



HUNTSVILLE PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY
 VON BRAUN CIVIC CENTER 700 MONROE ST. HUNTSVILLE, AL. 35801

September Program

Fantastic! That's what everyone said who saw the Stereophotography program given by Lee Pratt at the Sept. 13 meeting. Lee wowed us with images that seemed to jump off the screen and into our laps. Of course we all looked terrific in our bright yellow 3-D glasses. Besides viewing the award-winning stereo slide sequences we also had the opportunity to see Lee's stereo camera collection. Thanks, Lee, for sharing a little seen aspect of photography.

Emily Saile	24	Dan Lighton	5
Lisa Stuart	23	J. Soloman	4
Bill Self	20	Doug Felton	4
David Blue	16	Amanda Grant	3
Peter Grant	15	Roy Hefner	3
Ron Romej	13	Carol Blue	2
Alma Sanders	12	Fred Stevenson	1
Lowell Skidmore	12	Joy Henderson	1
Pat Cole	10	R. Elliott	1
Bill Reynolds	8	Donna Greenhaw	1
Guy McAlister	8		
Don Bennett	6		

September Competition Results

We had 42 entries in Color prints, 25 in Black & White, and 40 in slides. Thanks to Bobby Harrison for tackling the extremely difficult job of judging all of the excellent photos that were entered. He was very impressed with the quality of the black and white prints. We really appreciated his instructive comments and critique. Bobby is a professional nature photographer who teaches photography at Oakwood College. If you would like to see his work check out www.Bobbyharrison.com. He chose the following:

	<u>Color Prints</u>	<u>B&W Prints</u>	<u>Slides</u>
1st	Barry Jackson	Pat Gardner	Michael Cline
2nd	Barbara Staggs	Elsabe Webster	Peter Grant
3rd	Doug Felton	Barry Jackson	Lowell Skidmore
HM	Pat Cole	Virginia Gilbert	Lowell Skidmore
HM	Guy McAlister	Barry Jackson	Michael Cline
HM	Don Bennett	Lisa Stuart	Donna Greenhaw
HM	Barbara Staggs	Barry Jackson	-

Our thanks to Lowell Skidmore for his expert operations of the slide projector.

Southerlands Top Five: Don't forget that Southerland Photo sponsors a Top Five contest. The five Competition entrants who have accumulated the most points in our monthly competitions by December will receive gift certificates to be used at Southerlands.

Competition Total Points

Through the end of September are:

Barry Jackson	67	Virginia Gilbert	6
Elsabe Webster	51	Michael Cline	6
Barbara Staggs	44	Joe Boyd	5
Pat Gardner	30	Judy Fleming	5

October Program Topic

Do your photos often lack pizzazz? If so, the October meeting is just what you need. Two educational slide and audio programs from the Photographic Society of America will be shown: "Prizewinning Photos...What Makes Them Click?" and "Better Pictures from a Judge's Point of View". We will learn features of technique, lighting, impact, and composition that make for award-winning slides and prints. These should be entertaining as well as educational.

October Competition

The October competition topic is "Scenes of Huntsville". Our judge will be Huntsville Photographer, Bob Gathney.

Members News

-Congratulations to Virginia Gilbert and Chuck Martin on their wins at the North East Alabama State Fair. Virginia won 5 Firsts, 6 Seconds and 5 (or was it 6?) Third Place awards in a combination of slides, prints and snapshots. Chuck won 2 Firsts and 1 Second Place for prints (that's three places for 3 prints entered!).

-Lost Photo: One of Virginia Gilberts prints sprouted wings and flew away at the end of the September Competition. Would everyone who had prints at the last competition please check through the ones they took home to see if Virginia's hid amongst their stack? If you find the little rascal, please contact Virginia at 464-9130 or Carol Blue at (256)232-7526

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(dcbblue@hiwaay.net) so we can make arrangements to capture it and return it to Virginia.

Welcome New Members

- Melissa Hunt
- Michael Parker
- Cinda Karjala
- Donna Greenhaw

Featured Photographer of the Month

In conjunction with the stereo program Lee Pratt was our photographer of the month for Sept. He showed his stereo slide presentation of scenes from Huntsville and the surrounding area. We enjoyed 3-D views of everything from antebellum homes to rockets.

Our October Photographer of the Month will be Sam Tumminello. Sam is a long time member of the Society and has won many awards in HPS and elsewhere for his stunning photography.

From The President

-Where does the Money Go?

Do you ever wonder where your dues money is being spent? Here is a partial listing of what it takes to make our club run.

- Newsletter (from Jan. 1 through Sept.) approx. \$300.
- Arts Council Membership \$100
- Insurance \$125
- Cory Photography Program (July) \$100
- Photo Society of America Dues \$40
- Arts Council Phone Listing \$40
- Library Gift to purchase a photography book \$150 (This is instead of a payment to the library for the use of the room)
- Trophies for the End of Year Awards approx. \$200

-Officers for Next Year

There are several posts to be filled on the board for next year. If you are interested in planning programs for our meetings we would love to enlist you as Program Chairperson. Please contact Barbara Staggs if you would like to make a difference or if you are interested in any other positions.

