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Next Meeting

Thursday, April 14, at Traditions Senior Living Facility, 6 Green Way, off Rt. 126/27 one mile south of route 20 in Wayland, MA. Look for the street named "Green Way" directly across from Saint Ann's Church.

Come at 6:30 P.M. for refreshments and viewing the club's ongoing exhibit at Traditions.

The program starts at 7 P.M.

- Refreshment contributions: Eileen Kurkoski will bring snacks: Linda Crews will bring beverages. •
- Program: First, Jon Ehrmann will give a technical presentation. Second, Ellie Ramsey will present a program on the Pantonel region in South America.
- Bring up to 5 slides, prints, or digital images to share with the membership.
- Digital projector available April 14 and June 9. Please bring your digital images to these meetings.

Recap of March 10 General Meeting

We had a large turnout. A hearty welcome is extended to new members who attended the meeting. Walter Krawczyk (digital enthusiast), Timothy Coyne (Cannon) and Peg Whittemore, Leah Lipton, and Bill Kantor (shoots with an 8X10 view camera).

Presentation: Hiking in the Teton, Yellowstone and Glacier National Parks", Bruce Langmuir

This was an informative presentation on an organized hiking vacation taken recently in the Pacific Northwest. Bruce and his wife and in-laws enjoyed many miles of hiking each day. Bruce took wonderful pictures, including gigantic vistas using a simple lightweight camera with a neck strap. This enabled him to further enjoy a safe journey with hands free to grip two hiking sticks to guide over the rough 6 mile trails.

Tonight, Wednesday, March 23rd, at 7 PM, the Sudbury Valley Nature Photographers are hosting a special event, "Inside a Photographer's Head: An Evening with Steve Maka." The event will take place at the Wayland Town Building, in the Large Hearing Room.

Location: The Wayland Town Building is accessed by a driveway at the southwest corner of Wayland Center, which is at the junction of routes 20, 27 and 126. Parking is at the rear of the building. There will be signs pointing the way to the Large Hearing Room.

First Steve will give a presentation of his own slides. After a brief Q&A period, he will critique slides and prints brought by participants, both SVNP members and anyone else who signs up.

Please contact Eileen Kurkoski (617-928-0958 or eileenfoto@earthlink.net) to sign up to bring slides or prints. Contact Eileen also if you can bring refreshments -- finger foods, cookies, brownies, fruit, dips, crackers, drinks (non-alcoholic) or whatever.

This should be a very special evening for anyone interested in photography, whether they bring images for critiquing or not. Steve is an artist as well as a photographer and will have much to tell us about the art of photography. Please invite your friends.

About 18 have signed up to bring slides including Wayne Hall, Betsy Moyer, Doreen O'Connor, Maggie Hsu, Sue Abrahamsen, Jackie Greene, Susan Majors, David Hudson, Elisif Brandon, Erin Lamb, Ed McGuirk, Frank Forward, Eileen Kurkoski and Marijke Holtrop); two have signed up to bring prints (Linda Crews and Walter Krawczyk). Both slides and prints are welcome, but, since we don't have the digital projector that evening, we can't offer that option.

Items of Interest

Buy and Sell

Eileen Kurkoski is looking to purchase a used Toshiba or Sony wireless laptop computer. If you are selling, please contact her at 617-928-0958 or <u>eileenfoto@earthlink.net</u>.

Sharing Knowledge of Photo Opportunities

With spring around the corner several SVNP members want to start an information hot line, perhaps a Yahoo Group, so that we can quickly disseminate information such as "Marsh marigolds are in bloom at such and such a place." Anyone interested please contact Wayne Hall (978-443-9226 or wah@waynehallphotography.com.

Southboro Exhibit

Please join us in viewing the Images from Science Exhibit now on display at the NEPRC-Harvard Medical School, Southboro, Friday, March 25, 6:30 - 9:00 PM. You must RSVP to attend this event. Contact Kristen Toohey at 508-624-8009 or kristen_toohey@hms.harvard.edu. (Kristen is a member of the New England Chapter of the BioCommunications Association)

Congratulations

Congratulation to Sue Abrahamsen won first prize in a competition for the photograph that best shows interaction between tourists and local residents. Her slide of Chinese children feeling her husband Tom's beard was the winner. A free trip to New Zealand was the prize.

