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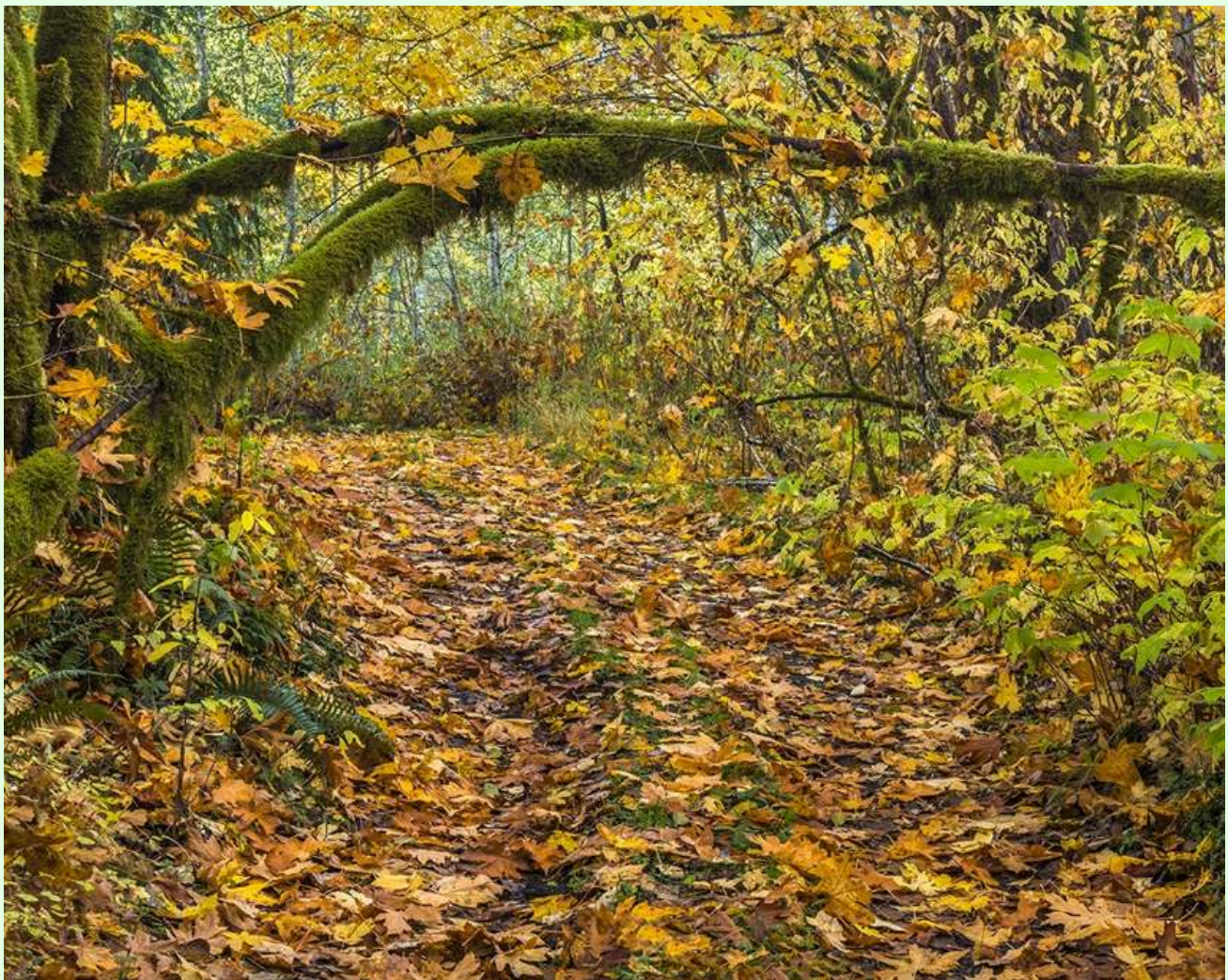
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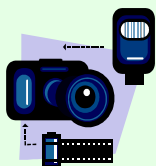
### Best In Show: *The Road Less Traveled* By Danette Volkmer

This photo was taken late in the afternoon at the end of October during a vacation in NW Washington. While driving on the Mt. Baker Highway, shortly before Nooksack Falls, we passed the Nooksack River and turned around to stop and get a shot of the scene. After taking a few quick photos, we were walking back to the car when I spotted a small road parallel to the river which led into a still, quiet forest. Upon entering this forest sanctuary, we discovered that fall leaves, ferns and overgrown tree branches had covered the road and moss had overtaken the trees. The scene was almost magical, so we took a 30 minute break from our journey to shoot photos and enjoying the surrounding beauty. It was difficult to leave, but our goal was to get to Mt. Baker before sunset, so we pressed onward!

