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March 2019

The club meets at the Hudson Senior Center, 29 Church Street, Hudson MA on the first and third Wednesdays of each month except July and Aug. Meetings begin at 7:30 PM

Next meeting: March 6th
The program is:

"Photographer's Showcase"

Join us for an evening of travel photography when two of our members will share their beautiful images of Burma as well as breath-taking views of the British Isles and Ireland.

Competitions:

The next competition will be March 20th.

Digital subjects are "Silhouette" & "Open". The print category is "Nature".

The deadline to submit digital images is March 17th @11:59 PM.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A friendly reminder that the closing date for scavenger hunt submittal is one month away.

Below are the rules.

The purpose of the scavenger hunt is twofold:

One, it is a fun completion, and is also our April program where we ourselves will judge the winning images.

Secondly, these images are needed for the Quad club competition.

We add these to any others that have qualified from this year's monthly competitions. The more entrees the better we will be able to compete with the other 3 clubs.

Even if you have only a few images to enter for the scavenger hunt, please do it. You most likely won't win with the overall highest score, but you certainly can have bragging rights for the win in that particular subject category. Please try to compete, whether it is 1 image or 10.

Please let John Gill (jandsgill@verizon.net) if you plan on entering.

Scavenger Hunt 2018-2019

Rules and Procedures:

1. **Images must be taken between April 1, 2018 and March 20, 2019.**
2. **Images may be adjusted (manipulated).**
3. **Image files shall be in the same format as for club digital competitions (maximum of 1400 pixels wide by maximum of 1050 pixels tall).**
4. **Image files shall be of type jpg.**
5. **Image file names are automatically created by the submission procedure "Submitting Images" below.**
6. **For judging, all images will be displayed in the orientation provided.**
7. **All Scavenger Hunt subjects (see below) are also subjects of the Multi-Screen Competition and therefore all Scavenger Hunt images will be considered for entry into the Multi-Screen Competition.**

Submitting Images:

Submit your images using our online procedure by selecting this [link](#) and following instructions there. Images must be submitted on or before March 20, 2019.

Scoring:

1. **Zero (0) points if the digital image does not satisfy Subject.**
2. **Four (4) points if the digital image is below average.**
3. **Five (5) points if the digital image is average.**
4. **Six (6) points if the digital image is above average.**
5. **Each person's lowest-scored image will be dropped so one can choose to skip one subject without penalty.**
6. **The person with the highest total score is the winner.**

Prizes:

Contest Place	Contest Prize
First	Blue Ribbon & Certificate
Second	Red Ribbon & Certificate
Third	Yellow Ribbon & Certificate

Items to Find:

Subject Number	Subject	Notes
01	Diversity	
02	Looking Down	A
03	Monochrome	Ap
04	Paths and Trails	A
05	Photojournalism	
06	Portraits	A
07	Rust	A
08	Silhouettes	A
09	Skyline	Ap
10	Winter	

Notes:

A - subject is also an AVCC club competition subject

Ap - subject is also an AVCC club print competition subject

Help Setting Up

We really need some help setting up the meeting room.

We typically start around 2:15 to 2:30.

It takes an hour or less, depending on how fast we move, or how chatty we get. For all of these past years, there has just been a few of us who do it each time. We need more members so we can spread out the work load.

If you haven't done it before, come this Wednesday and learn about what we have been doing to make the room ready. We start by taking down all the round tables that senior center uses during the day. We arrange all the chairs as you see them, set up projector etc. If we have enough people, we maybe can then schedule "teams".

It's not difficult, so please consider coming and learning what needs to be done.

Competition Images:

Just a reminder about the new resolution we will be using for competition.

Just resize your images to 1400 (H) x 1050 (V) instead of (1024 x 768).

Note: If you submit an image with the old resolution, it will display fine, but it will display smaller.

