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InFocus

The Newsletter of the Puget Sound Camera Club



Lauren Heerschap
White Sands Sunrise

InFocus, the Newsletter of the Puget Sound Camera Club

The Puget Sound Camera Club (PSCC) welcomes new members of any level of expertise in digital and film photography. The Club meets the 2nd and 4th Mondays of the month at Maplewood Presbyterian Church in Edmonds, Washington.

Activities include education, review of work, and exhibition opportunities.

Note that during the current pandemic, our meetings are held online via video conferencing. More information is available via our Meetup page.

The PSCC was organized in 1984 and is a member of the Photographic Society of America and the Northwest Council of Camera Clubs.

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<https://www.facebook.com/groups/PugetSoundCamera>



<https://www.meetup.com/Puget-Sound-Camera-Club-Meetup/>



Puget Sound Camera Club (PSCC): www.pugetsoundcamera.com
Northwest Council of Camera Clubs (NWCCC): www.nwcameraclubs.org
Photographic Society of America (PSA): www.psa-photo.org

Message from the President

Happy Holidays everyone!

There should be plenty of photography opportunities in December, even with our shortened daylight. If the weather is too wet, cold, or windy outside, there's always inside. Set up a still life, try a bit of macro work, or do a bit of portrait work with family and friends.

Our annual Holiday Party will be December 11th. For those appearing via Zoom the meeting will start at 7 as usual. There will be no images submitted. Instead, we will be treated to the videos of the NWCCC awards and some of the slide shows submitted in the competition. It will be a relatively short meeting for the online folks. For those appearing in person, we will start at 6 with pizza, salad & punch (\$20/person contribution requested please). After the Zoom portion the in-person group will then have a white elephant gift exchange (items of small value or something photography related you have and think someone else might be able to use, or something funny).

Reminder- If you haven't already donated to the Club's collection for the Edmonds and Shoreline food banks and intend to do so, please do so earlier than later. The deadline is December 15. The link is <https://www.pugetsoundcamera.com/donation-to-edmonds-and-lynnwood-food-banks>.

Chris

Chris Currie *Milky Way at the Feathers*



November 2023 Digital Night Scores

Commentators	Holly Hauser Jack Broom JoDee Owens
Judges	Gena Reeb Lynne Greenup Dave Patzwald
Assignment	Entrances

MP - Most Popular

Assignments in January 2024

Digital: White
Print: Sacred Space(s)

For more information as well as the full list of assignments this coming year, go to www.pugetsoundcamera.com/assignments

Welcome New Member!
Patricia Ronald

	Title	Maker	Score	Place
Assignment	Venice Archway	Bill Royce	24	First Place, MP
	Guarding the house	Klaus Lorenz	23	
	Gateway to Serenity	Robert Ruktin	23	
	Rex T Barber Veteran Memorial Bridge	Andy Royce	22	
	The Adamson House	Mercedes Perez	21	
	Deviations Along the Way	Henry Heerschap	21	
	Come on in	Dan Scavezze	20	
	Dressed to Match	Linda Charboneau	20	
	Portal to the Underworld	Carl Halford	20	
	Rustic Shrine	Les Rawlings	20	
	This Way In	Linda Charboneau	20	
	Welcome Please Come In	Robert Rutkin	19	
	Floating Leaf	Jake Jacobson	17	
Creatures	Harrier in Flight	Ken Vander Putten	26	First Place (tied)
	Lilac breasted Roller	Carla Conway	26	First Place (tied)
	Tender Moment	Michael Hrankowski	25	MP
	Contented Mountain Gorilla	Bob Sotak	24	
	Hey, I'm Talking to You!	Henry Heerschap	24	
	Northern Flicker in Fall	Holly Hauser	24	
	Pronghorn Doe with One Hour Old Fawn	Jeff Lane	23	
	Red Cardinal, male	Lynne Greenup	23	
	Elk in Velvet	Jeff Lane	21	
	Heron at Big Pool	Karen Jacobson	20	
	Sandhill Cranes Autumn Migration	Lauren Heerschap	19	
Creative/Altered	Orange Canna Lily	Andy Royce	22	First Place, MP
	Seattle Golden Hour	Bob Birnbaum	20	
Monochrome	Canaletto's View	Bill Royce	24	First Place MP
	Trumpeter Takeoff Run	Bill Ray	23	
	Mt Rainier Park	JoDee Owens	21	
	Beach Chariots	Jake Jacobson	20	
	San Juan Capistrano Mission	Wilie Wellington	20	
	1992 Inaugural Day Storm Mukilteo	Wilie Wellington	19	
	Old Homestead Door	Karen Jacobson	17	
Open	Bamboo Forest	Les Rawlings	25	First Place (tied), MP First Place (tied)
	Lower Antelope Canyon	Ken Vander Putten	25	
	Restful Pasture	Lynne Greenup	24	
	Jim	Michael Hrankowski	24	
	Lake McDonald	Jack Broom	24	
	On the Trail	Jack Broom	24	
	Steilicoom Park	JoDee Owens	23	
	Haystack Rock in Silhouette	Holly Hauser	23	
	Waiting for Customers	Dave Patzwald	23	
	Fall Day On The Wenatchee River	Mercedes Perez	22	
	Frenchman Coulee Before Dawn	Chris Currie	22	
	Sea of Carts	Bob Birnbaum	22	
	Volley at Sundown	Carl Halford	22	
	Deception Falls	Bill Ray	21	
	Frenchman Coulee , The Sun is Up	Chris Currie	21	
	Wedding day	Klaus Lorenz	21	

