



Bluejay at the Feeder Photographer: Karin Smith

Housatonic Camera Club

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"If every blossom had a voice
we could not bear the
sound of spring..."

*Author unknown (submitted by Judi
Gott)*

By Dawn Dingee

The theme for this newsletter is SPRING...It is finally here per the calendar though you would not know it by the weather. In March **2012**, we experienced the warmest March weather on record in 25 states. In NY, we came within 0.4 degrees of matching the all-time warmest March. That was 2012...This year, we exceeded the average temperatures for March for only 7 days and the other 24 days were below average temperatures which I am sure comes as no surprise to anyone. Bring on the Spring!!

Photos submitted by Judi Gott



Sanguinaria Canadensis
Bloodroot
Poppy Family



Trillium Erectum
Red Trillium
Lily Family

*Welcome to the April
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April Meeting

Brian Wilcox will do a 45 minute presentation on "On Camera One light Flash". After the presentation, we will review the Digital Circuit Nature, or do a review of competition images to finish up the night.



Falls at Bulls Bridge Photographer Lazlo Gyorsok

UPCOMING EVENTS

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Saturday, May 18th

The Hudson Valley Photography Network in partnership with the National Parks Service is offering a photography workshop free and open to the public at the Henry A. Wallace Visitor and Education Center, Hyde Park, NY. There's a free optional photo shoot in the FDR gardens. Afterwards will be a series of speakers including Lori Adams, Frank Dispensa and Greg Miller.

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July 12-14th

The New England Camera Club Council (NECCC) will hold its annual conference in Amherst, MA on the campus of the Univ of Massachusetts at Amherst. This is a 2.5-day, multimedia, three-ring circus with much learning to be had; vendors and some manufacturers' representatives are also present. Conference brochures will be available at HCC meetings once we receive them. In the meantime, check out the NECCC website, http://www.neccc.org/New_Outline_13.htm.

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September 2013 - "4 SEASONS OF SMITHFIELD" show

If you are interested, start taking photos right now to capture the coming seasons. It will have to be all new work, so last year's summer shots in the show are not to be included. More details will follow as we get closer to the show.

MEMBER PROFILE – Judith (Judi) Gott

A native of New Jersey, I lived there until I moved to NYC in 1957 to attend nursing school and Columbia Teachers College. I arrived in Lakeville with my daughter in 1967 (by way of my physician husband) and continued my career in nursing. I found gardening and photography more than just a pastime.

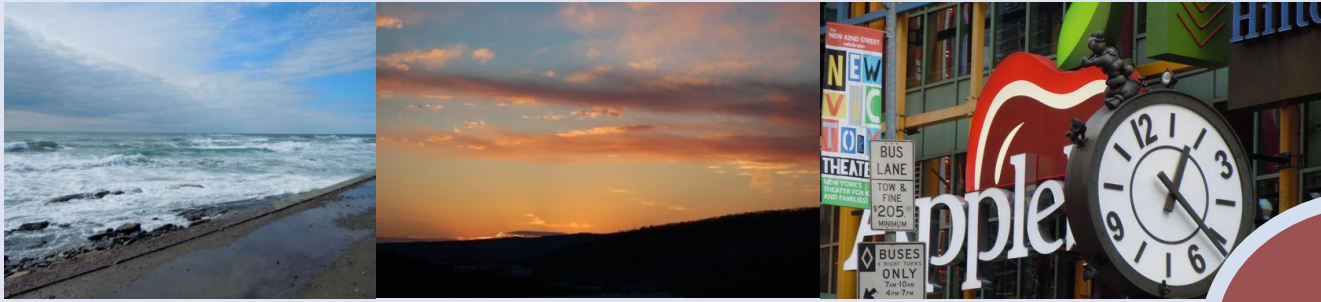
As a youngster I loved to take "pictures" with my Brownie camera; I discovered the "magic" of a Nikon in the mid '70's! My teachers were the outdoors and artist Gerald Hardy. I created a way of conveying my individual eternal hope by turning to wildflower photography and became particularly interested in spring blooms. An

Interest in poetry provided personal feelings for my photos. Experimenting with my first Nikon F, I used an 85 mm lens and 3 single lenses to create an "impressionistic" picture. I joined the HCC and under the guidance of Fran Kelsey had several shows titled Every Spring. The premature birth of our son provided a hiatus in wildflower photography and gardening! However, I did continue my nursing career.

I retired from nursing in 2001 and became a volunteer for the American Indian College Fund in Denver where I assisted in planning tribal college tours and became a tour guide. I took my camera with me and found a fascinating new world of photography in compact digital cameras. This fall I wanted to resume my quest for knowledge of photography, more complex digital cameras and re-joined the camera club. There is so much to learn from many distinguished and

talented members. I now use a Nikon D40. My subject interests vary from nature to places, and include a fascination for antique to exotic auto and truck bumpers - and diners.





Photos by
Judi Gott



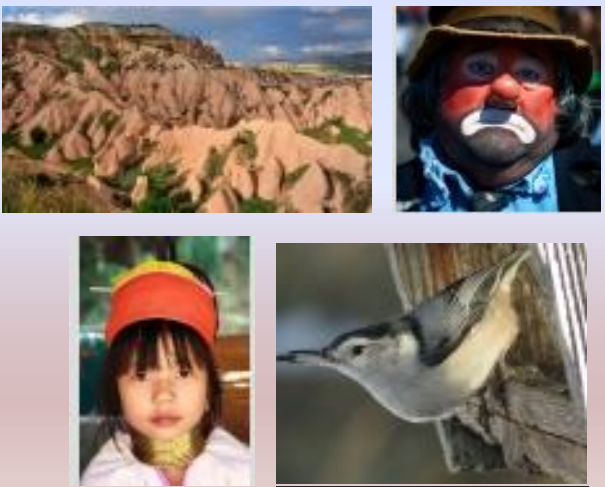
THE PSA RESULTS ARE IN...

