PhotoKenosha Group meeting minutes, 1/25/24

Meeting opened at 6:30

Membership numbers at the end of 2023 had club membership at 26, with only 8 members at the time of this meeting signed up.

Erick reminded the club that e-mail access would end in March for unpaid membership.

A quick discussion involving potential meeting places took place, with Bob Philips noting that UW-Parkside would charge 100.00 per meeting (this was quickly met with ‘nos’), and he is still awaiting word from Carthage College. Glen reiterated that February’s meeting will take place at the Northside Library and March’s meeting at the Southwest library. Hopefully a rhythm will start to happen.

Ron and Glen indicated that the next photo exchange at Sazzy B’s would hopefully occur in the last week of February. Keep in tune with future emails.

January’s POTM topic was ‘Monochrome’. 9 members participated.

Erick came in 1st with his beautiful image of a frozen railing along the shores of Lake Michigan. He noted that the photo was shot using his cell phone.
Ron Story came in 2nd.
2 members came in 3rd. Charese and Robin

February’s topic is ‘Reflective image’ and March’s will be ‘Opposites’.
Erick showed a few examples dealing with ‘Opposites’. Looking up the topic was encouraged.

Congratulations to Trish to being the Photograher of the year!
Here are the top 5 vote getters:
1: Trish
2: Chip
3: Erick
4: Dan
5: Glen

Dan won Photo of the year with his excellent image of a white horse at a Tempel Lipizzan show. Dan mentioned that he didn’t know at the time that that would be the last show presented by that group.

PKG President Chip then discussed the results of the questionnaire he sent out. Short synopsis: Canon and Nikon were the top 2 cameras used.
Photoshop and Lightroom were used most.
Most people shot in RAW and favorite types of photography were: Landscapes and macro.
In response to the question of why did you join the club, a major response was ‘Fellowship’.

Discussion then went to camera club outings:

Dan gave news that an outing at a Kingfish game would now longer work out as the organization will be adding netting along the full length of the seating areas. Good quality photos would then be much harder to come by.

Ron mentioned that the RAM will have an exhibition of photography (January 31st to Oct. 12th) . 1st Fridays of the month have free admission.

Further discussions of possible luncheon or dinner get togethers was met with reminders that the last several times were met with bad weather situations. The picnic outing was favorably received, with an idea of a colorful autumn setting a possibility.

Doug then gave a very nice presentation titled “Annular Eclipse Aurora”, showing some amazing and beautiful images of the aurora borealis he encountered up north and then his adventures to Arizona to experience the Annular eclipse. (If you missed the meeting, I would highly recommend watching the zoom link that Robert will send out).

For February’s meeting Chris will be giving a presentation of her photos taken in New York and other locations.
Members who took photos at the Milwaukee Mitchell Park domes can send Erick (or bring in) up to 10 photos of their experience.

Photo ops:
Snow Daze in Kenosha downtown was mentioned which is this weekend.
Lake Geneva’s Winterfest, featuring snow sculptures/competition begins Feb. 1st and runs through the 4th. The snows culptures remain up until the weather decides otherwise.

15 members were present in person and 5 through Zoom.