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Thank You Note for the 2005 SSCC Year-End Banquet

by Henry Ng

The 2005 SSCC Year-end banquet was a big success. Everyone who attended the banquet fully enjoyed the evening. More than 200 digital images of our members' work were showcased in a digital slide presentation at the banquet, and a CD version will be available in September for all those who submitted images or who attended the banquet. We also had a record number of door prizes this year. This is probably the first time that everyone who attended the banquet received at least one door prize.

Many Club members contributed to make the banquet a success. These include Bob Ralph (for taking the banquet pictures); Mike Smith and Michael Koren (for help in setting up the activities and the door prize drawing); Carl Brandt, Charlie Bowers, Mary McCoy, Stan Klem, Michael Koren, Pete Manzelli, Henry Ng, Bob Ralph, Penn Camera, Ritz Camera, and United Photo for donating and/or getting donations for the banquet door prizes. I would also like to thank Michael Koren, Don Becker, Pete Manzelli, and Stan Klem for presenting the year-end awards, and Carl Brandt for the 2005-06 new officer installation. If I missed anyone who has helped, please forgive me. Again, thanks to everyone for the help!

SSCC Summer Board Meeting

The newly elected SSCC Board of Directors will hold its first meeting on Thursday, July 21, 7:30 p.m. at the home of President Stan Klem (12810 Kilgore Road, Silver Spring, MD).

Help Wanted!!!

SSCC has vacant officer positions and needs a few good people to step up and fill the void. One position is critical to our club's communication process, while the others are much less so (but still important).

Our most critical need is for someone to prepare and distribute our monthly club newsletter (the *Cable Release*). The major task involved is the gathering of various club news and announcements, competition results, and short articles, all of which is prepared by other officers (such as the president and committee chairs). The editor's task is to organize and arrange those articles into electronic and printed pages. The editor should also proofread the material submitted, to ensure that the text makes sense and that there are no typographical errors.

As far as the type of software needed, the editor can use whatever word processor or page layout program they currently have. For example, several editors have successfully used MSWord. Irregardless of what software the new editor chooses, the club will provide sufficient guidance to create a quality product. If you are up to the task, then don't hesitate, and see Stan Klem ASAP. (Hey, you might even find this a rewarding and worthwhile experience that you will certainly be able to carry forward to other endeavors.)

Other vacant positions are the Slide Workshop Chairperson, Exhibits Chairperson, and Hospitality Chairpersons. The Slide Workshop chair organizes and holds open discussions and critiques of member slides at his/her home once a month. The workshops enables members to share their thoughts and opinions about their own work and that of others in a non-competitive and non-judgemental atmo-

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SSCC Officers and Chairpersons (2005-06)

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Slide Meeting	Vacant	
Print Meeting	Vacant	
Workshops:		
Education	Peter Manzelli	301-622-2570
Slides	Vacant	
Advanced Imaging	Charlie Bowers	410-465-2696

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Membership Rates

Student	\$25.00
Individual	\$35.00
Family	\$55.00

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SSCC Web site: <http://www.scccphoto.org>

Mars Spectacular!

courtesy of Anita van Rooy, NBCC

The Red Planet is about to be spectacular! This month and next, Earth is catching up with Mars in an encounter that will culminate in the closest approach between the two planets in recorded history. The next time Mars may come this close is in 2287. Due to the way Jupiter's gravity tugs on Mars and perturbs its orbit, astronomers can only be certain that Mars has not come this close to Earth in the Last 5,000 years, but it may be as long as 60,000 years before it happens again.

The encounter will culminate on August 27th when Mars comes to within 34,649,589 miles of Earth and will be (next to the moon) the brightest object in the night sky. It will attain a magnitude of -2.9 and will appear 25.11 arc seconds wide. At a modest 75-power magnification.

Mars will look as large as the full moon to the naked eye. Mars will be easy to spot. At the beginning of August it will rise in the east at 10 p.m. and reach its azimuth at about 3 a.m.

By the end of August when the two planets are closest, Mars will rise at nightfall and reach its highest point in the sky at 12:30 a.m. That's pretty convenient to see something that no human being has seen in recorded history. So, mark your calendar at the beginning of August to see Mars grow progressively brighter and brighter throughout the month.

Share this with your children and grandchildren. NO ONE ALIVE TODAY WILL EVER SEE THIS AGAIN!

Even if you don't photograph it, it's worth a look.

