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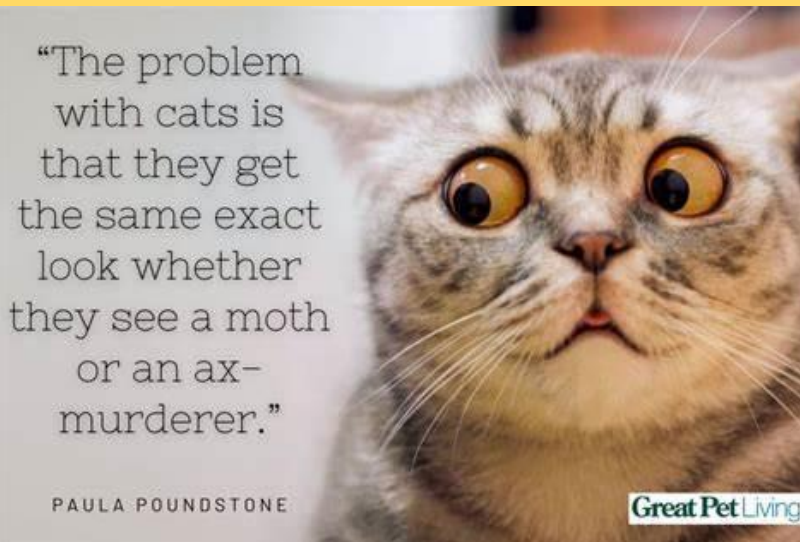
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By Bernie Ginsberg

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What's going on this summer?

MEMBER PHOTO

Photo by Bernie Ginsburg



Having gotten tired of carrying lots of equipment, I used a Panasonic FZ-60 Point & Shoot Camera. It shot at f4 1/320 sec. ISO 160.

It wasn't until we moved to Sun City West in 1994 when we joined Photography West that I became interested in doing photography. Marvin had been the only photographer in the house. During the 29 years of retirement, we were able to travel the world visiting 109 countries. Most of our travels were on cruise ships having sailed around the world three times.

While we took thousands of pictures during our travels, only a few leave especially strong feelings. In 2016 New York City was a port of call.

The 9-11 Memorial had been completed by then, and we had the opportunity to visit it. Someone had placed this white rose on the border of the outdoor pond where all the victims' names were enshrined. This picture is a reminder of what we as a country went through in September 2001. We should never forget the tragedy of that day!

By Bernie Ginsberg

SUMMER BREAK TIMES

CLUB HOURS FOR SUMMER Beginning on May 13th the Club Days and Hours will change to Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 12 to 3.

LAST FRIDAY MEETING IN SPRING 2024 The last regular meeting before Summer will be May 10, 2024.

FIRST FRIDAY MEETING IN FALL 2024 The first regular meeting after Summer will be Friday, September 13th. The Club will then switch to winter hours of Monday through Thursday 9 to 12 and 12 to 3.

SUMMER FRIDAY MEETINGS 10 am at Stardust Theater Friday, June 21st, July 12th, and August 16th.

MENTEE PROGRAM UNDER CONSTRUCTION

The Mentee Program is currently being analyzed for updates and a new process. Stick with us while we retool, refresh, and redecorate the Program. By Fall we will have more information and will be likely looking for a few guinea pigs to be the first ones to participate.

Until then we will not take any applications. If you have any suggestions or would like to be more involved in the Mentee Program, please email photowestnews@gmail.com.

The heart of the program is the One to One time. That will continue to be the emphasis in the future.

EDUCATION

Summer Workshops

This summer we are going to have a few workshops to see if this is something we should pursue. I have chosen 4 of our more popular classes to begin with. The procedure is the same. If you are a member and would like to take advantage of one of these classes, just go to our website and register. There is a modest fee that helps defray the equipment cost.

All classes this summer are for camera or smart phone.

Create a Slideshow with the free Photostage program with Tony Gross

This class is for Windows PC users only.

This class is designed to instruct the student in how to create a slideshow for our Friday photo club meetings or for any other purpose.