Details: Canon 5D Mark III, Canon 24-105 lens at 50 mm, 1/25, F11, ISO 1600, handheld. Processed with Adobe Camera Raw and edited in Photoshop.







## Upcoming Club Activities

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**April – May, 2018 – Scarborough Renaissance Festival** – Scarborough Renaissance Festival® has agreed to provide one-day complementary passes in exchange for 10 photos. This event is limited to 20 members of the Plano Photography Club. To see available dates and to register for this event go to the Members Only web-site, click on Organization, click on Calendar, and then click on the Scarborough Fair 2018 event. This brings up a page describing the event and at the bottom there is a button for Registration Information, then click on Sign Up. [plano.photoclubservices.com/](http://plano.photoclubservices.com/)

**May 17, 2018 – PPC End of Year Awards Banquet** – Setup begins at 6:30 and the party is from 7:15 to 9:00 PM in our regular meeting room at the church. Bring a side dish or dessert to share, and the club will provide bar-b-q and drinks. Bring a USB flash drive with a 3-minute presentation of some of your photos — a trip, a photo study, photo essay, or whatever you enjoy sharing. (Photos should follow our contest guidelines for content.) We will also present the contest awards. Family members are welcome. Sign up at the Members Only web-site at [plano.photoclubservices.com/](http://plano.photoclubservices.com/).

## Promotions

At the end of the competition year, participants with the highest points in each level are invited to be promoted. Those of you who have been promoted will be contacted by the Contest Chair. If there is an issue, please contact the Contest Chair at [contest@planophotographyclub.com](mailto:contest@planophotographyclub.com).

This year we recognize Carol Barlow for her excellence as a photographer and her service to the club. She has been promoted to the Masters Class. Note: promotion to Masters Class is based on the member's portfolio of work, both depth and breadth, over several years, service to the club, and a demonstrated ability to teach and assist other club members. We invite members to become more involved in the club and to help all members improve their photographic skills. Congratulations to all participants who are advancing.

## End-of-Year Awards Banquet

The club's annual End-Of-Year Party and Awards Banquet is being held at this May's regular club meeting. Annual 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place awards in each class are based on Image Points. Photographer of the Year is based on Total Points. All 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place winners during the year are entered into an End-of-Year contest. Print and Digital images of the year are selected from these images. Images will be featured in next month's The Flash. Congratulations to all the winners!

### Photographer of the Year: Nock Wong

Entry:	1 <sup>st</sup>	Nock Wong
	1 <sup>st</sup>	Jeff Sarembock
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Katherine Moulton
Intermediate:	1 <sup>st</sup>	Carina Johnsson
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Alan Daniel
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Mark Bernthal

Advanced:	1 <sup>st</sup>	Wen-Chi Lee
	1 <sup>st</sup>	Nancy Mack
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Linfen Hwang
Masters:	1 <sup>st</sup>	John Lehman
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Dennis Fritsche
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Larry Petterborg

### Digital Image of the Year:

John Lehman	1 <sup>st</sup>	Traveling
Nock Wong	2 <sup>nd</sup>	House of Parliament in Budapest at night
Ron Hasty	3 <sup>rd</sup>	I Know It's Cold. It's All Right.
Randall Dunn	HM	Cedar Cemetery
James Stover	HM	Peabody Institute Library

### Print of the Year:

Sharlott Hasty	1 <sup>st</sup>	Horses Running in Fresh Snow at Sunrise (See page 3)
Nock Wong	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Flying Roseate Spoonbill
Nancy Mack	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Magnolia
Linfen Hwang	HM	In the Blue Town
Ron Hasty	HM	Milky Way at Great Sand Dunes



## Sharlott Hasty End-of-Year Print And GreyLearning Photo Contest Winner

Sharlott Hasty submitted the winning image for the February GreyLearning Photo Contest, which had a theme of "Motion in a Still". Her image, *Horses Running in Fresh Snow at Sunrise*, previously won Best of Show in the club's October contest and 1<sup>st</sup> place in our End-of-Year Print contest. Here is what Sharlott had to say about the image.