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SSCC Meeting Location

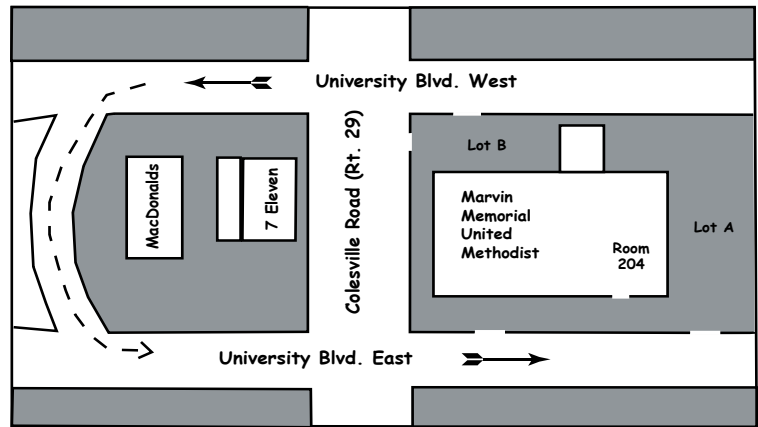
All SSCC Slide, Print, and Educational Workshop Meetings for this Club year (2005-6) will be held at the Marvin Memorial United Methodist Church at Four and Corners in Silver Spring.

Directions are as follows:

From downtown Silver Spring: go north on Colesville Road (Rte. 29); take a right onto University Blvd. East; then a left into the church parking lot A.

From College Park/Takoma Park: take University Blvd. West. As you approach Rte. 29, move to your far left lane and turn left into church parking lot B. Or, you can pass through Rte. 29 intersection and turn left at the loop just past MacDonalds. Proceed on University Blvd. East, pass through Rte. 29 intersection, and quickly get in the far left lane and enter into church parking lot A.

From points north of Four Corners: proceed south on Rte. 29 and turn right onto University Blvd. West through, move into the far left lane



and turn left at the loop just past the MacDonalds. Proceed through Rte. 29 intersection, and turn left into church parking lot A.

From Wheaton and points west of Four Corners, go east on University Blvd. As you pass through Route 29 intersection, turn left into parking lot A.

Wherever you park, walk to the southeast corner of the Church and enter Room 204. All of our meetings begin at 7:30 p.m.

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sphere. Members often find that sharing their work in the workshop helps them decide whether or not to submit a particular image into competition. And regardless of whether you decide to enter competition or not, they will invariably receive more constructive and straightforward feedback than anywhere else.

The Exhibits chairperson's only responsibility arises when the club chooses to participate in a joint hanging of member photographs in gallery venues in the Washington, DC area. These events are usually planned months (and sometimes years) in advance. The chairperson's one mission in life is to find such a venue and arrange for show. If a booking can be made, then a committee of volunteer helpers will be sought to help the chairperson follow through with all the work and details.

The Hospitality chairs (for the Slide and Print meetings) have the cushiest of all jobs. It is simply a monthly shopping exercise for the drinks and snacks we enjoy at our mid-meeting breaks. Funds for the purchases are reimbursed by the Treasurer. The chairs have full command of what is purchased (on our limited budget of course), but may exercise

their tastes and judgments to their fullest creative measure.

Volunteers for any of these positions should contact President Stan Klem ASAP.

SSCC Officers for 2005-06 Club Year

At the May 5th Slide Meeting, the membership voted in the following Club Officers and Directors for this next club year (starting July 1, 2005):

President - Stan Klem
Vice President - Mike Smith
Treasurer - Bob Catlett
Secretary - William Rau
Directors:
Mike Lux
Peter Manzelli
Jim Rogers

SSCC Member Places in "Top 10 Exhibitors in the World"

The Photographic Society of America (PSA) recently published its 2004 "Who's Who in Photography" in the May issue of their monthly Journal. Appearance in this yearly listing is considered highest photographic achievement and honor for any photographer. It is, in effect, the Holy Grail of photographic achievement. SSCC is very proud to announce that our own SSCC member, Henry Ng, placed Fifth in the World in the Color Slide section. Out of the more than 3,000 individual photographers from over the world whose pictures were accepted in the Color Slide section of the International Salon competitions in 2004, only 411 qualified for PSA's Who's Who ranking. In addition to Henry's #5 world ranking, he also ranked 2nd in North America and 1st in the United States (with a total of 250 acceptances in 106 International Salon competitions). Henry's singular achievement of merely getting his entries accepted by more than 100 different International Salon competitions in one year was no small feat by itself. In addition, Henry collected more than 40 awards, including more than 25 medals and trophies, in which 9 were Gold with 4 "Best of Shows" in last year's International Salon competitions. Congratulations to Henry for his extraordinary achievement, and we are all extremely proud to see one of our own reach such heights. Henry is only the second person in our Club's 50-plus year history to achieve this highest distinguished honor—Harry S. C. Yen was the first club member to be listed in the "Top 10 Exhibitors in the World" (in the large Color Print section) in the 1970s.

