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TRPC PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:



I want to introduce myself to you as the new president of Two Rivers Photography Club. For those of you who do not know me I have been a member of the club since 2009 and have been a member of

the board since 2012. My personal photography is mostly wildlife and flowers with some travel photography sprinkled in.

So enough about me, let's talk about the exciting year ahead of us as a photography club. Your board has been busy over the summer coming up with new and revamped ideas for competitions and activities for 2016-2017. You will want to be sure to be at the opening meeting on September 23rd to hear the details for all that we have planned. There will be a new schedule for competitions with one meeting for print competition for both Gallerie and Salon classes and the other monthly meeting for Projected competition. There are also plans to introduce an additional closed board in the fall with "Nature" as the topic. We hope that this will encourage everyone to participate in all of the meetings and share your photos and knowledge with all members of the club. Speaking of sharing photos and knowledge, there have been requests that the makers of winning images share a little about how the image was made. We will try to incorporate that this year as well. So if you are willing

and have a winning image we would appreciate your sharing a little of the technical and creative elements that went into making the image. As we evaluate this new scheduling we will also see if there is time at some of the meetings to introduce some educational presentations.

Of course there will also be many of the familiar activities of the club. The peer-to-peer sessions will continue this year. Four Saturday classes will again be offered this winter as well as a six week fall class "Teaching the Art and Craft of Photography". Be sure to check the club calendar for dates, times and locations. Planning for the annual teach-in is progressing so stay tuned for announcements regarding who will be our presenter. I am looking forward to seeing all of you at our opening meeting.

Submitted by: Barry Biddle, President TRPC

What Did You Do This Summer?

You will have a chance to share three of your images from this summer with the club at our first meeting, September 23, 2016.

Did you find a unique place close to home this summer? Perhaps you would like to share the information with fellow club members. Or did you master a new technique?

Submit three of your images on the clubs digital portal

<http://www.2rpc.com//portal/login.php>

and come to the meeting and give a brief talk about your adventure.



The F/Stop

The F/Stop is the official newsletter for the Two Rivers Photography Club of Binghamton, NY. It is published three times a year (Sept/Dec/Apr) and can be read on-line at the club's web site at:

www.2rpc.com

Articles, photos and announcements are welcome and can be submitted to the editor prior to the publication dates as follows:

September 1, 2016

December 1, 2016

April 1, 2017

All submissions are subject to the f/Stop editor, TRPC Officers and Board of Directors approval.

Editor: Barry Biddle

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Contributing writers:

Bernie Lewis

Cindy Ruggieri

Scott Kelby Annual Worldwide Photo Walk on October 1, 2016

Club member and past TRPC vice-president **Bill Baburchak** is planning a local walk on Saturday October 1, 2016, location to be announced. Further information about location and sign-up procedure will be coming.

History of the Walk: On Saturday, October 1, 2016, photographers will gather in cities across the globe to capture a slice of life through their eyes during the Annual Worldwide PhotoWalk. It's the world's largest global social photography event in the history of photography itself. Photographers of all walks of life and skill levels gather together, on the same day to socialize, learn new tips from each other, and explore their corner of the world through photography.

The Worldwide Photowalk was founded by **Scott Kelby, president of Kelby One** and a #1 bestselling photography and technology book author. He leads a walk each year in a different city and credits the success and popularity of the event to the social aspect of photography. "Photography is usually viewed as a solitary activity, but the truth of the matter is that people love to shoot together, compare notes and just have fun with photography."

Needed

Editor for the TRPC Newsletter

We need someone to step forward and take over the editing and production of The F/Stop.

Barry agreed to get the year started by producing the September issue but wants to be relieved of this responsibility while he is club president. The next issue is due out in December and we need someone to assume this role in time to produce that issue.

If you are interested or have questions about what this entails please talk to either Barry Biddle or Pete Kofira.

Frame To Please Show Endicott Apple Fest Day September 17, 2016

The Endicott Apple Fest, Saturday Sept. 17, 2016, will also be happening during the show month and the club always has a table out in front of the store. The Apple Fest runs from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm.

If you can help with passing out fliers about the club and answering general photography questions and would like to help, please email Pete Kofira at mrpetek@stny.rr.com

TRPC Education Opportunities

➤TRPC six week photo class “Teaching The Art and Craft of Photography” will again be offered in 2016. The class will include hands-on instruction, an instructional book and the tethered camera demonstrations.

The classes will start on Wednesday October 5, 2016 at 7:00 pm and continue on Wednesdays 10/12, 10/26, 11/2, 11/9 and 11/16. All classes will be at the club’s meeting facility at The First Congregational Church, NW Corner of Front and Main Street, Binghamton, NY. Do you have a friend or family member that has a SLR or a DSLR camera and wants to learn how to use it to its full potential? This is a great course to help one get their camera off the “AUTO” mode and into creative shooting. For a complete course description and to register go to the club’s web site at: www.2rpc.com

➤The popular **Saturday Classes** will continue on Saturday mornings at the Endicott Public Library starting on January 21, 2016. The subjects have not been finalized yet. If you have any suggestions or requests please contact Kathy Whisman or Mary Lou Shapinas or any board member.

