



May 2008



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Executive Board Notes

Only being a member for a short time, I thought I would share why I joined the club and what I hope to get out of it.

I started like many, photographing my first son growing up. When my second son was born my interest in photography grew even more. However, I knew that all the internet research and literature would not be enough.

I was excited to hear that a local club was forming. I know some of you are impatient with the direction and or goals of the club. I also at times feel this way out of excitement to meet and learn from others.

We are 49 members strong after only a few months in existence. This is remarkable and is a credit to each and everyone who makes this possible.

In a short time, I have learned about taking the camera off of auto and experimenting with camera settings and techniques. For instance, who knew that our Treasurer gets wonderful results from tossing his camera in the air? Or about taking your photos to the next level with slideshows and the wonderful techniques posted in the forums?

I urge everyone to participate in the forums and at meetings so that we can all benefit from each others knowledge of this wonderful hobby.

Submitted By: Anthony Lauro, Board Secretary
The next Executive Board Meeting will be
Thursday, May 8 at 7pm

Please Note:

Items for the newsletter must be to our Public Relations Coordinator *no later than the 25th* of each month in order to be in the upcoming issue.

Thank you!

Club Calendar

The May Photo Assignment Theme is

GLOW!!



Saturday, May 10: 1 - 4

Photo Walk & Tour of Lehigh County Historical Site
Lock Ridge Furnace Museum, Alburtis, PA

Thursday, May 15: 7 - 9 PM

Club Meeting Banana Factory, Bethlehem
Program by Scott Nichol - The Human Form

Thursday, May 22 - Monday, May 26 (Date & Time TBA)

Informal Gathering
Mayfair, Allentown, PA

June 14th & 15th: (Date and Time TBA)

Informal Gathering
Civil War Re-enactment called Camp Geiger
held at the Whitehall Parkway Recreational Area

Thursday, June 19: 7 - 9 PM

Club Meeting Lehigh University
Program by Ricardo Viera, Arts Curator

Our Executive Board

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A Word From Our President, Ricky Mensch

Hi all,

I would like to interest you in some Dan's Camera City Discounts that our Club, The Lehigh Valley Photography Club, is offering at this time.

In order to get the Discounts below you have to be a paid member for the next year (June 1, 2008 to May 31, 2009) of our Club and then all you need to do is pay \$20.00 in order to get a Booklet with these discounts in. These Discounts are not available anywhere else and is an exclusive to our Club from Dan's Camera City to our paid members.

As an example of the money you will save by joining our club AND buying a Discount Book for Dan's Camera City. You will pay \$30.00 for a single person to join our Club and then \$20.00 more to buy the Discount Book for Dan's Camera City for a total of \$50.00 paid out. If something goes wrong with your Digital Camera, you will take it to Dan's Camera City and get it checked out and it will cost you nothing other than the \$50.00 you already paid so you saved \$29.00 right there, and by joining the LVPC you will learn many new things in the Photography World. This book is worth a lot more than \$20.00 and you will use it.

Here are the Discounts

- \$25 off any DPU class
- Free Collage poster (max \$30 value)
- Free Photo Notepad order – a \$17 value
- Free Photo Announcement Cards – new baby, wedding, etc. (max \$15 value)
- Free transfer of video tape to DVD (max \$30 value)
- Free Check-up of a Digital SLR – a \$79 value
- Free Memory Card Recovery – for when your memory card locks up (max \$40 value)



We do have a limited supply of these so be sure to get your application and fee in and get one of these Books. If you need more info, visit our website at www.lvphotoclub.org or email us at info@lvphotoclub.org.

Monthly Treasurer's Report Summary for 4/30/08 Jeff Grim, Treasurer

Beginning Balance	\$277.04
Add: Total Receipts	175.00
<i>(includes 7 new members @ \$10, prepaid 2008-09 dues of \$105)</i>	
Less: Total Disbursements	70.00
<i>(facility rentals (\$70 for two months))</i>	
Ending Balance	\$382.04



Notes: Reported on a cash basis. Above does not reflect the cost of donated supplies and services to-date (trophies, copying costs, laminating, postage, etc.) For information purposes, the current ending balance on an accrual basis, after adjusting for \$155.00 in 2008-09 prepaid dues, is \$227.04. Copies of the complete report will be made available, and at the regular meeting, upon request.