If you want hands-on help, pre-install the program on your laptop before class, make sure it works and then bring your laptop to class. Here's a link to the software: <https://www.nchsoftware.com/slideshow/>

Class will be taught by Tony Gross and the cost will be \$5.00. Please email any questions to the Education Coordinator at photowestnews@gmail.com

Summer Class on Thursday, June 6 at 1 pm

Using Principals of Design in Photography with Donna Morrell

Learn how to incorporate the following principles in your images:
Pattern, Contrast, Movement, Emphasis, Space and Unity

The lecture will include a "handout" and a Power Point presentation with examples. This class is \$5.

Summer Class on Monday, June 17 at 1 pm

iPhone Camera with David Pickles

CLASS NAME: iPhone Photography

GOAL: Increase Confidence and Ability to use your iPhone for Great Photography

PREREQUISITES: Own an iPhone, preferably version 11 or newer

This class will familiarize you with most of the functions of the iPhone camera and Photo app. This class will combine lecture with demonstration. An optional opportunity for hands-on practice with your own phone will be provided after the classroom portion.

Useful tips and techniques will also be covered that will help you use your iPhone camera for photos you may not have thought possible.

Each student will receive a copy of the class presentation for note taking and to take with you. This class is \$10.

Summer Class on Monday, July 15 at 1 pm

Android Phone Camera with Joyce Bowlby

ANDROID SMART PHONE PHOTOGRAPHY with Joyce Bowlby

This class is for Android users only. This class will provide instruction on Android Smart Phone cameras. You have it with you all the time, why not use it better? This class is \$10.

Summer Class on Thursday, August 8 at 1 pm

Register Online!

Why did the photographers throw their tripod in the lake?

One of the legs was loose and they couldn't stand it anymore.

(ha, ha, sigh)

SOCIAL AND SMALL GROUPS

LADIES BREAKFAST

Eight of the Breakfast Ladies – plus Jan’s adorable granddaughter, Emmalyn - enjoyed a wonderful outing to the Salt River on April 3. We busied ourselves along the river at Coon Bluff by photographing birds, the river, Red Mountain, and whatever else caught our fancy because not a single horse was to be found. At that point, our outing was chalked up to being only a nice hike along the river.

Back into the cars for a drive along the Bush Highway where we finally found several horses grazing in the poppies. The wildflowers looked pretty good along the highway. We even saw an artist sitting out in the field painting.

By then we were all extremely hungry so headed to What’s Crackin’ for a late, but delicious, lunch and a group photo. It was a long day but a fun one!

By Cheryl Gross



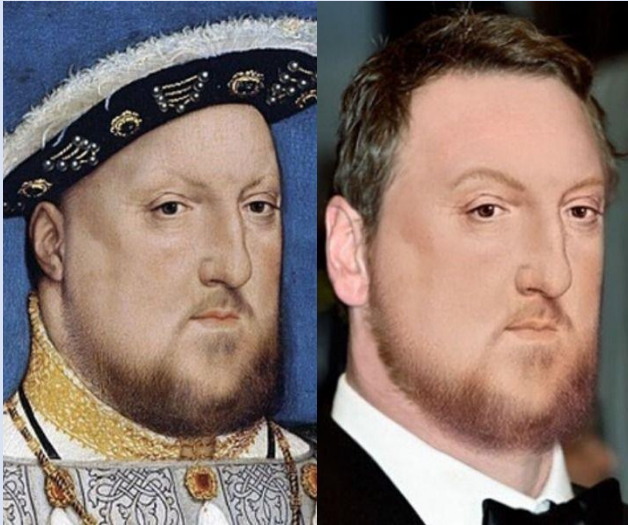
THIS JUST IN ...

I have it on good authority that the Ladies Breakfast will continue through summer!

Watch for more information on Facebook and Flash!