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**November 2023
Digital Night Scores
(Continued)**

	Title	Maker	Score	Place
Open	Bridge Kubota Gardens	Rick Stevens	20	
(Continued)	City in the Desert	Dan Scavezze	20	
	Red House on the Ponte Giustinian	Dave Patzwald	20	
	Rose Ladder	Lauren Heerschap	20	

**November 2023
Print Night Scores**

Judges	Dave Patzwald Mercedes Perez Henry Heerschap
Assignment	Fall Leaves

MPC - Most Popular Color

MPM - Most Popular Monochrome

	Title	Maker	Score	Place
Assignments	Autumn Larch Needles	Henry Heerschap	27	
	DON'T FORGET TO LOOK DOWN!	Michael Hrankowski	25	
	Frosty Foliage	Lynne Greenup	24	
	Now Entering Autumn	Dan Scavezze	23	
	Big Leaf on Campus	Dan Scavezze	22	
	Autumn Gives Way to Winter	Michael Hrankowski	21	
	The Yellow Leaf Road	Wilie Wellington	20	
Creatures	Three Way Landing	Henry Heerschap	26	
	Sharing a Log	Jack Broom	25	
	Northern Pintail	Jeff Lane	24	
	Surf Scoter	Jeff Lane	24	
	Just a Bee	Mercedes Perez	24	
	Loon Being Crabby	Jeff Lane	22	
Creative/Altered	Navajo Skull	Lauren Heerschap	26	
	Little Red Apples	Mercedes Perez	23	
Monochrome	Old Crow	Wilie Wellington	27	MPM
	On a Skagit Morning	Jack Broom	25	
	Abandoned House at Gold and Grass Farm	Michael Hrankowski	24	
	Tranquility	Wilie Wellington	24	
Open	White Sands Sunrise	Lauren Heerschap	27	
	Forest Trees (Intentional Camera Movement)	Mercedes Perez	26	MPC
	Sorrento Umbrella Pines	Dave Patzwald	24	
	Bellini Opera House- Catania, Sicily	Dave Patzwald	24	
	Up	Lauren Heerschap	24	
	Convict Lake	Rick Godsolve	24	
	Burning Bush	Chris Currie	23	
	White Sands After the Storm	Henry Heerschap	23	
	Milky Way at the Feathers	Chris Currie	22	
	California Oak	Phil Kollen	22	
	Tranquil Evening	Chris Currie	21	
	Mt. Blanc Climber's Approach, Switzerland	Dale Cooper	21	
	"Satisfaction Guaranteed"	Dale Cooper	21	
	Evening Light	Phil Kollen	20	
	Queets Valley Homestead	Rick Godsolve	20	
	Boot Arch	Rick Godsolve	20	

NWCCC Annual Competitions - PSCC Winners

Another year where PSCC members were big winners at the NWCCC competitions. The full list and slideshows of the winners can be found at

<https://nwcameraclubs.org/2023-nwccc-competition-awards/>

Open Print Salon:

Large Color

2nd Place: Lynne Greenup *Light Beam to the Heavens*

Honorable Mentions:

