



REFLEX NEWS

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PROGRAM for DECEMBER

Pack Your Bags for New England

By Don Kerr

Don Kerr, one of our long time members will present the program for December. He will tell us and show us why we should all make plans to visit New England to capture the fall foliage.

We will meet on Thursday December 11, at 7:00 PM at the Tracy Gee Community Center, 3599 Westcenter Drive, which is one block inside Beltway 8 between Westpark, and Richmond. *Scott*

DECEMBER FIELD TRIP

The field trip for December is still being formulated. I will be sending another email to everybody when I have better information.

In the meantime, please keep in mind that we are planning to go to Rockport for our February field trip. At a minimum, it will be an overnight trip, some members may want to stay for an additional night.

Additional information will be forthcoming as it becomes available.

Philip Tan

NOVEMBER FIELD TRIP

The weather gods did not smile on the November Field Trip to Brazos Bend. While the sun did shine, the wind was cold and blustery. A few intrepid souls turned out but were not able to stay long because of the chilly winds. While the critters were scarce there were a few worthy images made. These will give an idea what may be found there and inspire you to make the journey on your own under more favorable conditions.



ACCOLADES FOR CINDY COX

Congratulations to [Cindy Cox](#) who won both a first and a second place in the Saint Luke's Episcopal Hospital Auxiliary's Texas Medical Center wide Photography Contest. The entered photographs were judged by Master Photographer Odin Clay. The winning images are on exhibition at the Saint Luke's Episcopal Hospital 1st floor close to the Blue elevator.

NO WORKSHOPS FOR

NOVEMBER OR DECEMBER

The Tracy Gee Center will be closed for the holidays on our regular workshop nights so there will be no workshops for the months of November and December.

2009 MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY & HANDBOOK IS READY

The 2009 Membership Directory and Handbook is here. Be sure to pick up your copy from Carmen Sewell at the December meeting.

Remember, you must be a paid up member to receive your book so if you still have not renewed for the year now is the time.

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Editor.



Blue Heron taken on the Brazos Bend Field Trip by Joe Smith

IMAGES WANTED

Your Favorite Shot

Pick a shot you would like to share with the club and email it to me. It need not have been entered into competition, in fact, this is the venue for those good images that don't fit a category. Submit no more than **one image** per month per member, please. Each month up to six images, dependent upon available space, from the submitted images will be selected and published in the newsletter. If your favorite doesn't get published right away and you really would like to see in print (or online) feel free to request that it be considered again the next month. Deadline is the 20th of each month..

Carmen

Sewell, Editor

COMPETITION ASSIGNMENTS 2009

	Nature	Pictorial
January	Butterflies & Moths*	Windows & Doors
February	Insects & Spiders**	Still Life/Table top
March	Sunrise/Sunset	Side Lighting
April	Leading Lines	Birds
May	Fog/Mist/Dew/Rain	Landscapes
June	Wildflowers	Backyard
July	Cacti	Spot of Red
August	Backlit/ Silhouette	Blurred
September	Patterns & Textures	Lights at Night
October	Seascapes	Sunrise/Sunset
November	Landscapes with Wildlife	People at Work
December	Natural Sculptures	Montage/Manipulation
	* May Include Larval Forms	** No Butterflies allowed

InterClub

PSA--Color Projected Image Division October 2008--St. Louis CC

Title	Maker	Score
Egret Feeding	Helen Weng Pan	13
Porky's Stream	Cliff Segerstrom	12
Bumble Bee on Coneflower	Joe Smith	12
Water Colors	Charleen Baugh	11
Colorado Aspen	Carmen Sewell	11
Lotus Flower	Joe Smith	10

We had only one competition in November, judged by the Plano Camera Club

Title	Score	Maker
Egret Courtship	12	Meyer, Scott
Yellow Daisies	10	Segerstrom, Cliff
Bumble bee on Coneflower	10	Smith, Joe
Deer Affection	9	Pederson, Don

Note: Remember to send your best images to Joe Smith for interclub competition

COMPETITION ASSIGNMENTS DECEMBER 2008

Nature — Two of a kind: This should be two items with shared features. The more features they share, the more they will be "of a kind."

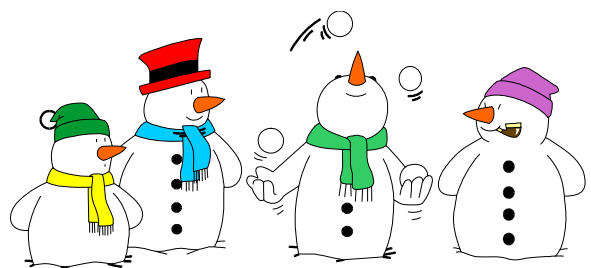
Pictorial — Bridges: Bridges large and small are welcome. As with other categories, the assignment should be the main subject of the photograph

Looking ahead to January

Nature — Butterflies & Moths The submitted image's subject should be one or more butterflies and / or one or more moths. As with all nature category submissions, the hand of man should not be evident. These members of the Lepidoptera order should be the focal point of the submitted image.

Pictorial—Windows & Doors: The window(s) and / or door(s) should be the focal point of the submitted image.

