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Leading by a Nose by Lori Azevedo

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Meetings for December

Monthly Meeting

December 14th—10 am—221 W Herndon Avenue

Year End Competition

Program Night

Next program Night—January 14th at 6:30

Upcoming Dates:

Dec 8th	SJVCCC YE 10 am
Dec 10th	FCC YE Digitals Due
Dec 14th	FCC YE Luncheon/Competition
Jan 7th	FCC Board Meeting
Jan 14th	Program Night
Jan 21st	FCC Meeting—Prints

FCC—Fresno Camera Club
SJVCCC—San Joaquin Valley Camera Club Council

December 2024

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8 SJVCCC Meeting 10 a.m.	9	10	11	12	13	14 FCC Year End Luncheon 10:00 a.m.
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

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Program Night

Next Program Night—January 14th at 6:30 pm

Topics: Entering in Council & Artist Briefing for Art Hop in September 2024—Please attend if you would like to have images in the Fresno Camera Club showing at City Hall

December Meeting

December 14th at 10 am—Year End Luncheon

Send your digitals in and bring your prints to the meeting—no special forms required

San Joaquin Valley Camera Club Council

Next Meeting—December 8th at 10:00 am

LOCATION: 221 W Herndon Avenue in Fresno

Digitals due by October 10th

Year end awards!



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Fresno Camera Club 2024 Meeting Dates

December 10	Program Night	6:30 pm
December 12	Year End Digitals Due	
December 14	Year End Competition	
	Lunch \$10/per person	10:00 am

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Richard Harrison was our judge for November, he judged 39 images and selected Leading by a Nose by Lori Azevedo as image of the Night.

Lori Azevedo

Leading by a Nose	10 1st
Red Chevrolet	10
Chevrolet Engine	10

Jonathan Rollins

three orchids	9
Big Ben England	10
Burrowing Owl	10

Elizabeth Bedard

Bridalveil Falls in Winter	9
Pincushion Flower	10
Turbo-Jet Engine	9

Jim Sanderson

Palouse Derelict	9
Spring Cataract	9
The Wedge At Sunrise Utah	10

Dee Humphrey

Bridal veil falls Christmas tree	10
A long walk to the top	10
Looking for Prey	10

Loye Stone

Calf Roping	10
Mongoose in Habitat Africa	10 3rd
Serengeti Sunrise 2	10

Lirio Jones

Heart	10
Lake Life	9
Last Train	9

Shelley Stone

Barn With Clouds over Teton Mountains	9
Lady Bug at Work	10
Lightning over the Grand Canyon 2	10

Ning Lin

Eared Grebe Family	10
Half Dome Aurora	10
Yosemite, Milky Way and Comet	9

Ben Tyson

After The Rain	9
Empty Chairs at Sunset	8
The Dancer	9

Keith Putirka

Lodgepole Forest with ICM	10
Dana Ridge	10
Chipmunk on Bridge	10

Phyllis Walker

Bissbee street	9
Antique wheel	10
Throwback to the 50s	10 4th

Patrick Rhames

Canola Oil	10 2nd
Conway Pass a la Faux Pinceau	10
Point Arena Sunset	9

Jonathan Williams

Deliquesce	9
The Lost Marquee	8
Til things are brighter	8



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Leading by a Nose

By Lori Azevedo



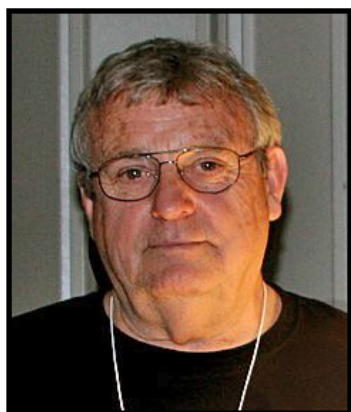
While volunteering in the photography and fine arts exhibit at the fair, I brought my camera which is a Nikon D850. My hope was to be able to get away for a few minutes to do some photography at the horse races and possibly even in the mid-way. I was using my Tamron 24 to 70 lens. My ISO setting was at 320 with the aperture at four and my exposure time 1/1000 of a second.

The background of the fairgrounds at the horse races is not particularly interesting unless you're at the north end just after the turn coming into the finish line. Because the turf of the race is 2 feet above ground level. I had to climb up a 2 foot stem wall and wedge myself between a light post and the fence. I didn't have my tripod with me so I had to rest my camera on the chain-link fence.

