

# the Lens Paper

*The North County Photographic Society...Inspired by Photography,  
Powered by Volunteers!*

JULY, 2006

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## JUNE PROGRAM (July 26, 2006)

by Barbara Royer

**A Journey in Botswana:** It's Landscape and Wildlife

Dominick Lemarie was born on a small island, Moroni, in the Comoros Islands (in the Indian Ocean), which was a French Territory at that time.



Despite the fact that his main interests in life have always been Animals, Nature and Photography, he spent 12 years behind a computer

screen in France, dreaming of an ideal job with a Camera in hand and the magnificence of Nature in the viewfinder.



Dominick and his wife, Michelle, moved to the United States from France in March 2002, with their dogs Digit and Moheli, and cat, Jodie. It was the perfect occasion to change their lives and do what they were dreaming of! Dominick decided to pursue his passion, and after two classes at UCSD Extension on learning how to process and print in Black & White, he created his business: Dominick Lemarie Photography & PhotoPets.

He has no limitations in his photography, and doesn't want to have any. Dominick uses Canon equipment for his work. His motto is: "Stay in focus, wherever the focus is aimed, in auto or in manual mode, and have fun!"

You can see Dominick's work at [www.DLPhotoPets.com](http://www.DLPhotoPets.com)

## PRESIDENTS CORNER by Mike McMahon

Congratulations to the many NCPS members who were successful at the San Diego Fair's Photographic Competition this year. You can see the names of the members and their awards in the article which appears in this newsletter. In summary, 151 of the images on display at the Fair were the work of NCPS photographers...wow! And thanks, again to Ed Stalder and the NCPS volunteers who helped receive, hang, and judge at this year's Fair.

As announced at the June meeting, I will be stepping down as President at the end of this summer. This concludes 3 years in the position and I want to personally thank all of you for making me feel so welcome in the role. Your enthusiasm and involvement have made it a joy and a privilege. We all have a lot to be proud of...the NCPS remains a great place for inspiration, education, and fun.

A Nominating Committee has been formed to search for the next NCPS President. If you would like to volunteer or would like to nominate a fellow member, please contact Carrie Barton, Committee Chairperson at [ouraydog@cox.net](mailto:ouraydog@cox.net) or at 858-756-5231. Please don't delay...we would like to have the new President in place at the September meeting. A job description of the position is included in this edition of the newsletter.

We are preparing for our Annual Members' Exhibition and are grateful to have the leadership of Carrie Barton and Jeff Brosbe as our show leaders again this year. Watch the newsletter and website for information. This year we will show in only one venue, the Solana Beach City Hall Lobby Gallery.

Late breaking news...at the close of the Fair, the Photo Exhibit's People's Choice Award was announced. I am delighted to let you know that our own Barbara Swanson,

our VP and Member Share Director, has captured this coveted prize with her magnificent image, *Glacial Ice*. Congratulations, Barbara.

## **Position Plan for NCPS President**

by Mike McMahon

Here is an outline of the activities that go along with the position of President for the NCPS:

- \* Conduct the monthly General meeting
- \* Conduct the monthly Volunteer Leadership Team meeting
- \* Write a column for the newsletter

On average, this amounts to approx. 8 to 10 hours per month.

In the past, the president was responsible for other duties...those have now been delegated to other volunteers. These include things like sponsor liaison and placing publicity. The Volunteer Leadership Team is fully staffed and things are running very smoothly for the organization.

If you are interested, or would like to nominate a fellow member, please contact Carrie Barton at [ouraydog@cox.net](mailto:ouraydog@cox.net) or 858-756-5231 as soon as possible.

## **MEMBER SHARE** by Barbara Swanson

The topic for July's membershare is Flash/Fill Flash. Please bring one or two images to share. If you are showing electronic pictures, please try to send them in advance to the projectionist via email. Otherwise, it takes a lot of time to get them loaded and organized during the meeting.

This month's topic was inspired by a recent trip that I took, where I needed to use fill flash but was unfamiliar with how to use it effectively. I had to learn quickly, and used the digital review on my camera a lot to help me determine the proper amount of fill flash to use.

