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<b>Program Night</b> There will be no Program Night in January, there will be a Board Meeting, check back in February.	<b>Fresno Camera Club January Meeting</b> Our January Meeting will be a Print Competition on January 20th at 7:00 p.m. Bring your three prints by 6:45. Instructions can be found in the Directory and on our website.		
Upcoming EventsJanuary 11th SJVCCC Business MeetingJanuary 13th FCC Board Meeting at Hope LutheranJanuary 20th FCC Monthly MeetingDon't forget to pay your membershipfor 2018 See Page 16	Photo Opportunities This Month (Pg 11)1/10So. Cal Bird Safari1/13Canon EOS Basics1/14Intro to Nikon DSLR1/15Yosemite Winter Safari1/20Sony—RX1001/21Sony—A60001/24Sequoia Winter Safari		
Don't forget, dinner at the Spaghetti Factory, 1610 E	. Meeting Location:		

Shaw Avenue in Fresno before the monthly FCC meeting at 5 p.m. We will be done in time for the meeting.

University California Center 550 E. Shaw Avenue in Fresno

# January 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11 SJVCCC Business Meeting 111am	12	13 FCC Board Meeting 7 pm	14	15	16	17
18	19	20 FCC Meeting 7 pm	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

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# From the President's Desk

Greetings fellow photogs;

I'm new at this, but it just seems the most appropriate subject for this epistle, at this time of the year, is a broad review of what has transpired in the year leading up to this month. Gary Stewart's co ments at our year end meeting wher he asserted that the

The first order of business is to pay respects to our departed member, **Bob Belcher**. He was an avid photographer and a good friend to many of us. He will be missed.

We had a couple of significant controversies this past year. In case you've forgotten, the scoring scale scandal and the "photojournalistic" judge effect on our scores took center stage for a few weeks. We seem to have navigated ourselves out of those dire straits and all is well with the world, once again.

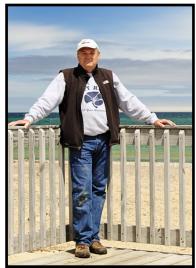
What I think is absolutely the most important development during this past year is the growth of the collective membership's competence in making really superior images.

In my mind, the most important indicator of that is the larger array of members who have become competition winners during the course of our monthly meetings. It's not the same people again and again but a larger segment of the membership. That's one of, if not the most important purpose of the Fresno Camera Club.

In addition, at least two of our members have been featured as guest artists with exhibitions at City Hall. A virtual plethora of our members received awards for their entries at the Big Fresno Fair (as always). At least one of our members has had his work published in a national publication.

The Fresno Camera Club literally swept the top score for all categories of photography competition for the year held by the San Joaquin Valley Camera Club Council. And then there was **Gary Stewart's** comments at our year end meeting where he asserted that the Fresno Camera Club is 'head and shoulders" above the competence level of the Orange County Camera Club.

I think that we all can be pretty happy with



our membership and its dedication to the goal of photographic improvement.

Those are my feelings. I really look forward to more of the same this coming year.

Happy New Year.

Respectfully;

P W Rhames

Patrick. W. Rhames.

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### Fresno Camera Club December Meeting Recap

Pat Rhames called the meeting to order at 10 a,m,

- Judge: Gary Stewart
- Guests: Hearvy Farmand of Fresno Anthony Farmand of Fresno Rundal Heavey of Fresno

**Gary Stewart** told the group what he has been up to since he moved.

Happy Birthday to Shelley Stone and Jim Wulf.

**John Greening** talked about the SJVCCC Meeting the following Sunday, there will be awards then short programs by each club in the Council.

Diane Williams did Art Hop at Fresno City Hall last year and inspired other members to apply. Mayo Tablas had work displayed earlier this year and Elizabeth Bedard has her work displayed this December.

There will be no program night in January,. There will be a Board Meeting at 7 p.m. on January 13th at Hope Lutheran Church .

Our next club meeting will be January 20th at 7:00 p.m. It will be a print competition, bring your prints by 6:45 p.m.

**Lee** reported that Fresno Camera Club will again be sponsoring the PSA Youth Showcase in 2015. We had two 1st Place winners and one 2nd Place winner in 2014 in this international contest.

