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Editor Notes....

Kerry Swick

The hardest challenge with any newsletter is hitting the deadlines. I thank all of you that have contributed to the April Newsletter. Time is short and there is one date sensitive item in the newsletter. Please note that there is a field trip Sunday.

Slide Meeting....

The monthly Slide meeting will be held Thursday, April 6, 2000. The meeting will be held at the Silgo Creek Community Center located off the Silgo Creek parkway. The meeting will be begin at 7:30 PM. The subject for this month's meeting will be open. Our speaker will be Bruce Farr and he will be presenting his current work and methods.

Print Meeting

The monthly print meeting will be held Thursday, April 20, 2000 at the White Oak Library. The meeting will begin at 7:30 PM. The subject for this month's meeting will be open. Our speaker will be our own Bob Ralph.

Newman and Watkins: Museum Field Trip, Sunday, April 2... Mike Stein

It's been a while, but I hope some you are up for a museum day on Sunday, April 2. Two great photographic exhibits are on the agenda. First, At the Corcoran, Arnold Newman. Could he be the genius of portrait photography? You bet! ...Annie who?

Also, at the National Gallery of Art West, Carleton Watkins "The Art of Perception." Was he Ansel's inspiration? Come and see for yourself.

We'll meet at my house at 10 to carpool downtown, or at the Corcoran at 11 AM.

Unsung Heros....

Our unsung hero this month is not a photographer or even a member of the club. He works all the time to keep us in line and drives some of us to work. He cares enough about our club to write articles for the newsletter giving observations about how he as an outsider sees our club. Kerry Swick is our newsletter editor every month he gets out the newsletter. He nags at me and others to get stuff for the newsletter and every month he succeeds at having pulled teeth and nail and gets it out. Some claim they have done their share some that they don't know how, but here is someone who is not even a member of the club who is DOING not making excuses. Thank you Kerry!!!!

Your Welcome... Kerry

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From the Presidential Soap Box.... Alex Cummins

Well only a couple more months and that we will be breaking for summer. What will you be doing with that time? I propose that we ALL work hard now and over the summer taking lots of pictures.

The club needs revitalization. The best way to do this through active participation. I don't mean coming to meetings I mean get involved in every aspect of the club. How much fun can the competition be when there are only a couple entries. Bring in pictures for the competition if not for your own satisfaction to help support those who do care about competitions. It is a wonderful opportunity to get input on your work whether you win a ribbon or not.

Well enough gloom and doom. We have a couple tremendous speakers in April. Bruce Farr will be presenting his current work and methods at the slide meeting. And Bob Ralph (Yes our own) will be presenting his BOXES seminar. I would love to tell you about it but I have only heard the miraculous rumors of these fantastic "boxes". I hope to see you at both events.

New Officers....

Clarence Carvell

April is the time for selection of officers for the coming year. The search committee is hard at work making choices and picking helpers. There are always people who would like to help run the club but are overlooked for one reason or another. If you are interested in serving on the Board in any capacity, please contact either Jim Harris or Clarence Carvell.

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Body of Work Competition for May... Anne Lewis and Jim Rogers

May is the month for our annual Body of Work competitions, in which multiple images (intended to tell a story, make a statement or support a theme) will be presented to the judge as a group. Any image is eligible, including those that may have won in a previous monthly competition. However, each image must have been created within the previous 36 months and cannot have been entered in a previous Body of Work competition.

Slide Competition - Each member may enter 4 images in the Body of Work. All slides must conform to the VERTICAL format!!! Novice and Advanced competitions will be combined.

<u>Print Competition</u> - Each member may enter 3 to 5 images in the Body of Work. There will be a monochrome and a color print competition. Novice and Advanced competitions will be combined.

Body of Work ...

Clarence Carvell reprinted from 1999 April CR

Just a reminder, May is the scheduled month for the Body of Work competition. This is the best time to show your knowledge of what you know or love best.

While judging the 1996 Body of Work competition, Fred Maroon said, a body of work should be representative of a persons ideas in dealing with a subject over an extended period of time.

In accumulating a portfolio, a Obody of work, the contents should include examples of a person's ability to deal with a variety of photographic conditions such as lighting, weather, equipment and even periods of counter productivity. The body of work may encompass a wide range of photographic skills such as a continuity of patterns, shapes and ideas within the chosen parameters and consistency of exposure, development and printing, in other words, a photographic style.

If you haven't already done so, begin to think about a subject you happen to be close to and perhaps understand better than anyone else. Think about the photographic possibilities and the medium through which you can best express yourself. Photograph often to give yourself many choices from which to select your final portfolio.

