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Roberson Photo Club Newsletter

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March - 2005

FROM THE PRESIDENT:

Welcome again to our Roberson Photo Club, Spring newsletter. We hope the New Year is finding everyone doing well and out taking pictures. We have had a great few months for the club and we still have a few big things on the horizon. Each meeting seems to find new visitors and members attending. The attendance and submissions for each meeting continues to be nothing short of amazing. I have to say our biggest (happy) surprise has been our 'A' and 'B' groups' outstanding work being submitted each night. They continually surprise and amaze us by their beautiful images every time. I only hope that our Salon members are paying attention to what they may be competing with in the next few years!

Our Salon group also continues to show us great work this year. They will have something else to work toward starting next year with the addition of the **Masters** group. The setup and requirements have not been finalized yet, but in the next few months the board will be informing you about it. We hope this group will be beneficial to the club in a few ways. First, we hope to alleviate some of the congestion that we have in Salon to make the competition nights a little shorter. Second, we hope by possibly having the Master group on the same night as A&B we might be able to have some discussions of their images and some information of how they created them. Hopefully, by having Master and A & B on the same night we will be able to help our newer members reach their expectations of learning more about photography through our club. Again, we have not finalized the new group system but we will let you all know when we do.

One of the new things we have done for next year is lowered the number of submissions for the **Salon** group to two prints and two slides per night instead of three of each per night. Along with this we have also changed the "**Closed Board**" nights for next year to a two total submissions. This means that you can submit any combination of two prints or slides for the night (i.e. one slide-one print, two slides, or two prints total).

We have some pretty big events coming up in the next few months. Our end of year meeting and end of year dinner are coming up in April. The end of year meeting will be held on April 15th. This will be the night that you will submit all of your work for "End of Year" and "Burgess" competitions. (please read the article on page 2 explaining the submission rules.)

We will also be choosing our subjects for next year's Closed Board competitions as well as something else for your enjoyment! The **End of Year Dinner** will be on **April 29, 2005** at the **Sherwood Inn** in **Greene, NY**. The cost will be \$20.50 per person. If you are planning to attend please contact Pat Nash at the next meetings or by phone to let her know.

(full details about the dinner are on page 4)

To end our year with a real bang, we have our much-anticipated two-day seminar and workshop:

GEORGE LEPP SEMINAR

May 21-22, 2005

Binghamton Regency Hotel - Binghamton, NY

A full description and registration form for this two-day event is on the last page of your hardcopy newsletter.

For those receiving email notices please go to the club web site at : www.rpcphoto.org for information and a registration form

We are starting to see the registration forms rolling in so get yours in soon so you do not miss this great event. We were very lucky to be able to host this great event as George will not have another on the east coast this year. I can not stress how much you will gain and gather from one of the foremost outdoor and nature photographers of our time.

Through the summer and into next season we have a few more things planned. These include a display at the Oakdale mall in June, another display at "Frame To Please" in Endicott in September, and the Apple Fest in Endicott in September as well. Remember to get out there and get your apple shots for our "One Subject Challenge" at our first meeting in September. (details on page 3)

We hope everyone can get outside soon to warmer weather and those great spring pictures for next years competitions!

Submitted By: RPC President, Dave Williams

END OF YEAR BANQUET & AWARDS PRESENTATIONS

Friday - April 29, 2005

The Sherwood Inn

Greene, NY

6:30 p.m. Social - 7:00 p.m. Dinner

(Full details on Page 4 of this newsletter)

RPC END OF YEAR COMPETITION:

END OF YEAR

Prints and Slides are eligible for the **End of Year** competition only if they have placed 1st, 2nd, 3rd, or received Honors in the club's regular competitions September 2004 through April 2005. All members images that meet these criteria are eligible and there is no limit on entries.

The images will be judged according to the members' current class - **A, B, or Salon** - prior to the RPC annual End of Year Banquet event. Awards will be given in each class including overall total points and for the aggregate points accumulated throughout the year in each class.