➤The “Peer to Peer” meetings will start on October 8th and continue into Winter 2017. A total of four sessions are planned for this year. These will also be held at the Endicott Public Library starting at 7:00 pm. Kathy Whisman will act as the chairperson and will have more details at the September meeting. So plan on bringing your photos to share and receive comments and feedback that can help you hone your skills and prepare your best images for competition.

Summer Activities

NECCC

NECCC stands for New England Camera Club Council. Once again there was the annual pilgrimage to the University of Massachusetts in Amherst, Mass. It started on Thursday July 14 with breakfast at Cracker Barrel with Lori Scimnanna, Myrna & Dave Smith, Pat Stone and Bernie Lewis enjoying a meal before departing on the journey. Dave stayed home to tend his garden, and Pat had family plans at the beach. The rest of us proceeded to the campus.

Later that afternoon we made a side trip to the Yankee Candle factory and dinner at Bubbs BBQ (world famous food). Friday morning we met up with Cecelia Laurendiau at the Magic Wings Butterfly Conservancy 7AM for a 'photographers only' opportunity to make great images without the general public present. After a late breakfast it was off to begin the weekend of cram sessions for all sorts of photographic classes.

Lindsey Adler was one of the presenters, as well as Joe & Marianne McDonald, Art Wolf, etc. The usual trade show was available all weekend long, which had great sales and something for everyone.

By Sunday afternoon the weekend was winding down. Friendships were renewed, new ideas for creativity were sparked, new techniques need to be explored, money was spent on the many special deals, and thoughts to do it again next July 14,15,16 2017. Mark your

calendars and consider joining this wonderful weekend of learning and fun.

Submitted by: Bernie Lewis

TRPC 4th Annual Summer Picnic



This year's TRPC picnic was again held at Ann & Rick Northrup's home on Route 26 in Glen Aubrey on Friday August 26th.

We had another great turnout for our summer event – 23 members and guests! Once again chicken from Phil's Chicken House was the main course and club members brought a variety of dishes and desserts to pass. Rick once again cooked up a big pot of delicious sweet corn.

After dinner we set up for TRPC's 3rd non-competitive slideshow event. We had seven slideshows with a range of topics, created using a few different programs with many set to music.



Everyone enjoyed the slideshows. Hopefully members were inspired to create a slide show or try different presentation styles. Inspired by this year's display, it has been suggested that creating slideshows be one of our topics for

the Saturday Winter classes. Since the non-competitive slide show has seemingly become an annual tradition maybe this will inspire more members to participate at next year's picnic.

A Special thanks goes out to our hosts, Rick and Ann, for providing such a lovely setting for our picnic.

Owego Photo Walk



We had a nice turnout for our summer outing on August 11 at the Owego Farm to Fork event, where we planned to enjoy and photograph the event and then walk around town for some additional photo ops. But as it started to rain (lots and lots of rain) we adjusted our plans, ducked into Tioga Trails restaurant, and asked for a table of 20. We may not have gotten any photos but we had a great evening of good food, a lot of laughs, and camaraderie.

Submitted by: Cindy Ruggieri

Sycamore Hill



On June 7 we took a field trip to Sycamore Hills Garden in Marcellus NY. The owners of this privately owned 40 acre botanical garden generously allowed us to visit for a day of photography. This garden is full of wonderful photo opportunities with plenty of colorful blooms, garden statuary, in-

teresting buildings, beautiful pathways, and plenty of sitting areas to relax and enjoy the views. For most of the day the weather cooperated and when it started to drizzle it was time for lunch anyway, so we headed to the covered patio to eat lunch and compare notes. It was a great day of photography and we all left with cards full of great photos from a very unique place.



Attendees: Barry and Sue Biddle, Rick Mardex, Kathy Whisman, Greg and Sharon Lewis, Grant LaBarr, Carol Sagesse, Myrna Smith, Mark and Betty Fuelner, Ray Hunt, Deb Rockefeller, Pete Kofira, Bernie Lewis, Rebecca Rain, Cindy Ruggieri.

Submitted by: Cindy Ruggieri

TRPC Club Meetings

Club Meetings – 7:00 pm – 2nd & 4th Friday
The First Congregational Church NW Corner of
Front and Main Streets Binghamton, NY
GPS - 42° 05.959N, 75° 55.040W (enter parking
lot on Front St.- meeting is downstairs in Fellow-
ship Hall)

Full Schedule of meetings is on club web site
Club Web Site: www.2rpc.com

Closed Board Topics for 2016-2017

10/28/16 - Nature

11/11/16 - “Tools of the Trade”

01/06/17 - Black & White

04/07/17 - “The Eyes Have It”

Annual TRPC Membership Dues

It is that time of year again to renew your membership for the new season.