Flash is often used to light up a subject when there is not enough available light. Fill flash is usually used when there is available light, but it is harsh and there

are shadows that need to be lightened. One example of this is people photography, where areas of the face are shadowed. If the person or subject can't be moved to an area with better lighting, then fill flash can help to fill in the shadows to produce more balanced tonalities. It can also be used in overcast conditions to subtly brighten the subject or introduce a catch-light into the eyes.

How much flash power to use depends on the circumstances. Your distance to the subject, lighting conditions, etc. will influence how much flash you need. Generally, between -0.5 and -2 (more negative being weaker) on the flash setting is typical. If you are using a digital camera, you can check the exposure and make adjustments. You still want to leave shadows in the subject, and you don't want to make the use of flash obvious. Use the camera exposure you would normally use, and then dial in how much fill flash you want.

Several links that I have found useful for fill flash basics are

[http://www.nigeldennis.com/tips\\_9.htm](http://www.nigeldennis.com/tips_9.htm) and <http://www.danheller.com/tech-fillflash.html>.

August's membershare topic will be Landscapes.

## **PHOTO SHOOT** by Carolyn Taylor

LAST MINUTE REMINDER!

Our popular Amtrak train ride to San Juan Capistrano takes place this coming Saturday, July 15. Note the change in train number to #565. This leaves Solana Beach at 7:38 or Oceanside at 7:55, arriving in SJC 35 minutes later. Return trains leave at 1:40, 3:15 and 4:18. Don't forget a photo ID!

We'll visit Robert Hansen's Gallery, shoot the historical Rios district, lunch together, and tour the Mission. Don't miss out. Questions? Carolyn Taylor(760) 931-1807

## **MEMBER PROFILE** by Joe Erbs

Since moving from Boston to Los Angeles while in elementary school, Joe Erbs has been a L.A. boy throughout high school, community college, UCLA and 37 years of working. After retiring in 1990, he and wife Pat

moved to Oceanside to enjoy the better half of life in a near-coastal environment.



Joe's professional career was totally involved in the rocket engine field in engineering and program management positions. He got to know and love San Diego as a result of many business trips to the area.

Joe became interested in photography in high school with an old Kodak with leaky bellows. He quickly advanced to a 35mm (Argus) with an "extinction meter" which was useless. Later he scrimped to buy a range-finder camera, a Weston meter and converted a closet to a dark room to develop and print B&W. He even reloaded 35mm cartridges from cheaply available war surplus film canisters.

Active photography took a backseat during college days and the early work period. In the early days of rocket development, however, Joe did interface with industrial photographers who used high speed cameras to film engine tests and took many still shots of hardware that had been "instantaneously disassembled" during test.

In later years, he bought a SLR (Pentax H1a – heavy and durable as a tank) and then a Pentax ME (built –in meter) when his interests were for family and travel shots.

About six years ago, Joe Erbs became re-activated in photography through Chuck Leve, a NCPS member; joined the club and bought a Nikon N90s (now needing the auto-focus feature). Since then he has been on commercial and club photo-shoots and taken classes.

Joe has now joined the digital SLR revolution with a D70 and continues to be amazed with the options and versatility available with the new cameras and software.

Joe has taken many photos, some good, many not, and is still waiting to get that elusive "Great Shot". He believes

that NCPS, its leadership, and the members, are doing a great job in promoting the growing interest in the photography of today.

## **NCPS 11th Annual Member Exhibition**

by Jeff Brosbe

The 11<sup>th</sup> annual all member exhibition is about to accept registration of your images.

In fact, if you are reading this, you can go to the NCPS website & find the application form & rules & all general information NOW.

There are only a few major changes from last year, but do read all the rules & information for the minor adjustments. The big news is:

1. NO entry fee this year
2. Take in will be at the Solana Beach City Hall NOT at the meeting
3. Exhibition will hang SIX WEEKS not just four

Important Dates are:

- ? Registration deadline, September 27<sup>th</sup>, 7 p.m. at our monthly meeting.
- ? Delivery of images to the City Hall on Thursday Oct 12<sup>th</sup> between 3 and 7 p.m.
- ? Reception -- Thursday, October 26<sup>th</sup>
- ? Pick up images -- Thursday, November 30<sup>th</sup>

Come to the meeting this month for copies of the registration form, live answers to your questions (or at least the best we can do), and more.

