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Bob Hubbell

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IMPORTANT! The spring rummage sale will be on March 31 and April 1. This is our big fund raiser. We use this money to pay our rent. WE NEED YOUR RUMMAGE. Bring it to the Garden and Arts Center on Friday, March 30, from 9:00AM to 7:00PM. If you can't make that, bring it to my house before then. WE NEED YOUR BODY to help sort and price things on Friday afternoon, and to staff our booth on Saturday and Sunday. There will be sign-up sheets at our March meetings.

Our show at Camera Arts is gorgeous! All strong images, lots of variety, creativity and technique. If you haven't been there, go. Tell them you're from our club. We owe Chuck Pivetti a big thanks. This show was his idea.

Other shows in town: Viewpoint Gallery has an exhibit of black and whites: scenes from Poland and elsewhere. Very nice indeed. The Center for Contemporary Art, Sacramento, March 1-April 29: Currents in Photography. "A great variety of technical, formal and conceptual concerns" pursued by photographers working today. And don't forget the Crocker. Currently they have an Ansel show (more like family photos, not his heroic works), and an exhibit of the best of the Sacramento Bee's photojournalism.

Free on-line instruction in beginning Photoshop: "Hewlett Packard" <us-bulletins@your.hp.com> Both Elements and Photoshop are listed.

Wildflower time is coming. Dust off your closeup equipment and start doing yoga again so you're ready for belly-photography.

RUMMAGE SALE!

The annual spring rummage sale is coming up March 31 and April 1, the last weekend of March. Please donate rummage, volunteer to help with sales, and don't forget to buy something! You're gonna love it! For details, see the President's Message.

PLEASE TAKE A FEW MOMENTS TO VISIT YOUR FELLOW MEMBERS WEBSITES:

IT'S A GREAT TO KEEP UP WITH THEIR TRAVELS AND VIEW THEIR BEAUTIFUL WORK!

Don &

Melba Martin

www.mel-don.com

Julius Kovatch

<http://www.pbase.com/jkovatch>

Visit us on the Web www.psagoldrush.org/sierra.html

COLOR PICTORIAL, NATURE, AND PHOTO-TRAVEL SLIDE DIVISIONS
Hope Price

Here are the results of the slide divisions for the "Member Competition Standings" form. The Color Pictorial now has only two classes.

Triple A

Dorothy Farol	21
Peggy Gidding	22
Marcia Sydor	21
Ken Bosanko	22
Bill George	11

Quad A

Chuck Pivetti	23
Laurie Freidman	22
Truman Holtzclaw	24
Willis Price	24

Nature

Peggy Gidding	21
Dorothy Farol	20
Marcia Stdor	21
Truman Holtzclaw	25
Robert Cothrin	22
Laurie Friedman	23
Chuck Pivetti	22
Willis Price	23

Photo Travel

Bob Cothrin	21
Willis Price	22
Chuck Pivetti	23
Marcia Sydor	21
Dorothy Farol	22
Peggy Gidding	22
Laurie Friedman	23
Bill George	20
Truman Holtzclaw	25

Photo Travel Sequence

Laurie Friedman	11
Chuck Pivetti	11
Truman Holtzclaw	12
Marcia Sydor	11
Willis Price	11
Robert Cothrin	12

It was unfortunate that the first combined Slide Division competition of 2007 fell on February 1st. I have received calls from many of our club members who had not received their February Gammagram before the meeting and were unaware of the changes in our meeting dates. To those and any others that missed the February meeting and wish to compete, please bring your make-up slides to be entered at our next meeting on April 5th.

This year's first meeting was judged by the ever willing Bob Wall. Combining all the slide divisions appears to be working well. My thanks to Ken Bosanko and Willis Price for setting up the equipment; and to Marcia Sydor and Lila Lincoln for doing the score keeping. And thanks to Willis for projecting & focusing.

Remember our next slide meeting will be on April 5th. The judge will be announced in the April issue of the Gammagram. Look forward to seeing you there.

- **Color Pictorial Slide of the month was awarded to Willis Price for "Death Valley Sand Dunes at Sunset".**
- **Nature Slide of the month was awarded to Truman Holtzclaw for "Death Valley Beauty".**
- **Photo-Travel Slide of the month was awarded to Truman Holtzclaw for "Long Arch at Alabama Hills".**



Death Valley Sand Dunes at sunset, Willis Price

PRINT DIVISION
Barbara Jones

Thanks for your spirited participation in the Retouching workshop. I can't wait to see what our results look like in March. In the mean time, do your homework! And get out there and shoot some new images.

