

April 2018

Pocono Photo Club

Chris Karfakis Speaking at May Meeting

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Learn about the early years of photography at our May meeting- those days before digital cameras and “selfies” became popular as well how big names like Kodak missed the boat when digital cameras first sailed onto the market. This comprehensive yet informal program covers the rich background of historical images, processes and leaders of the craft delivered by a man whose passion for the genre is widely recognized by his peers.

Born in Philadelphia, Pa. Chris Karfakis developed his love for photography as a young child. He earned a degree in Chemistry from Temple University, served in the U.S.

Navy, ran his family’s business and also opened his own natural food store, and continued to pursue his love of photography by focusing his interests on early photographic processes. While continuing to pursue his love of photography by collecting antique and vintage cameras along with images from those cameras the idea to create a lecture series using his knowledge and expertise grew.

Photographs are a direct link to our history. You won’t want to miss this informative presentation complete with authentic examples from photography’s early days. PPC will hold its May meeting on May 15, 2018 from 7 to 9 pm in the Keystone Building of



Chris Karfakis

Northampton Community College, Monroe Campus, Rt. 715 Tannersville, Pa. We hope to see you there.

SELECTION OF THE 4TH ANNUAL POCONO ART COLLAGE photos will take place prior to the April 17th meeting. Members are allowed to bring **TWO** mounted or framed photos to be voted on by the membership at large. There is no theme or time limit on when your photo was taken. Please arrive early to sign your photos in.

APRIL MEETING

April 17, 2018
7-9 PM, Keystone Bldg.
NCC, Monroe Campus
Rt. 715, Tannersville PA.

April Meeting features Ron Wyatt

Our April meeting will feature Ron Wyatt as the speaker. Sharing images from his recent tour with the Moscow Ballet, Ron will discuss “How to Capture Stunning Dance and Performance Images On and Off the Stage”. Mr. Wyatt’s pictures have been pub-

lished in leading magazines such as Newsweek and ESPN.

As an added bonus Ron will select a few photos from the pictures under consideration for the 4th Annual Pocono Art Collage and critique them.





Photo by this month's Photographer of the month **Gina Matarazzo**. Check out our website and the Photographer of the Month page for more of Gina's photos.

The Scavenger Hunt is Underway

The 2018 Scavenger Hunt is underway! Photos for the Scavenger Hunt can be taken between March 15 and May 24th so you still have time to get a shot for any or all of the eight categories. Here's a quick run down of them: 1) Inspired by a song; 2) Black and White (any image); 3) Machinery (mechanical); 4) Outside the Window; 5) Sign of the Times; 6) Street Scenes; 7) Beads; 8) Having a Ball

For more details go to Pocono Photo Club- Members- Documents-Contests & Flyers-2018 Scavenger Hunt.

It's time to go out and collect some pictures!

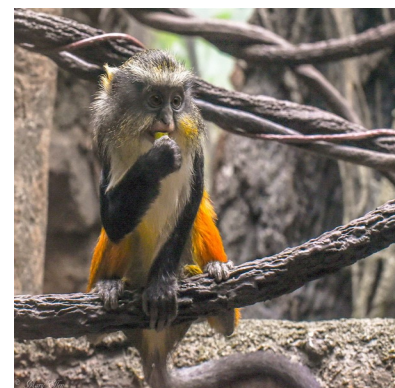


Photo by Mary Ellen Revans
Check out more great photos in the Member Albums on our webpage.