The photo of the horses was taken in February 2017 at a ranch in Northern Wyoming. What an exciting morning when we woke up to eighteen inches of new snow on the ground. The wranglers were moving eighty-six horses across the new snow from a pasture to a larger area of land. This was quite a sight as the horses were stirring up clouds of snow as they ran. The sky was over cast creating a giant soft box. It was a cold photo filled morning. I took pictures of the string of running horses then looked for a group of horses that were without merges.



## Special Interest End-of-Year Contests

For 2017-2018 club year, there were two Special Interest End-of-Year contests. The winning images will be showcased in next month's issue of The Flash.

### Portrait Award

Lois Lehman	Texas Cowgirl	15	1 <sup>st</sup>
John Lehman	Melissa	15	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Lois Lehman	Trapped	15	3 <sup>rd</sup>
James Walsh	Cute? Who, me?	14	HM
Don Champlin	Sarah	14	HM

### Photojournalism Award

Jose Artiles	Frisco Fire 02	15	1 <sup>st</sup>
Wen-Chi Lee	Implosion of Westchester Plaza	15	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Linfen Hwang	A Smile that is Hard to Forget	15	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Danette Volkmer	Swift Waters	14	HM
James Stover	Wheelchair Soccer	14	HM





## March Winning Images – On The Road

### Masters

Danette Volkmer	The Road Less Traveled	15	1st,BOS
Dennis Fritsche	107 Deg on Old Ore Road	15	2nd
James Walsh	Approaching the Destination	15	3rd
Sharlott Hasty	On the Road Arches National Park	15	HM

### Advanced

Linfen Hwang	In the Blue Town	12	1st
Wenchi Lee	Train 7783 across downtown Dallas	11	2nd
Carol Barlow	Blue Mesa	11	3rd

### Intermediate

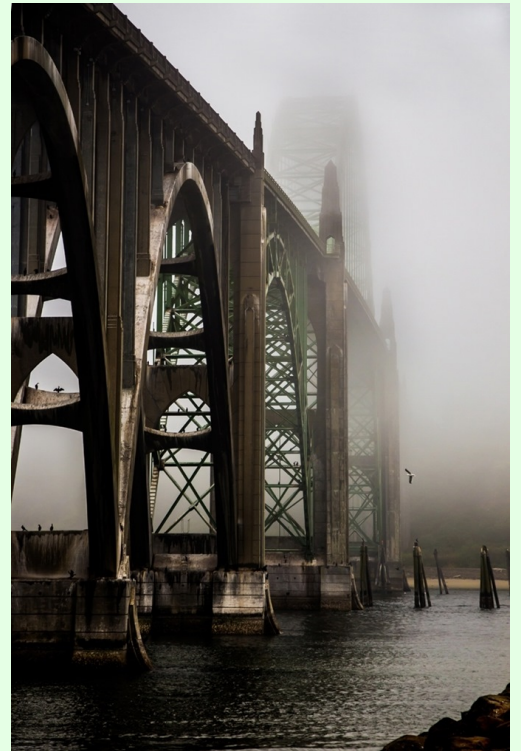
Joyce Mangum	Yaquina Bay Bridge in Fog	14	1st
Alan Daniel	Road to Big D	14	2nd
Parvin Stiles	On the road in Nashville!	12	3rd

### Entry

Katherine Moulton	Shades of Dusk	14	1st
Jeffrey Sarembock	Kruger National Park Elephants	13	2nd
John Eden	Canyon Snow from Rim Trail Road	11	3rd



Katherine Moulton



Joyce Mangum



John Eden



Jeffrey Sarembock







**Alan Daniel**



**Parvin Stiles**



**Linfen Hwang**



**Wenchi Lee**







**Carol Barlow**



**Dennis Fritsche**



**James Walsh**



**Sharlott Hasty**



## Upcoming Competition Themes

May	Diagonals	September	Rusted and/or Peeling	January (2019)	On the Street Where You Live	May	
June	Open	October (Print)	Open	February	Open	June	Open
July	Motion	November	Reflections	March (Print)	Panorama	July	
August	Open	December	No Contest	April	No Contest	August	Open

