

THE PILCHUCKER

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This month's cover shot was a difficult decision. Due to my own health problems and last minute travel I did not get a copy of all the images that were in the August competition where the cover shot is usually chosen from.

The names of the images do have me intrigued as to what they exactly were.

So, this month's cover is a shot of my own. It was taken in Glacier Nat'l Park in Montana. These were interesting plants that I kept seeing on the forest floor mainly among Cedar trees. They were a lot of fun to shoot. The natural light was mainly just filtered from the tall trees and almost all in the shadows. The berries were a bright red among large leaves that were a little muted.

It was taken with a Nikon D90 on a tripod, f/5.6, 1/125 at an ISO-1400. I was using a 15-200mm lens and the focal length of this image was 150mm.

While I was enjoying the challenge of photographing them, the challenge grew even more when it came time to name what it is. I still haven't found the name of the bush/berry/plant. If anyone knows what it is, please let me know. I like to know the names of what I shoot.

Upcoming Events:

September 10th, 2009

Monthly Club Meeting:

7pm at the Baker Heights Social Hall

Competition:

3 regular competition images

PSA Travel, Nature and Creative Competitions

Program:

REFRESHMENTS: Jim Basinger

September 11 to 18, 2009—Field Trip

Field Trip to Balloon Festival in Reno, NV and Ghost Town of Bodie, CA with other places in between and to take some great pictures.

Sept. 20-26, 2009 PSA 75th Intern'l

Conference @ Yellowstone Nat'l Park

October 9-11, 2009 ,Gresham, OR

Columbia Council of Camera Clubs
Annual Convention

November 14, 2009— NWCC Conference

At Museum of Flight

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August, 2009

General Competition Results

Scores are based on a 27 point scale with 3 judges (and 1 alternate) giving a score of 1 to 9.

<u>Award</u>	<u>Image Name</u>	<u>Photographer</u>	<u>Points</u>
2nd	Whale	Jim Basinger	23
2nd	Hummer & Fushia	Jim Basinger	23
	American Kestral	Jim Basinger	22
	Shrub & Rock	Linda Davis	21
	Whales	Linda Davis	21
	Colorful Wild-flowers	Linda Davis	21
	Julian Alps	Joyce Harvey	22
	Walking on Water	Joyce Harvey	21
	Bolder Falls	Joyce Harvey	20
	Still Life with Monkeys	Claw Kelsey	20
	Jaws	Claw Kelsey	20
	Heirloom	Claw Kelsey	20
2nd	What's Up Doc	Renata Kleinert	23
2nd	Fishing	Renata Kleinert	23
	Kitty Kitty	Renata Kleinert	22
2nd	Fire Lines	Norm Kreger	23
	Light Flash	Norm Kreger	22
	Silver Burst	Norm Kreger	21

<u>Award</u>	<u>Image Name</u>	<u>Photographer</u>	<u>Points</u>
	Teasel	Steve Lightle	22
	Lavender	Steve Lightle	22
	Lily Softly	Steve Lightle	21
2nd	Yoga	Paul McKee	23
	Don't Skip	Paul McKee	22
	Golden Return	Paul McKee	21
	Bee on Dahlia	Margaret McLeod	21
	Deer at Dungeness	Margaret McLeod	20
	Port Townsend Evening	Margaret McLeod	20
2nd	Owl	Shirley Stich	23
	Duck	Shirley Stich	20
1st	Poppy Center	Shirley Stich	24
	Sunset Pine	Kevin Siefke	21
	Gull Point	Kevin Siefke	22
	Grand Canyon	Kevin Siefke	22
	Orange Lily	Janet Wright	22
	Bee	Janet Wright	22
	Blue Heron #12	Janet Wright	22



1st—Poppy Center by Shirley Stich

August 2009 Winning Images



Above 2nd-Hummer and Fushia & Below Whales By Jim Basinger



2nd—Owl by Shirley Stich



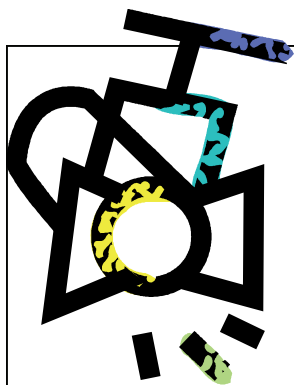
2nd-Fire Lines by Norm Kreger



Above 2nd-Fishing & Below What's Up Doc? by Renata Kleinert



2nd-Yoga by Paul McKee



Member Spotlight on

Linda Davis

When I first joined the camera club I knew nothing about 35 mm cameras and did not even own one.

Shortly after I joined I bought a Minolta XTI and signed up for a beginning photography class at Everett Community College. I had cheap lenses, which began wearing out after just a couple of years. Our camera club was not digital yet, so I bought a Canon EOS 3 and a couple of lenses to go with it. I loved my camera, but within a couple of years the club went digital, so I bought a digital Rebel XTI.

I like digital except then you have to learn the computer programs to go with that such as some form of Photoshop (I have Elements, and just recently bought Lightroom).