Feb. '19 Print Competition - MONOCHROME

<u>TITLE</u>	<u>SUBMITTED BY</u>	<u>SCORE</u>	<u>AWARD</u>
<u>GOLD</u>			
Zakim Bridge Park	Darlene Holman	25.8	1st
Zakim Bridge With Clouds	Leon Ferrante	25.2	2nd
Romanian Actor	Sue Abrahamsen	25	3rd
That's Close Enough!	Bob Cooke	24.5	
Old State House Staircase	Paul Weisbach	24.5	
Light of My Life	Linda Shelales	23.5	
Barcelona Door Detail	Linda Gilberti	23.5	
Back in Time	Bob Escott	23.3	
Reflection Lake, Mt. Ranier NP	Todd Mathieson	22.6	
<u>Make-Up</u>			
<u>SILVER</u>			
Chloe in Black and White	Elliot Mednick	25.1	1st
Chapel Atop Mount Parnitha, Greece	Cathy Robotis	23.9	2nd
Five White Ibis	Larry Alley	23.8	3rd
Sacre Coeur	Mary Strachan	22.9	
Ring-Billed Gull	Liz Krouse	22	
<u>Make-Up for</u>			

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PRINT SUMMARY 2018-2019

	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	
GOLD	Open	Monochrome	Nature	Skyline	Open	Monochrome	Nature	Open	Open	TOTAL
Sue Abrahamsen	24.7	27	28.8	26.6	28.1	25	0	0	0	160.2
Darlene Holman	27	25.3	25	28	27.9	25.8	0	0	0	159
Leon Ferrante	23.7	26.3	29.5	25.2	28.2	25.2	0	0	0	158.1
Paul Weisbach	27.1	25.9	25	24	29.1	24.5	0	0	0	155.6
Linda Shelales	25.5	25.8	27	26	24.8	23.5	0	0	0	152.6
Bob Cooke	25	24.7	24.3	25.1	26.1	24.5	0	0	0	149.7
Bob Escott	23.7	24	26.7	25	26	23.3	0	0	0	148.7
Todd Mathieson	22.3	25.8	26.1	24.2	26.6	22.6	0	0	0	147.6
Linda Gilberti	24.5	25.3	24.5	24.4	25.4	23.5	0	0	0	147.6
Linda DeStefano Brown	23.5	25.5	25.9	24.1	24.8	0	0	0	0	123.8
Dave Morin	25.3	22.8	27.2	0	0	0	0	0	0	75.3
Ginny Harris	0	26.3	25.6	0	0	0	0	0	0	51.9
SILVER	Open	Monochrome	Nature	Skyline	Open	Monochrome	Nature	Open	Open	TOTAL
Elliot Mednick	24.2	25.9	27.6	25.9	26.1	25.1	0	0	0	154.8
Larry Alley	25.3	23.4	27.5	26.6	26	23.8	0	0	0	152.6
Mary Strachan	23.4	25	22.3	24.1	24.9	22.9	0	0	0	142.6
Maureen Mathieson	25.3	25.6	0	23.9	0	0	0	0	0	74.8
Cathy Robotis	23.2	25.8	0	25.7	0	23.9	0	0	0	98.6
Heather Ruthroff	0	27.4	0	0	26.1	0	0	0	0	53.5
Bill Weiblen	23.8	0	0	0	23.5	0	0	0	0	47.3
Larry Wellington	0	23.5	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	45.5
John Sahagian	0	25.3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	25.3
Liz Krouse	0	0	0	0	0	22	0	0	0	22