Congratulations also go out to SSCC club members Larry Mars and Dan Hanson who also made PSA's overall 2004 Who's Who list. Larry had a total of 53 acceptances in 30 International Salon competitions in Color Slides and 38 acceptances in 22 Salons in the Nature Slides. Dan had a total of 12 acceptances in 5 International Salon competitions in Photojournalism Slides.

The following tables list the 2004 "Top 10 Exhibitors in the World" for the big three sections compiled by PSA. It is interesting to note that Mr. Gho Peng Tjin from Singapore ranked First in the World in all three large sections in 2004—a feat never before achieved. Again, congratulations to Henry, Larry, and Dan for their success.

Top 10 Large Color Print Exhibitors in the World

		Salons	Acceptances
1	Gho, Peng Tjin, Singapore	65	187
2	Cheng, Kwan Leung, Hong Kong	65	184
3	Gho Lay Tin, Singapore	63	177
4	Wong, Tak-Choi, Hong Kong	63	166
5	Ou, Kewei, Canada	63	140
6	Lam, Kin Cheong, Macau	57	136
7	Tsui, Hung, Hong Kong	55	131
	Greene, Fred, Canada	60	131
8	Tang, Ngh Suan, Singapore	47	128
9	Tram, Phan Van, Canada	60	125
10	Yuen, Kan-Ming, Hong Kong	59	121

Top 10 Large Monochrome Print Exhibitors in the World

		Salons	Acceptances
1	Gho, Peng Tjin, Singapore	52	164
2	Cheng, Kwan Leung, Hong Kong	52	161
3	Gho Lay Tin, Singapore	53	155
4	Greene, Fred, Canada	57	145
5	Lam, Yee Chung, Hong Kong	47	112
6	Wong, Tak-Choi, Hong Kong	45	102
7	Fung, Man Yu, Hong Kong	50	99
8	Siu, Francis, Hong Kong	49	98
9	Linh, Le Hong, Vietnam	36	97
10	Kwok, Siu Hi, Hong Kong	44	87

Top 10 Color Slide Exhibitors in the World

		Salons	Acceptances
1	Gho, Peng Tjin, Singapore	100	297
2	Marques, Joao Avelino, Portugal	112	289
3	Greene, Fred, Canada	105	274
4	Anagnostidis, Marc, France	105	266
	Gho Lay Tin, Singapore	98	266
5	Ng, Henry, USA	106	250
6	Sun, Phillip, Canada	98	248
7	Vanherle, Henri, Belgium	89	246
8	Bocci, Amleto F, Argentina	90	236
9	Chian, Tsun-Hsiung, Taiwan	90	230
10	Romain, Louis, USA	103	225

SSCC Board Meeting Minutes, May 3, 2005

Present: Clarence Carvell, Bob Catlett, Stan Klem, Michael Koren, Garry Kreizman, Pete Manzelli, Henry Ng, Bill Rau, Jim Rogers, Mike Smith.

Absent: Norm Bernache, Joyce Jones, Marc Payne.

Meeting came to order at Henry Ng's house at 7:40 pm and adjourned at 9:20 pm.

Bill Rau announced that he will accept position as Club Secretary for next year.

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SSCC Award Winning Photos for 2004-05

Clockwise from top left: Red Leaf by Elsa Brandt (Novice Color Print of the year); Lily in Profile by Bob Ralph (Combined Novice and Advanced Monochrome Print of the year); Viceroy by Mary McCoy (Combined Novice and Advanced Color Slide of the Year); and Pandemonium by Bob Ralph (Advance Color Print of the Year and winner of the Len Tuchin award for Best of Show).

SSCC Banquet Notables

Right: Bob Ralph showing his Best of Show award and print (Pandemonium).

Far right: Mary McCoy receiving her Photographer of the Year award for Advance Color Slides.

Below: Michael Koren receiving his Photographer of the Year Award for Novice Color Prints.

Below right: Stan Klem receiving the SSCC 2004-05 Service Award.



Minutes from the April 2005 minutes were not yet available.

Next board meeting: Summer 2005; place: not set; Agenda to include discussion of topics for technical monthly meetings.

May Meeting Agenda

1. Year-End Banquet. The draft agenda for the June 16, 2005, annual banquet was reviewed, discussed and minor changes made.

2. SSCC Web Site. Suggestions were made for structure and content of the Web site. No definitive proposals were offered. At the end of the meeting, VP Henry Ng presented a detailed mock Web site and handed out diskette versions for evaluation and feedback.