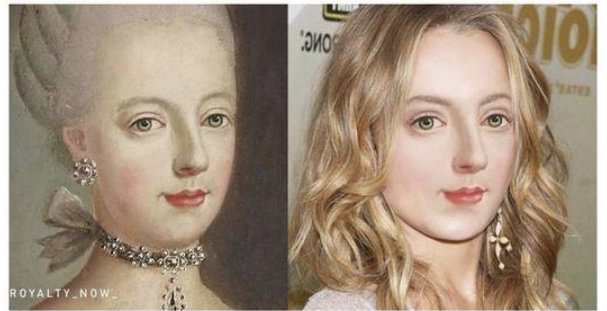
An Interesting Photo

Here are some examples of what historical figures may have looked like in current times.

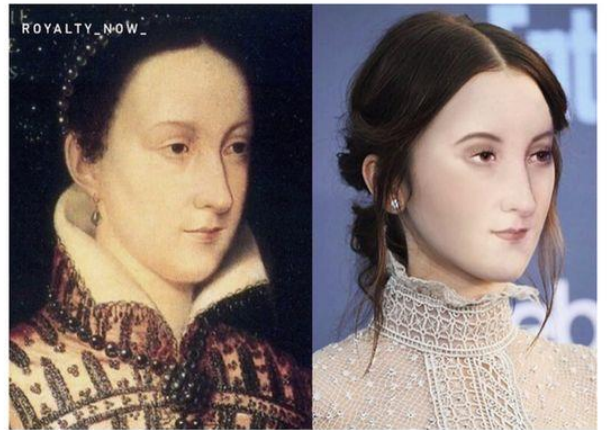


Henry the Eighth

Marie Antionette



Mary, Queen of Scots



George Washington



Thomas Jefferson



Veermer's Girl with a Pearl Earing

COMPETITIONS

MONTHLY PROJECTED IMAGE

RESULTS:

Class B – Bob Smierciak HM, Anthony Mason HM, Patti O’Young HM,
 Randall Farwell 3rd, Shirley Swinney 2nd, Richard Garneau 1st

Class A – Tony Gross HM, Mykee Cornelison HM and 3rd, Gene Mitofsky 2nd,
 Nap O’Young 1st

<i>Sept. 2024 ~ Flowers</i>	<i>Jan. 2025 ~ Cityscapes</i>
<i>Oct. 2024 ~ Patterns</i>	<i>Feb. 2025 ~ Humor</i>
<i>Nov. 2024 ~ Night photography</i>	<i>Mar. 2025 ~ Bees</i>
<i>Dec. 2024 ~ Children</i>	<i>Apr. 2025 ~ Aircraft</i>

PORTFOLIO COMPETITION

SPRING 2024 RESULTS:

Decay of a Mighty Industry	Larry Cowles	1 st
Icelandic Waterfalls	Rondy Voorhees	2 nd
Back to Nature	Pam Meindl	3 rd
The Forbidden Fruit	Tom Richardson	4 th
Girl Scout Pinewood Derby	Tony Mason	HM
The Parenting of Burrowing Owls	David Pickles	HM
Arizona Hummingbirds	Susan Cowles	HM
Emotions at the Rodeo	Nap O’Young	HM

There were 15 entries which was good for a new, specialized competition. We are hoping to continue this competition each Spring.

COMPLETED PROJECTED IMAGE AND PRINT COMPETITIONS RESULTS

Spring 2024 Digital Competition

	Creative	Monochrome	Nature	Open	Rotating - Sports
Class B:					
1st	Cheryl Gross	Richard Garneau	Cheryl Gross	Cheryl Gross	Patti O'Young
2nd	Diana Smierciak	Russ Guthrie	Richard Garneau	Richard Garneau	Patti O'Young
3rd	Bob Smierciak	Russ Guthrie	Paul Lutzenbacher	Cheryl Gross	Roger Fowler
HM	Bob Smierciak	Cheryl Gross	Patti O'Young	Richard Garneau	Bob Smierciak
HM	Richard Garneau	Richard Garneau	Russ Guthrie	Russ Guthrie	