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Feb. '19 Digital Competition - OPEN			
<u>TITLE</u>	<u>SUBMITTED BY</u>	<u>SCORE</u>	<u>AWARD</u>
CLASS AA			
Mom Dad and Baby	Tony Monteiro	29	1st
Perched Burrowing Owl	Doris Monteiro	27.4	2nd
Purple Splash	Todd Mathieson	27.1	3rd
Mating Hover Flies	Cathy Simmons	26.6	
Female Cardinal	Ginny Harris	26.5	
Road to the Sun	Robyn Saur	26.3	
Spiky Milkweed	Sue Abrahamsen	25.2	
Say Aaaaahhhhhh	Linda Shelales	24.7	
Roundbottom Flasks for Chemists	Maureen Mathieson	24.6	
Copenhagen Harbour	John Houldsworth	24.5	
Waiting for the Thaw	John Gill	23.1	
CLASS A			
Blossoming Lotus Flower	Darlene Holman	25.6	1st
Glistening Pagoda	Linda Gilberti	24.9	2nd
Tightrope Walking Chipmunk	Barbara Huntley	24.9	2nd
Pink Lotus	Bob Escott	24.6	3rd
Feather Flowers and Shell	Dave Reynard	24.5	
Tern Looking for Food	Leon Ferrante	24.5	
Rose Petal Soft	Jane Parker	24.2	
Butterfly on Flower	Diana Ledoux	23.3	
Geronimo	Dean Giolas	22.8	
Make-Up for Jan. '19 - OPEN			
Seattle Skyline	Dean Giolas	23.9	
CLASS B			
Flight 2028	Elliot Mednick	26.5	1st
To Infinity and Beyond	Mary Strachan	25.5	2nd
St. Peter's Bay Sunset	Peter Stultz	25	3rd
Opposites Attract	Pam Meoli	24.5	
Barred Owl	Larry Alley	24.4	
Monkeying Around	Natalie Schiavone	24.4	
In the Shadows of Modern Boston	Catherine Robotis	23.9	
Rainbow Over Tuscon	Marie Riley	23.8	
Fishing on the Nile	John McKinney	23.8	
Snow in Santa Fe	Chip Allen	23	
Yakidy Yak	Susan Nichols	22.9	
Everyone Loves a Parade	Jim Quinn	22.9	
Artemis Shipwreck in Provincetown	Liz Krouse	22.9	
Happy Butterfly	Theresa Vachowski	22.7	
Praying Mantis	Bob Cooke	22	

Feb. '19 Digital Competition - NATURE			
<u>TITLE</u>	<u>SUBMITTED BY</u>	<u>SCORE</u>	<u>AWARD</u>
CLASS AA			
Spoonbill Midair Encounter	Tony Monteiro	29.1	1st
Tricolor Heron	Robyn Saur	27.3	2nd
Chippy the Pileated Woodpecker	Ginny Harris	27.2	3rd
Great Egret With Snack	Cathy Simmons	26.7	
Blue Dasher on Leaf #2	John Gill	26.4	
Tricolored Heron Preening	Sue Abrahamsen	26.3	
Purple Gallinule With Fire Flag Seed	Doris Monteiro	26.2	
Solitary Bird	John Houldsworth	24.2	
Ferns in Acadia 2018	Maureen Mathieson	24.2	
Lotus & Bumble Bee	Linda Shelales	24.1	
Live Bee on Dead Leaves	Todd Mathieson	22.9	
CLASS A			
Yosemite Falls With Rainbow	Dave Reynard	26	1st
Egret Parent With Two Chicks	Barbara Huntley	25.5	2nd
Piping Plover With Babies	Leon Ferrante	25.4	3rd
Territorial Mute Swans	Darlene Holman	25.2	
Sentry	Jane Parker	25	
On the Move	Linda Gilberti	23.7	
Tufted Titmouse	Dean Giolas	23.5	
Walden Pond	Diana Ledoux	23	
Winter Reflections	Bob Escott	22	
Make-Up for Jan. '19 - LOOKING DOWN			
Looking Down on History	Dean Giolas	23.2	
CLASS B			
Yosemite Valley Sunrise	Peter Stultz	26.4	1st
Swan Valentines	Liz Krouse	26.3	2nd
Worker Bees	Pam Meoli	25.6	3rd
Yoga on the Beach	Mary Strachan	25.5	
Here's Looking at You	Elliot Mednick	25.4	
Musical Mallard	Natalie Schiavone	24.5	
Sunrise on Haleakala	Chip Allen	24.2	
Sticking Around	Susan Nichols	24.1	
Blue Jay in the Park	Catherine Robotis	23.7	
Floating Flowers	Jim Quinn	23.1	
Lovers Enjoying the Day	John McKinney	23.1	
Pile of Turtles - Assabet River	Theresa Vachowski	22.8	
Anhinga Perched on a Limb	Marie Riley	22.4	
Raccoon Eating Seagrapes	Larry Alley	22.4	
Fine Feather	Bob Cooke	19.5	