3. Year-end Competition. The board discussed past procedures for conducting the competition. Mike Koren will contact the judge and arrange for a viewing of submitted photos and selection of competition winners. Jim Rogers and Stan Klem will provide back-up support to Mike, as needed. The board agreed that it was desirable to digitize competition submissions so they could be shown in the background during the banquet. Henry will consider the possibility of digitizing and arranging the images.

4. Third Monthly Meeting: Workshop. Stan asked that a final decision on holding the third monthly meeting be postponed until the summer when he, as incoming President, and the new Board of Directors can get a more accurate picture of the Club's finances available for the coming year. Others felt the rental of the room for the third monthly meeting could be met by the Club and planning for the meetings, especially the topics being developed by Pete, could move ahead on the assumption that the meetings would be held.

Members discussed the feasibility of charging a fee to non-members who attended the new, third monthly meeting technical workshops. The issue was not resolved, but the sense of the Board was that the meetings will be a way to attract new members.

5. Service Award Nominees. Five members were nominated for the annual Service Award. A secret ballot was taken and a majority of votes on the first round resulted in a winner. The awardee will be announced by outgoing President Pete Manzelli at the Annual June Banquet.

6. Body of Work. The Board discussed and arranged for the equipment to be used for the Body of Work competition. Stan will handle all Slide Competition logistics.

7. Pending Tasks.

Mike Koren: Arrange to get year-end award plaques to be given during the annual banquet.

Mike Koren (with Jim Rogers and Stan Klem): Identify judge for Year-end Competition and arrange for the judge to view the photo submissions.

Henry Ng: Revise agenda for banquet

Henry Ng: Prepare banquet presentations

Pete Manzelli: Continue preparing topics for third monthly (technical) meetings

May 2005 SSCC Monthly Club Competition Winners

May 19, 2005

Judge: Mike Stein

Subject: Body of Work

Combined Nov/Adv Slides

(6 Entrants, 11 Entries)

1st	Elisa Frumento	Tiger Lily #5
2nd	Larry Mars	Death Valley Dunes
3rd	Elisa Frumento	Red Lines #2

Monochrome and Color Prints

No competition held due to insufficient number of entries.

SSCC 2005 Year-End Competition Winners

Judge: Dick Sprott

Combined Nov/Adv Slides

(6 Entrants, 28 Entries)

1st	Mary McCoy	Viceroy
2nd	Mary McCoy	Blue Mood
3rd	Elisa Frumento	Small Church
HM	Larry Mars	Death Valley Ripples
HM	Michael Koren	Flower Burst
HM	Mike Lux	Breaking In

Combined Nov/Adv Monochrome Prints
(4 entrants / 14 entries)

1st	Bob Ralph	Lily in Profile
2nd	Carl Brandt	Cat Portrait
3rd	Bob Ralph	Beggar in Corfu
HM	Bob Ralph	Misalignment

Novice Color Prints
(3 entrants / 14 entries)

1st	Elsa Brandt	Red Leaf
2nd	Elsa Brandt	Moody Walk
3rd	Michael Koren	Saw Teeth
HM	Elsa Brandt	Viennese Rooftops

Advanced Color Prints
(5 entrants / 22 entries)

1st	Bob Ralph	Pandemonium
2nd	Mary McCoy	Two Lillies
3rd	Carl Brandt	Butterfly Abstract
HM	Bob Ralph	Skyward
HM	Carl Brandt	Chinese Dragon

Best in Show

Bob Ralph Pandemonium

Photographer of the Year

David Koren	Novice Color Prints
Mary McCoy	Advanced Color Slides
Peter Manzelli	Advanced Color Prints
Chuck Bress	Advanced Mono Prints

Note: No awards given for Novice Monochrome or Color Prints this year (points threshold not met)

Star Awards

Carl Brandt	First Star
Joel Fassler	Second Star
Peter Manzelli	Third Star

SSCC Service Award

Stan Klem

Silver Spring Camera Club Membership Form 2005-2006

Name _____ Spouse's Name _____

Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP Code _____

Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____

Email Address _____

Membership rates: Individual \$35; Student or Spouse \$25; Family \$55.

Dues cover the club year from September through May. After January 31, dues for the remainder of the club year for new members are \$25; dues for spouses and students remain at \$25. Make checks payable to the Silver Spring Camera Club, and give or mail to Treasurer, Bob Catlett, 8710 Geren Road, Silver Spring, MD 20901. (For all questions about the club, please contact Membership Chairperson Garry Kreizman at 301-384-4911, or email: grkreizman@erols.com)