



HUNTSVILLE PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY

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

August Program

Jennifer Tarkington's program was outstanding as usual. She shared her thoughts and insights about the techniques and business aspects of her professional photography business. She showed us many of her studio photographs as well as her award winning published work. Thanks again to her for such a professional presentation.

August Competition Results

We had 45 entries in Color prints, 11 in Black & White, and 58 in slides. Our thanks to Kay Fuller for her critiques of the "Flowers" competition. She chose the following:

	<u>Color Prints</u>	<u>B&W Prints</u>	<u>Slides</u>
1st	Elsabe Webster	Ron Romej	Elsabe Webster
2nd	Don Bennett	Lisa Stuart	Lowell Skidmore
3rd	Elsabe Webster	Judy Fleming	Amanda Grant
HM	Bill Reynolds	-	Barbara Staggs
HM	Pat Cole	-	Peter Grant
HM	Doug Felton	-	Barbara Staggs
HM	Pat Cole	-	-

Many 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 August are:

Barry Jackson	57	Guy McAlister	7
Elsabe Webster	47	Don Bennett	5
Barbara Staggs	39	Joe Boyd	5
Pat Gardner	25	Judy Fleming	5
Emily Saile	24	Virginia Gilbert	5
Lisa Stuart	22	Dan Lighton	5
Bill Self	20	J. Soloman	4
David Blue	16	Amanda Grant	3

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Ron Romej	13	Roy Heifner	3
Alma Sanders	12	Carol Blue	2
Peter Grant	11	Doug Felton	1
Pat Cole	9	Fred Stevenson	1
Bill Reynolds	8	Joy Henderson	1
Lowell Skidmore	8	R. Elliott	1

September Program Topic

A treat is in store for us at the Sept. 13 HPS meeting. Lee Pratt, a longtime HPS member and coordinator for the International Stereo Photography Contest Division of the Photographic Society of America for several years, has compiled a slide show of the winners of this year's division complete with music and narration. You will be wowed by images jumping off the screen. The audience will wear the funny 3-D polarized glasses. The 36th Annual PSA Stereo Sequence Exhibition will be shown, which consists of 12 short sequences by photographers from several countries. The sequences were judged and accepted by HPS members in June, then assembled into a program with titles and music. It is being first shown at the PSA Conference in Toronto on September 2nd. After the HPS showing, it will tour other US photo clubs for a year. A second 3-D program, entitled "Hello from Huntsville, Alabama!" will also be shown. Lee presented this slide show to the annual convention of the British Stereoscopic Society last May. This is a program you shouldn't miss.

September Competition

The September competition topic is "Open". Our judge will be Bobby Harrison, Art Program Director and Photography Professor at Oakwood College.

In Memorium

Our member Tom McDonald died Saturday 9/4/99. Our sincere condolences to his dear wife Ethel on the loss of her husband. Judge McDonald, a former Madison County Court judge was a long time member of HPS, a frequent competitor in our monthly



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competitions, and often showed his work in our exhibitions. Tom was also an artist of note in the media of oils and acrylics. We will miss his thoughtful ways and sense of humor.

Members News

-Congratulations to Lisa Stuart and David Blue--both have been notified that they will have photos in the Year 2000 WAFF Photo Friday Calendar. Lisa will have **three** and David one.

Welcome New Members

-Reginald Inman
 -Doug Felton
 -Michael Cline
 -Rich Brayton

Featured Photographer of the Month

Lee Pratt will be our Photographer of the Month for Sept. He will show us stereo images of a presentation about Huntsville and also show us his "Sky Photo Cube" slide that won second place in the PSA "Stereo Image of the Year" contest.

From The President

If you want to know where to photograph spectacular wildflowers I found just the spot. There are several places in the San Juan Mountains and Crested Butte in Colorado that are filled with shoulder high wildflowers of every color and description in late July. Peter Grant reports that the Olympic Peninsula in Washington State also has an abundance of wildflowers at about the same time. Their spring just starts a little later than ours but it certainly beats sweltering in the Alabama heat. I would like to congratulate all of our new members who have been placing in the monthly competitions. Its great to see the large number and quality of the entries in the last few months. Keep up the good work and enthusiasm.

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Stereo Photography--The HPS program on September 13th will be a stereo (three dimensional or 3-D) program by Lee Pratt. So plan to be wowed by images jumping off the screen.

Competition Topics for the 2000--At the next several meetings we will be asking for suggestions for competition topics for next year. If you have suggestions you may e-mail them to Barbara Staggs or add them to our list at one of 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.

Entry Level Competition--If you would be interested in competing at an entry level rather than the regular HPS competition please let Barbara Staggs know before the Sept. 13 meeting. If there is sufficient interest the Board will discuss ways to implement a parallel competition held the same night as the regular one for members who have not yet placed in the regular competition. So far we have been notified that one member is interested.

Board Meeting--We will be having a board meeting at 6:00 on Sept. 13.

Things of Interest

Photography Outings and Contests in Kentucky

-Fall Photography Weekend--Pennyrile Forest State Resort Park--October 8-10
 Field techniques with photographer Gene Boaz. Photo contest, slide critique and evening programs for novice and professional photographers. \$40 per person. Preregistration deadline is September 22. Minimum number of participants required. Contact park at 20781 Pennyrile Lodge Rd. Dawson Springs KY 42408-9212--(270) 797-3421--

Toll-free reservations: **1-800-325-1711.**

-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.**



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-Pine Mountain State Resort Park (2 events)

—Hawk Watch Weekend—October 1-2

Observe raptors in fall migration from Pinnacle Overlook at Cumberland Gap National Historical Park. Evening programs at Pine Mountain feature live birds of prey, raptor migration and area natural history. 15% lodging.

Preregistration deadline of September 24. Minimum number of participants required.

—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**

Invitation to Take Portraits--Deborah Nelson with Madison Assisted Living would like a photographer to take portraits of the residents of the Home. She is looking for someone who has a simple lighting set up for taking portraits. She would furnish the film and developing. The portraits are then given to their relatives by the residents at Christmas. Call Deborah at 830-2400 or contact Barbara Staggs if you need more information.

More Help Wanted--Would you like to enrich some middle school students with your knowledge of photography? The enrichment coordinator at Discovery Middle School on Hughes Road in Madison asked if we had some members who would be willing to share their expertise with a group of interested students. On Wed. Sept. 22 she would like volunteers to spend 50 minutes or less showing or explaining something about photography or cameras. Jim Solomon volunteered to talk about Lighting and Barbara Staggs will do a program on composition. Some other topics might be "how a camera works" or how to use a computer to manipulate photos. They do have a computer with a projection screen and Photo Deluxe software. The coordinator would be happy for you to choose a subject that you are passionate about. The times would be anywhere from about 9:30 to 3:00. If you are interested you can contact Barbara Staggs. The coordinator needs to know soon so she can set up a schedule.

Photo Web Sites

-**Photographic Society of America** has an interesting site where viewers can see the style of photographic art typical

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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.

-Members Web pages:

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

-**Wesley R. Swift, Jr.**

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

Editors Note:

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

-**HPS has an online gallery** on which members can have pictures published. See Roberto Puon (roberto @traveller.com) for details.

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.

1999 Competition Topics

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

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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.

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Southerland's Specials of the Month

Plan now to attend the Southerland's Photo Flea Market on the fourth Sunday in October (October 24).

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