DIGITAL SUMMARY 2018-2019

MEMBERS	SEPT		OCT		NOV		DEC		JAN		FEB		MAR		APR		MAY		TOTAL
CLASS AA	Open	Assn'd	Open	Nature	Open	Assn'd	Open	Nature	Open	Assn'd	Open	Nature	Open	Assn'd	Open	Nature	Open	Assn'd	
Tony Monteiro	24.5	26	28.1	28.3	28.7	26.2	28.6	28.7	28.2	29.5	29	29.1	0	0	0	0	0	0	334.9
Doris Monteiro	26.2	23.6	27.6	25.1	28.5	25.8	27.5	28.8	28.7	29.2	27.4	26.2	0	0	0	0	0	0	324.6
John Gill	26.8	24.2	28.7	26.8	27.5	27.8	28.6	25.5	29.5	29.1	23.1	26.4	0	0	0	0	0	0	324
Cathy Simmons	25.4	23	26.7	26.2	26.8	24.3	28	27.6	28.8	26.9	26.6	26.7	0	0	0	0	0	0	317
Sue Abrahamsen	25.4	22.7	27	28.6	25.3	27	25.7	27.6	26.4	28.1	25.2	26.3	0	0	0	0	0	0	315.3
Ginny Harris	26.5	22.5	23.7	28.5	25	26.2	25.6	27.3	28.1	27.4	26.5	27.2	0	0	0	0	0	0	314.5
Todd Mathieson	25.5	23.6	24.4	25.7	27.7	28.5	26.6	28.2	28.3	23.3	27.1	22.9	0	0	0	0	0	0	311.8
Robyn Saur	26.5	23.8	24.7	25.4	25.3	23.3	26.2	28.2	26.5	27.8	26.3	27.3	0	0	0	0	0	0	311.3
Linda Shelales	24.2	24.2	26.7	24.5	25.2	23.8	25.5	24.5	27.5	24.3	24.7	24.1	0	0	0	0	0	0	299.2
Maureen Mathieson	23.5	22.2	22.9	23.3	24.3	26	27.1	27.2	25.5	24.3	24.6	24.2	0	0	0	0	0	0	295.1
John Houldsworth	24	21.7	25.9	24.5	24.2	25	23.3	24.7	25.9	24.7	24.5	24.3	0	0	0	0	0	0	292.7
Drew Simmons	24.4	22.4	24.7	25.1	26.8	25.4	26	25.4	24.9	27.8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	252.9
Dave Morin	25.7	25.3	22.6	24.3	23	24	22.8	25.3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	193
CLASS A	Open	Assn'd	Open	Nature	Open	Assn'd	Open	Nature	Open	Assn'd	Open	Nature	Open	Assn'd	Open	Nature	Open	Assn'd	TOTAL
Leon Ferrante	26	23.6	28.2	28.1	24.2	28.8	25.7	27.2	27.6	27.6	24.5	25.4	0	0	0	0	0	0	316.9
Darlene Holman	23.5	23.1	28	26.6	25.8	24	27.1	28	28	27.7	25.6	25.2	0	0	0	0	0	0	312.6
Dave Reynard	25	23.6	24.8	26.7	24.2	26.2	27.1	26.8	25.6	26	24.5	26	0	0	0	0	0	0	306.5
Jane Parker	23.9	23.1	25	25.2	26.9	25.2	24.5	26.1	27.1	26.7	24.2	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	302.9
Barbara Huntley	23	22.9	26.4	25.7	23	23.7	25.7	27.6	26.5	26.7	24.9	25.5	0	0	0	0	0	0	301.6
Bob Escott	22.5	25.2	25.7	27	22.7	25.8	26.8	24.2	26.4	27.3	24.6	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	300.2