Total membership as of April 30 - 49

Remember 2008/2009 Membership Dues are due June 1, 2008.

Single Person - \$30.00

Student - \$20.00 (with ID)

Senior - \$20.00 (62+)

Family (up to 3 in same household) - \$45.00 (after 3 people it is \$10.00 additional per person)

LVPC EVENTS

Thursday, May 15 - Scott Nichol
The Human Form
7 - 9 PM
Banana Factory, Bethlehem, PA

Scott just finished producing a beautiful hardcover book of his series of summer 2007 figure studies entitled "*in the still air*".

Scott's presentation will be about his new book and his fine art prints.

His webpage can be viewed at:
<http://silverystars.com>

NOTE: This program involves Scott's work with artistic nudes and may not be suitable for all ages.

Upcoming Informal Member Gatherings

If you are interested in attending any of these, see our forums for more information!

Mayfair is May 22 - 26. We'd like to have an informal photo walk. Watch the forums for updates! www.mayfairfestival.org

Civil War Re-enactment Camp Geiger is being held at the Whitehall Parkway Recreational Area on June 14th and 15th. Dedicated to remembering the Lehigh Valley's part in the Civil War, camp opens Friday at 5pm and closes Sunday at 3pm, rain or shine. Free admission & parking. Contact Jeff Grim www.campgeiger.org

Promenade Shops, Center Valley, PA
Our events committee is planning a scavenger hunt photo walk in June. Watch the forums for updates! Contact Loretta Killian www.thepromenadeshopsatsauconvalley.com/

May Photo Walk
Saturday, May 10 from 1 - 4 PM
Lock Ridge Furnace Museum Historical Site
525 Franklin Street, Alburtis, PA

Construction of the Lock Ridge Iron Furnace began in 1868 during the peak of the anthracite iron industry. The Lock Ridge Furnace continued to operate until after WW I, long after most other furnaces had succumbed to competition from major firms using modern equipment.

The site was restored as a park and museum in the early 1970s and is maintained by the Lehigh County Historical Society.

Join us for the tour of this local historic site and great photo shoot location!



Photo Credit Teresa Delikat

Thursday, June 19 - Ricardo Viera
Lehigh University Arts Collection
7 - 9 PM
Lehigh University

Ricardo Viera, Lehigh University Arts Curator, will be speaking about the Lehigh Collection and the Tibet exhibit.

Join us for this special program located in the Art Gallery at Lehigh University!

Our April Club Assignment Theme Was Curves!



Congratulations to Richard Wall for his winning photo!

Technical info: Nikon D40 with standard 18-55mm lens. 1/25 sec at f4

Family room “studio” Using two aluminum reflector lights set to prevent reflections of glossy lacquer finish – placed fabric background on floor.

The fun part - centering the camera over the guitars using the tripod horizontally clamped to an ironing board (innovative tools). Careful alignment of guitars to keep parallel.

Key shooting tips (?) White balanced using Expo/Disk - shot in RAW - Remote control shutter release. Photoshop effects - Slightly blurred fabric background (to remove texture) and overall sharpened using High Pass filtering.

Our next theme is **GLOW!!**

You may Start Posting your pictures for this Assignment on May 1st, 2008. The last day for submissions will be May 10th at 7pm. On May 10th at 7pm the voting will begin and last until May 14th at 7pm at which time the winner will be announced.

Remember that your picture can not be any older than 7 days before the start of the Submission date, which means you can start taking photos for this Assignment on April 24th.

Beginning this month, all submissions will take place beginning every 1st Monday and the voting will begin exactly 10 days after that and last until the following Monday at 7pm. (As approved at the April Executive Board meeting.)

ONLY 1 photo entered per paid member and your photo must be numbered in sequence. **Glow 001, Glow 002, etc...**and must NOT contain identifying information such as your name, camera type, etc. Post ALL photos in the Gallery. If you need assistance with posting your photo to our gallery, please contact our webmaster Scott Husted.

Most of all Have Fun!

