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Frederick Oklahoma Air Show

Jan Lee

As photographers and camera club members, we are always looking for interesting places, things, or events to photograph. Some people say that there is nothing much of interest to photograph in Oklahoma, but I am not one of them. And sometimes, you end up spending as much time shooting the unexpected as you do what you went out to shoot.

A case in point was the recent trip several of us took to Frederick OK this July. Garline Wheatley, Brad and Shirley Smith, Dale and Lee Donlon and their grandson Jon-Mykel Johnson, and Wally and I all went in hopes of getting photos of jumpers in historically accurate World War II era uniforms as they parachuted from a C47 aircraft.

We all met Saturday morning (Garline will tell you before the crack of dawn) to get breakfast and head southwest. The jumpers were to "go" at 0930 hours, and we didn't want to miss it.

When we arrived at the Frederick airport and industrial park, there were men of all ages dressed in many different varieties of WWII era military uniforms. All the services were represented. It is amazing to me how many people have these uniforms and want excuses to wear them. A couple of dozen men had been training for several weeks, just so they could pay over \$200.00 to get to wear uncomfortable clothes and jump out of a 65 year old aircraft!

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*Helping Fellow Jumpers
by Jan Lee*

September 9, 2008:

Competition: Prints - Color A & B, Monochrome A & B, Nature & PJ

Judges: Ward Conway, Lorainne Caddy, Maxy Pinson

Program: "Layers with Style" by Charles Taylor, APSA

Refreshments: Need Help

September 23, 2008:

Competition: Projected Images

Open A & B, Creative A & B, Nature & PJ
Judges: Dennis Corbin, Claud Klutts, Carl Bell

Program: "An Icy Summer Day in Resurrection Bay" by Esther M. Key

Refreshments: Peggy McClanahan

Board Meeting:

Tuesday, Sept. 16, 2008, 7:00 pm
Home of Carol McCreary, PPSA,
425 SW 53rd St.

All members are always welcome,
please call for information.

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Members of OCC
Garline Wheatley,
Wally Lee, Brad Smith,
Jan Lee, Jon-Mykel
Johnson, Dale & Lee
Donlon



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There were a lot of us photographers dressed in light-weight T-shirts and shorts, and a lot of sweaty men with their starched creases melting away.

We discovered that as with many kinds of sports, you need to learn something about an event to increase your chance of getting the good shots. The C47 made two different drops of jumpers. Each time, I misjudged just when they would actually leave the aircraft and never got myself in a good spot to shoot the chutes. I think Brad got the best shots of the day of this, but I ended up deleting all of the ones I took. I very much want to go back next year to try again.

There were many other photo ops at the event. I found particularly interesting the men suiting up prior to jumping. Each man had at least one buddy to help ensure that everything was correct. Folks seemed to be working in teams of three; two helping one, then shifting position. There were long tables with assembly lines of men preparing the parachutes, checking the lines, and packing the chutes. Several tables were set up with WWII memorabilia, and there were also vendors with clothing and books for sale. Scattered about were vintage jeeps, trucks, and armored vehicles. All in all it was well worth the very early start to the day.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Club Visitors

On **August 12** we were pleased to have **Pat Evans, Betty Patterson's** daughter visiting the club to see Betty's program. Welcome Pat, we all enjoyed having you visit. And, **Don Morris** dmorris@cox.net joined the club that evening, welcome Don, we certainly look forward to your participation in our club meetings, competition and activities. Please don't hesitate to let us know what we can do to make your membership meaningful.

And on **August 27, Kathy Runk** minorider@aol.com from Albuquerque, NM, visited the club meeting. Kathy has an interest in animal, nature and medical photography. She learned of the club meeting from Jan Lee. Kathy, we sincerely appreciate you visiting our club meeting and will add you to our visitor distribution for the HypoCheck.

Club Picnic - Sulphur

There will be a club picnic at the **Chickasha Recreational Area** at the **Little Niagara Area** on **Saturday, September 20th**. **Tom and Carol McCreary** will be there as early as **9:30am** with their mini-mobile RV. Hot dogs and paper products will be provided. Please RSVP to Tom and Carol if you plan on coming for a head count. Buy or make potato salad, coleslaw, chips, cookies, etc. to share. Contact **Tom and Carol** at **634-1817** or tcmccreary@cox.net. And, don't forget your cameras.