Middle Smithfield Exhibit Coming Up Soon

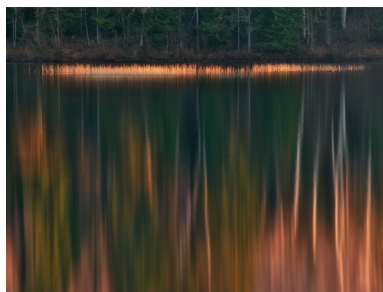
If you can't find something to photograph within 40 feet of where you are standing, you are not seeing.
Ruth Bernhard

The Middle Smithfield Exhibit is set to open on April 29, 2018 at Whispering Pines during the kick off of Restaurant Week. The event will be held from 6 to 8 pm and will feature food and beverage samples from local restaurants and wineries. Members are encouraged to bring up to 3 framed photos with eye hooks and wire for hanging on

the back to the banquet hall between Monday April 23rd (during business hours) and Friday, April 27th (up until 10 AM). Your photo release form and exhibit fee of \$5 should be attached to the back as well. You can find the exhibit form on our website under Photo Exhibits and Shows> Photo Exhibit Submission Form.

There is no specific theme

(although Middle Smithfield subjects are always welcome!) or time limit on when your pictures were taken and thanks to the new gallery system installed last year our pictures look better than ever! Whispering Pines is located at 1445 Big Ridge Dr. in Country Club of the Poconos, East Stroudsburg, PA. 18302. The exhibit will run until June 4th.



Blaze by Danielle Austen

Danielle Austen to Speak at Whispering Pines

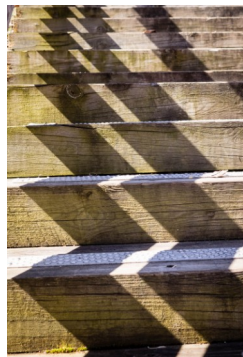
The Pocono Photo Club in partnership with Middle Smithfield Township is pleased to announce that Danielle Austen will be presenting "The Art of Seeing- Seeking Your Vision" at Whispering Pines Banquet Hall on Saturday, May 12, 2018 at 2 pm, 1445 Big Ridge Dr., East Stroudsburg, PA. 18302.

How do you see the world around you? Do you just see what others see, or do you see something different? One of the greatest challenges for photographers is discovering their unique vision. To do this we must learn to observe, imagine, and express. In Danielle's presentation she will discuss how taking an in-

depth look at your surroundings through light, perspective, design and mood, can help you discover a new viewpoint and get more from your creative experience.

The program is free and open to the public. Make sure to invite a friend and spread the word!

March Shoot Out ~ Jump Start Your Creativity



Assignment: Observe for 10 minutes and then take 3 pictures. Photo by Eric Goins.

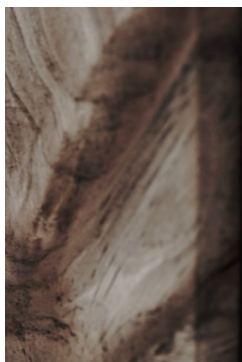
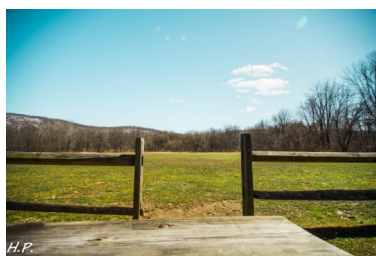


Photo by Ken Winham

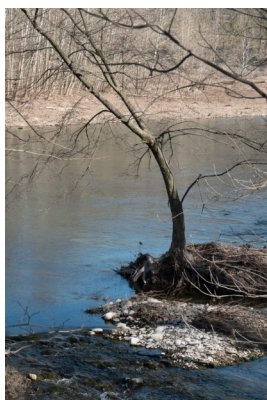
Four adventurous photographers joined Ann LeFevre for the March Shoot Out. Challenged to see a picture where “there seemed to be no picture” they were given two tasks and one homework assignment which were designed to help them creatively see photographs in unexpected places. Thanks to Eric Goins, Bob Hare, Hannable Parrish, and Ken Winham for sharing their “assignments” here.



Photo by Bob Hare



Photos by Hannable Parrish



Assignment: Pick two random words and combine them into one photo.
Right– Brown/Green by Ken Winham
Below– Sign/Reflection by Eric Goins



Left– Observation assignment by Bob Hare
Bottom– Homework assignment: Throw your worst shot of the day into the photo processing blender! Photo by Ann LeFevre



*Creativity is the power
to connect the
seemingly
unconnected.
William Planner*

**Come and join us on the
next Shoot Out!**

Shoot Out at Aspen Ridge Farm Scheduled!