Class A:					
1st	Nap O'Young	Tony Gross	Tony Gross	Nap O'Young	Alison Guthrie
2nd	Alison Guthrie	Nap O'Young	Nap O'Young	Nap O'Young	Tony Gross
3rd	Lou Haskell	Pam Meindl	Lou Haskell	Susan Moy	Nap O'Young
HM	Alison Guthrie	Lou Haskell	Nap O'Young	Pam Meindl	Alison Guthrie
HM	Tony Gross	Susan Moy	Pam Meindl	Pam Meindl	Mykee Cornelison
HM		Susan Moy			
HM		Tony Gross			

Class M:					
1st	Jan Keane	David Pickles	Bill Lane	Ella Schreiber	Kelly Asmussen
2nd	Ella Schreiber	Rondy Voorhees	Rondy Voorhees	Ella Schreiber	Ella Schreiber
3rd	Emily Schwoerke	Bill Lane	Ella Schreiber	Kelly Asmussen	Jan Keane
HM	Ella Schreiber	Ella Schreiber	Emily Schwoerke	Bill Lane	Don Price
HM	Greg Swinney	Eileen Arps	Greg Swinney	Rondy Voorhees	David Pickles
HM					Kelly Asmussen
HM					Rondy Voorhees

Spring 2024 Print Competition

	Creative	Monochrome	Nature	Open	Rotating - Photojournalism
Class B:	A/B	A/B	A/B	B	A/B
1st	Nap O'Young	Nap O'Young	Nap O'Young	Cynthia McDonagh	Tony Mason
2nd	Tom Richardson	Jamie Gunyuz	Nap O'Young	Mike Steward	Paul Lutzenbacher
3rd	Tom Richardson	Jamie Gunyuz	Tom Richardson	Sharon Lamb	Paul Lutzenbacher
HM		Nap O'Young	Paul Lutzenbacher	Candy Worley	Nap O'Young

Class A:					
1st				Nap O'Young	

2nd				Joyce Bowlby	
3rd				Elaine Miller	

Class M:					
1st	Don Price	Susan Cowles	David Pickles	Susan Cowles	Larry Cowles
2nd	Kelly Asmussen	Susan Cowles	Susan Cowles	Rondy Voorhees	Rondy Voorhees
3rd	Kelly Asmussen	Don Price	Susan Cowles	Don Price	Emily Schwoerke
HM	Emily Schwoerke	Richard Burd	Emily Schwoerke	Barbara Kemp	Larry Cowles
HM		Emily Schwoerke	Kelly Asmussen	John Beach	

FUTURE ROTATING CATEGORY TOPICS

For Photography West, The rotating category topics for our Projected Image and Print competitions are as follows:
Start taking photos now...

Fall Event Rotating Categories

- 2024 – Flowers
- 2025 - Sunrise/Sunset
- 2026 – Silhouette
- 2027 - Patterns in Nature
- 2028 - Street Art
- 2029 – Children

Spring Event Rotating Categories

- 2025 - Cityscapes
- 2026 – Arches
- 2027 - Eyes
- 2028 – Doors and Windows
- 2029 – Still Life
- 2030 - Architecture

VOLUNTEER AND INTEREST DATABASE

We are in the process of putting together a database to list folks that would be called if help is needed in specific areas. Then if they are available, they can participate for a short-term project. In the same database we would like to include people who may have an interest or knowledge in a specific area such as competitions, outings, learning or sharing along specific lines, or might like to create a new interest in the club.

This is to provide information quickly to those who are interested. More information to follow in Fall 2024.

TRAVEL HERE AND THERE!

On the schedule so far are the following places. You can get more information from Ron at the Friday morning meetings or contact him at abaum936@aol.com or check our website.

DOMESTIC TRAVEL:

Ron is looking for ideas from you of where you would like to go. Just email him at abaum936@aol.com.

INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL:

UPCOMING INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL

HOLLAND & BELGIUM IN SPRINGTIME: We just confirmed a riverboat trip to Holland and Belgium for April 2025. This is a very popular trip and will sell out fast, so make your reservation soon. If you haven't traveled with Overseas Adventure Travel (OAT) or Grand Circle Travel before, say that Ron Appelbaum referred you to receive a \$100 credit towards this trip. The trip is rated "1" or easy on a scale of 1 to 5. To make your reservation call 800-955-1925 and mention Group G5-27733. The cost is based on the type of room you reserve. The lower level (Prelude Deck) has a small window, but the cost is less. The top level, which has a balcony, is the most expensive. The price ranges from \$2,595 to \$4,095 per person, plus \$1,200 airfare from Phoenix per person. The Post-Trip extension is to Bruges, Belgium for \$895. There are two pre-trip options: Amsterdam for \$945 or Berlin for \$895. We should be able to get excellent photos of the Tulips in bloom and of the windmills. To see a detailed itinerary go to <http://www.gct.com/shh>.

Ron says this trip is open to friends and family. Is there is someone you would like to invite.

FRIDAYS

FRIDAY MEETINGS

(held every Friday at Stardust Theater in Keuntz Rec Center at 10 am)

PROGRAMS

5/3 Long, "Norwegian Inter-coastal Ferry" by Harold Johnson and Mark McKinney

5/10 Short, "Do you Remember?" by Greg Swinney, Long "Quito Ecuador" by Ron Appelbaum

FRIDAY PHOTO EXHIBITIONS

(held on the listed Friday at the Beardsley Club between 2 and 4 pm)

5/3 Sun City West Print Competition Winners

FRIDAY POST EXHIBITION DINNERS

TBD

These are once again being organized by Bob Hankin. Once you are certain you will be going to the restaurant, please contact Bob, sign up on the list at the Friday Meeting. His address is bobhankin76@gmail. Let Bob also know if due to something out of your control, you find you will be unable to attend.

PHOTOGRAPHERS LEARNING LAB

Coming back in Fall. Join us then for more Learning.
Held on the First Friday of the month (except summer) at the Beardsley Club at 1 pm.

David Pickles dpickles1953@gmail.com

Article

What's Going On This Summer?

We have: The EXHILARATING Bi-Monthly Challenge
Our Most Popular Classes
Mini Socials
Mini Trips – We can do it but need a coordinator
Friday Slideshows

THE EXHILARATING BI-MONTHLY CHALLENGE

This challenge is designed to inspire us to find things “peculiar” to photograph, then post them on Facebook. Let’s allow ourselves to have some “silly” fun and be creative!

The topics will be chosen by the famous mother/daughter “The Harmonious Sunflowers” duo, Emily Schwoerke and Lora Gonzalez from Photo West. Topics will be posted to Facebook on the 1st and 3rd Saturday of the month. You will have two weeks to post your photos, which reflect the category chosen for that time frame.

We are excited to start this event Saturday, June 1, 2024. Start thinking about the topic “egg” or “something red”. Stay tuned for more details The Harmonious Sunflowers.

SOME OF OUR MOST POPULAR CLASSES

This will include ...

Tony Gross teaches how to use a Free Downloadable Software to make Friday worthy slideshows or perfect family event records. June

Donna Morrell will be opening up the world beyond basic Composition and showing you the Principals of Design. June

David Pickles will share the ins and outs of iPhone Photography. This is for the Apple iPhone only. But don't worry, ... July

Joyce Bowlsby will be sharing the ins and outs of the Android Camera in your phone. August

MINI SOCIALS

How about spending the afternoon in cool air conditioning while taking part in a scavenger hunt? We have the dates, and the activities are still being explored. But it should be a fun diversion for all members who are in Sun City West this summer. Remember the dates: June 21, July 12, and August 16.

MINI TRIPS

Don't stop taking photos because the weather is, um, toasty. How about an afternoon with other members at some of the air conditioned, inspiring places around town. Maybe a car pool trip to MIM, the Heard Museum, the Arizona Capital Museum, or something else. Easy to do, but needs someone to coordinate. Email photowestnews@gmail.com for information.

FRIDAY SLIDESHOWS

These are back for the summer and there will be shows at 10:00 once a month. The Friday Meeting/Slideshow will be on the same day as the Mini Social. Dates are the same as Mini Socials: June 21, July 12, and August 16.

T H E E N D

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