



Chester County Camera Club

a community of photographers

June 2019 Newsletter

May Meeting: Meaningful Images and Rusty Old Things!!

A talented group of camera club members shared one of their most meaningful images with the group for this wonderful members forum. They shared the intimate details of why they selected that image, what it meant to them, and some of the feelings and emotions surrounding the image. Participating photographers are shown here with their images: Paul Stewart, Richard Donham, Sally Riddle, Sarah Staub, Pat Rhubottom, Arvid Bloom and Connie Snyder.



Lisa and Tom Cuchara wowed the audience at the May meeting with stories about their adventures photographing old and abandoned places. They shared some of their favorite tips and techniques and left us all inspired and ready to go out and shoot.

If you missed this presentation, you can see some of Lisa and Tom's images here.

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Recent Club Outings:



CCCC Members Visit Stoneleigh Gardens

The blooming flowers were limited, but that didn't prevent our camera club members from getting some great images. Eight participants got a look at the lovely grounds, plantings, and architecture of Stoneleigh Gardens. It is part of the Natural Lands Trust and blends history, horticulture, ecology, and conservation on this 42-acre island of tranquility just a short way from Villanova University. The image shown here is by Dave Kiefer; you can see more in the [website gallery](#).

Cowtown Rodeo

A wagon train of twelve adventurous camera clubbers headed south to Pilesgrove, NJ for a rootin'-tootin' good time down at the Cowtown Rodeo where they created some awesome action shots of brave wranglers atop bucking broncos and steers. Clear skies made for a great evening of practicing skills with long lenses and freezing the cowboys and girls mid-action. Recent rains left the arena quite wet providing for some muddy encounters for both beasts and riders. With cowboy hats and chaps abounding, it was hard to believe this was the heart of New Jersey and not the wild expanse of Wyoming. This traditional rodeo is celebrating it's 65th continuous year and it is purported to be longest running weekly professional rodeo in the USA! The photo shown here by **Matt McLaughlin** is one of many fantastic images in the [gallery](#). Be sure to check them all out.



Awards Presentation ~~~ June 12

Our annual Awards Presentation is coming up soon at the Uptown! Knauer Performing Arts Center in West Chester. Join fellow camera clubbers in celebrating a fantastic year with great food and the best photographers around! Be sure to respond to your invite and sign up to bring one of your favorite dishes to share.

Drumroll please! The Awards Ceremony will include two major awards - People's Choice Favorite Images, and Photographer of the Year!

There will be a first, second and third place award for **People's Choice**, as voted on by CCCC members from all the first place ribbon winners during the club year. If you haven't voted yet from the May 23 email from Bob Kelly, the deadline is Sunday, June 2 at 6:00pm.

The coveted "**Photographer of the Year**" award will be announced - it goes to the CCCC photographer that has earned the most points during the year based on ribbons awarded during competitions. Pictured is past-president Bob Kelly congratulating Arvid Bloom, last year's Photographer of the Year winner.



Summer Challenge



Anita Bower and Stephanie Vacek have done it again! They have an exciting summer challenge planned with an overall theme of "Monochrome" for this year. If you registered to be a part of this challenge, you will receive all the specific details via email around June 1. This is a great way to keep shooting over the summer while having fun with your fellow camera clubbers. Oh, and there are two outings and a party with great food at the end of the challenge!

Opportunities to Exhibit Your Work

Do you like to share your work at local galleries? The 5th Annual Oxford National Juried Exhibition is the perfect place to compete in a national show close to home, in the little town of Oxford, PA. You can get all the details on their [website](#).

Upcoming Events

Harrisburg Camera Club's [9th Annual Light and Creativity Workshop](#) is coming up on June 8th and looks like a great way to spend a Saturday learning from four seasoned photographers. The entrance fee includes a great breakfast and lunch, and be sure to stick around to the end - they give away a lot of door prizes!

The New England Camera Club Council will host its annual weekend photo conference July 12-14 in Amherst, MA. Photo experts from around the country will deliver 90 teaching programs. Join 1,000 fellow photo enthusiasts to recharge, reconnect, learn and be inspired. [Click here](#) for the NECCC Conference website.

Upcoming Club Outings

[Mid-Atlantic Air Museum - June 8](#)



Here's your chance to live your dream of being a Life magazine photographer (we can all dream, right!). Join your fellow photogs to visit the Mid-Atlantic Air Museum and photograph a World War II re-enactment and airshow.

For some inspiration on the types of images you might get, check out the [gallery](#) from last year's club outing.

You can find more information on the [museum](#) here

Annual Bus Trip - a terrific opportunity!

This year's bus trip will return to New York City's fabulous [Central Park](#) on June 15. You can join club president, Howard Sundwall, on a walking tour of the southern half of the park, or take a detour over to the amazing Metropolitan Museum of Art. This is one trip you won't want to miss! Contact Howard Sundwall at sundwall@verizon.net if you're interested; there is still space available!



Mark Your Calendars!

- Sat, Jun 8 [Outing to Mid Atlantic Air Museum](#)
- Wed, Jun 12 [Annual year-end party and Awards Celebration.](#)
- Sat, Jun 15 [Bus Trip to NYC!](#)

More upcoming events are listed on the [CCCC Home page](#) and a full calendar is listed on the [Schedule page](#).

Website Wisdom:

Schedule Page: To see a handy visual calendar of each month's activities, click on the "Month" box on the top right of the schedule page. Or, to see a listing of all upcoming events along with a brief description, click on "Agenda" box at the top right. From either view, you can click on any event to see more information.

Be sure to regularly check the [CCCC Homepage](#) for news and updates, as well as links to galleries from recent outings.

If you have any information you would like considered in an upcoming monthly newsletter, please contact newsletter editors [Carol DeGuiseppe](#) or [Betsy Wilson](#).