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DIGI WORLD

by Mike Epstein

The next SIG is scheduled for June 9 at 1:30 PM in the Photo Classroom. Burt Goldstein will present a quick look at Proshow Gold. Get tips from Burt on putting together high quality slide shows with sound effects, narration, music, transitions and fantastic visual effects. It will be a treat.

Pat Wilkinson's Picasa SIG was a resounding success! The place was packed and she did a wonderful job. She's planning to do a Saturday class on June 20th. The cost will be \$5 and includes a bound tutorial and CD. If you're interested, please contact her directly.

Our Cell Phone SIG took place on May 21. Todd Hallenbeck, from Verizon, spent time leading us through the many different cell phones and their capabilities. It was very informative and everyone there learned a lot. We closed registration at 45 and already have more than a dozen on a waiting list. Finally, I'm having problems staffing the Digi Lab. Some of our Supervisors would like to go away for part of the summer. Others have been on the job for years and need a break! If you can donate some time, please email me (mikeepstein@comline.com) and let me know. I need subs to fill in on an "as needed" basis. I need someone to take a regular 3-hour shift on Wednesday morning (9-12) and afternoon (1-4). Thursday afternoon is also a problem. If you volunteer, we'll be glad to train you. Without your support and service, we'll have to start shutting down the lab. Please do your part for the LWV and the Camera Club.

What's Coming Next

Board Meeting: Friday, June 5, 9AM.
Photo Classroom, CH 4

Digi Comm Mtg: Friday, June 5,
11 AM, Photo Classroom, CH 4.

Showcase: Monday, June 8, 7 PM,
CH 3, DR 2, Refreshments follow.

Digi Sig: Tuesday, June 9, 1:30-3:00PM,
Photo Classroom, CH4

Print Critique: Saturday, June 13,
10 AM, Photo Classroom, CH 4

Picasa Class: Saturday, June 20,
10-12 AM, Photo Classroom, CH 4

Digital Critique: Monday, June 22,
7 PM, CH 3, DR 2

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Prez Sez

by Pat Wilkinson

Members – have you been to our lab? Summer is almost here – the time for vacations and lots of pictures to be taken. What will you do with all those memories you've captured? We can help – editing, printing, mounting & slide show production – all of this is available for you to learn at our lab. And, if you already know how to do any or all of these valuable photography tools, please share your knowledge with those of us who want to learn. Please let me know if you would be interested in becoming a teacher – sharing knowledge is a rewarding gift to give others and we have many who wish to learn.

We've a very busy month ahead, and you'll certainly have plenty of photography events to choose from – we are definitely not boring!! Our May Showcase was a great success thanks to George Harper, his excellent productions and beautiful photography. We hope he will grace our 'stage' again very soon.

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SHOWCASE

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MONDAY, JUNE 8, 2009
CLUBHOUSE 3 7:00 PM

The Laguna Hills Camera Club will host the first ever Slide Show Competition on Monday, June 8th at 7:00 pm. Just like a Showcase with a twist! A number of short shows (not longer than six minutes each) will be shown without the producers' name. Title, introduction and end credits are allowed. Each one in the audience will be able to vote for his/her three favorites on a preprinted ballot. **YOU ARE THE JUDGE.** A special committee will count the ballots after the close of voting. First, second and third place prizes will be awarded. So, come out and join us for this First Ever Slide Show Competition that promises to become an annual event of the Camera Club. Refreshments will follow.

Meet the Makers

Summer Scenes will be the next Meet the Makers print theme for the Clubhouse 4 classroom. Submit your 8x10, 11x14, or larger matted prints by Thursday, June 18th. Be sure to print your name and title on the back of your prints. They will be hung before the first official day of summer, June 21st. Summer Scenes can include vacation trips, ocean and beach, lakes and rivers, mountain scenes, flowers and meadows, people in leisure activities, etc.

Both the Altered Reality and Sports prints will be taken down on June 19th and placed in the plastic bins across from the Digi Lab.

Thank you to Tom Getz, Jerry Goldman, Don Hill, Tom Johnston and Alan Pollock for submitting Sports prints.

Any questions??? Please call Alan Pollock, (949) 462-9525.

Articles by Alan Pollock

PRINT CRITIQUES
by Don Hill

How the time flies! After this June's competition, we will be half way through this Print competition year. We need additional bold members who have never offered their images for our judges to score. I say bold because to allow your pictures to be compared and judged in public is uncertain at best. But you will learn to take better pictures, will be more satisfied, get more compliments, and take that giant step separating you from the snap shots most people take. Our next Print Critique is Saturday June 13th. The categories are:

COLOR PICTORIAL -- Four prints may be entered

MONOCHROME-- Four prints may be entered

ALTERED REALITY – Four prints may be entered

No other Categories for this Critique accepted.

The deadline for submission of Prints is Friday, June 12, 2009. Place all entries in our cabinets outside the digital Lab.

OUR NEW PHOTO STUDIO
by Don Hill

I would like to thank Ted Miller and "Princess Pipsqueak" for arranging our first Photo Studio Workshop. Mark Marchese, Jerry Goldman and Don Hill joined the photo shoot as Mark Marchese guided us through several lighting techniques for portrait type photography. Much work is still needed to make our Studio a member's walk-in and start shooting environment, while using the countless camera configurations available. We still have several additional lighting systems and background systems under consideration however. We need to hear from our members regarding the types of shooting you would like to participate in.

Laguna Woods Camera Club

Welcomes New Members

Robert LepLey
Gordon Bracey
Marni Bailey
Lisa Kagan

Prez Sez

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This month's Showcase will be a special event – the first of many we hope. Please come out and join in the fun – secret ballots - prizes and refreshments afterwards. Under Ellen's care, our Social Hours are taking on a wonderful new energy. Thanks, Ellen! A ProShow SIG by our Pro, Burt Goldstein will be a must for those who are anxious to learn more about this incredible program. The June Print Critique will cause much activity in the lab both on the 4800 and in the mount room. We are ever thankful for Fred's on-going help with print protocols – always an issue for me!! Don and Aaron will be running the show smoothly as always. If you've not been to one, please join us. It's another opportunity to learn what makes a better picture. I'm doing another Picasa Class on the 20th and will continue to teach this incredible program throughout the summer if we find a need to do so. And finally – the June Digi Critique will take place on the 22nd. This time, beside Color Pictorial and Monochrome, our Special Subject will be 'Architecture'. I'm expecting lots of new entries from new makers – so please don't be shy – send in those images. And – just a reminder, our July Dinner is coming up on the 20th. Invitations will be coming out with the newsletter and the reservation form is on the website. Bring friends and family – it will be a fun night – casual dress and a family style dinner. Prints will be on display and the projector will be projecting members beautiful images.



Pictures of Princess Pipsqueak by Don Hill. These images were created in our new Portrait Studio. Several members contributed time and energy to build this facility. Watch for dates to for tours and training for individual members.



Kathleen Rubin was present at the Saddleback College Scholarship Awards ceremony when Garrett Schmid from San Clemente was awarded the Laguna Hills Camera Club Scholarship Award.