**Pat Rhames** announced the Year End Point Winners. (Unfortunately, there was an error and these are the correct winners):

#### **Color Prints:**

1st Loye Stone	148
2nd Shelley Stone	139
3rd Harris Hays	130

#### Monochrome Prints:

1st <b>Dee Humphrey</b>	88
2nd <b>Art Serabian</b>	82
3rd <b>Pat Rhames</b>	60

#### <u>Digital</u>

1st David Hunter	110
2nd <b>Dee Humphrey</b>	106
Tie Ning Lin	106



Rosemary Aguinaldo



Jean Harris and Carey Johnson



Shelley Stone, Jean Harris, Loye Stone and Jim Wulf

#### Year End Winners

#### **Best Color Print of the Year**

1st **Pat Rhames** Brewery Relics hold Stories of the Past





2nd Jonathan Rollins Dancing with Light



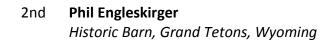
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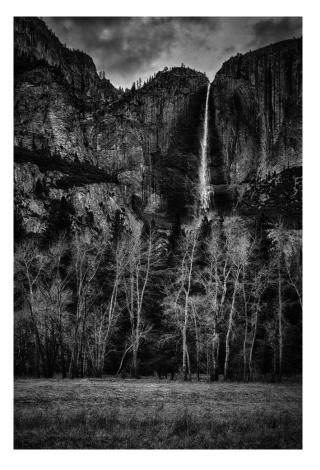




#### **Best Monochrome Print of the Year**

1st Pat Rhames Naked Alders Grace the Falls









3rd Jonathan Rollins Hibiscus



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# Best Digital of the Year

1st **Dr. Ning Lin**— *The Night on the Inca Trail* 





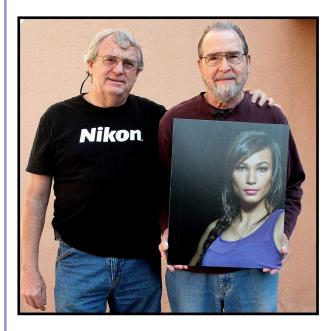
2nd Jonathan Rollins—You are Under Arrest



3rd Dr. Ning Lin— Squacco Heron Flying



Elmer Lew Memorial Award for Best Portrait Jonathan Rollins—Green Eyes



# Louise Stull Memorial for Best Flora

Pat Rhames—Indian Paint Brush



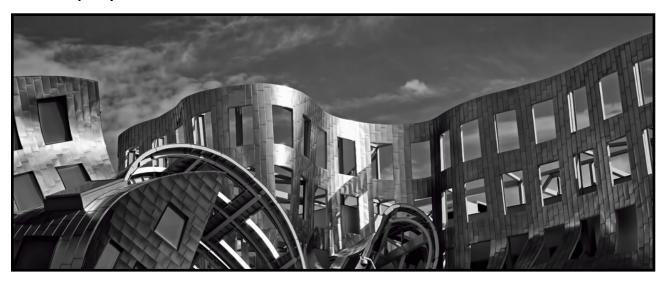








Hanna Barsam Memorial Award for Best Architecture Dee Humphrey—Brain Institute



# Fresno Camera Club Award for Best Wildlife Jonathan Rollins- *Weasel*

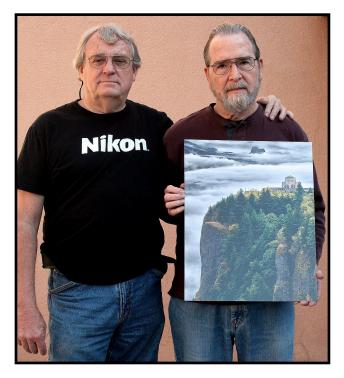






# Fresno Camera Club Award for Best Scenic Jonathan Rollins

Columbia Gorge Crown Point Vista House





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### Fresno Camera Club Revolving Trophy for Best Pet

Diane Williams—Daisy Mae—Sittin' Pretty



<u>President's Award</u> Dr. Ning Lin—Night on the Inca Trail

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# More pictures from our year end luncheon









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#### **Member News**

**Dr. Ning Lin** is going to New Zealand the day after Christmas for ten days. We will be looking for some great pictures when he returns.

Dr. Lin was recognized as "Physician Pho-

tographer of the Month" in the November December issue of 'Physician's Edition' magazine.



They featured 15 of his

beautiful photographs, with "Starry Night in Inca Trail' on the cover of their magazine,. Congratulations, Dr. Lin.

Many camera club members came out to support **Elizabeth Bedard's** exhibit at City Hall in December. Below are some of the members that came, but there were many others too!

#### Christmas 2014

In my yard there's no snowman Because white flakes didn't fall. Hung hand-made ornaments on my tree, It's green and lovely but not very tall.

Enjoyed many concerts and classes And trips to historic sites, Visits with friends and my family, And books to read at night.

The airplanes from O'Hare Might keep some reindeer away, But I'm sure that Christmas Will be celebrated anyway.

Even though there's distance between us We can still spread good cheer. So have a very Merry Christmas And a great 2015 year.

> Isabel Schick, Louise Stull's sister, at Bridgeway at Bensonville, Ill



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#### **G B Smith—Fusion Creative Arts**

**George Smith** was the President of the Fresno Camera Club in 1999. He and his wife, Janet, live in Coarsegold, and George now has his own photographic studio there. To see more of his photographs there, go to his website -- <u>www.fusioncreativearts.com</u>.

