**PKG Meeting Minutes—3-25-21**

The meeting commenced at 6:32 PM. A total of 19 members were present with no guests in attendance.

The speaker was Scott McNeill, who gave a presentation entitled *Getting Creative During A Pandemic*. It featured photos taken using the splash, water droplets, and oil and water techniques. Thanks to Chip, for arranging for this exciting presentation.

Peggy said we have 23 members paid up and she recently sent an updated membership list out. The treasury had $1597.55 plus $80.00 and a membership for a total of $16.17.55 after paying Chip for the photo he sold at Sazzy B’s. There is currently $39.12 in PayPal and $5.00 in savings.

The March POTM competition topic was Out in the Elements. A variety of photos were submitted and Trish won with a photo of high waves near the lighthouse in Kenosha Harbor.

Trish—(1st)

Glen, Chip—(2nd)

Ron, Erick—(3rd)

***Photo Abstraction*** is the topic for April. **This is an in-camera assignment, so the image must be taken with your camera and not created through an editing program.** Many people commented the techniques shown by Scott McNeill would be subjects for the abstract assignment.

Erick announced the topic for May: ***Sunrise/Sunset***. While no explanation is needed for this perennial favorite, Erick said **no sky replacement** is to be used in post processing.

The quarterly POTM points report is now on the website. They will be announced only through the third quarter to make the winning photographer for Photographer of the Year a surprise.

Erick only has eight scoresheets from the PSA Club Showcase. He needs them by this Saturday.

Our website has been entered in PSA competition. They asked Erick for the last date updated and he told them on the 14th. He will continue to update the photo challenge and POTM. The password for members only content is PKG21.

Ron said the Sazzy B gallery would probably be changed in May and asked members to begin thinking about their photos and getting them prepared. He had asked Glen for input in updating the guidelines for entering which are posted on the website.

Kathy has a solo show from April 15th to May 30th at the Anderson Arts Center. They are closed on Monday and open most afternoons. There will not be an open reception due to Covid and you will probably need a mask to attend. Glen is working parttime as a curator and commented that it’s *a very good show*. The Anderson Arts Center is located at 6603 3rd Avenue. Their website will be up soon with a page of Kathy’s photos.

Next month’s program will be photo critique. Send a jpeg photo to both Kathy and Mary. They will load them into their computers. Kathy will bring the photos up in Lightroom and make adjustments per members’ suggestion and critique during the meeting. Please title your photo with your name and PKG and submit it by Monday, April 19th.

Kathy mentioned Out of Chicago had sent something on refracted glassware using a TV as the background. Bob saw a Tamron video on black & white showing how to look at color to see how it will look in black & white. He said if anyone sees a good video don’t be afraid to send the link to others in our club. In June, Kathy could show her Anderson show.

Columbia College Museum of Contemporary Photography has an event every Friday at noon. You can sign up for their newsletter and the shows at: <https://www.mocp.org/>

Erick said that Ray, a man he met at Sam’s Club, had 30 View Camera magazines if anybody was interested. Bob might keep them until our first in-person meeting. Ray also has a shooting table for tabletop photography which Phil and Tineke were interested in.

No photowalks are planned yet, but there was discussion on the many birds were migrating at this time. There were reports of Sandhill Cranes and swans being seen.

The Board of Directors will meet May 3rd at 6:30 PM via Zoom.

Erick mentioned the 2021 Summer Scavenger Hunt will come out by the middle of May.

Our next meeting will be held via Zoom April 22,2021, 6:30PM. An invitation will be sent to members before the meeting. Hope everyone will be able to attend.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 8:28 PM.

Trish