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FROM THE EDITOR:

Greetings, HPS Members:

Andrea appears to be out of town again so I get the pleasure of actually writing part of the newsletter instead of simply assembling it.

I'll jump straight into a summary of last months activities. Our program was given by Jack Carman about wildflowers. Jack had some outstanding photos and lots of good information about the local flora including common names, blooming seasons and locales. Thanks Jack for very informative program. Our competition last month was Fire!. The turnout was lighter than some of our other competitions but there were lots of very nice works presented. Keith Jones was our judge (which he informed us is his 18th time judging competitions). He used his art background to breakdown the composition of the photos and shared with us his analysis of several of the photos. Thanks Keith and congratulations to all the winners.

This month our presenter is Charles Needle from Alpharetta, GA. He is a highly acclaimed fine art and editorial nature photographer with a unique eye for design and artistic interpretation. He will be talking to us about nature photography and props that he uses. (www.charlesneedlephoto.com) Our contest this month is Portraits of Children. Our judge will be Jennifer Tarkington. She comes to us from Owens Crossroads where she offers services ranging from portraits, to stationary, to commercial work, to framing. After checking out her website, make sure you bring your best stuff. She knows children's portraits! (www.jenniferandco.com)

And as long as I have the podium and being the chairman of the digital competition committee, I'll make a preliminary announcement about our first Digital Photo Competition. This will be a practice competition to see how our systems works. No points will be awarded for this competition. The competition will be held on the 5th Monday of October (3rd meeting of Oct). More details will follow including submission process and guidelines. The topic will be Open (ie anything).

Next Meeting: Sept 11, 2006
Speaker: Charles Needle
Topic: Nature Photography and Props
Next Competition: Sept 25, 2006
Topic: Portraits of Children
Scheduled Judge: Jennifer Tarkington
The Huntsville Photographic Society meets at 7 pm on the second and fourth Mondays of each month in the Huntsville Public Library. Visitors are welcome.
Please contact Rick Kress with news, information, or announcements. (256) 890-0722, or by email at: rgkress@knology.net.

The current plan is for submissions to be made at least a week before the competition. We're planning to add digital competition next year as a 4th category. Stay tuned for more details.

Rick Kress
 Newsletter Editor

Aug Competition Results: Fire!

B/W		Color Prints		Slides	
1st	Rick Kress	1st	Janet Schumacher	1st	Bill Gates
2nd	David Blue		Schumacher	2nd	Barbara Staggs
3rd	Janet Schumacher	2nd	Richard Clary	3rd	Barbara Staggs
HM	David Blue	3rd	Melanie Goodin	HM	Daniel Little
		HM	Janet Schumacher		
		HM	Walt Schumacher		
		HM	Joe Parrott		
		HM	Emile Saile		
		HM	Richard Clary		
14 Entries		48 Entries		14 Entries	

HPS Competition Standings

Rank	Name	Total	
		Points	Wins
1	Fara, Sam	32	12
2	Blue, David	31	15
3	Gates, William	30	9
4	Staggs, Barbara	28	12
5	Boyd, Joe	20	6
5	Reddy, Gerri	20	6
7	Teal, Martha	19	9
7	Schumacher, Walt	19	10
9	Schumacher, Janet	17	8
10	Goodin, Melanie	15	5
11	Shetley, Andrea	15	5
11	Saile, Emily	15	7
13	Kress, Rick	14	5
14	Davidson, Diana Lyn	13	5
15	Schuffert, Robert	12	5
16	Courtney, Bill	11	8
17	Felton, Doug	10	5
18	Mangus, Sheila	9	3
19	Prevost, Stan	7	2
19	Werp, Rick	7	2
19	Kinnane, Harry	7	3
19	McAllister, Guy	7	3
19	Wilburn, Amy	7	3
24	Bennett, Don	6	2
24	Gardner, Pat	6	2
24	Gilbert, Virginia	6	2
27	Clary, Richard	5	2
27	Little, Daniel	5	2
29	Fleming, Judy	3	1
30	Pratt, Lee	3	1
30	Staggs, William	3	1
32	Blue, Carol	2	2
32	Wolfe, Don	2	2
34	Campbell, Dick	1	1
34	Clements, Lisa	1	1
34	Courtney, Brenda	1	1
34	Davis, Larry	1	1
34	Holderfield, Diane	1	1
34	Kinnane, Brenda	1	1
34	McGehee, Suzi	1	1
34	McGuinness, Dave	1	1
34	Parrot, Joe	1	1
34	Sylvester, Cathy	1	1

OF INTEREST:

HPS Display at Wheeler NWR

Thirteen HPS photographers are displaying 102 of their works at the Wheeler NWR Visitors Center for the month of September. The display is awesome! Public radio has announced it on air and their website. The Huntsville Times, Decatur Daily, and Huntsville/Madison County Convention and Visitors Bureau have also been sent information. The HPS should receive some good press. Sam Tuminello may be arranging an HPS group visit to the display. Be sure to visit to see some beautiful outdoors shots and support the 50th Anniversary of HPS.