BURGESS AWARD

The End of Year "**Burgess Award**" named after one of the founding members of the club, is a separate award given for 1 slide and 1 print considered the best in **ALL** classes. Entries are limited to 3 slides and 3 prints per member and the photographs must have been taken within the last 5 years. Once an image is entered in the Burgess competition it cannot be submitted again for the same award and it can not be entered in the current End of Year submissions. All the images for this award will be judged together regardless of the submitting members current class status prior to the RPC annual End of Year Banquet event.

Please bring **ALL** your submissions (End of Year & Burgess) to the regular club meeting on **April 15, 2005** held at the Roberson Center starting at 7:00 PM. If you can not attend the meeting, it's your responsibility to get your submissions to the club's judging committee prior to this date.

RPC JUDGING & SCORING RULES :

The following explanation should clarify any confusion on how the awards are determined in the club competitions.

- a) If there are 3 or more images tied for 1st place, there will be no 2nd place and no 3rd place. Honors would be given for any images scoring 1 point less than the 1st place score.
- b) If there are 2 images tied for 1st place, then no 2nd place would be awarded. The next lower work(s) would be 3rd place. Honors would be given for images scoring 1 point less than the 3rd place score.
- c) If there is only one 1st place image and 2 or more images tied for 2nd place, there would be no 3rd place. Honors would be given for images scoring 1 point less than the 2nd place score.
- d) If there is only one 1st place image, one 2nd place image, any number of images tied for 3rd place, Honors would be given for images scoring 1 point less than the 3rd place score.

- e) In each case, Honors will only be given for images scoring 1 point less than the next higher place.

Note: If there are a large number of images, the Board reserves the right to determine which images will be critiqued.

RPC MEMBER NEWS:

Bernie Lewis is the featured photographer for the new **Hillside Gardens** advertisement brochure.

Cindy Ruggieri presented a representative slide show of the Greater Binghamton, NY area at the inauguration ceremony for new Broome County Executive Barbara Fiala

Lindsay Adler was awarded an Honorable Mention (only 10 awarded) in the NECC Photo Show model competition held at Amherst in July 2004. There were over 4000 entries.

Bob Trautman gave a lecture and slide show at the April RPC meeting on his recently published article in Photo Techniques magazine entitled. "Colorful Night Photography".

Dave Williams had a picture published in the annual 'Relay For Life' calendar. The calendar is published by the American Cancer Society.

Cindy Ruggieri was published in the Mar/April 2005 issue of **Country Discoveries** magazine with the feature article "Let's Hit the Road to Eastern Maryland". Cindy's article was a travelogue of the area along the Chesapeake Bay. She provided the introduction text and all the photo captions for her essay that included 17 photographs and covered 7 pages in the magazine.

Geoff Gould has 2 Black & White photos published in the 2005 **All Ready Printing** calendar.

The following members had images accepted by **MeadWestco** for publication in upcoming calendars and other promotional products: **Kathleen Adler, Lindsay Adler, Barb Croteau, Ken Hill, Fran Quinlivan, Jean Stout & Dick Ward.**

Ted Scarpino has a photo appearing on the Jan. 2005 issue of **Professional Photographer** magazine. The photo can also be seen in the lobby of **Orthopedics Assoc.** in Binghamton, NY.

Lindsay Adler & Barb Croteau have pictures published in the Tioga County, NY **2005 River Country Visitor's Guide**

Dick Ward will be presenting his travelogue "**The Wild West**" this month at Westminster and also for the Lyceum group at Binghamton University.

Kathleen and Lindsay Adler recently donated framed works to the Tioga County Boy & Girls Scout annual fundraiser auction.

RPC MEMBERS SHOWS & EXHIBITS:

Current:

Barnes & Noble Book Store - Town Square Mall Vestal, NY - **May 2005** - **Lindsay Adler** Reception on May 1, 2005 times TBA . Also checkout Lindsay's new web site at: www.ADLERPHOTO.com

Frame To Please - 118 Washington Ave. Endicott, NY - **March/April 2005** - **Pat Bonamo**

Whole In the Wall - South Washington St. Binghamton, NY - **May 2005** - **Helga Stein**

La Tazza Café - South Washington St. Binghamton, NY - **August 2005** - **Barb Croteau & Helga Stein.**

Recent:

The Jailhouse Restaurant Show - **Jan. 2005** - **Owego, NY**

I want to thank all of you who submitted work for the Jailhouse Show; those who helped install the show and those who came to the reception. We displayed 38 prints altogether. You folks who came to the reception particularly warmed my heart. It's a joy to be part of such a caring group of people.