Chris Currie *Milky Way at Sweet Creek*

Lynne Greenup *Curious Scrutiny*

Henry Heerschap *Egret Dance*

Large Monochrome

1st Place: Henry Heerschap *Ladow Butte Barn*

Honorable Mention: Henry Heerschap *Dahlia Portrait*

People's Choice: Henry Heerschap *The Path Home*

Small Prints

1st Place: Jack Broom *Heron in Marsh*

2nd Place: Jack Broom *Cormorant Portrait*

3rd Place: Michael Hrankowski *A Sublime Light*

Honorable Mentions:

Michael Hrankowski *Kiss Me, I Dare You*

Michael Hrankowski *Hosta Blue Mouse Ears*

People's Choice: Michael Hrankowski *Desert Moderne*

Traveling Image Salon:

Honorable Mention: Holly Hauser *Cedar Waxwing finds a Berry*

Open Digital Salon:

Best of Landscape: Michael Hrankowski *A Distant Land*

Best of Wildlife: Ken Vander Putten *Perpendicular Rhinos*

Honorable Mentions:

Bob Birnbaum *Byodoin Temple*

Jack Broom *Snowdrop*

Les Rawlings *Sunset on Half Dome*

Digital Slideshow Competition:

Photo Essay

3rd Place: Lauren Heerschap *Palouse Barn Dance*

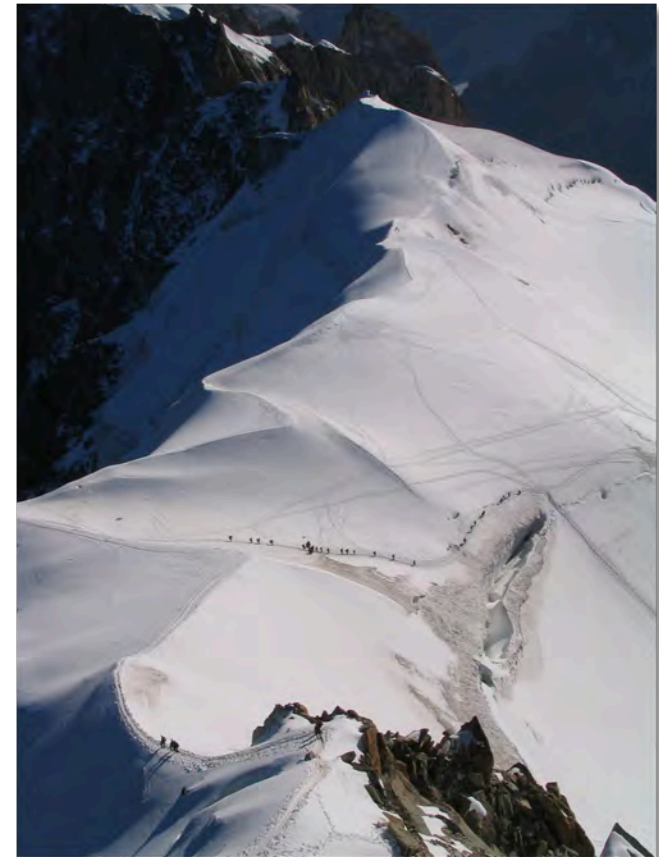
