s Garden”
Pat Malott	“Bai woman adjusts load, China”
Laurie Friedman	“Hay fever, India” & “Indian sadhu, mediating”

### Slide of the Month

Laurie Friedman	“Indian sadhu, meditating”
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\* Bring makeups in Sept.  
\*\* Bring two makeups in Sept

### Total Scores:

#### Single Slides

Truman Holtzclaw	93
Laurie Friedman	89
Pat Malott	90
Peggy Gidding	88
Marcia Sydor	87
Milo Nittler	87
Esther Wieting	86
Bob Cothrin	85
Dick Kretsinger	84
Julius Fava	84
Wendell Johnson	77
Joyce Boyer	41**
Dorothy Farol	38
Sherry Bradley*	36
Jim Chin	25**
Theo Benson	21
Bill Manasse	20
Gary Fregien	19

#### Sequences

Laurie Friedman	46
Marcia Sydor	45
Truman Holtzclaw	44
Bob Cothrin	45
Esther Wieting	41
Julius Fava	40
Peggy Gidding	40
Joyce Boyer	20**
Jim Chin	12**
Theo Benson	11
Pat Malott	10
Dick Kretsinger	10
Gary Fregien	10
Sherry Bradley	9**

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Mentor Program: Vacant



## PRINT DIVISION

Director: Bob Hubbell

(916) 383- 5180

Eight stalwart competitors participated in our May meeting, submitting 48 prints altogether. Sam Clemens conducted the meeting because Bob Hubbell was out of town. Our judge was the highly respected Bob Wall. Many thanks to the folks who helped Sam with scoring and setup, and especially to Sam Clemens for taking over for me.

At its April meeting the Board agreed with us that Prints should have three Prints of the Month, one each for Color, Monochrome and Nature. This will not take effect until 2006, however, because our constitution does not allow us to institute such changes in the middle of a year.

Fourteen honor awards were given, as follows:

### COLOR

Esther Wieting	"Grapes in a Green Bowl"
Sam Clemens	"Blue Windows"
Chuck Pivetti	"Corrosion"
Julius Kovatch	"Columbia River Gorge; Getting Ready for Roundup"
Delores Frank	"Rainbow over Snake River"
Truman Holtzclaw	"Death Valley Pine Magic"

### MONOCHROME

Ron Parker	"Wash Basin and Shower"***
Esther Wieting	"Old Broken Wine Barrel"
Chuck Pivetti	"Pylon"

### NATURE

Chuck Pivetti	"Egret Head"
Delores Frank	"Yellow Crowned Night Heron Looking for Food"*
Julius Kovatch	"Sierra Vista through Alabama Hills"
Truman Holtzclaw	"Dragon Fly on Watch"

\*Color Print of the Month

\*\*Monochrome Print of the Month

## TOTAL PRINT SCORES & RANKS

### Color

Julius Kovatch	70
Truman Holtzclaw	69
Delores Frank	69
Sam Clemens	67
Chuck Pivetti	66
Joan D. Sheer	65
Ron Parker	65
Esther Wieting	65
Bob Hubbell	44***
Dorothy Farol	21***

### Monochrome

Truman Holtzclaw	70
Chuck Pivetti	68
Ron Parker	66
Esther Wieting	64
Bob Hubbell	45***
Julius Kovatch	21***

### Nature

Delores Frank	72
Truman Holtzclaw	69
Julius Kovatch	69
Chuck Pivetti	67
Sam Clemens	67
Esther Wieting	64
Dorothy Farol	41***

\*\*\*Makeups available



# JOIN US - BECOME A MEMBER OF SIERRA CAMERA CLUB

Annual dues		One Time Initiation Fee
Single Membership	\$45	\$5.00
Family Membership	\$70	\$7.00
"Gammagram Only"	\$12	Subscribers are not voting members of the club
Juniors (Under 18)	\$10,	\$2.50
Full-time Students (under 22)	\$22.50	

## APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

I hereby apply for membership in the **SIERRA CAMERA CLUB** and I agree to abide by the Constitution, Bylaws, and Competition Rules of the Club.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ TELEPHONE (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
STREET \_\_\_\_\_ CITY \_\_\_\_\_  
ZIP \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Month of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Have You Ever Belonged To A Camera Club Before? \_\_\_\_\_ If So, Name of Club: \_\_\_\_\_

Have You Had Previous Experience In Photo Club Competition Salons? \_\_\_\_\_ If So, Please Describe: \_\_\_\_\_

Please Indicate Which Fields Of Photography You Are Interested In:

Color Slides \_\_\_\_\_ Nature Slides \_\_\_\_\_ Photo-Travel Slides \_\_\_\_\_  
Prints \_\_\_\_\_ Electronic Imaging/Photoshop \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed Find \$ \_\_\_\_\_ For Dues And \$ \_\_\_\_\_ For Initiation Fee

***Make Check Payable To "Sierra Camera Club"***

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Family Members (Spouse, Son, Or Daughter):

\_\_\_\_\_ Relation \_\_\_\_\_ Month of Birth \_\_\_\_\_  
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<http://www.psa-photo.org>