-Suggestions for Competition Topics 2000

At the October 11 meetings we will be asking for suggestions for competition topics for next year again. If you have suggestions you may e-mail them to Barbara Staggs or add them to our list from the September meetings. We try not to repeat topics that have been used in the last few years. We will compile the list and have a membership vote at the October competition meeting (October 25).

-Critique Help

Would you like to get some individual help and critique of your photos? Come to the Oct. Competition meeting on Oct.25. During the time that the judge will be evaluating the regular competition photos, there will be three tables set up for individual critique. Three members of HPS who have received Fellow Awards or higher will be at the tables to assist you. You may bring up to 4 prints (sorry, we will not be reviewing slides at this time but perhaps at a later date). These prints can be any size and do not have to be mounted or matted. Just "plain ole" 4x6s will do fine. This may be just what you need to improve your photography.

-End of Year Party and Awards Program

Its not too early to plan to attend our end of the year party and awards program. It will be held Monday, Dec. 13 in the library. There will be a barbeque dinner with all of the trimmings. However the most exciting part is the presentation of all of the prints and slides that have placed in the monthly competitions throughout 1999. You will be able to see the best of the best. Awards will be given for Best Prints and Slide of the Year.

-If you have any old photo magazines or anything else of photographic interest that you would like to give away you can always bring what you have to the meeting and put it either on the back or side table. Be sure to check those tables to see if there is something of interest for you.

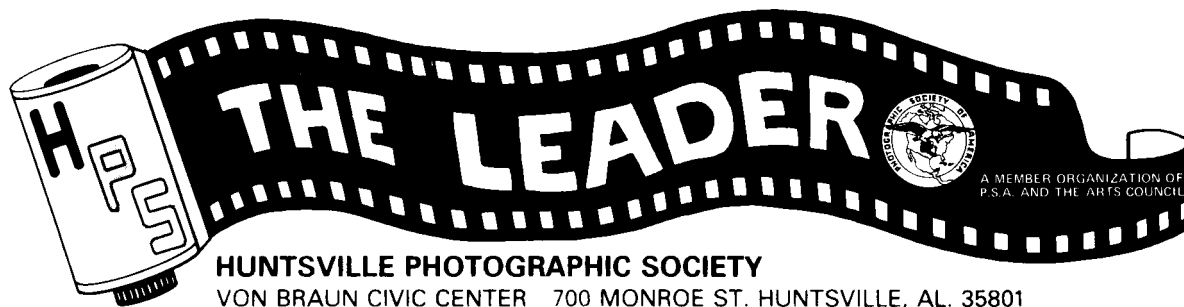
If you have any photographic items for sale or are looking for a second hand item contact Carol Blue to have your info included in the newsletter.

Things of Interest

Photography Outings and Contests in Kentucky

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-37th Annual Photoscenic Weekend—Kenlake State Resort Park--October 22-24
Co-sponsored by the Courier Journal newspaper, includes seminar, nature hikes and a slide competition. No fees.

Call **Larry Spitzer** at **(502)451-3191**.

-Pine Mountain State Resort Park

—**Fall Photo Weekend**—October 22-24

Programs by guest professionals. A multi-category slide contest with amateur and accomplished divisions. Awards. 15 % lodging discount. \$20 registration fee. Contact park at 1050 State Park Road, Pineville, KY 40977-0610--(606) 337-3066--

Toll-free reservations: **1-800-425-1712**

Photo Web Sites

-Photographic Society of America has an interesting site where viewers can see the style of photographic art typical of many different countries that participate in the Society's International Exhibitions. The site is www.spacestar.net/users/sedio. There is also a link to the PSA web page that explains all of the different activities of this largest photo society in the world.

-The New York Institute of Photography has an interesting web site at <http://www.nyip.com>. This includes tutorial chapters on various kinds of photography as well as their photograph of the month.

-"How to Take Travel Pictures Like a Pro" has good general photography tips at <http://www.fodors.com/focus>

-Members Web pages:

-Sam Tuminello <http://www.angelfire.com/de/inello>

-Wesley R. Swift, Jr.

<http://cspara.uah.edu/www/staff/swiftw.html>

-HPS has an online gallery on which members can have pictures published. See Roberto Puon (puon@hiwaay.net) for details.

Editors Note:

-If you have a web site with your photos please let Carol Blue know so that our members can check it out.

The Huntsville Nature Photography

Society meets on the 3rd Monday of each month at the Charles Stone Agricultural Building on Cook Avenue at 7 PM. Bobby Harrison, a professional nature photographer who teaches photography at Oakwood College, won a lottery this year to photograph the bears at Mule River, Alaska. Because of demand, the National Park Service has an annual

lottery to allocate visitor slots. This is Bobby's first year to enter the lottery. Bobby will present the October program.

1999 Competition Topics

Month	Topic
October	Scenes of Huntsville
November	Humorous
December	Best of the Year Competition
January 2000	Seasons

1999 Officers

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Newsletter Deadline

--Deadline for articles/information to be included in the next issue of the Leader is 9 PM Friday after the 4th Monday of each month. Contact David or Carol Blue.

Southerland's Specials of the Month

Southerland's 16th Annual Huntsville Photographic Flea Market will be held from 9am-5pm Sunday October 24th at the Von Braun Civic Center. They will have over 200 tables of quality dealers offering photographic equipment at for sale or trade at reasonable prices. Peachtree Camera Repair will check cameras at no charge and do limited repairs and testing.

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