Happy Holidays



Cookies For December
Cindy Cox

NOVEMBER 2008 COMPETITION

Judges: Mark Farrior, Dianne Segerstrom, Joe Smith

Nature Assignment – Trees/Leaves

Changing Colors	Scott Meyer	21.0
Oregon Rainforest	Joe Smith	21.0
Fall Colors	Helen Pan	20.0
Fall Colors	Jerry Pan	20.0
Morning Dew	Don Pederson	20.0
Thawing & Falling	D. Segerstrom	19.5
Costa Rico Tree with Moon	Donna Boyer	19.0
Autumn in New England	Allen Philliba	19.0
Fall Colors	C Segerstrom	19.0
Lone Pine	Carmen Sewell	19.0
After Ike	Eric Westling	19.0
Aspen Forest	Cindy Cox	18.0
Eyecatcher 10-17-08	Ninfa Palazzolo	18.0
Poison	Ron Towe	18.0
Color Green	Downs Matthews	17.0
Dense Leaves	C.T. Edwards	16.0
Fall Leaves	Jane Ashley	

17 entries

18.7 avg.

Pictorial Assignment——Sports

Naperville Bicycle Race 5551	D. Segerstrom	22.5
Making the Play	Scott Meyer	21.0
Dragonboat Race	Joe Smith	21.0
OUCH	Ron Towe	21.0
Eye on the Ball	Don Pederson	20.0
Play Ball	Allen Philliba	20.0
Fisherman	Cliff Segerstrom	20.0
Rugby Match	Carmen Sewell	20.0
Komen Race	Donna Boyer	18.0
Jump Shot	C.T. Edwards	18.0
Arctic Sumo Wrestlers	Downs Matthews	18.0
HBU Soccer	Ninfa Palazzolo	18.0
Future Olympian	Jane Ashley	17.0
The Leisure Sport	Eric Westling	17.0

14 entries

19.4 avg.

Nature General

Paradise Divide in the Clouds	Cindy Cox	23.0
Flying Sandhill Cranes	Jerry Pan	23.0
Aspen Grove	D. Segerstrom	21.0
Yellow Swallowtail	Joe Smith	21.0
Lift Off	Eric Westling	20.0
Rabbit	Wendy Geng	19.0
Geyser Basin	Helen Pan	19.0

7 entries

20.8 avg.

Pictorial General

Flying over Snow Mt.	Jerry Pan	24.0
Canyonlands Vista	Carmen Sewell	23.0
Creek	Helen Pan	22.0
Lotus Blossom	Don Pederson	22.0
Riding the Wave	Scott Meyer	21.0
Golden Aspen	C. Segerstrom	21.0
Fall Leaves	Jane Ashley	15.0
Paradise Celebration	Donna Boyer	20.0
View from Sabine Street	C.T. Edwards	20.0
Cathar Castle	Allen Philliba	20.0
Galveston Sunset	Jane Ashley	19.0
Red	Ron Towe	18.0
Fire Spewing Dragon	Ninfa Palazzolo	17.0

12 entries

20.0 avg.

Black and White

Rocky Mt. NP	D. Segerstrom	22.5
Old Morman Barn	Carmen Sewell	22.0
Wheat Fields	Jane Ashley	20.0
The Arches	C. Segerstrom	20.0
Dream Lake	Scott Meyer	19.0
Little Church	Ron Towe	18.0
Dragonboat in Motion	Joe Smith	16.5
Old Faithful	Helen Weng Pan	16.0
One Euro	Donna Boyer	14.0

9 entries

18.7 avg.

Nov. . 08 Entries – 59

Aug. 08 Avg. – 19.5

Dec.. 08 Assignments

Nature – Two of a Kind

Pictorial – Bridges

Deadline for digital submission...

All digital entries must be submitted to [Cliff Segerstrom cseger@sbcglobal.net](mailto:cseger@sbcglobal.net) by Dec 7. Entries received after that will not be eligible for December competition.

FYI... the deadline is always the Sunday before the regular monthly meeting.

HOUSTON PHOTOCHROME CLUB
ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY
Ho, Ho, Ho, off to Carmen's we go !
Good friends, good food & holiday cheer .

Hope to see you there !
Saturday, December 20, 2008 6:30 PM
At Carmen Sewell's House
114 Townsend Mill Ct., 77094 Phone 281-492-8093
See attached map or get directions from the internet



This is a pot luck dinner and White Elephant Gift Exchange. How it works – just sign up to bring your favorite dish.

Email Charleen Baugh “cbaugh13@sbcglobal.net” and let her know what you plan to bring. This way we can coordinate a bit - don't want to end up with all desserts, OK, well maybe some of us would.

The White Elephant Gift Exchange is not mandatory. Every year some participate and some do not, so no reason to feel funny if you do not want to participate in this part of the evening, but do plan to stay and watch what happens.

If you want to participate, then bring a wrapped gift valued at no more than \$10 for each person wishing to participate.

We will explain all the rules at the party. The gift does not necessarily need to be photography related and can be for either gender or generic. Look forward to seeing you there, hope you can make it.

SEE MAP ON PAGE 8

MEMBER SHOWCASE



Christmas Cactus

by Eric Westling

Western Scrub Jay

by Jane Ashley



Blue Flower

by Henrique Baldwin



Each month Reflex News will publish some of our members favorite shots in the Members Showcase.

Requirements for submission are found on page 2 of this issue.



Rickshaw Man by Allan Philiba



Paradise Celebration by Donna Boyer



Male Chaffinch by Carmen Sewell



Carmen Walking Near Tor Head Ruin by Jane Ashley

MERRY CHRISTMAS
HAPPY NEW YEAR



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