Club Dues are Due

Membership Rates for 2008-2009

Student - \$10.00, Non Resident - \$10.00

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WWII Airborne Demo Team Composite

by Brad Smith

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The drive home was just as much fun. We took a side trip to an abandoned gold mine. I don't recommend it as a spot for a photoshoot. I don't think I got out of the car. But then, we made our way on to Hobart.

We thought the best thing in Hobart would be lunch at the Pizza Hut, but we were wrong. It has a museum, some very photogenic grain towers, and an interesting town square.

We spent almost as much time shooting in Hobart as we did at the Frederick WWII event. The little museum was charming and just chock full of history. I know I personally am very happy that dentists' equipment has come a long way in the past 50 years. We saw an early X-ray set up that looks like something out of the dark ages.

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Competition Results - Prints

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Name		Entry No. 1	Place	Entry No. 2	Place
<u>Color Prints A</u>					
Wally	Lee	Mittens & Shadow at Sunset	HM	Lilly Closeup	1
Esther	Key	Arctic Lupin	2	Mistic Water Fall	3
Charles	Taylor	When Knighthood was in Flower	HM	Medano Creek, Great Sand Dunes	2
Jan	Lee	Big Blue	2	Desert Dove Study #2	1
Carol	McCreary	Tennessee Church	1	Funny Megan	2
Tom	McCreary	Oregon Coast in Spring	2	Gathering Storm, Iowa	2
<u>Monochrome Prints A</u>					
Jan	Lee	3 Towers	2	Tool Bench Study #3	3
Wally	Lee	Water, Moss & Leaves	2	Desert Scene #2	2
Charles	Taylor	Old Faithfull	HM	Self Portrait	3
Tom	McCreary	Sam 2	2	Oklahoma Capital Dome	1
Carol	McCreary	Lighthouse Cape Cod	2	Ships at Dock	3
<u>Nature Prints</u>					
Esther	Key	Harbor Seal & Pup	HM	Mountainside Waterfall	HM
Charles	Taylor	Winter Storm, Vermillion Cliffs	3	Nest Builder	-
Wally	Lee	Cactus Flower	1	Bee on Flower #2	HM
Dennis	Corbin	Albatross With Chick	3	Green Hummingbird	2
Jan	Lee	Tennessee Bog #2	-	Prairie Dog Family	HM
Tom	McCreary	The Green Forest	3	Bumble Bee on Blue Wild Flower	-
<u>Photojournalism Prints</u>					
Jan	Lee	Learning a New Skill	2	Starting Out Early	1
Esther	Key	Road to Nowhere	1	Fish Camp	3
Charles	Taylor	Use Both Hands	2	Rafting the Gorge	1
Carol	McCreary	Buried in the Sand	1	Wheelchair Races #3	1

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Next door, the grain towers were striking. I think we all have hopes of being able to use many of the shots we took of them. Things like that lend themselves to visually interesting stark graphic art.

Many of us are actively looking for good places and events for us to shoot. We are always open to suggestion. Don't hesitate to let the board and membership know when you find something of interest. I know we will all have a good time, even if we don't end up where we think we would when the day began. **Jan Lee**

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3 Towers 2

by Jan Lee

Old Medical Stuff 1



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Competition Results - Digital