Thank you all very much! - Ted Scarpino, Kathleen Adler, Lindsay Adler, Mary Jones, Bob Chauncey & Pete Kofira Jr.

Sincerely, **Brad Marple**

UPCOMING RPC CLUB EVENTS:

June 2005 - Oakdale Mall Kiosk Show. The club is planning a display of member's photographs and related photographic equipment. Setup is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday June 1, 2005 at 9 AM. Space is limited and every effort will be made to get at least one picture per member into the display. Maximum size framed or matted is 16X20 inches. Please put your name on the back of the entry and a business card is acceptable on the front with a price if you are selling. Contact: **Brad Marple** 570-395-3238 for further info and arrangements.

September 2005 - 'Frame To Please' RPC Show, Washington Ave. Endicott, NY. Last years show was a huge success and shop owner **Amy Burgess** is delighted to have the club displaying their images again at her business.

Amy will again offer to mat & frame anything that will be **used in the display** for a substantial discount just like she did last year. If you want to take advantage of her offer, she will need at least 2 weeks prior to the show to accommodate your request. Also, you don't have to wait for the show to get your images professional framed, Amy's regular prices and workmanship are truly superior as many club members will agree that have had work done at her shop.

Pete Kofira Jr. will be coordinating the setup and request the following to alleviate some problems with identification of images we had last year.

Please deliver your images total of 3 (*maximum size 16X20 matted or framed*) on Thursday Sept.1, 2005 to **Frame To Please** at 118 Washington Ave. Endicott, NY between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Each submission must have your name and phone number and title of the piece permanently affixed to the back of the work. A list of your submissions must also accompany your work that has the title of the piece, and all other information you would like available including a price if you are selling. Please **do not** put any business cards or titles on the front of the images. A separate list of all the photos, information and business cards will be compiled and be available in the shop.

For more information or if you would like to drop off your submissions prior to the setup date contact: Pete Kofira Jr. 607-785-0666 mrpetek@aol.com

September 16, 2005 - 'One Subject Challenge'

We tried this last year during the summer break and many members enjoyed the challenge. Submissions and judging will be done at the first RPC meeting in the Fall.

This will be a **print only** competition and the subject for this year will be **APPLES.** (*eating, picking, still life, etc.*)

The purpose of the competition is to see how different members will view the same subject. Images are to be no larger than 8x12 and matted no larger than 12x16. Color, B/W, film or digital will be accepted although there will be no separate divisions for different media. Recognition will be given in all classes.

September 17, 2005 - Washington Ave Apple Fest

The club plans to have an information table at the entrance of the **Frame To Please** framing shop at 118 Washington Ave, Endicott, NY on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in conjunction with the Apple Fest activities. We are hoping to draw attention the RPC member's photographs that will be on display in the shop windows and also highlight the Roberson Photo Club. Volunteers are needed to help with the table activities. If you can volunteer 1, 2 or maybe more hours on the day of the Apple Fest please contact: Pete Kofira Jr. 607-785-0666 mrpetek@aol.com

CONTEST OPPORTUNITIES:

The Friends of Beaver Lake Nature Center

The Nature Center is sponsoring an amateur photo contest to capture the beauty and diversity of the Beaver Lake Nature Center, an Onondaga County Park located 3 miles west of Baldwinsville off Rt. # 370. (*cont'd*)

The contest runs through August 1, 2005 and will be judged in age categories; 11 years old and younger, ages 12-17 and ages 18 to adult. Winning entries will be displayed at the Nature Center for the month of September and the 1st place winners will be published in the 2005 winter issue of *Beaver Tales*, the Nature Center's newsletter.

