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Special Notice: Chris Rowan is our new SVNP News editor!

If you have items of interest or any news for the Sudbury Valley Nature Photographers, please call Chris at 978-443-4587 or e-mail him at christopherowan@earthlink.net.

Thanks to Chris for stepping forward.

An Appeal: Eileen Kurkoski is stepping down as Program Chair. She has done a fabulous job; our programs have been regular and interesting. But we need a replacement. Programs are set through May. A special thank you also to Eileen.

Please contact Betsy Moyer if you can help with setting programs or with preparing the Newsletter: 508-358-2939, bmga@aol.com.

Next Meeting

Thursday, March 9th, at Traditions Senior Living Facility, 6 Green Way, off Rt. 126/27 one mile south of route 20 in Wayland, MA. Look for the darkened driveway, Green Way, directly across from Saint Ann's Church building.

Program for March 9th meeting: *Chris Rowan: Abstracts and Designs*

Please bring up to 5 prints, slides, or digital images for member viewing. Here's an opportunity if you wish to have feedback from other members who especially value capturing the world of photography as they see it.

Come at 6:30 P.M. for refreshments and viewing the club's ongoing exhibit at Traditions. Anyone able to bring prints for hanging, please contact Wayne Hall (978-443-9226) or Betsy Moyer (508-358-2939), or simply bring them to the meeting.

• Thank you to volunteers bringing refreshments: Erin Lamb for munchies and Jackie Greene for drinks.

Upcoming programs:

April – Mike Goodman

May – George Brawerman — "Photo Impressions," based on Ruth's and recent exhibit at the Raytheon Room of the Wayland Library.

Recap of February 9th Meeting

- We welcomed new members Winnie Parker (<u>winifredparker@comcast.net</u>), Ronna Kazarian (<u>kazarian@comcast.net</u>) both from Wayland, and Jay Cohen (<u>jlcohen@partners.org</u>) from Newton.
- Sherry Fendell gave a presentation of slides taken in Vietnam during a 17-day trip, arranged through Overseas Adventure Travel. We were treated to images of the people and places of Vietnam with over 150 slides. Thank you, Sherry!
- Thanks to photographers whose slides and prints were shown, including Bill Peters, Chris Rowan, and Betsy Moyer. Apologies from Betsy Moyer who forgot to bring her computer, so there were no digital images shown at the meeting. She swears to faithful execution of duty at the next meeting.

Now available on the SVNP website - "Out of the Box"

Wayne Hall – SVNP Webmaster

Our special group exhibit, entitled "Out of the Box," is active on our website through the end of March, with the possibility of extending it through April. Please bring your friends to http://svnp.homestead.com. Fourteen SVNP members are participating:

Stan Klein Tom Arnold

Marijke Holtrop Paul Smith

Linda Crews Charlie Lowell

Betsy Moyer Amitava Gangulee

Sue Abrahamsen Susan Majors

Wayne Hall Betty Ann Tyson

Michael Goodman Chris Rowan

SVNP Exhibit Calendar

Individual Member Exhibits

Please notify Wayne Hall (wah@waynehallphotography.com) of your upcoming individual exhibits for posting on the SVNP website.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Member</u>	Exhibit Location
Thru Sun. Feb 19	Sherry Fendell	Marlboro Public Library, 35 West Main Street (Info 508-485-4204)
Mar 8 – May 7	Wayne Hall	Emerson Hospital, Concord, MA
Ongoing	Betsy Moyer	Lincoln Physicians, Route 126, Lincoln, MA

SVNP Group Exhibits

<u>Date</u>	Exhibit Location
Ongoing	Traditions, 6 Green Way, Wayland, MA: joint rotating exhibit with Arts/Wayland. For information about hanging a print, call Wayne Hall (978-443-9226) or Betsy Moyer (508-358-2939)
Feb. 1 – Mar. 31	Wayland Town Office Building – "The Beauty of Winter" Reception Monday, Feb. 6, 6:30–8:00 (See below)
Through Mar. 31	"Out of the Box" – on the SVNP website at http://svnp.homestead.com (See above)
Sept. – Oct. 2006	Raytheon Room, Wayland Library
Nov. – Dec. 2006	Gallery at the Wayside Inn (November–December)

Other

[&]quot;The Beauty of Winter," an exhibit by ten photographers from the Sudbury Valley Nature Photographers group, will be on display at "Arts Corner" of the Wayland Town Building from February 1 through March 31. Hours are Monday through Friday, 8:30–4:30, and evenings when there are town committee meetings.



