



Lehigh Valley Photography Club

Meeting Minutes
May 15, 2008

Opening:

The regular meeting of the Lehigh Valley Photography Club (hereinafter The Club) was called to order at 7:00 pm on May 15, 2008 at The Banana Factory in Bethlehem, PA by The President, Ricky Mensch.

Present:

See attached file.

A. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

1. Alice Lipe, Membership Chairperson, read the minutes of the previous meeting. The motion to accept the minutes as written was made by Andy Smith and seconded by Loretta Killian.

B. Treasurer's Report – Jeff Grim

2. To date the Club's funds are at \$382, which includes \$155 in prepaid dues for next year.
3. The Treasurer stated that there are 29 members who paid dues for next year, 2 who partially paid for next year, and 6 new members who joined this evening. Total membership is now at 56.
4. Monies collected this evening was \$625 in membership fees and another \$120 for the sale of coupon books
5. Expenditures for May will be \$75 for our program this evening.
6. The Treasurer's Report was approved by Nick Democritos and seconded by Andy Smith.

Committee Reports

C. Print Committee – Reggie Root, Chairperson

7. Absent

D. Public Relations – Teresa Delikat, Coordinator

8. The Public Relations Coordinator stated that a Press Release for tonight's program was sent to the Morning Call, Express Times, and to the LV Newsgroup. A Press Release will also be sent out for our June program at Lehigh University.
9. The winning photo from the monthly assignment is to be emailed to our Coordinator once the winner has confirmed his/her photo with President Mensch. Each winning photo is published in the newsletter. The winner is also asked to email the technical info for the photograph.
10. The Coordinator requested that all members in attendance at the Monthly Shoot location email one picture for inclusion in the monthly newsletter. If you cannot attend the photo walk with the members, you may still submit a photo if you go to the location on your own within the same month.
11. All items are to be to our Chairperson no later than May 25th for inclusion in the June newsletter.

E. Membership – Alice Lipe, Chairperson

12. Per our Chairperson, see the Treasurer's report which includes the membership report.

F. Events – Loretta Killian, Chairperson

13. The Events Chairperson stated that eight people attended the monthly photo shoot at Lock Ridge Furnace in Alburdis.
14. Next month's location will be a scavenger hunt at the Promenade Shops at Saucon Valley. Eight items will be drawn from a container at the beginning of the hunt for attendees to search for and photograph.
15. The Events Chairperson handed out the list of upcoming events including primary and secondary photo walks and other events in the Lehigh Valley.
16. Committee Member Jeff Grim stated that he would like to get members together for an Iron Pigs game on Sunday, August 24. The game starts at 5:35PM. Let Jeff know if you are attending as he can purchase tickets. (This event is member paid, not from the treasury.)

17. Members are encouraged to post event suggestions on the forum or contact the committee through email.

G. Education/Programs – Lee Levin-Friend, Chairperson

18. Upcoming programs include Ricardo Viera at Lehigh University for June, Photojournalism with a photographer from the Morning Call for July, and our own Scott Husted will host our August program on Work Flow and Lightroom. Details will be announced in the forums and newsletters.
19. Lee is also talking with Lehigh Valley Style magazine to work out a program.
20. The committee would also like to host a “How Do I Do That?” hands-on program with setups staged around the meeting room. Setups would include macro, etc.

H. Internet/Technologies – Scott Husted, Chairperson

21. Continuing updates and upgrades to our website and forum
22. If you encounter any problems with posting, etc with the website, notify Scott.

I. President’s Words – Ricky Mensch

23. President Mensch handed out the Assignment Contest Rules again and reviewed them with the members present.
24. Monthly assignment photos are to be posted to the gallery. Ricky has been receiving them in his email and as a reminder; only one photo is to be submitted.
25. We had several late submissions last month that were removed from voting. The gallery will be locked at the end of the submission time. Also one photo was removed from this gallery, as it was over 2 years old.
26. President Mensch is looking for members to form the Digital Committee. Larry Dell volunteered to be the Chairperson. Members Gary Preis, Nick Democritos and Jennifer Fink volunteered to be on this committee.

J. Vice-President’s Words – Andy Smith

27. The Vice-President waved his comment time this evening.

K. New Business – Ricky Mensch

28. The meeting agendas will be posted on the forums prior to the meetings.
29. The Executive Board will post their notes to the forum about every 2 months.

30. The Program/Education Chairperson schedules all programs and will inform the Board if the program cost is greater than \$25.
31. The Board discussed age limits and it was agreed that potential members must be 12 years old to join the club. Anyone under 16 MUST have written parental permission. Membership can be refused. If refused, the matter can be brought before the board for review in an open forum.
32. The May assignment winner, John Gallagher, was not present at the meeting but he has confirmed his photo with President Mensch.
33. President Mensch introduced Ray Whiten, our Motion Assignment winner, who was present this evening.
34. Member Frank Smith drew the next assignment. Our June 2008 assignment will be Macro.
35. It was decided that you can begin taking photos for each assignment here on out immediately after the monthly meeting. Posting, however, must not start until the 1st of the month.

Adjournment:

Meeting was adjourned by Gary Preis and seconded by Andy Smith.

The club will next meet at 7:00 pm on June 19, 2008 at Zoellner Arts Center, at Lehigh University were a special program but no general meeting will be held.

Minutes submitted by:

Teresa Delikat, PR Chairperson for
Anthony Lauro in absentia.

Approved by:

Ricky Mensch, President