There is a \$5 application fee. For more information or to receive an entry form, call the Nature Center at 315-638-2519

Best Of New York Artists & Artisans Book Series

Call for entries, Kennedy Promotions info on web site: www.bestofartists.com or send SASE to BEST OF Box 6876 Williamsburg, VA 23188 - 757-561-6261.

Southern Tier Orchid Society Call for entries, All types multi media original art portraying orchids. Judged and ribbons awarded. Deadline for submissions April 14, 2005 .Contact: Geoff Gould 607-349-1248 email ggould@binghamton.edu

UPCOMING AREA EVENTS:

2005 Joyce K..L..Smith Environmental Photography Show & Competition. Reception and awards ceremony Wednesday May 4, 2005, 5 -7PM Broome County Library, 185 Court St. Binghamton, NY. Exhibit open from May to June 29, 2005 during regular library hours.

Downtown Art Walk First Friday Gallery Night, including galleries, artist' studios, restaurants, cafes, shops and more in downtown Binghamton, NY 6 - 9 PM, 1st Friday every month.

Endicott Apple Fest - September 17, 2005, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Sponsored by the Endicott Washington Avenue Business & Professional Assoc. Downtown Endicott, NY.

Art Orchid Show - STOC (Southern Tier Orchid Society) - April 22, 23 & 24, 2005 Center Court Oakdale Mall, Johnson City, NY Live and mixed media presentation of orchids.

Spiedie Fest & Balloon Rally Expo - August 5,6 & 7, 2005 Otsinigo Park, Binghamton, NY

Colorscape Chenango Arts Festival - Sept. 10-11, 2005 East & West Parks in Downtown Norwich, NY

RPC MEETING SCHEDULE 2005 / 06:

Apr. 1 st	Fri.	Closed Board - SALON / A & B
Apr. 7 th	Thu.	Board Meeting
Apr. 15 th	Fri.	'End Of Year' submissions due Program Pending
Apr. 29 th	Fri.	RPC Annual Dinner Sherwood Inn Greene, NY
Sept. 16 th	Fri.	1 st Regular club meeting for 2005/06 'One Subject Challenge' submission, judging & awards

STTP NEWS - SOUTHERN TIER PROFESSIONAL PHOTOGRAPHERS INC.

PPSNYS Image 2005 Conference & Trade Show

April 9-13, 2005 The Hilton Rye Town, 699 Westchester Ave. Rye Brook, NY

April 9 Sat	Print competition judging
April 10-13 Sun -Wed.	Programs & Trade Show Banquet & Awards

Information at: www.ppsnys.com (free Trade Show admission coupon on web site). or contact PPSNYS Headquarters 1-877-907-7769 toll free.

RPC END OF YEAR BANQUET THE SHERWOOD INN - Green, NY. Friday April 29, 2005

6:30 social time with Veggies and dip **7:00 Dinner**
'sit down plated dinner' with a
choice of three entree's for **\$20.50 / person**

Choices: *

Chicken Sherwood ~ Chicken Breast Cutlets dipped in S.I. special egg batter and topped with a light sauce sautéed with chicken stock, Madeira wine and fresh parsley.

Queen Cut Prime Rib ~ 12oz Choice Prime Rib served au jus.

Fresh Haddock ~ Broiled with Garlic butter, lemon and wine.

* All meals include a garden salad, vegetable, rolls and butter, dessert, coffee, tea or non- alcoholic drinks.

Please email or call **Patsy Nash** with your choices as soon as possible before **April 20,2005**

panashe@stny.rr.com / 607-724-2611

Then please pay in advance by check made out to **PC FUND** or cash. If you cannot get the \$\$ to me before the dinner, please pay **cash only** at the dinner. If you have time to mail a check, send to Patsy Nash 38 Fenton Ave Binghamton, NY 13901.

For those who are new to the club, the dinner is for everyone their guests and our outside judges. It is a chance to socialize and see our best work on the screen and the prints will be displayed around the room. Award ribbons and certificates of merit for the past year will be awarded.

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