Since I have two jobs, learning new computer programs takes some time, which I have a very limited amount of. I'm still learning and thinking about a new camera. The only problem is, cameras are now like computers in that they are outdated within six months to a year after you buy one. Maybe by the time I retire I can afford a new camera. My dream would be to just concentrate on taking pictures and becoming a really good photographer.

Landscapes are my favorite subject.



Assigned Subject for 2009: GLASS

Each year the club Program Director (Vice President), with the aid of the Executive committee, chooses an annual Assigned Subject category. Club members may enter three images in this annual competition. The images must have been taken during 2009.

2009 PHOTOGRAPHERS CHOICE LIST

This list is meant to promote the photographing a variety of subjects. To participate you do not need to compete in all of the subjects, but enter whatever you have taken. This is not a contest, just a fun way to view how each club member interprets the subjects. Images must be taken in 2009 and submitted at the Nov. 2009 meeting and shown at the Dec. 2009 social.

SWIRLS	OLD HOUSES
FERNS	CLOCKS
RAINBOW	EMPTY
NIGHT SCENE	ALONE
WATERFALL	SLOW
CEMETERIES	LIGHT
RED	POWER
LINES	NEON
SIGNS	HOT
ANIMALS	CLUB MEMBER

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It started out innocently enough. One day perusing the web, checking out camera stores and photographic web sites, I came across 'canonrumors'.

Interesting site. They publish rumors. Rumors of new lenses, camera bodies, flashes, firmware upgrades. And people write back. And they speculate on rumored lenses, specifications, likelihood that the rumor is true, plausible, totally insane. Fun stuff.

So I'd check back every once in a while to see what was being reported.

Then the 'check backs' got more frequent. Maybe I'd get a scoop on a new camera. Do I need a new camera? Do I really want one? Lens? Well no... maybe... kinda..... Being somewhat of a camera technology junkie this turns out to be a great site. But now I'm afraid it's kind of become an addiction. Absolutely have to check canonrumors each and every day. Ummmm maybe each and every morning and evening. But... I do know, or think I know or canonrumors seems to know that there are a couple of new canon camera bodies on the way, maybe announced the first of September, maybe a T1, rebel with vides, maybe a 7D better than 5D but cropped sensor and maybe some new IS II lenses. Maybe I want one, Well no, maybe I NEED one. Canonrumors.com - check it out. (Ok, if you're a Nikon kind of person, check out Nikonrumors.com).

By the time you're reading this it will be just a few days before our September club meeting, which of course is when your dues are due and when we elect new officers. How about some new faces in the President / Vice President races this year? Come on. You can do it.

PILCHUCK CAMERA CLUB Minutes of August 13, 2009 Meetings

The regular meeting of the Pilchuck Camera Club was called to order at 7:08 P.M. by President Steve Lightle. Fourteen members were present. We also had three visitors - Murphy and Marilyn Hektner, and Harvey Wade.

Correspondence received: None

Treasurer Mary Tevis presented the treasurer's report. The current balance is \$507.34.

Vice President Janet Wright presented certificates for the July club competition.

Committee reports:

Membership: Harvey Wade joined at this meeting.

PSA: Conference on September 20

Northwest Council: The Fall Conference will be at the Museum of Flight in Seattle on Saturday, November 14. Speakers will be Charles Needle and John Davis. Registration is \$55 if postmarked by November 9; \$65 at the door. For more details, go to www.nwcameraclubs.org.

Social: September - Jim; members signed up through January.

Sunshine: Card was sent to Jim on the passing of his brother.

Field Trips: Washington Renaissance Fantasy Faire in Buckley on August 8 - Steve was the only member to show up.

Reno/Bodie trip is September 11 through 18.

Old business: The annual club picnic will be at the LaConner Thousand Trails on Saturday, August 29.

New Business: None

Meeting was adjourned at 7:26 P.M.

Jim reported a count of 36 images in the monthly competition. Judges for the competition were Renata, Norm, and Kevin, with Joyce as alternate. Projection was by Jim and tabulation by Steve.

The evening's program was Murphy Hektner critiquing our images, as well as presenting some of his own images and photography tips.

Kevin Siefke, Secretary

The Pilchuck Camera Club Information

Serving members from the Puget Sound Area of Washington State

The Pilchuck Camera Club was organized June 12, 1964, and is a member of the Photographic Society of America (PSA) and the Northwest Council of Camera Clubs (NWCCC). Membership is open to anyone interested in color or monochromatic slide or digital photography.

Club meetings are held at 7:00 p.m. on the second Thursday of each month in the Baker Heights Social Hall, 1401 Poplar Street, Everett, WA. Map is available at the PCC website.

Pilchuck Camera Club Web Page:

<http://www.geocities.com/pilchuckcc>

Photographic Society of America (PSA):

<http://www.psa-photo.org>

Northwest Council of Camera Clubs (NWCCC)

<http://www.nwcameraclubs.org>



Please send all digital images for competition to

PCCDigitalEntry@Verizon.net

By September 8, 2009

Dimension requirements for submitted images:

No larger than 1024 pixels wide by 768 pixels tall. Other rules concerning submissions can be found in the PCC Member handbook which is available on PCC's website.

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