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Name	Entry No. 1	Place	Entry No. 2	Place	
<u>Class B Open</u>					
Derrell	Dover	Drying African Fishing Nets	3	Lighthouse in Fog	2
Rone	Tromble	Face of the Forest	3	My Convertible	2
Dale	Donlon	Ragamuffin	1	---	-
<u>Class B Creative</u>					
Debbie	Devonshire	Hat & Gloves	1	Buster in the Window	2
Rone	Tromble	Dahlia	2	Majestic	2
<u>Class A Open</u>					
Brad	Smith	Lightning at 1008	3	Night View 1st Church Steeple	2
Jim	David	Foggy Lighthouse	1	Field Rake	2
Wally	Lee	Low Land Gorilla Portrait	3	Pickup Taillight	HM
Jan	Lee	Pop's Bottle #1	HM	Dome's Eye View	1
Charles	Taylor	Rainbow and Falls	HM	Teardrop Arch, Monument Valley	1
Debbie	Devonshire	The Dam	3	The bridge	2
Carol	McCreary	Megan in Headdress	1	Oregon Coast #2	HM
<u>Class A Creative</u>					
Brad	Smith	Grain Silo Geometric	1	Snow Leopard Inverted Edges	HM
Charles	Taylor	Carson Mansion	1	Ghost Ship, USS Cairo	3
Jan	Lee	Carpenter Bee at Work	HM	Zebra	3
Carol	McCreary	Ben Franklin Reenactor	3	Lighthouse in Strips	2
<u>Photojournalism</u>					
Carol	McCreary	Wheelchair Racers #3	1	Face Off	2
Wally	Lee	Flying Jig	HM	The Soothsayer	2
Charles	Taylor	Tilt	3	Comin' Round the Mountain	2
Derrell	Dover	Wash Day	3	Catching Water	1
Jan	Lee	Helping Fellow Jumper	2	Not Quite Yo Yo Ma	HM
Debbie	Devonshire	A tumble in the Snow	1	The Chase	3

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Name		Entry No. 1	Place	Entry No. 2	Place
Nature					
Jim	David	Ancient Volcano	HM	Squirrel on Lichen	2
Wally	Lee	Bob White	HM	A Hint of a Smile-or Hunger	1
Charles	Taylor	Big Horn Trio	-	Rock Squirrel Montezuma Castle	3
Derrell	Dover	American Avocet	-	Lizard #1	1
John	Key	Bison	-	Gater	3
Rone	Tromble	Nature's Magnifier	-	Tidepool	-
Jan	Lee	Slug Sans Shell	HM	Pink Ladyslipper Singlet	3
Debbie	Devonshire	Oregon Coastline	3	Bee on Flower	-

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Betty-Boop
by Brad Smith



Ready for Over There
by Jan Lee

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Judging Photography

As a club, we rely on our own members to judge at each meeting. Some clubs collect their entries and mail them to members of another club to judge. Some clubs recruit outside photographers to attend and judge. But we believe judging is part of the learning process.

I inquired of **Wade Clutton, FPSA, EPSA**, a well known member of PSA and skilled photographer, for what justification they provided for judging. Wade responded with the following:

When you go out looking to take pictures, what takes you to a place? Basically the skills and knowledge that you develop through judging.

When you look at your digital files or traditional slides, you evaluate and make the "keep" or "pitch" decision. Again, basically the skills and knowledge that you develop through judging are what you use to help make those decisions.

When you decide which image to bring to the club to win 1st place, how do you get there? Again, basically the skills and knowledge that you develop through judging.

So, if you want to become a better photographer you have to learn to judge your work just as you judge the work of others.

Second, is there a higher honor your peers in the club can give you than to ask you to evaluate their photography? I think not.

We will have more on judging.

Refreshments

Dale and **Lee Donlon** have been kind enough to handle our refreshments again this year but they will need your help. Please volunteer for September 9, the next meeting night by sending an e-mail to shuchee@pldi.net.

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Workshop Schedule

Photography 101 Workshop - The next scheduled meeting of the workshop conflicts with the Club field trip to the Chickasaw Recreational Area. There will not be a meeting of the workshop at my house. Let's all go to Sulphur on September 20th. Look for details in this *HypoCheck*. **Ed Lamb 721-4714.**

Photoshop Workshop - The next meeting will be Friday, September 19th, 7:30 pm at **Tom and Carol McCreary's**. The subject to be covered is *reflections*. Come show us your creation and, as usual, any subject can be discussed. Come **share** and **learn!** Please contact **Carol or Tom at 634-1817** or tcmccreary@cox.net if you need information or directions.

Programs for September

September 9 - *Layers with Style* by Charles Taylor, APSA. Everyone who uses Photoshop very much is familiar with layers, but they frequently don't make use of the Layer Style options. Amazing things can be done with only a few key strokes.

September 23 - *An Icy Summer Day in Resurrection Bay* by Esther M. Key. From the Ghost to calving icebergs, summer in Alaska is not like summer in Oklahoma. As we travel across Kenai Peninsula, meet the bird from Antarctica. Then spend a day exploring the amazing coastal area in the Kenai Fjords National Park and the Alaska Maritime National Wildlife Refuge, meeting the critter that chooses to spend summer in this icy environment.



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