My editing was done in Photoshop where I cropped it and removed some distractions in the background. There was some severe shadowing in the foreground of the racing field that I had to edit out, and I cropped out other horses that were a distraction from the race. There is a slight vignette and high-lighting of the photo. I brought up the contrast 5% and added texture and clarity to the photo, completing it in Photoshop Denoise program.



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Canola Oil

By Patrick Rhames



Canola Oil is an image taken in the Palouse area of Southeastern Washington State on 6/26/2022 at 4:40 PM. It captures a large portion of a blooming Canola crop with smaller portions of green wheat fields and blue sky in the background. Candidly, it was the arrangement of these complimentary colors and the organic textures of the view that attracted me to this shot.

As in all planned landscapes I shoot, the indispensable tripod was used. I was still shooting with my Nikon D850 mounted with my Nikkor 24-70 mm f/2.8.

The technical data is as follows: Aperture f/2.8, shutter 1/640, focal length 70 mm, ISO 800, manual focusing, matrix metering.

Post processing started with Lightroom for RAW. Photoshop was used for final editing and NIK software for artistic enhancements. The original image had a “bald” sky so I used one from the day before to provide some complimentary clouds. Notice also that subtle application of the “Oil Paint” filter in Photoshop was used to give faux brushstrokes to the elements of the image as well as a subtle overall texture primarily to enhance the sky.



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Mongoose in Habitat, Africa

By Loye Stone



This image was taken in Tanzania Africa on the Serengeti Plain. The Mongoose occupy abandoned Termite mounds and there are many of them all over the Serengeti. the image shows a Mongoose atop a termite mound. Shot with a Canon 5d Mark III at 1000 ISO and 1000 th of a second shutter speed at f8.



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Throwback to the 50's

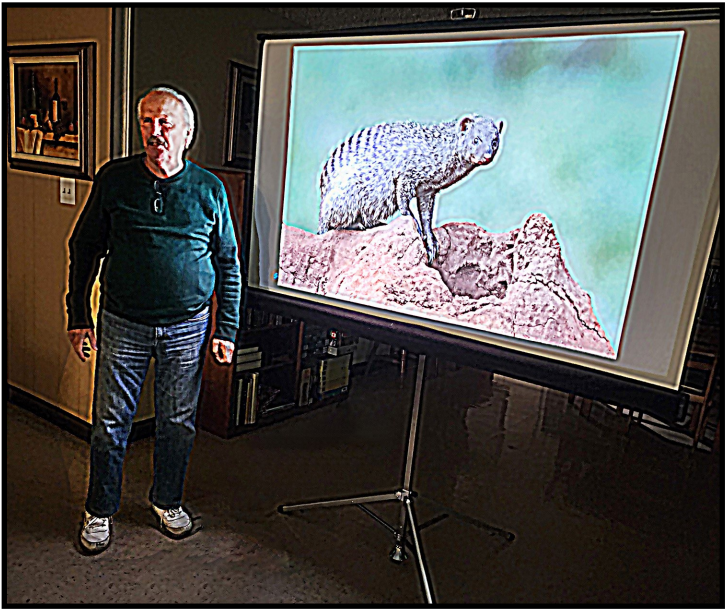
By Phyllis Walker



This image was taken in Clovis in front of the 500 club. I just as asked her if I could take her picture. It was taken with my iPhone 14 max pro.



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Year End Competition and Luncheon

When: Saturday, December 14th

Time: 10:00 am—3:00 pm

Where: Stonegate Estates, 221 W Herndon Avenue in Fresno

Cost: \$10-\$15 (TBD) for Lasagna, Salad and Desert

See Page 12 for entry rules.

We are also going to have the One Song Digital Slide Show, so put your images to a song and bring them on a USB so we can share with the club.

FYI if you are a new member, you can compete in the Trophy categories! You can use those images in Monthly competitions in 2025! You can also enter any of the images you entered in October and November into the year end.



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FRESNO CAMERA CLUB— YEAR END AWARDS

At the end of each calendar year, Fresno Camera Club holds an Annual Awards Luncheon at a designated location for members, family and friends. Winners of the year-end digital images and prints competitions receive plaques and other awards.

High Points – Year end awards will be given to those members who have accumulated the most points in competitions throughout the current calendar year.