A Note from the Competition Chair... Anne Lewis and Jim Rogers

I hear a lot of disgruntled people who wish we did not have restrictions on Body of Work time period of 36 months. Also, that they don't want categories at regular competitions. I am only able to pass this on to board meetings, but if you all would show up at board meetings and make your voices heard it might help. Board meetings are open to all members so make your voices known. The next Board Meeting is scheduled for March 21 but we will have another before the year is over.

McCrillis Gardens, SSCC 50 Years....

The fall exhibit at McCrillis Gardens is all about Silver Spring. As the club goes into its fiftieth year, it becomes as good time to celebrate our surroundings. Silver Spring has seen many dramatic changes over those fifty years and is on the verge of many more.

The Juror will be Ron Roberson, a member of the Maryland State arts Council and a nationally recognized artist. Work will be due in late July. A time and place for the drop-off will be announced in May.

The new places in Silver Spring over those years, such as the Mormon Temple, Metro and even the Beltway, as well as the older places that are headed for destruction, are all good potential subjects.

A couple of field trips are in the plans and will be announced at the upcoming meetings.

Annual Banquet....

Clarence Carvell

It doesn't seem like all that long ago that I was working on the fortieth annual banquet and here it is the fiftieth.

The Banquet will be June 8th (2nd Thursday) at the Calverton Holiday Inn. The cost per person has been kept at \$25.00 for members (\$30.00 after June 1st) which will include appetizers, a great meal, door prizes, lots of fun and your share of the awards. Dinner service will begin at 7 PM. There will be a wine, cheese and appetizer reception for the new officers of the club beginning at 6:30 PM.

The End of Year Competition entries will be picked up in the May meetings. Each member may submit up to five entries selected from those, which earned an award during the year.

Digging up the right evidence.... Bob Ralph

Bill Fitzhugh wasn't a physicist. He wasn't even a photographer. G. William Fitzhugh, III was eighteen months out of Duke Law School and three months behind the bar as an officer of the court in Oslo County when he took the case of Derek White.

It was Thanksgiving evening of 1998, two days into the trial of Derek White, accused of the brutal rape and murder of restaurant waitress Ellie Martin. Fitzhugh was defending White. Bill Fitzhugh smelled a rotten bird, and it wasn't the turkey in his mother's oven.

On the witness stand for the better part of the proceeding day had been the photographer who produced evidence disclosing the whereabouts of the buried remains of Ellie Martin. There had been no challenge to the photographer's testimony that his recreational use of infrared film to record a stand of trees in the Pine Barrens had also revealed a hot spot at the base of one of the trees. He had displayed blowups of a roll of prints showing surreal views of the forested area. The leaves were snow white and the hillocks of underbrush foliage were like puffs of cotton. At the base of one of the trees in the foreground was a patch of dense black North Carolina forest soil. And in the center of that black patch was a white glow. The photographer testified that he returned to that area after developing the film and noticing the unexpected hot spot on the image of the earthen mound. He further testified that as he approached that area he saw part of a human foot protruding from the ground. It was then that he summoned the police, who discovered the decomposing body of Ellie Martin.

This was Bill Fitzhugh's first murder trial. He was defending the man who had last been seen with Ellie Martin. There was something about the photographer's testimony that didn't smell right.

It took a full stomach of turkey and stuffing and an evening on the Internet for Fitzhugh to crystallize his thoughts. He was a non-scientist who suddenly felt an unaccustomed sense of satisfaction as he looked at his

notes. It was now so clear that he could hardly wait to recall the witness.

He now knew that for infrared radiation to create an image at a distance on film, sunlight must be reflected off the surface being photographed. He now knew that, contrary to popular belief, an infrared photograph was not the same as the image produced by infrared heat-seeking devices, which use a thermal sensor to create images on a TV screen. Any true photographic image taken of this thermal data must be obtained by photographing the display on the TV screen.

He now knew that the photographer had doctored the image in the darkroom. The heat of decomposing flesh would not have altered the appearance of a silver halide film. In the absence of witnesses, only the person who had buried the body would have known its location.

He now knew that the Witness was the Murderer

Photo Op.... Diane Atkins

We received a request by the Transfiguration Episcopal/Anglican Church in Colesville, Maryland to photograph their stained glass windows. One of their parishioners picked up a flyer at the White Oak Library about the club

They have two beautiful stained glass windows, one, which is older and done in a traditional, classical style, and one. which was completed several years ago. The newer window consists of two scenes. One depicts the nativity with Mary, Joseph and Jesus of African-American heritage. The other depicts the pieta with Mary and Jesus of Hispanic heritage.

The church would like someone to come from the club and photograph the windows. They can not afford to pay for the photographer but they can pay for the film and developing.

If anyone is interested, they can con contact the church at church@transfig.org, or by phone 301-384-6264.

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