But don't worry. No guns will be drawn, just cameras! The victims? Baby goats, chicks and more. Join us for this month's shoot out on April 21, 2018 at 2 pm. Aspen Ridge Farm is located on Jonestown Rd. in Oxford, NJ. For more information

contact Ann at Olivetreann@mail.com. If you're interested in carpooling– meet at Minisink Park on River Rd. next to the PA Information Center at 1:15 pm.

Shoot outs are informal gatherings and not “official” PPC

events. Members are responsible for their own equipment and safety. Shoot outs are a great way to get to know other club members and broaden your photographic capabilities. And they're a lot of fun!



Meredith Acly of Aspen Ridge Farm poses with one of her goats for Patricia Bregen.
Photo by Ann LeFevre



Photo by Ray Roper

Out and About

Did you know our president **Ray Roper** has photos on display at the Pocono Cinema and Cultural Center? Ray's photographs along with other veterans' art is being exhibited until April 17th. The gallery is located at 88 South Courtland St. in East Stroudsburg. Stop in and take a look.

Opportunities to Grow

Don't forget the **panel discussion** on The American Identity is this Wednesday, April 11th, 6:30-8:00 pm in the Keystone Building, NCC Monroe Campus, Rt. 715, Tannersville, PA.

The Pennsylvania Center for Photography is offering **workshops** on the Foundations of Photography, Macro, Light Room for Pragmatic People and Cognitive Composition. Go to <http://www.pacenterforphotography.org/workshops/> for course descriptions and more information.

Executive Committee Meeting Notes– April 3, 2018

In attendance: Ray Roper, Ann LeFevre, Stephanie Masgula, Eric Goins, Dick Ludwig, Bill Keenan

It was noted that the upcoming speakers for PPC general meetings would be: Ron Wyatt in April, who will be speaking about photographing actors, dancers, and other performers onstage and off; and Chris Karfakis in May, who will be speaking on how photography has changed over the years.

Due to some upcoming schedule conflicts, the committee decided that executive committee meetings would be held on the first Monday of each month for the near future, rather than the first Tuesday of the month. General meetings will continue to be held on the third Tuesday of the month.

Club president Ray Roper continues to work out the details of an agreement with the Pocono Heritage Land Trust (PHLT) that would allow PPC to conduct regular shoot-outs at PHLT properties in Monroe County in return for permission for PHLT to use some of those photos on their website. Ray and Ann LeFevre will work out a schedule for these shoot-outs when agreement is finalized.

The next PPC shoot-out is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, April 21, at the Aspen Ridge Farm in Oxford, N.J. Details will be announced as soon as they are finalized.

Preparations for the PPC photo exhibit at the Whispering Pines Banquet Hall in Middle Smithfield Township are coming along. The exhibit runs from April 29 to June 6. Members can submit up to three photos during the April 23-27 drop-off period. Danielle Austin will be giving a photographic presentation on Saturday, May 12, at 2:00 p.m. Details are available on our website.

At our April 17 general meeting, we will be selecting member entries for the upcoming Pocono Arts Collage exhibit at the Dunning Gallery at NCC, Monroe Campus, which will run from June 6 to August 10. There's no theme, and no fee, and members are asked to bring two photos to the next general meeting for consideration. Further details are available on the PPC website.

Members need to be reminded that the annual Scavenger Hunt is underway. The Hunt involves 8 photo categories for photos that must be taken between March 15 and May 24 and is done in conjunction

with the Palmerton Photo Club. PPC member photo files should be turned in at Stroud Foto on Main Street in Stroudsburg.

PPC treasurer Dick Ludwig reported that as of now, the PPC is in good financial condition, though we can always use new members.

Submitted by Bill Keenan, secretary

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