Travel Essay

1st Place: Henry Heerschap *Central Florida Bird Expedition*

2nd Place: Les Rawlings *The Canals of Venice*



Dale Cooper *"Satisfaction Guaranteed"*



Dale Cooper *Mt. Blanc Climber's Approach, Switzerland*



Phil Kollen *Evening Light*



Robert Rutkin
Welcome, Please Come In



Robert Rutkin
Gateway to Serenity



Les Rawlings ***Rustic Shrine***

Carl Halford ***Portal to the Underworld***

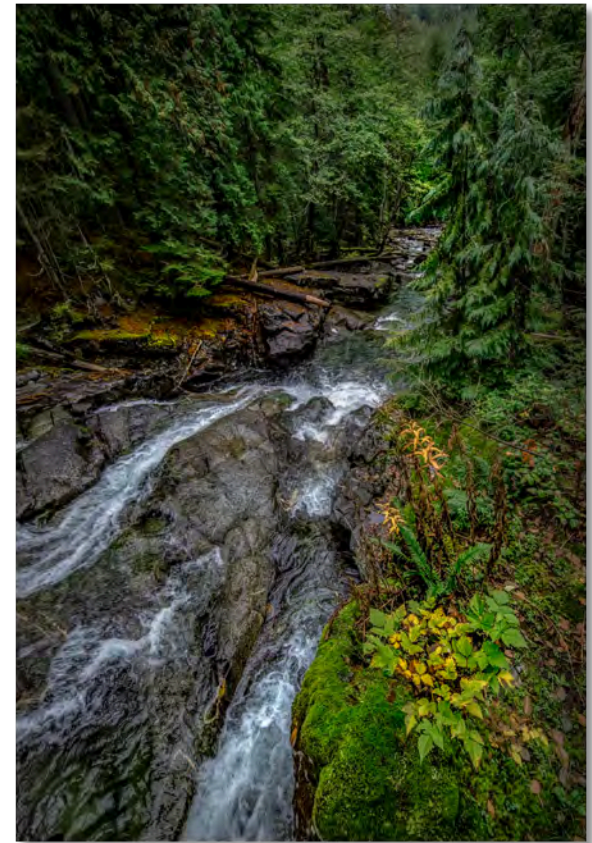




Linda Charboneau ***This Way In***



Holly Hauser ***Northern Flicker in Fall***



Holly Hauser ***Deception Falls***



Phil Kollen ***California Oak***



Jeff Lane
***Pronghorn Doe
with One Hour
Old Fawn***

Lynne Greenup
Red Cardinal, Male



Carl Conway
***Lilac-breasted
Roller***

Jeff Lane
Elk in Velvet





Jake Jacobson ***Beach Chariots***



Karen Jacobson ***Heron at Big Pool***



Karen Jacobson ***Old Homestead Door***

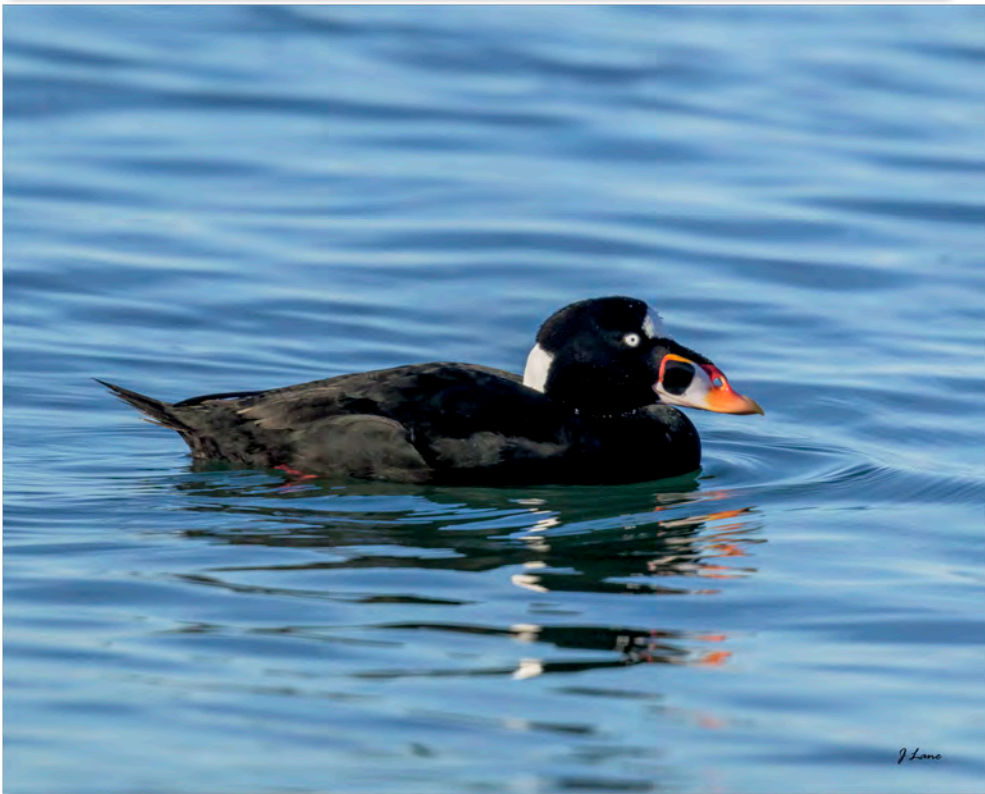
Jake Jacobson ***Floating Leaf***





Jeff Lane
(clockwise from upper left)