May 2008

Our April Club Photo Walk Roadside America & Haag's Hotel Shartlesville, PA



Jeff Grim



Located in Shartlesville PA, Since 1953
AAA Recommended

<http://www.roadsideamericainc.com>



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Loretta Killian



Alice Lipe



Anthony Lauro

See more great photos at <http://www.flickr.com/groups/lehighvalleyphotography>



Jeff Grim



Loretta Killian



Sandy Gelatt



LVPC Club Meeting Minutes
Thursday, April 17, 2008

Opening: The regular meeting of the Lehigh Valley Photography Club (hereinafter The Club) was called to order at 7:00 pm on April 17, 2008 at The Banana Factory in Bethlehem, PA by The President, Ricky Mensch.

A. Approval of Agenda

1. The agenda was distributed by The President to the Executive Board and approved.

B. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

2. Anthony Lauro, the Board Secretary read the minutes of the previous meeting. The minutes were approved by Andy Smith and seconded by Scott Husted.

C. Open Issues

3. N/A.

D. Treasurer's and Membership Committee Reports

4. The Treasurer stated that there are 46 members of The Club.

5. The Treasurer stated that the Treasurer's Report is available on the website for viewers to review.

6. The Treasurer's Report was approved by Anthony Lauro and seconded by Loretta Killian.

E. President and Vice-President Comments

7. N/A.

F. Public Relations Chairperson's Report

8. The Public Relations Chairperson stated that the April 2008 newsletter is available online.

9. The Chairperson requested that all members in attendance at the Monthly Shoot Location email one picture for inclusion in the monthly newsletter by the twenty-ninth of each month.

10. A motion was made to accept the Public Relations Chairperson's Report by Loretta Killian and seconded by Scott Husted.

G. Events Chairperson's Report

11. The Events Chairperson stated that fifteen members attended the monthly photo shoot at the Allentown Farmer's Market.

12. This month's shoot location is Roadside America in Shartlesville, PA on April 20, 2008 followed by lunch at Haag's Hotel.

13. The May 2008 photo location will be at the Lockwood Furnace and Museum. The exact date is to be determined and posted online.

14. In addition to the Lockwood photo shoot there will be an additional photo shoot at Mayfair, also in May 2008.

H. Digital Chairperson's Report

15. N/A

I. Print-Slide Chairperson's Report

16. The Print-Slide Chairperson stated that The Club is in preliminary talks to host a show at the Banana Factory in late summer/ early fall. Club members will have the opportunity to sell their work if they choose as this will be open to the public.

J. Education/ Program Chairperson's Report

17. The Education Chairperson stated that there are programs scheduled for each of the next three meetings.
18. On May 15, 2008 Scott Nichol will present the topic on The Human Form.
19. On June 19, 2008 Ricardo Viera will be presenting to The Club at Lehigh University.
20. On July 17, 2008 the topic will be Photo Journalism.
21. A motion to conclude The Club's old business was initiated by Scott Husted and seconded by Andy Smith.

K. New Business

22. The President stated that the contest timeline can be changed to span from the first of each month to the tenth of each month. Motion by Loretta to approve the change. The motion was seconded by Andy Smith and by majority vote the members approved the change.
23. The topic for May's photo contest was chosen at random from a bowl by a member in good standing with The Club. The topic is Glow.
24. The President stated that each member that has paid his or her dues before June will be considered a Charter Member and will be recognized as such.
25. As a charter member, The President stated that club shirts would be sold at cost to members at cost. However, this is only for one shirt. In addition, sizes above extra large will cost extra.
26. The President also stated that Dan's Camera will be offering discount books to the first one hundred members who sign up for it. The cost of this package is twenty dollars with limited availability only for members in good standing with The Club.
27. The President suggested changes to the bylaws. The Print-Slide and Digital Chairpersons were taken out of the by-laws and replaced by Program/ Education Chairperson. This motion was approved by attending members by a two thirds vote.
28. Under Article 13, Section 2, the last sentence was removed and moved to Section 5.
29. Section 6 is now the IT section of the By-Laws.
30. Scott Husted made a motion to amend the By-Laws and seconded by Andy Smith. All attending members approved the changes.

Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned by Susanne Boundy and seconded by Andy Smith.

The next general meeting will be at 7:00 pm on May 15, 2008 at the Banana Factory, Bethlehem, PA.

Minutes submitted by: Anthony Lauro, Board Secretary Approved by: Ricky Mensch, President



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