

# AURORA PHOTOGRAPHERS CLUB NEWSLETTER



## February

## 2017

### The Aurora Photographers Club

**MEETS THE FIRST  
MONDAY OF THE  
MONTH**

*At St Stephens  
Episcopal Church  
at 7pm .*

Location : 9 Del Mar  
Cr.. At the corner of  
Peoria and Del Mar Cr  
Parking is on the south  
side of the church.

**For more info** contact  
*Alan Grimes* at  
303 877-2976 or

agrimes1923@gmail  
.com. Website  
[auroraphotoclub.org](http://auroraphotoclub.org)



*"Twisted "*  
*By Sandy Rich*  
*(digital color)*

*The next Meeting  
to be held on  
Monday Feb.6*

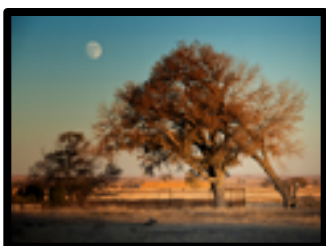
Judge and presenter will  
be Gary Grey  
More info at the end of  
the newsletter.

**Competition  
for February  
is OPEN**

See assigned topics and  
months at the end of the  
newsletter.



**"Getting the Engine Ready"**  
by Gary Rich  
(digital Mono)



**"Sunset on the Ranch"**  
by Sandy Rich  
(digital color)

**MONOCHROME PRINTS**

1st pl Fred Larke  
"San Francisco Peaks"

2nd pl Fred Larke  
"Canyon Storm"

**COLOR PRINTS**

1st pl Andi Sahlen  
"Rainbow Eucalyptus "

2nd Sharon Feder  
"Wild Bill"

3rd pl Alan Grimes  
"Birds-Eye View"

**COLOR SLIDES**

1st pl Gary Rich  
"Crack's"

2nd pl Mary Lou Lane  
"Sign of the West"

**DIGITAL IMAGES (color)**

1st pl Sandy Rich  
"Twisted"

2nd pl Sandy Rich  
"Sunset on the Ranch"

3rd pl Ellen Westbrook  
"Celtic Knot Pine"

HM Gary Rich  
"Fun in Winter"

HM Dwight Taylor  
"Promise of Spring"

**DIGITAL IMAGES (monochrome)**

1st pl Gary Rich  
Getting the Engine Ready"

2nd Sandy Rich  
"Palmetto"

3rd Alan Grimes  
"Dipping Rings"

HM Marge Mieger  
"Palm Frond"

**PURPLE RIBBONS**

Bill Tate  
"Bonsai Onion"

Fred Crowle  
"Mirror Fountain Monte Carlo"

Fred Larke  
"Getting Attention"

**Goodies and Beverages for the Feb. Meeting**

**Goodies**

**Beverages**

(also bring ice)

The Mieggers

**(You do not need to bring plates, napkins or cups until further notice)**



*"Crack's"*  
by Gary Rich  
(slide)

## ITEMS OF INTEREST:

### Competition Guidelines Reminder

Competitions will be held in five medias: Monochrome/B&W Prints, Color Prints, Digitally Projected Images (both monochrome and color), and Slides. All active ASP members are eligible to compete.

Digital images are to be sized, width 1024 dpi x 768 dpi height and must not exceed 1000KB and be JPEG formatted. **Images must be sent to Terry Mieger [competition@auroraphotoclub.org](mailto:competition@auroraphotoclub.org) by 1 pm the Saturday before each monthly competition.**

**Prints:** The minimum size of the mat board is 11 x 14 and the maximum size is 16 x 20. The image may be of any size.

*Each active member may submit a total of FIVE (5) images per competition with no more than two images in any one competition category.*

## *Why Compete?*

The ASP board would like to encourage **all club members** to enter their images in our monthly competitions. Why? For a number of reasons:

You learn a great deal, making you a better photographer. The constructive criticism of a good judge is one of the best ways to learn what is good, and what is not so good, in your pictures, and how to improve. You won't always agree with the judges, but their opinions are always worth listening to.

- 1) It can be surprising. The judge might like (or dislike) something in your photo that you hadn't even noticed; or, he might score the photo of yours that you liked least, the highest!
- 2) It's totally non-judgmental. Sure, you may need a tough skin if you get a low score, but everyone else in the club can sympathize, as they have all been there, and are happy to help you. Also, judging is done anonymously, so no need to worry about embarrassment - really.
- 3) It's fun!! You might even win a ribbon!

So, how about it? Take that step. Enter your images – slide, print, or digital; color or monochrome – and join in the fun. You will not regret it.

*Fred Larke*

## ***Dues are Due***

**Dues must be paid by the Feb. meeting in order to participate in the competitions. Write a check (\$25) to ASP and give to Fred Crowle along with a filled out membership form. If giving cash have in an envelope with your name and attach to your membership form . The membership form is available on the website**

## ***Assigned Subjects for 2017***

**APRIL--** "Houses of Worship" Definition: Churches,  
Temples, Synagogues  
etc.  
structures  
or other man-made  
of worship.

**AUG** "Sunrise/Sunset"  
of--  
image.  
Definition: Sun or portion  
including sunrays etc.  
must be obvious in the

**OCT.** " Creative "  
Creativity  
Definition : Use of

## Judge and Presenter,

Gary Gray to be our presenter and judge.

Gary is a Nature, Wildlife and Landscape photographer based in Littleton. He is a Master Photographer as well as a Master Printer. He worked for 26 years for the Wall Street Journal on a technical level with various scanners for newspaper reproduction as well as large format cameras in the graphic arts department.

Upon leaving the WSJ in 2007 he founded a private photography business. Gary makes and sells fine art prints, and is available as a private photography instructor and hosts workshops and photo tours. He is also the founder of North American Nature, Wildlife and Landscape Photographers Association.

His presentation will be about finding and photographing the Shiras Moose, and will have workshops on moose photography in July and August (exact dates yet to be announced). He has an online presence at:

<http://www.grayphotoonline.com/>

***IMPORTANT !!!*** St. Stephens now has a new security system, and we will have to lock the doors at 7 pm. **IF YOU ARE COMING LATE** call Terry on his cell phone when you arrive and he will let you in. this is a **private number**, 303 910-7746

## *Officers for 2016*

*Alan Grimes -----President*

*Terry Mieger-----Vice President*

*Fred Crowle----- Treasurer*

*Mary Lou Lane-Secretary*

***Competition Managers:*** Managers will be Terry and Marge Mieger, Digital competition, Mary Belyea, prints, Mary Lou Lane, slides, Sharon Feder, compiling the monthly scores.

## *CCCC Year -End*

Images for 2016 Year - End will need to be brought in **next month in March**.  
so start thinking about your entries.

**Details on our website under the CCCC link**

### *Items of interest*

If you have any items of interest for the club ( shows, programs, and/or competitions, your images displayed/awards etc.) Please let me know so I can put in the newsletter

## *Rocky Mountain Arsenal National Wildlife Refuge* *They have some new activities so check out the website.*

Some photo opportunities:. For more info; [www.fws.gov/rockymountainarsenal](http://www.fws.gov/rockymountainarsenal) or call **303 289-0930**

### **Wildlife Drive**

Want to explore more of the Refuge at your own pace ?Our 9-mile Wildlife Drive auto tour route takes you through the bison pasture, wetlands, prairie, and wooded areas. It's also a great way to access additional hiking trails, go birding, and **photograph** the Refuge. The Wildlife Drive is open every day from **6:00 am - 6:00 pm** except on Federal holidays.