ELECTRONIC DIVISION
Chuck Pivetti

DIGITAL DIVISION
TOTAL SCORES

Class A

Kenneth Bosanko	20
Bob Bill	20
Charlotte Cosulich	18
Glen Cunningham	23
Dorothy Farol	19
Dee Johnson	22
Sandy Holtzclaw	22
Dave Kent	20
Gay Kent	21
Farzad Khosrownia	21
Don Martin	22
Donna Sturla	21
Marcia Sydor	18
BJ Ueltzen	22
Jim White	23
Shirley White	21

Class AA

Sam Clemens	21
Heather Cline	24
Bob Ehrhart	20
Dolores Frank	0
Robert George	22
Truman Holtzclaw	21
Diane Hovey	22
Bob Hubbell	24
Barbara Jones	22
Carol Jordan	21
Julius Kovatch	23
Melba Martin	23
Ron Parker	24
Willis Price	21
Joan Scheer	22



New Place to Photograph

By Jim White

Are you interested in a new place to photograph wildlife and foothill landscapes this time of year? It is out of the way, remote in many ways and yet nearby. How about the El Dorado County peninsula into Folsom Lake? This time of year there is no charge to enter the park, and few if any people are there. A few days ago Shirley and I went into the area and saw Deer, Turkeys, a Great Blue Heron and Ruddy Ducks on the lake and this Great Horned Owl along the road going in.



Poor guy was blind in his left eye, so it was not very nice to look at straight on, but a picture from his right side made our day.

After entering the park, the road forks, with the road to the right going to a picnic area and the 1st boat ramp. At this fork in the road, although there are no flowers now, this is a good place to photograph the lake after the early spring rains sprout the thousands of beautiful Blue Lupine growing in the exposed lakebed. We drove straight ahead to where the road curves to the right and goes into the campground. At this curve is a small wetlands which is always loaded with birds in the high grasses and shrubs. This time of year we just

parked in the middle of the road and shot the birds right from our vehicle. We drove down to the campground boat ramp where we walked down the ramp a few yards to sit on a log and glass the waterfowl on the lake. Bad Move! A Bald Eagle flew low over our heads and I am sure he could hear me moan, because our cameras were in the vehicle. We saw only one other vehicle, a Park Ranger, while we photographed the owl, so go before the crowds come in late spring and summer.

How to get there?. Easy! From Auburn go south on state highway 49 to Pilot Hill. Turn right at the gas station on the Russell Hollow- Rattlesnake Bar Road (signs pointing to Folsom Lake) and stay right on this road. You will pass thru some of the most beautiful cattle ranch and historic country in the state. Drive at a slow speed and keep your camera handy, you never know what will run across this road. It is a Mountain Lion and Bobcat friendly area.



FRIENDSHIP REPORT
Margaret Fava

March is here and Spring is on the way with Camelias, Daffodils, blooming in many gardens, so grab your cameras for colorful photo images. Exciting news: Melba and Don Martin are on the road again traveling in their motor home through the U.S.A. This year, we can see their photos and travel notes on their web site (see page 1) recording each place they visit. How exciting! Their site looks great and has great presentation.

Mary Silva: 99 Birthday Celebration was fabulous. A luncheon was held for Mary and she was crowned “Queen Mary for the Day” at the Red Lobster. Mary’s niece held an “open house” for Mary inviting family, neighbors, and friends.

Mary’s celebrated her birthday in style this year.

Sad News: Hope Price’s oldest brother John passed away at 82 with health complication. We extend our sympathy to Hope and her family.

March Birthdays:

Sam Clemens ♦ Nadine Cronkhite ♦ Margaret Fava ♦ Dee Johnson ♦ Patricia Malott ♦ Susan Nielson
And to anyone we may have missed.

EDITORS NOTES

Heather Cline

Help make the Gammagram more dynamic - Please send stories, travel information, contests, regional events, photo opportunities, and of course digital images for use in the newsletter!