## **SD FAIR RESULTS**

by Mike McMahon

Congratulations to the NCPS members who did so well at the San Diego Fair's Photo Competition. As you know, only a third of the images submitted are put on display, so it's an accomplishment just to be shown.

Please take a moment to join me in congratulating our fellow members. The number in parenthesis indicates the number of images on display by the member. The June 1, 2006 NCPS Membership Roster Report was used as the reference for identifying current members. The results for the eArts competition are also included in this tally.

Ashley, Darlene (3) HM, HM  
Barton, Carrie (8) 1<sup>st</sup>, HM, HM, HM, HM  
Bennett, Robert (9) HM, HM, HM, HM  
Bonomo, Felix (1)  
Bundy, Steve (7) HM, HM

Burgess, Sally (1) HM  
Calvin, Lance (1)  
Cline, Jim (2) 1<sup>st</sup>  
Conwell, Allen (1) HM  
Ding, Caroline (1) HM  
Fay, Peter (4) HM, HM  
Hada, Gloria (2) HM  
Hamilton, David (4) HM, HM  
Herwegh, Phil (1) HM  
Hurd, Ann (3)  
Jenkins, Derek (1)  
John, Stan (4)  
Kalman, Jerry (4) HM, HM  
Knighton, Daniel (4) HM, HM  
Kosch, Lois (4) 4<sup>th</sup>, HM, HM  
Mate, Joyce (2) 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Monger, Priscilla (1) HM  
Montrose, Lou (6) 4<sup>th</sup>, HM, HM, HM, HM  
Nash, Kathleen (4) HM, HM, HM  
Nougier, Dan (3) 4<sup>th</sup>  
Phenicie, James (4)  
Preston, Carey (4) HM, HM  
Rhodes, Garrie (7) HM, HM, HM, HM  
Royer, Barbara (1) 4<sup>th</sup>  
Saracino, Barbara (5) 4<sup>th</sup>, HM  
Saracino, Jennifer (4) HM, HM  
Scholl, Cathy (8) HM, HM, HM, HM  
Stalder, Ed (5) HM  
Swanson, Barbara (2) 1<sup>st</sup>  
Taylor, Carolyn (6) 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, HM, HM, HM, HM  
Telford, Nancy (2) HM  
Thompson, Jan (4) HM, HM, HM  
Thye, Jacquie (2) HM  
Vander Vorst, Michael (5) HM, HM, HM  
Vann Olsen, Shirley (2) 1<sup>st</sup>  
Willett, Amy (3) HM  
Wilson, Al (5) HM, HM, HM  
Works, Judi (1)

In total, 151 images by NCPS members on are display...terrific! Of special note, the People's Choice award for this year was won by our own Barbara Swanson. Way to go, Barbara!

Congratulations to all...and another big thanks to Ed Stalder and his crew of NCPS volunteers who helped with the Fair again this year.

## **KIDS' BEST AT THE SAN DIEGO FAIR**

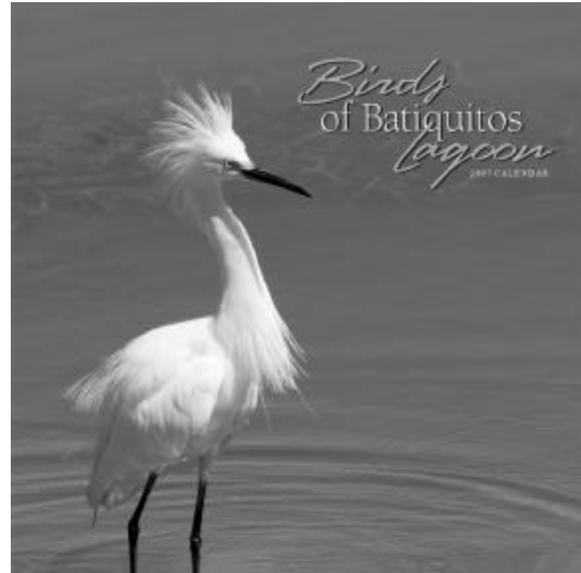
by Nancy Jennings

This is the third year that North County Photographic Society has donated two cash prizes to the Kids' Best

Photography Exhibit at the San Diego County Fair. Club judges Suzanne Schmidt-Traner and Hugh Cox (filling in for vacationing Jack Jennings) awarded a \$50 prize to Annamarie L. McKellips from El Cajon and a \$25 prize to Kelsey M. Brewer from Vista. Congratulations to these young shutterbugs!

