

OPCC Minutes of Meeting September 12, 2011

President Walt Schumacher called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. He welcomed members and guests. Treasurer Bob Moses was not present, so there was no treasurer's report. Walt reminded everyone to check out our club's website at www.oceanpinescameraclub.org.

Walt made the following announcements:

Our next regular meeting will be Monday, October 10, 2011, at 7:00 p.m. at the Ocean Pines library. The topic for this meeting will be making "Holiday Gifts Using Photography" and our presenters will be Jeri Lipov, Marian Bickerstaff, and Walt Schumacher. If you have a holiday project (using photography) of your own, let us know if you want to share it with others.

Our next workshop will be on Thursday, September 29, 2011, at 7:00 p.m. at the Ocean Pines library. The subject is to be determined. As usual, if you have a suggestion on something you would like to learn, please let Walt know.

Our next photoshoot will be this Saturday, September 17, 2011 when those interested will carpool to Harmon Landing. Meet at the Ocean Pines Library at 8:00 a.m. or at Harmon Landing at 8:45 a.m. Walt provided the following directions for Harmon Landing:

From the Pocomoke and Snow Hill areas go North on RT 113 and make a Right turn onto Basket Switch Road. From the Ocean Pines/Berlin areas go South on RT 113 and make a left turn onto Basket Switch Road. Next follow Basket Switch Road to Harmon Landing Road and make a Left turn. Follow Harmon Landing Road to the end.

The Ward Museum in Salisbury held its inaugural Art in Nature Photo Festival August 12- 14, 2011. Over 1200 prints were submitted for the photography contest, including some from our own OPCC members. Butch Yealdhall won a 2nd place award for his "Cottonball" photo and a 3rd place award for his "Skipjacks" photo; Walt Schumacher won an Honorable Mention award for a photo taken at Harmon Landing; and Robin Harrison won the Grand Champion award for her photo of "Sandhill Cranes" taken in New Mexico. Former member Cam Miller also won awards for her photos "After the Storm" and "Great Blue." Congratulations to all!

The Art League of Ocean City's annual photography exhibit, "Picture This" is ongoing until September 30, 2011. Stop by and take a look at the photos being featured. The ALOC is located at 94th street in Ocean City (bay side). See their website at www.artleagueofoceancity.org. Walt announced that the club has donated \$100 to the ALOC in memory of photographer Rick Maloof. Robin and Walt won awards in this show, also.

The annual Worldwide Photo Walk will be held on Saturday, October 1, 2011. Locally, Rehoboth Beach professional photographer Judy Rolfe will be conducting one of the walks. See www.worldwidephotowalk.com to check out Photo Walk locations everywhere or www.jr@rolfephotography.com for more information on the Rehoboth Beach walk. Participants in the Rehoboth Beach walk will meet at the Rehoboth Beach bandstand at 6:00 a.m. and leave shortly before 7:00 a. m. to take photographs along the Rehoboth beach and boardwalk. The walk should conclude by 9:00 a.m. and the group will meet afterwards at the Atlantic Sands Seafood Grille at 101 North Boardwalk for breakfast and to discuss their photos.

In the “Show ‘n Tell” category, Arlene Advocat brought in one of her Shutterfly photography book creations, “Have A Seat,” a compilation of various – often striking – outdoor benches and unusual seating. Rick Martelo provided information about the revamped Photoshop classes being offered at Wor-Wic Community College. An advanced Photoshop class begins Saturday, 10/1/11, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon. A Lightroom class begins Tuesday, 10/18/11, 6 p.m. – 9 p.m. These are especially good deals for those age 60 and over; the tuition for them is \$6.00. See www.wor-wic.edu. Guest Len Jaffe asked for help in identifying his photo of a shorebird, that to some appeared to be a willet. Walt and John Harris brought in books and magazines free for the taking. If you have anything similar that is photography-related, feel free to bring them in for “give-aways.”

Doug Slingerland, committee chairman for the Veteran’s Day program to be held at the Worcester County Veteran’s Memorial on November 11, 2011, was present to view the OPCC photo contest submissions for this quarter. The topic for the contest was Veteran’s Day, with an emphasis on Vietnam. Winning photographs were as follows: Honorable Mention to Walt Schumacher for his eagle close-up; 3rd place to Bill Herberich for his military cemetery in Florence, Italy; 2nd place to John Harris for his aerial shot of the Worcester County Veteran’s Memorial; and the 1st place award went to Carol Scott for a stunning collage of Veteran’s Day related photos. Mr. Slingerland will be working with Carol’s photo and hopefully submitting it to his committee for consideration for the Veteran’s Day program booklet. See www.OPVETS.com for information on the Worcester County Veterans Memorial organization.

Our next photo competition will be in December and the theme for that contest will be “Red.” We hope everyone will take the opportunity to submit their favorite “red” photos!

Everyone is invited to bring in photos to share at the end of each meeting. At this meeting we viewed photos Walt brought in, including some from the Salisbury Zoo, Assateague Island, Ocean City inlet, West Ocean City Harbor, Mt. Herman Plow Days, and a Pennsylvania covered bridge

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gail Philippi
OPCC Secretary