Linda Gilberti	22.3	21.8	24.7	24.1	24	24.5	27.1	26.2	25.5	25.4	24.9	23.7	0	0	0	0	0	0	294.2
Diana Ledoux	25.2	22.3	22.6	23.3	22.8	25.1	23.7	23	25.2	26.5	23.3	23	0	0	0	0	0	0	286
Dean Giolas	23.2	22	25.4	23.9	24.8	25.2	23.9	21.2	23.9	23.2	22.8	23.5	0	0	0	0	0	0	283
Jill Lockwood	24.2	21.3	24.9	22.8	24.8	23.1	24.9	25.3	27.2	24.3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	242.8
CLASS B	Open	Assn'd	Open	Nature	Open	Assn'd	Open	Nature	Open	Assn'd	Open	Nature	Open	Assn'd	Open	Nature	Open	Assn'd	TOTAL
Elliot Mednick	25.7	24.2	25.6	27.9	25.1	23.4	24	27.3	26.1	29	26.5	25.4	0	0	0	0	0	0	310.2
Natalie Schiavone	24	22.8	24.6	28.7	26.4	23.4	23.7	28	28.8	28.1	24.4	24.5	0	0	0	0	0	0	307.4
Larry Alley	20.6	25.5	24.9	24.3	25.6	26.6	24.3	28.8	27	26.7	24.4	22.4	0	0	0	0	0	0	301.1
Mary Strachan	23.3	24.4	24.8	24.1	22.9	25.7	25	24.1	26	25.8	25.5	25.5	0	0	0	0	0	0	297.1
Susan Nichols	23.9	25.7	22.9	24.8	25.4	26.4	23.5	25.2	25.2	26.2	22.9	24.1	0	0	0	0	0	0	296.2
Jim Quinn	23.8	22.8	23.1	24.5	24.7	26.2	23.9	24.4	27.7	27.4	22.9	23.1	0	0	0	0	0	0	294.5
John McKinney	22.8	24.2	22.6	24.3	24.5	24	24.4	27	26.9	25.8	23.8	23.1	0	0	0	0	0	0	293.4
Pam Meoli	22.1	23.8	22.5	25	25.5	23.4	22.8	23.9	26.2	25.9	24.5	25.6	0	0	0	0	0	0	291.2
Catherine Robotis	24.3	24.7	26.5	9	23.5	23.6	25.4	26.9	26.4	26.5	23.9	23.7	0	0	0	0	0	0	284.4
Theresa Vachowski	22.9	21.7	24.4	23.7	23	22.5	23.4	23.8	26.4	25.5	22.7	22.8	0	0	0	0	0	0	282.8
Bob Cooke	22.4	23.4	21.7	26.7	21.5	22.5	27.5	23.7	26.8	23.8	22	19.5	0	0	0	0	0	0	281.5
Linda DeStefano Brown	24	22.7	22.4	24.7	26.2	24.3	23.5	25.8	26	24.9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	244.5
Peter Stultz	0	0	0	0	25.7	25	24.2	24.8	25.8	27.6	25	26.4	0	0	0	0	0	0	204.5
Marie Riley	23.5	22.5	23.4	22.9	0	0	0	0	26.2	26.2	23.8	22.4	0	0	0	0	0	0	190.9
Larry Wellington	0	0	22.9	25.2	25.7	25.5	0	24.2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	123.5
Liz Krouse	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	25.4	25.8	22.9	26.3	0	0	0	0	0	0	100.4
Chip Allen	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	26	25.6	23	24.2	0	0	0	0	0	0	98.8
Heather Ruthroff	0	21.9	0	0	0	0	0	24.4	26	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	72.3