Susan Majors, Wayne Hall, Linda Crews, Betsy Moyer, and Amitava Gangulee breathe a sigh of relief after hanging the exhibit at the Wayland Town Building.

Photoshoppers Meetings

Photoshoppers will meet in the Raytheon Room of the Wayland Public Library 7 - 8:45 on the following evenings:

February 16	May 18
March 16	June 15
April 20	

All are welcome. Some familiarity with computer manipulation of photographic images is recommended. Please bring a disc with images you would like to have help with. (For info contact Tom Arnold 978-443-2344; tba1959@comcast.net.)

Items of Interest

Fall Program

On Thursday, October 26, 2006, Budd Titlow will give a digital presentation on the subject, "Artistry in a Digital Age." Mark your calendars. The event will probably take place in the large Public Hearing Room of the Wayland Town Building.

A Winner!

Congratulations to Sherry Fendell for taking 2nd prize in the black and white category of the Friends of the Marlboro Public Library sponsored photography competition. Her photograph of two adult and two young elephants playing in the mud was a winner. The exhibit of 80 photos is on view through Sunday, February 19. (See above.)

Treasurer's Report

Chris Ridout reports that we now have \$454.29 in our treasury. This does not include the \$400 we will receive from the Wayland Cultural Council to support the fall presentation

by Budd Titlow and to pay for a replacement bulb for the digital computer to keep on hand for an emergency.

Slide Presentation by Marijke Holtrop

On Sunday, February 26, 3:30 – 5 P.M., Marijke Holtrop will repeat her slide presentation, "Four Seasons in a Native Backyard." The program is sponsored by the Lincoln Land Conservation Trust.

Introduction to Digital Photography

Don Sherman has generously offered to repeat his very popular "Introduction to Digital Photography." This will take place on a Thursday evening, tba. Watch the Newsletter for an announcement of date, place, and content.

About the Sudbury Valley Nature Photographers

The Sudbury Valley Nature Photography group was formed in October 1995 by enthusiasts from the local area wishing to share informally their interest in and knowledge of photography. An encouraging rather than competitive environment prevails within the group, which includes over one hundred professional, amateur, and beginning photographers.

Although our major interest lies in nature photography, activities of the SVNP group are not confined to nature photography. Programs and activities include a range of subject matter and techniques of interest to all photographers.

SVNP has no formal structure: there are no officers, no competitions, and no dues. Activities are financed through voluntary contributions to the "Paper Plate Fund."

A monthly newsletter disseminates information via e-mail to members and anyone interested in SVNP. Those who prefer to receive newsletters by U.S. mail should send 12 self-addressed, stamped envelopes to Chris Ridout, 10 Sherman Bridge Road, Wayland, MA 01778.

SVNP meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month, at Traditions, on Route 27, one mile south of Wayland Center, beginning at 6:30 P.M. with refreshments, and include instructional talks, slide presentations, and discussions of slides, digital images, and prints shown by members. The meetings end around 9:30 P.M. Anyone with an interest in photography is invited to attend.

Occasional field trips are arranged to locations as close as Concord's Great Meadows Wildlife Refuge and as far-flung as Utah's Arches National Park and Great Smokies National Park in Tennessee.

Please visit our website at http://svnp.homestead.com

Send suggestions and announcements for the newsletter to Chris Rowan – <u>christopherowan@earthlink.net</u> or 978-443-4587. Thank you to Betty Ann Tyson for skillful assistance in editing of this Newsletter.