HPS Display at Madison County Library

The HPS will be displaying photos on the 3rd floor of the library during October. The sign they have asked us to put up is "The Huntsville Photographic Society Celebrates 50 years of Photographing Huntsville." We are having one professionally made (Thanks to Sam Tuminello for overseeing this and the Board for the cash). We will be displaying photos of Huntsville and nearby areas. Let's limit it to within 5 miles of the city. Preferably, the subject would be something recognizable to Huntsville by a majority of viewers. Also, we need to limit the size to a 11x14" matted photo. Ideally, all photos would be matted in white to make the display look uniform. However, we can also mount in off-white. Pictures must have velcro (the hook side of velcro) at all four corners of the back to allow for hanging. Initially, each photographer can provide up to 5 photos. This may increase once we know the number participating. It is possible the library will want to move it to the "Atrium," which is on the bottom floor behind the main desk. If so, we may have to reduce the number of photos displayed by each photographer. I will try to have them "pinned down" by the next meeting. I will have a sign-up sheet at the next 2 meetings. The historic district of Huntsville was a subject of a shoot-out a few years back, so I know members have photos of Huntsville. Please show your support of the HPS 50th anniversary and participate

Aftermath: Images from Ground Zero

The Huntsville Museum of Art (<http://www.hsvmuseum.org/>) is currently showing Joel Meyerowitz's exhibit "Aftermath: Images from Ground Zero", through October 22. "This exhibition captures the emotionally compelling images of a nation stunned by the terrorist attacks of 9-11. As the only photographer allowed in Ground Zero, Joel Meyerowitz documents the heroic efforts of recovery crews while also paying tribute to the lives lost." The exhibition images were created from the days following Sept. 11, 2001 until May, 2002, around the site of the World Trade Center.

The Guardian newspaper in Britain (<http://arts.guardian.co.uk/features/story/0,,1859087,00.html>) and the New York Times newspaper (http://www.nytimes.com/2006/08/31/nyregion/31blocks.html?_r=1&oref=slogin) both have reviews of Joel Meyerowitz's book "Aftermath: World Trade Center Archive", which includes many of the images in the Meyerowitz's "Aftermath: Images from Ground Zero" exhibit, and background stories to the images.

(Editors Note: I believe someone at the last meeting said admission is free to the museum on Sept .11th)

Want to be Published in National Geographic?

National Geographic is accepting submissions via its Web site. So dust off your best photo and send it in. The winning photo will appear in the magazine. A few additional winners will be displayed on the National Geographic site.

Now, there are important rules to follow when selecting and submitting your photos. So be sure to read the rules before you get started uploading – you only get one chance during each submission period!

TO VISIT TODAY'S COOL SITE, GO HERE:
www7.nationalgeographic.com

Trip to Greece in 2007

The Sparkman High School Photography Department will be traveling to Greece May 25 to June 5, 2007. The 12 day trip will include 4 overnight stays in Athens and 2 overnight stays each on the islands of Mykonos, Santorini and Crete. The all-inclusive tour package for \$2999 includes three and four star hotel accommodations, dinners, a native speaking guide for the entire trip, museum admissions and transportation between islands. This trip has been specifically designed with the photographer in mind. If you would like a detailed itinerary sent to you, please contact Eric Mittman, Photography Department Chair at emittman@madison.k12.al.us or call 256-837

Air Travel Hints for Photographers

(Submitted by member Joe Boyd)

With the recently heightened security awareness of carry-on liquids in air travel, there's been a rash of blog posting about how to travel with photo and computer gear. Bottom line is that, beyond carry-on liquids not much has changed

recently. If you haven't traveled by air in the last several months, it's worth reviewing these articles for refreshers on how to pack, and travel.

Here are some examples of how the "pros" do it. These two are nature photographers who typically carry very large, expensive lenses and other gear. While you may not have the same types of gear, they provide good hints applicable to lighter travelers.

David Cardinal has a pretty exhaustive description of traveling with photo and computer gear for the digital photographer at (<http://www.nikondigital.org/dps/dps-v-4-11.htm>)

Arthur Morris (<http://www.birdsasart.com/bn207.htm>) has some good advice on international travel and pre-shipping gear ahead of you. Shipping gear ahead lightens the travel load, and avoids some security issues. Be sure to use a reputable shipper with guaranteed delivery dates, and a trustworthy individual on the receiving end. I made the mistake of using a budget shipping service in June to pre-ship gear for a domestic trip. I sent the gear 10 days before I left on a shipment that should've taken 6 days. It didn't arrive until 4 days after I did.

MEMBER INFO:

Janet Schumacher, Walt Schumacher and **Sam Fara** had photos selected for the 2006 "Unique Views of Huntsville" at the Huntsville Museum of Art. It is a juried art show, that will take place 10-17 September.

COMPETITION TOPICS 2006

<u>Month</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Month</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Month</u>	<u>Topic</u>
Jan '06	Open	June '06	Lights at Night	Nov '06	Birds
Feb '06	Abandoned Buildings	Jul '06	Flowers	Dec '06	Best of the Year
Mar '06	In the Kitchen	Aug '06	Fire!	Jan '07	Festivals
Apr '06	Fog	Sep '06	Portraits of Children		
May '06	Open	Oct '06	Open		

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2006 Calendar of Photographic Events

SEPTEMBER

Mon. 11
HPS Program: Nature Photo & Props
Presenter: Charles Needle

Mon. 18
NPS Meeting
Program: TBD
Presenter: TBD

Mon. 25
HPS Competition: Portraits of Children
Judge: Jennifer Tarkington

OCTOBER

Mon. 9
HPS Program: PSA Stereo Sequence
Exhibition Winners
Presenter: H. Lee Pratt

Mon. 16
NPS Meeting
NPS Members' Show & Tell

Mon. 23
HPS Competition: Open
Judge: Ken Webb

Mon. 30
HPS Members' Forum Night

NOVEMBER

Mon. 13
HPS Program: TBD
Presenter: Tom & Pat Cory

Mon. 20
NPS Meeting
Program: TBD
Presenter: TBD

Mon. 27
HPS Competition: Birds
Judge: TBD

DECEMBER

Mon. 11
HPS Annual Dinner and Year End Awards

Mon. 18
NPS Meeting
NPS Members' Show & Tell

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NPS - Nature Photographic Society