Crabby Loon
Northern Pintail
Male Scoter





Bill Ray ***Trumpeter Takeoff Run***



Bill Royce ***Venetian Archway***

JoDee Owens ***Mt. Rainier Park***

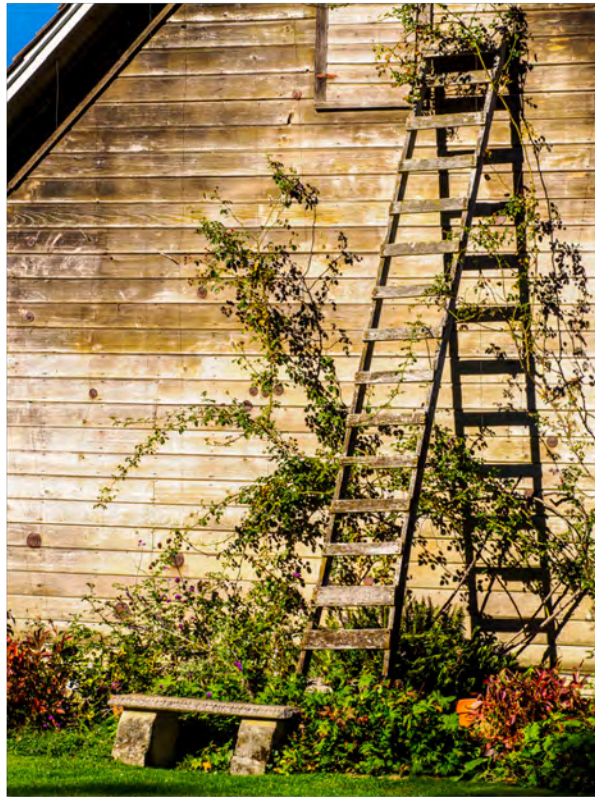


Bill Royce ***Canaletto's View***





Lauren Heerschap
(clockwise from upper left)
***Sandhill Cranes,
Autumn Migration
Up
Rose Ladder
Navajo Skull***





Andy Royce ***Orange Canna Lily***



Holly Hauser ***Haystack Rock in Silhouette***

Carl Halford ***Volley at Sundown***



Andy Royce ***Rex T. Barber Veteran Memorial Bridge***





Michael Hrankowski
(clockwise from upper left)
Tender Moment
Abandoned House at Gold and Grass Farm
Autumn Gives Way to Winter
DON'T FORGET TO LOOK DOWN!
Jim





Lynne Greenup
Restful Pasture



Linda Charboneau ***Dressed to Match***

Rick Stevens ***Bridge Kubota Gardens***



Bob Birnbaum ***Sea of Carts***





Jack Broom
(clockwise from upper left)
On the Trail
On a Skagit Morning
Sharing a Log
Lake McDonald



Bob Birnbaum **Seattle Golden Hour**



Rick Godsalue **Convict Lake**

Rick Godsalue **Boot Arch**



Rick Godsalue **Queets Homestead**





Mercedes Perez
(clockwise from upper left)
The Adamson House
Just a Bee
Little Red Apples
Fall Day on the Wenatchee River
Forest Trees (Intentional Camera Movement)





JoDee Owens
Steilicoom Park



Klaus Lorenz
Guarding the House



Les Rawlings ***Bamboo Forest***



Klaus Lorenz
Wedding Day



Chris Currie
 (clockwise from upper left)
Frenchman Coulee Before Dawn
Burning Bush
Tranquil Evening
Frenchman Coulee - The Sun is Up





Ken Vander Patten **Harrier in Flight**



Bob Sotak **Contented Mountain Gorilla**

Ken Vander Patten **Lower Antelope Canyon**



Lynne Greenup **Frosty Foliage**





Dave Patzwald
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Sorrento Umbrella Pines
Waiting for Customers
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Giustinian
Bellini Opera House