**George and Janet** are still active with the Chaffee Zoo. He photographed this Macaw using the Fusion technique and gave a print to Lee.

If you would like to contact George his number is 559-676-3016. His wife, Janet, also has a jewelry business if you would like you can contact her about that as well.



#### Upcoming Workshops and Photo Opportunities in California and Beyond

Date	Workshop	Fees	More Information
1/10	So. Cal Bird Safari	\$160	www.amwestphoto.com
1/13	Canon EOS Basics	\$50	www.hornphoto.com
1/14	Intro to Nikon DSLR	\$50	www.hornphoto.com
1/15	Yosemite Winter Safari	\$160	www.amwestphoto.com
1/20	Sony—RX100	\$50	www.hornphoto.com
1/21	Sony—A6000	\$50	www.hornphoto.com
1/24	Sequoia Winter Safari	\$160	www.amwestphoto.com
2/11	Intro to Nikon DSLR	\$50	www.hornphoto.com
2/18	Canon EOS Basics	\$50	www.hornphoto.com
2/19-21	Utah Raptors Safari	\$600	www.amwestphoto.com
2/28	Blossom Trail Safari	\$160	www.amwestphoto.com

### San Joaquin Valley Camera Club Council - SJVCCC

The year end meeting of the SJVCCC was held on December 14. 26 members attended the meeting. John Greening read the remarks that Ron Webb, who judged end of the year entries, wrote out and John Greening read as Dee handed out ribbons.

Tom Fraiser introduced a new program for submitting digitals to council, but I could not understand a thing, but John will have it on his agenda for January business meeting at Marie Callenders to see if we want to use it.

The annual Business Meeting is scheduled for Sunday, January 11th at 11:00am. It will be held in the Garden Room at the Marie Callendar's at 1781 E. Shaw Avenue in Fresno.



#### End of Year Winners:

Humor 3rd Dee Humphrey—What Goes on in Vegas Stays in Vegas

Photojournalism 2nd John Greening—Losing it During Waitress Race 3rd Shelley Stone—Dance Troop

Travel

1st Jonathan Rollins—Julia Pfeiffer State Park 2nd Pat Rhames—Kilmacduagh Ruins

Nature 2nd Elizabeth Bedard—Moth on a Thistle 3rd Jonathan Rollins—Great Blue Heron

#### Pictorial

2nd Jonathan Rollins—Little Angel 3rd John Greening—Pines Floating Amidst Aspens

Monochrome Print 2nd Shelley Stone—Stylized View of Mount Rushmore 3rd John Greening—Decaying Fishing Boat

Color Print 2nd Pat Rhames—Brewery Relics Hold Stories of the Past 3rd Judy Krueger—Spider with Web



Shirley Ward and John Greening

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#### Fresno Camera Club Members Placing at Council A Pictorial John Greening 1st 2nd Pat Rhames **Elizabeth Bedard** 3rd **Dr. Ling Nin** Loye Stone AA Pictorial Jennifer Doerrie 3rd Herb Spencer A Nature 1st **Dr. Ling Nin** 2nd Pat Rhames Jennifer Doerrie 3rd AAA Nature John Greening 1st A Travel John Greening 1st **Dr. Ning Lin** 3rd **Herb Spencer** AA Travel 1st Jennifer Doerrie **Shelley Stone** 3rd A Photojournalism 2nd **Elizabeth Bedard** Pat Rhames AA Photojournalism 2nd **Herb Spencer** AAA Photojournalism Loye Stone 1st A Color Print Pat Rhames 1st John Greening 2nd 3rd **Elizabeth Bedard**

**AAA Color Prints** 3rd **Dr. Lloyd Bever** A Monochrome Prints Pat Rhames 1st John Greening 2nd 3rd **Elizabeth Bedard AA Monochrome Prints** 1st Dee Humphrey 2nd **Loye Stone** 3rd **Shelley Stone** High Points Overall—Prints Pat Rhames 1st 2nd John Greening **Highest Points Club** 

**AA Color Prints** 

Loye Stone

**Dee Humphrey** 

2nd

3rd

1st	Fresno	2439 Points
2nd	Stockton	2307.5 Points
3rd	Merced	2090 Points

SJVCCC Awards Presented



261

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#### 2014 in Review



January's Image of the Month Abandoned Virginia Barn by **Pat Rhames** 



February's Image of the Month *Queen Butterfly* by **Dennis Montejano** 



March's Image of the Month Hawk and Crow by Gary O'Neill



April's Image of the Month Antelope Canyon Colors By **Shelley Stone** 



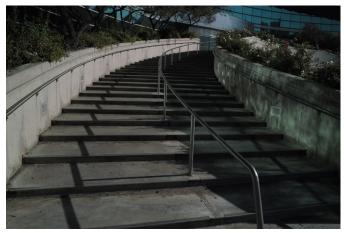
May's Image of the Month *Peacock* by **Dean Lawrence** 