## **Birds of Batiquitos 2007 Calendar**

by Sharon Anthony



The Batiquitos Lagoon Foundation is selling a very unique 16 month 2007 calendar featuring birds found in and adjacent to Batiquitos Lagoon Ecological Reserve in Carlsbad. This calendar depicts a unique bird specie each month, with facts such as where and when you might see them, what they eat, how far they range, their breeding habits, and how to distinguish between male and female. The calendar is 12 x 12 and printed on very high quality recycled paper, and shrink wrapped for protection.

Sharon Anthony, a member of NCPS, photographed all the birds and wrote the text for the calendar. This calendar project is the result of three years of focusing on the many species found at the Lagoon. She photographed during all seasons, and includes migrating birds and several endangered species. Sharon donated the photos for the calendar, as a way to help the Batiquitos Lagoon Foundation raise money to fund their many important programs. Hopefully this calendar will bring awareness to the beautiful and unique birds that use the lagoon, and will result in needed support to preserve and protect this valuable resource.

The calendar retails at \$12.95, but will be available for purchase at the July NCPS Meeting, for \$10.00 (tax

included). The 16 month calendar begins with September 2006.

The Batiquitos Lagoon Foundation is a non-profit 501(c)(3) public benefit corporation, with the calendar profit used to fund their many programs. A portion of your calendar purchase price is tax deductible for income tax purposes.

Think ahead for Christmas gifts, and thank you very much for supporting the Batiquitos Lagoon Foundation.

If you have questions: email: Sharon Anthony – [anthonymsk33@aol.com](mailto:anthonymsk33@aol.com) or phone # 760-632-8382

**NEW MEMBERS** by Nancy Jennings

- Jim Fisk - Oceanside
- Robert McClanahan - Oceanside
- Joanne Mirdas - Carlsbad
- Chantelle and Johan Prinsloo - Solana Beach
- Sally Reis Vogt - Escondido

**EXHIBITS** by Stan John

**Jeffrey R. Brosbe** and 8 others will be on display at **The Village Gallery** 793(2) Ivanhoe Avenue, La Jolla, 92037). [www.beyondwordsgallery.com](http://www.beyondwordsgallery.com)

The exhibition opens July 4th and closes July 23rd. The gallery is open from 11 am-5pm Sunday - Thursday (from 1 pm - 8 pm ) & Fridays & Saturdays.

**Donna Cosentino and Peter Fay** On View at the Ordover Gallery, Solana Beach, July 20 - August 13, 2006

The Ordover Gallery's Solana Beach location is at the south end of the Cedros Design District at 444 South Cedros Avenue, Studio 172. The phone number is 858-720-1121. Gallery hours are Wednesday - Saturday 10am - 5pm and Sunday 12pm - 5pm.

<http://www.ordoverproject.com/DonnaCosentino/portfolio.html>

<http://www.ordoverproject.com/PeterFay/portfolio.html>

**Abe Ordover** will display his WATER: Impressions and Abstractions at **The Ordover Gallery** in the San Diego Natural History Museum

[www.ordovergallery.com](http://www.ordovergallery.com)

**Oceanside Photo & Telescope** has opened a new gallery at their facility. The opening, held July 8<sup>th</sup>, was beautiful and we expect good things for the future.

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## **JULY 2006 Meeting**

Wednesday, July 26, 2006

Quail Botanical Garden, Encinitas

Ecke Building Meeting Room

Enter Front Gate - **Exit Rear Gate**

Front Gate is Locked at 7:00 p.m.

**6:00 p.m. - Front Gate Opens**

**6:15 p.m. - Sign-in & Refreshments**

**6:30 p.m. - Announcements & Member Greeting**

**6:45 p.m. - Member Share**

**7:15 p.m. - Break & Refreshments**

**7:30 - 8:30 p.m. - Presentation**

**Donations: First-time guests free/returning guests \$3.00**

## **TO REACH NCPS**

**Web Site: [www.nc-photo.org](http://www.nc-photo.org)**

## **VOLUNTEER LEADERSHIP TEAM**

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