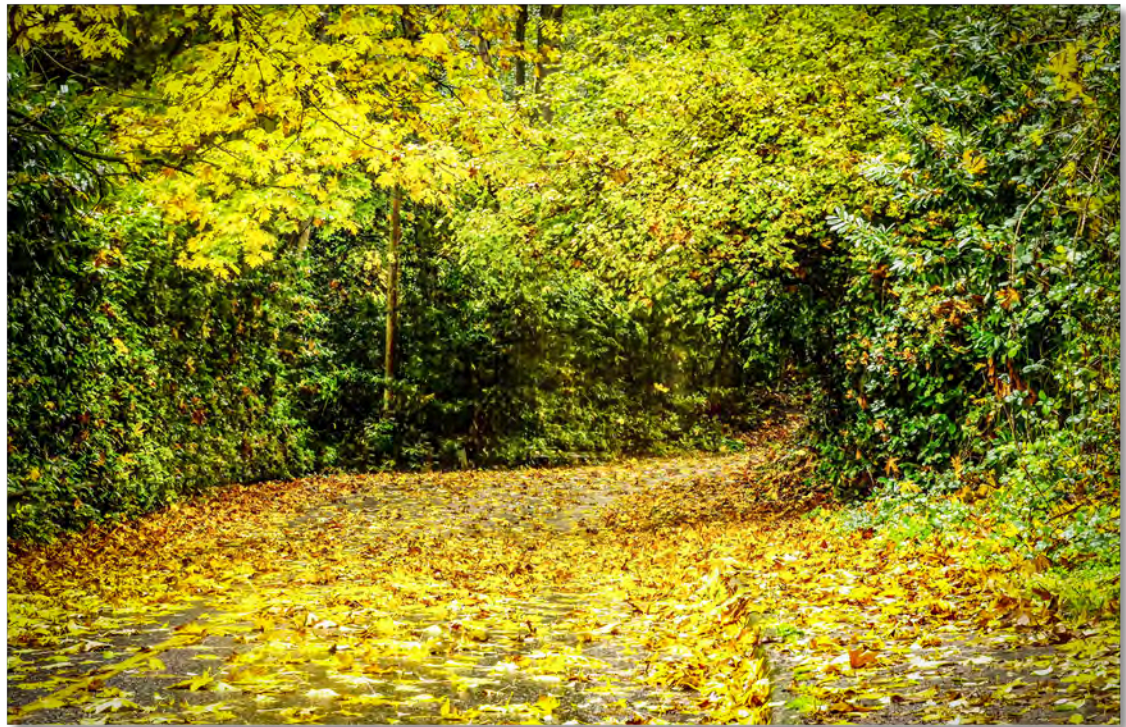


Henry Heerschap
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Hey, I'm Talking to You!
Deviations Along the Way
Autumn Larch Needles
White Sands, After the Storm
Three Way Landing



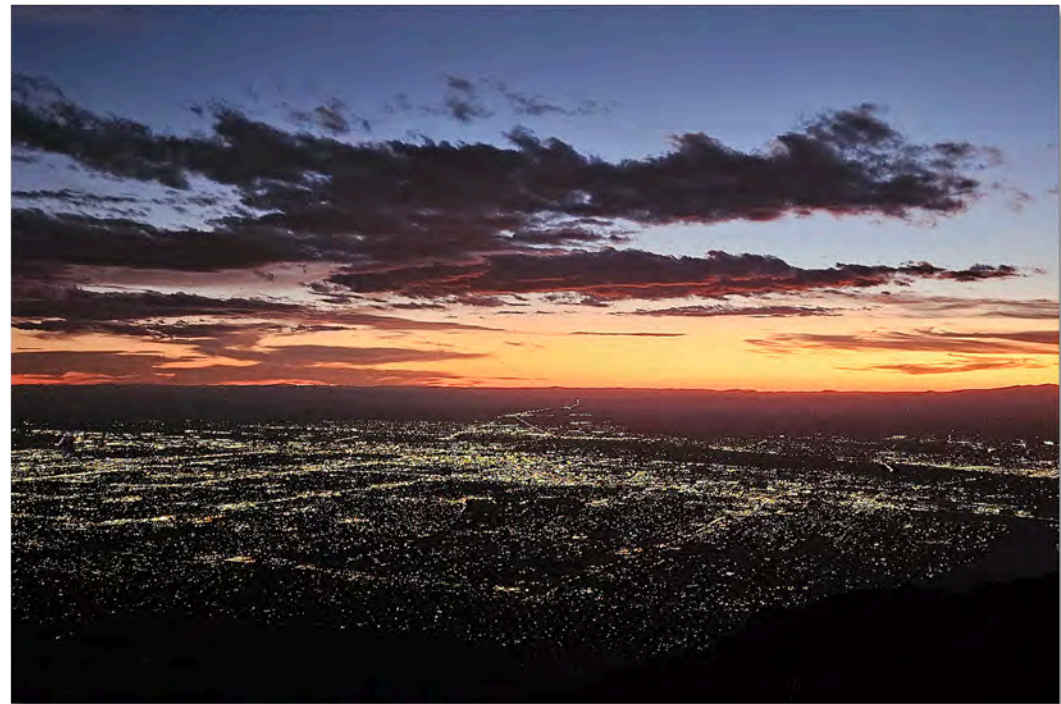
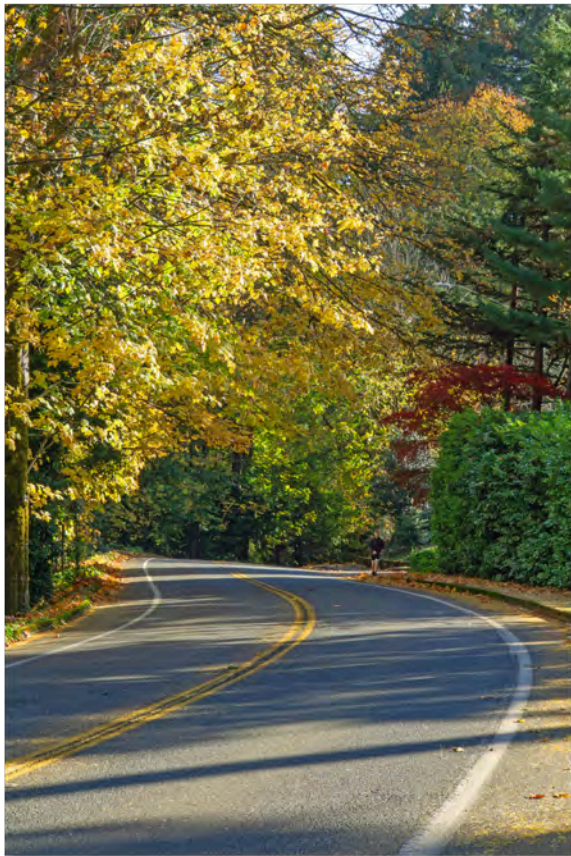