## Competition Standings\*

Photographer	Image Points	Place Points	Total Points	Photographer	Image Points	Place Points	Total Points
<b>Entry</b>				<b>Advanced</b>			
Wong, Nock	122	57	179	Lee, Wen-Chi	123	35	158
Sarembock, Jeff	122	42	164	Hwang, Linfen	121	32	153
Moulton, Katherine	108	19	127	Mack, Nancy	123	25	148
Eden, John	81	23	104	Barlow, Carol	110	32	142
Mathews, Todd	74	22	96	Dunn, Randy	105	20	125
Christopher, Katrina	47	12	59	Brock, Walter	111	8	119
Griffin, Lorretta	49	6	55	Schlesinger, Jerry	106	0	106
Farmer, Denny	47	5	52	Spencer, Jim	98	8	106
Faingold, Anna	33	9	42	Lin, Cathy	76	16	92
Lucas, Sam	39	0	39	Yang, Ming	65	21	86
Wan, Ying-Bee	23	3	26	Lin, Ron	80	1	81
Ratzlaff, Randy	18	0	18	Leshner, Aaron	60	6	66
<b>Intermediate</b>				<b>Masters</b>			
Johnsson, Carina	126	28	154	Lehman, John	132	30	162
Bernthal, Mark	116	35	151	Fritsche, Dennis	131	25	156
Hwang, Jack	112	27	139	Petterborg, Larry	125	22	147
Snaga, Earl	113	18	131	Artiles, Jose	117	26	143
Daniel, Alan	119	9	128	Hasty, Sharlott	124	18	142
Dailey, Daniel	115	13	128	Hasty, Ron	124	17	141
Mangum, Joyce	106	17	123	Volkmer, Danette	123	18	141
Stiles, Parvin	108	3	111	Lehman, Lois	120	11	131
Losurdo, Michael	83	15	98	Stover, James	111	15	126
Otto, Richard	88	4	92	Walsh, Jim	121	3	124
Blevins, Mary Jean	73	11	84	Carrick, Jen	115	4	119
Johnston, Leslie	59	13	72	Wilson, Sam	108	11	119
Moulder, Retha	42	0	42	Grigsby, Linda	108	7	115
Carroll, Vincent	33	6	39	Johnson, Valerie	109	5	114
Davenport, Janet	31	0	31	Hansen, Marie	42	0	42
Futrell, Sidney	24	3	27	Chaplin, Don	37	1	38
Conard, Debbie	24	1	25	Staxen, Peter	18	0	18
Gray, Paul	22	1	23				
Taube, Eric	13	0	13				
Lebeck, John	12	0	12				

\* Annual 1st, 2nd and 3rd place awards in each Class is based on Image Points.  
Photographer of the Year is based on Total Points.







## President's Message: Meet Your New President

Ansel Adams once wrote, "You don't take a photograph, you make it". New to our organization, I felt it incumbent to go back over the last 2 ½ years and study, via The Flash, all that has occurred. PPC, what an impressive organization you are. Looking at contributions of everyone and noting the work of Grigsby, Artiles, Wong, Fritsche and Wen-Chi to name but just a few. Larry Petterborg tireless club worker, great photographer and teacher whose continues to amaze. Pridefully, I look at regional and national recognition accomplishments of many of the members. I would be remised not to acknowledge the hard work of Rick Vestyck, the prior board, teachers and volunteers which make the club the success it is today. PPC you stand out.

Looking over our membership, we have 65% who compete on a regular basis and their outstanding work is noted above. We therefore have 35% that enjoy the socialization and learning how to be a better photographer. I more closely identify with this core group and look forward to seeing how we can better serve this constituency.

PPC's documented successes reflects the quality of its members. The Board is here to serve.

**Cliff McKenzie**

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### About The Club

The club meets the third Thursday of each month (no meeting in December) at West Plano Presbyterian Church 2709 Custer Road, Plano TX. Training sessions start at 6:00 PM and the main meeting starts at 7:15 PM. Visitors are welcome! Officers meet at 7 PM on the first Thursday of each month (except December) at our regular meeting location. Open to all members.

The club is a member of: [Gulf States Camera Club Council \(GSCCC\)](#) & [Photographic Society of America \(PSA\)](#)



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