Please go to the club website:

www.2rpc.com Download the membership renewal application. You can bring the payment to a regular club meeting or mail it to the club PO Box (Cost and Mailing Address are on the form).

Please Support the Club and Renew Today

Program for 1st Club Meeting on Friday - September 23, 2016

The first regular meeting of the club will be on Friday, September 25, 2015. Here’s the agenda:

- Meet the club officers and board members
- Club news; recent club field trips, club & member shows, upcoming events.
- TRPC Handbook updates and new competition schedule
- TRPC By-Laws updates
- What Did You Do Last Summer? Slideshow and brief talk from members who submit photos

Membership Waiver For Students

Just a reminder that the club has established a **Membership Waiver For Students**. The waiver will allow applicants, high school or college students, to apply for a membership waiver to join the club and have full membership and competition benefits for one year. The applicant will need to provide a statement of a few sentences why they want to join the club and what their interest and knowledge of photography is. They will also be required to submit two or three of their typical images. **Do you know any students, friend or family that would qualify for this waiver?** The ideal situation would be for a member to sponsor the student but students can apply on their own and a board member will be assigned as their sponsor. Currently the club is considering up to 5 student waivers per year. Also a special Teach-In waiver may be available if the student is a highly active participant in the club's competitions during the year that they are a member. The application form will be available on the club website.

TRPC Website

Want to keep up to date on what is happening with the Two Rivers Photography Club? Then the club website is your resource. The website contains:

- > Meeting Schedule
- > TRPC News and Trip Information
- > Display of Winning Images from Latest Competition
- > Newsletters
- > Membership Application / Renewal Forms

PEER TO PEER

Tues. Oct. 18 & Thurs. Nov 17

2017 dates TBA

Endicott Public Library

7:00 pm to 8:45 pm

One on One review of your images with other club members

Two Rivers Photography Club

2016/2017

President – Barry Biddle
Vice-president – Bill Baburchak
Secretary – Lori Sciamanna
Treasurer – Kathy Whisman

Board Members:

Bill Bay	Cindy Ruggieri
Pete Kofira	May Lou Shapinas
Bernie Lewis	Pat Stone
Rick Northrup	Jean Stout
Patsy Nash-Jones	

Committees: There are various committees that help the club function. They are listed in the TRPC Handbook that is on the club web site:

www.2rpc.com

These committees are always looking for people to help. Please see any TRPC Board member if you would like to volunteer to assist at any level you can.

TRPC Image Display

The club has an on-going show in the main hallway of the First Congregational Church where our meetings are currently held. There is room for additional images. If you would like to show some of your images they must be framed and have a wire type hanging device attached. You can hang your image any-where there is a empty chain that is already on the wall. If there are no empty spots keep checking as members move their work in and out periodically.

Contact Bernie Lewis for questions:
blewis11@stny.rr.com

**TRPC Bus trip To PHOTOPLUS
EXPO 2016
October 22, 2016
Jacob Javits Center - New York
City**

The TRPC Bus Trip to the 2016 PhotoPlus Expo
and Trade Show
at the Jacob Javits Center in New York City is
planned for:

Saturday October 22, 2016

You **MUST** register for a **FREE** entrance pass
into the show by using the on-line form at:
<https://l.feathr.co/photoplus-expo-two-rivers-photography-club-e>

(make sure you scroll down on the payment page
for the free offer)

If you don't have a pass you will be charged a
fee at the door.

The deadline for the pre-registration for the
FREE pass is October 18, 2016

WOW !!! What a Deal.....

The club is offering the
NYC PhotoPlus Expo bus trip for a great price of:
\$48.00 per seat
(only 20 seats available)

(if all 20 tickets are sold everyone gets a \$5.00
rebate)

The Club has arranged to share a full size bus
with:
Linda Herrick Tours of Binghamton, NY.
The bus will leave from:
Oak St near Binghamton High School promptly at
6:30 am
&
leave NYC promptly at 7:00 pm from Bryant
Park, 42nd St & 6th Ave in NYC for the return
trip.

The departure site in Binghamton, NY is on the
East side of Oak St about midway down the
block from the corner of Oak & Main ST.
There is a parking lot available on the school
property as well as on street parking.

There will be a rest stop on the way down but
none on the way back. There is a bathroom on
the bus.

PLEASE be at both the departure site
and return site in ample time
to board the bus for the trips.

TICKEST WILL GO ON SALE 09/01/16
Contact: Pete Kofira Jr. 607-785-0666
mrpetek@stny.rr.com

ALERT: Only 20 tickets are available and will be
sold to the first 20 people that respond.

**NO REFUNDS & YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE
FOR ANY RESALE OF YOUR TICKET**

SATURDAY CLASSES

JANUARY – FEBRUARY – MARCH 2017

The club will again have the popular Saturday
Classes at the Endicott Public Library.

The 2017 dates are:

Jan 21 - Feb 4 - Feb 18 - Mar 4
9:15 a.m. – Noon

Topics will be announced later.