Awards will be given for:

- High Points for Color Prints (First, Second and Third Place)
- High Points for Monochrome Prints (First, Second and Third Place)
- High Points for Digital Images (First, Second and Third Place)

Best of the Year - Year end awards will also be given to the best previously entered images in competition during the current calendar year for:

- Best Color Print
- Best Monochrome Print
- Best Digital Image

A member may enter up to:

- Four (4) previously entered Color Prints
- Four (4) previously entered Monochrome Prints
- Bring Print entries to the Luncheon, labels must be on the back and no forms needed.

Four (4) previously entered Digital Images

Deadline to send Digital Images to the FCC Digital Chairman is one week before the luncheon.

Trophy Awards - Year end trophy awards will be given for:

- Elmer Lew Memorial Award for Best Portrait.
- S. Louise Stull Memorial Award for Best Flora
- Hanna Barsam Memorial Award for Best Architecture.
- Fresno Camera Club Award for Best Wildlife
- Fresno Camera Club Award for Best Scenic.
- Fresno Camera Club Revolving Trophy for Best Pet.

A member may enter one (1) Print for each of the above listed “Trophy” categories. The print may be new or previously entered from any monthly club competitions. Entries from past Trophy Awards are not eligible regardless of category. If the print is new, it still can be entered in a future monthly club competition.

President’s Award – This is an optional award made by the President at his/her discretion.

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Fresno Camera Club Membership for January 1 - December 31, 2024

The completed form below, together with your check/cash will pay your dues for the year 2024

Dues are paid by Calendar Year

Name: _____ PSA Member Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	<table border="1"><thead><tr><th colspan="2">Select Membership Type</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td><input type="checkbox"/></td><td>Single \$35</td></tr><tr><td><input type="checkbox"/></td><td>Family \$55</td></tr><tr><td><input type="checkbox"/></td><td>Student \$20</td></tr></tbody></table>	Select Membership Type		<input type="checkbox"/>	Single \$35	<input type="checkbox"/>	Family \$55	<input type="checkbox"/>	Student \$20
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Make Checks Payable to Fresno Camera Club

Send to: Rosemary Aguinaldo, 4916 N Ninth Street #126, Fresno, CA 93726

☐ New Membership ☐ Renewal Amount Paid \$ _____ ☐ Cash ☐ Check # _____



Horn Photo offers Fresno Camera Club members a 15% discount on film developing and photo printing (not specialty items)

Visit our YouTube page for all our previous Featured Artists

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCISisSG-DIHzwOnI_KIZ5XQ



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PSA Information

Are You a Member of the
Photographic Society of America
(PSA)?

"ADVANTAGES OF HAVING PSA MEMBERSHIP

PSA has a **Personalized Image Evaluation Service**. This service is especially helpful if the maker wants to have his/her skills evaluated, if the maker would like to know what constitutes an acceptable image in one of the PSA Divisions, or for pre-viewing Images before entering them in club competition or a PSA recognized Exhibition.

PSA also has an **Image Analysis Course**, which is helpful in judging ones own photos or becoming a certified judge.

These are free services offered by PSA to members. Need a Mentor? Go to
<http://psa-photo/org.php?member-education-mentor-service>

PSA Galleries

PSA has several galleries on this website where members can share their photography with others.

PSA Member Galleries - For All PSA Members
Each State, Province, or Country may contain individual member galleries that showcase members' work. Individual images and bios in galleries may be updated by members as often as they would like. A list of available galleries is accessed from the left pane of this webpage, grouped according to PSA Member Area. They can also be accessed from a state/province/country and some chapter pages on the site.

Each PSA member can create a gallery of up to 6 images and a biography with a link to a personal web gallery. **Member galleries stay on the PSA site for as long as a member remains a PSA member in good standing.**



Many members have asked if we have field trips planned or if fellow members would like to go out on shoots. I created a page on Group-Me.com so we can see if other members would like to join us on photo-adventures:

https://groupme.com/join_group/101844135/odJSPSb1



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Fresno Camera Club 2024 Officers and Board

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Contribute to our Website!

Check out www.fresnocameraclub.org Email **Elizabeth** if you have any articles for the Fresno Camera Club website.

“Highlights” Submission

Do you have an article you would like published in an issue of “Highlights”? Do you have a suggestion for something you would like to see in “Highlights”? If you do, feel free to contact **Elizabeth Bedard** at eabedard@gmail.com

Submissions for inclusion in the next month’s “Highlights” should be received by the 15th of the previous month to insure inclusion in the next issue. This includes change of address, etc. All constructive criticism and corrections are welcome

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