Willie Wellington
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Inaugural Day Storm,
Mukilteo
Tranquility
San Juan Capistrano
Mission
The Yellow Leaf Road
Old Crow





Dan Scavezze
 (clockwise from upper left)
Come On In
Big Leaf on Campus
City in the Desert
Now Entering Autumn



PSCC Board Meeting Minutes on November 20, 2023

Held on Zoom

Present were Chris Currie, Mary Tevis, Yvonne Shimek, Henry Heerschap, Michael Hrankowski, Dave Patzwald, Mercedes Perez, and Lynne Greenup.

The meeting was called to order at 7:07 pm.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

The minutes of October 16, 2023, were moved to be accepted, were seconded, and passed into the record.

Chris Currie reported that the NWCCC Conference with John Pedersen was very interesting. The videos will be available until March 31, 2024, to all those who signed up with the NWCCC Conference.

She also reported that Lynne Greenup is happy to be on the PSCC committee to revise the judging system. This committee will meet after the new year to revise the way the photos are judged.

VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Mercedes Perez reports that an outing to Kubota Gardens took place in October and was a success. The Field Trip committee is looking at the possibility of going to the new convention center in Seattle and the Skagit Valley in January or February. Members will be notified about the dates and times by email.

There will be an education night on January 29, 2024. Henry Heerschap will present an Image Clinic. Any club member who would like an image critiqued is free to email it to Henry Heerschap, and instructions will be sent to all club members.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Yvonne Shimek reports that there is \$1474.30 as of October 31, 2023, in the club account.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Visual Pursuits is being updated by the committee. As there are time problems with committee members, it was decided that the transition to the new platform will be put over until the new year.

Dave Patzwald wants to add Landscape and Travel to the PSA competition, but it was decided to put this over to the new year, too.

He has sent the images to PSA, and since he got too many, he and his committee had to eliminate several images.

NEW BUSINESS:

The annual Holiday party will be held on December 11, 2023, at 6:00 pm. We request \$20 from those attending in person. We will have pizza and salad, followed by the white elephant gift exchange. Those attending on Zoom will join us at 7:00 pm, where we will see a slide show of the NWCCC winners. Our annual charity collection will be donated to the Lynnwood and Edmonds food banks. It was decided that PSCC will match up to \$100. Donations need to be in Yvonne Shimek's hands by December 15.

There will be no Board meeting in December. The next Board meeting will be held by Zoom on January 15, 2024, at 7:00 pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:18 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Tevis, Secretary