Needs: Slide of the night ♦ Members, Meetings, & Events ♦ Nature ♦ Travel ♦ Seasonal

MARCH
Calendar

				1	2	3 <i>Digitizers meeting at ARC</i>
4 <i>PSA Gold Rush Holidome on Date Ave</i>	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13 <i>Digital Division</i>	14	15	16	17 <i>St Patrick's Day</i>
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27 <i>Print Division Workshop</i>	28	29	30	31 <i>SCAC Spring Sale</i>

CLUB DIVISIONS

SLIDES

Hope Price 916.487.4088

Meets: First Thursday in Jan, Mar, May, Jul, Sep, & Nov

PRINTS

Barbara Jones 916.363.6772

Meets: Fourth Tuesday in Jan, Mar, May, Jul, Sep, & Nov

ELECTRONIC

Chuck Pivetti 916.359.7049

Meets: Second Tuesday January – November

VISITORS ARE WELCOME *Sierra Camera Club*

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 and workshops. Visitors are welcome to come and enjoy the photography any time! The monthly club business meeting precedes the Color and Electronics Imaging division meetings. All Sierra Camera Club divisions meet at the Shepard Garden & Arts Center, 3330 McKinley Blvd., Sacramento at 7:30 pm.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

As most of you already know, Melba & Don Martin started out on January 8th for a one-year journey that would take them through out the United States. Traveling in their 45-foot motor home they plan to see as much of our country as they can. You can follow their adventures by viewing images on their web site at www.mel-don.com . The last I heard they were in Arizona, as their travels continue they will keep adding more images and travel notes to the web site along the way.

THE SIERRA CAMERA CLUB SHOW AT CAMERA ARTS



**MEMBER COMPETITION STANDINGS
FOR ALL COMPETING DIVISIONS – 2007**

		Color AAA	Color AAAA	Electronic AA	Electronic A	Nature	Travel Sequence	Travel Single	Print
Bob	Bill				20				
Ken	Bosanko	22			20				
Charlotte	Cosulich				18				
Sam	Clemans			21					
Heather	Cline			24					
Bob	Cothrin					22	12	21	
Glen	Cunningham				23				
Bob	Erhart			20					
Dorothy	Farol	21			19	20		22	
Dolores	Frank			0*					
Laurie	Friedman		22			23	11	23	
Robert	George	11		22				20	
Peggy	Gidding	22				21		22	
Sandy	Holtzclaw				22				
Truman	Holtzclaw		24	21		25	12	25	
Diane	Hovey			22					
Bob	Hubbell			24					
Dee	Johnson				22				
Barbara	Jones			22					
Carol	Jordan			21					
Dave	Kent				20				
Gay	Kent				21				
Farzad	Khosrownia				21				
Julius	Kovatch			23					
Don	Martin				22				
Melba	Martin			23					
Ron	Parker			24					
Chuck	Pivetti		23			22	11	23	
Willis	Price		24	21		23	11	22	
Joan	Scheer			22					
Donna	Sturla				21				
Marcia	Sydor	21			18	21	11	21	
BJ	Ueltzen				22				
Jim	White				23				
Shirley	White				21				

If you do not see your name on this list, but plan to compete this year, please do not be alarmed. Names are being updated as competition totals are updated each month.
 Each (*) Indicates a make-up is due for that division
 Numbers in Bold indicates “leader” for that division



2007 ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP & NEWSLETTER RENEWAL

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 meeting renewals for 2007: Membership dues are due January 1 and are delinquent after January 1, 2007. 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.

SUBSCRIPTION TYPE	ANNUAL DUES /	INITIATION FEE*	TOTAL (NEW MEMBER)
SINGLE MEMBERSHIP	\$45 +	\$5*	<input type="checkbox"/> \$50
FAMILY MEMBERSHIP	\$70 +	\$7*	<input type="checkbox"/> \$77
JUNIORS (UNDER 18)	\$10 +	\$2.50*	<input type="checkbox"/> \$12.50
FT STUDENTS (UNDER 22)	\$22.50 +	\$2.50*	<input type="checkbox"/> \$25.00
GAMMAGRAM ONLY	\$12 -		<input type="checkbox"/> \$12

↳ *SUBSCRIBERS ARE NOT VOTING MEMBERS OF THE CLUB*

MEMBERS AGREE TO ABIDE BY THE CLUB CONSTITUTION, BY-LAWS, AND COMPETITION RULES.

NAME (PRINT) _____

BIRTH MONTH: _____ PHOTOGRAPHY INTERESTS: _____

STREET ADDRESS: _____ CITY _____ ZIP CODE _____

PHONE(S) (____) _____ (____) _____ EMAIL _____

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE _____

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