Jane Rossman received an Honors Award for *Ice Berries* Lazlo Gyorsok received Honorable Mention for *Fox*

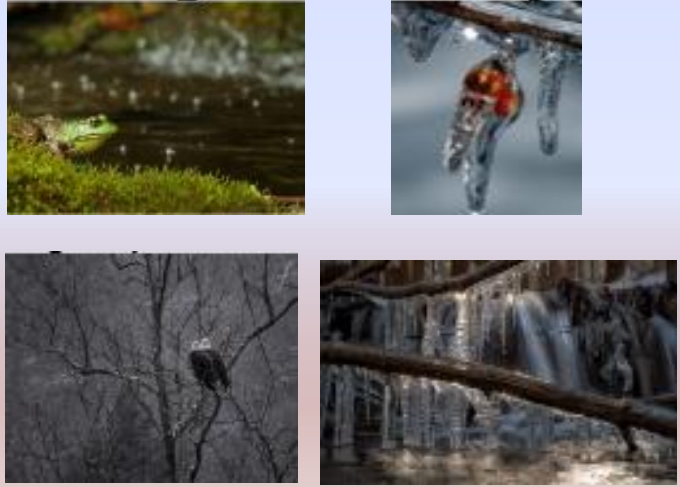


CONGRATULATIONS!!!!

Club entries for March NECCC Pictorial competition
Entries include photos from Bert, Lazlo, Howard and Jane



Club entries for March NECCC Nature competition
Entries include photos from Bert, Jane, Alex and Lazlo



SIGNS OF SPRING



Female Cardinal - Photographer
Karin Smith



Unknown Flower - Photographer
Dawn Dingee
(Perhaps Judy can identify this flower
taken in Jamaica)



Incoming Bee - Photographer Jane
Rossman

LANDSCAPE PHOTOGRAPHY TIPS

Many of the photographs on the HCC website are beautiful landscapes. What makes one landscape picture better than another?...It's usually the lighting produced by the time of day the photograph is taken. Rain and Fog can also add that special touch that makes a landscape photo interesting. Lazlo provided the following website which has some very good tips to taking better landscape photos as well as some information regarding some workshops available.

<http://www.luminous-landscape.com/essays/theartof.shtml>



Light Show - Photographer Rick Pauline

Upcoming Competition
It is now time to submit photos for the PSA Competition of the year. This is an open category so anything goes and we as a club will submit 6 entries. File size 1024 px wide by 768 px tall and smaller than 350k. Pictures will appear in PSA April 2013 folder on the HCC website.

[WE HAD 26 PHOTOS FOR PSA MARCH 2013, 34 PHOTOS SUBMITTED FOR NECCC PICTORIAL MARCH 2013 AND 33 PHOTOS SUBMITTED FOR NECCC NATURE MARCH 201...THIS IS THE HIGHEST NUMBER OF PHOTOS SUBMITTED FOR COMPETITION OVER THE LAST SEVERAL YEARS SO THANK YOU TO ALL THOSE THAT PARTICIPATED!! AS YOU CAN SEE BY THE PREVIOUS PAGE, THE CLUB DID VERY WELL IN THE PSA COMPETITION; RESULTS FOR NECCC ARE NOT IN YET. DON'T FORGET TO SUBMIT YOUR PHOTOS FOR THE PSA COMPETITION OF THE YEAR.

THERE WERE SOME GLITCHES IN THE VOTING FOR NECCC SO START THINKING ABOUT HOW YOU THINK VOTING SHOULD OCCUR -- ON THE WEBSITE, IN MEETINGS, ETC. SO THAT WE CAN DISCUSS THIS AT THE NEXT MEETING.

THANKS]



Pictures taken at sunrise and sunset

HOUSATONIC CAMERA CLUB MEETING SCHEDULE FOR THE 2012 – 2013 SEASON

Meetings: 3rd Tuesday of the Month (Sept - June)
 Where: Noble Horizons, 17 Cobble Rd, Salisbury, CT
 Time: 7:00 pm (open to the public)



River Pools Photographer Brad Smith

September 18:	Members Showcase and Discussion (cancelled due to weather)
October 1:	Member Showcase and Discussion
October 16:	Presentation by Jonathan Doster, Myanmar/Burma .
November 20:	Presentation by Lazlo Gyorsok and Fred Orkin, Digital Infrared B&W Photography; Discussion of Competition Images for NECCC & PSA.
December 11:	Holiday Dinner and Presentation by Ted Roth
January 15:	Digital Circuit DVD; Discussion of Competition Images for NECCC & PSA
February 19:	Presentation by Birgitt Pajarola, Sri Lanka; Discussion of Competition Images
March 19:	Presentation by Stefanie Giglio, Malawi
April 16:	Presentation by Brian Wilcox, Lighting Using One Flash; PSA Competition Discussion
May 21:	Presentation by Joe Meehan, program T.B.A.
June 18:	End of Year Dinner and Members Showcase.

Housatonic Camera Club Membership Enrollment 2012—2013

I wish to enroll as a member for one year. Attached is the membership fee of \$25.00 (and \$10.00 for each additional family member).

Please hand or mail this form to the Treasurer, Judy Becker
432 Undermountain Road, Salisbury, CT 06068-1101; Email: judybecker40@att.net Ph: 860-435-2263

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