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June's Image of the Month Male Impalas Fighting for Dominance By **Ning Lin** 



July's Image of the Month Stairway to City Hall by **Tom Fowler** 



September's Image of the Month Balance by David Hunter



October's Image of the Month Milky Way Over Big Bend by **David Hunter** 



November's Image of the Month El Capitan South Side View by Art Serabian

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### **Lightroom and Photoshop Webinars**

Lewis Kemper will be teaching a series of **Lightroom and Photoshop webinars**, each on a very specific topic. These are information packed, hour-long sessions geared to making you more proficient in either Lightroom or Photoshop. Each webinar is **only \$8.95** and will be recorded giving you **freedom to access at anytime**. If you cannot make the live date you can still sign up for the live class and you will receive the link to the recorded session. You just won't have the opportunity to post any questions. I am going to do two tracks. A Lightroom track, and a Photoshop track (For Elements users 90% of what is covered will apply to you)

Here is the schedule for his first 3 months of webinars:

#### Tuesday January 6<sup>th</sup> at 6 Pacific/ 9 Eastern time

**Lightroom Track:** Intro to Lightroom - Getting started – covering the concept behind Lightroom, organizing your files, the importance of keywords, setting up a Camera Raw default and importing pictures.

To purchase a ticket to this webinar and a link to the recorded session click <u>here</u>. Invitations to the webinar will be sent out a week in advance.

# Tuesday January 13<sup>th</sup> at 6 Pacific/9 Eastern

**Photoshop Track:** Getting started with Adobe Camera Raw – setting up a Camera Default the first step to all your processing. Including tips on setting up Camera Calibration, Detail and Sharpening settings and introduction to the tools in Adobe Camera Raw.

To purchase a ticket to this webinar and a link to the recorded session click <u>here</u>. Invitations to the webinar will be sent out a week in advance.

#### Tuesday February 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6 Pacific/9 Eastern

**Lightroom Track:** Taking advantage of the Library module to find your pictures! Unleash the power of Lightroom by learning keywording, rating, editing and searching images.

To purchase a ticket to this webinar and a link to the recorded session click <u>here</u>. Invitations to the webinar will be sent out a week in advance.

### Lightroom and Photoshop Webinars Continued

#### Tuesday February 10<sup>th</sup> at 6 Pacific/9 Eastern

**Photoshop Track:** Using the Local Adjustment Tools to take your images beyond ordinary. Learn how to use the Graduated Filter, Adjustment Brush, and the Radial Filter to set your images apart from the crowd.

To purchase a ticket to this webinar and a link to the recorded session click <u>here</u>. Invitations to the webinar will be sent out a week in advance.

### Tuesday March 10<sup>th</sup> at 6 Pacific/9 Eastern

**Lightroom Track:** Using the Local Adjustment Tools to take your images beyond ordinary. Learn how to use the Graduated Filter, Adjustment Brush, and the Radial Filter to set your images apart from the crowd.

To purchase a ticket to this webinar and a link to the recorded session click <u>here</u>. Invitations to the webinar will be sent out a week in advance.

# Tuesday March 17<sup>th</sup> at 6 Pacific/9 Eastern

**Photoshop Track:** Taking the mystery out of Layers, Adjustment Layers and Layer Masks. Learn when you use a layer and when to use an adjustment layer, how to create local changes to an image by using adjustment layers and masks, and the power of layer masks.

To purchase a ticket to this webinar and a link to the recorded session click <u>here</u>. Invitations to the webinar will be sent out a week in advance.







#### **PSA** Information

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

**"ADVANTAGES OF HAVING PSA MEMBERSHIP** 

PSA has a <u>Personalized Image Evaluation Ser</u><u>vice</u>. 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 previewing 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 <u>http://psa-photo/org.php?member-education</u> <u>-mentor-service</u>

# **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 <u>create</u> 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.** 

Lee Cates, FPSA

Any questions, just ask me, as I am the PSA Rep for this area.

Lee H. Cates, FPSA Asst SMD

> Remember to renew your PSA membership dues as one of your New Years Resolutions!



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#### Contribute to the Websites!

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

**Craig J. Hadfield** is webmaster of <u>www.sjvccc.org.</u> and he would like to have your interesting articles to post on the website, email him at <u>bcard@bobsbunker.net</u>.

# "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 elizabeth@bedardcontrols.com.

Submissions for inclusion in the next month's "Highlights" should be received by the 15<sup>th</sup> 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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