Field Trips

a. <u>The Butterfly Place</u> in Westford, MA. 8 - 10 a.m. on April 16. \$16 per person. Minimum number five. So far the following photographers have expressed an interest: Bruce Langmuir, Jackie Greene, Doreen O'Connor, and Betsy Moyer. Anyone else interested? Please call Betsy Moyer at 508-358-2939 or e-mail to bmga@aol.com.

Directions: From Rt. 3 take Exit 34 to the west towards Westford. The Butterfly Place is on the right about 1 mile from Exit 34.

b. <u>Garden in the Woods</u>, Framingham, MA. Pre-public "Spring Mornings," 6:30 - 8:30 on May 3, 10, 17, and 24. A photo instructor will be on hand. \$8 members; \$10 non-members. You can go on your own, or we could go as a group.

Photographica '05

63rd sale and show Saturday, April 2, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sunday, April 3, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Please note new location: Armenian Cultural and Educational Center (ACEC), 47 Nichols Avenue, Watertown. Nichols Ave is off Arlington Street, which connects Arsenal and Mt. Auburn Streets, about ¹/₂ mile east of Watertown Square. Questions? Contact Ed Shaw, Show Manager, 617-965-0807.

Upcoming Photoshoppers Meetings

Raytheon Room of the Wayland Public Library, Starting promptly at 7:00 and ending promptly at 8:45. Open to anyone interested. Dates are- April 14, May 19, June 16.

Individual Member Exhibits

Notify Wayne Hall <u>wah@waynehallphotography.com</u> of your individual exhibit to be posted on the SVNP Website.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Member</u>	<u>Exhibit Place</u>
March	Betsy Moyer	Emerson Hospital, Concord,
April 4-30th	Betsy Moyer	Goodnow Library, Concord Rd., Sudbury
April 16, from 2-4PM	RECEPTION	All welcome: April 16, from 2-4 PM
May	Ed Arees	Dover Library, Dover
June-August	Bill Peters	Morse Institute Library, Natick
		"Tapestries of Tranquility"

SVNP Group Exhibits

Traditions Gallery: There are still a few spots for photographers to hang their prints. Please bring one or two to the next meeting, April 14. Our gallery provides an opportunity to show our appreciation to the residents at Traditions for the use of the Great Room for our meetings. Unfortunately, it seems unlikely we will have many sales of prints at Traditions.

Ongoing	Traditions, 6 Green Way, Wayland, MA: Joint rotating exhibit with Arts/Wayland (call	
	Wayne Hall 978-443-9226 or Betsy Moyer at 508-358-2939)	
April 2005	Wellesley Free Library, Wellesley Square – "The Colors of Spring"	
June 2005	The Center for the Arts in Natick, MA (TCAN)	
NovDec. 2006	Wayside Inn, Sudbury, MA	

"The Colors of Spring"

Works by 25 SVNP Members at the Wellesley Free Library on 530 Washington Street (Route 135) Wellesley - April 1 - May 1

Final preparations are underway for our upcoming group exhibit at the new Wellesley Free Library in downtown Wellesley. Approximately forty prints will be on display, including works by several first-time exhibitors. Our exhibit space includes both the spectacular Wakelin Lobby in the rear of the building (which is the main entrance) and the spacious adjacent Wakelin Meeting Room 1. We will be hanging the exhibit Friday morning, April 1, and taking it down Monday morning, May 2. This will be our first group show in Wellesley. Note that the Library is holding their annual used book sale during the final weekend of the exhibit, so you have a great opportunity to stock up on some reading material AND enjoy the photography of your SVNP colleagues!

SVNP members who will be exhibiting their work include Tom Arnold, Sherry Fendell, Betsy Moyer, Susan Majors, Maggie Hsu, Harry Taplin, Erin Lamb, Murray and Trudy Drobnis, Arnie Schneider, Linda Crews, Janice Guyer, Arlene and Henry Winkleman, Bill Kantor, Jackie Greene, Wayne Hall, Jon Ehrmann, Carol McGlinchey, Marijke Holtrop, David Hudson, George Brawerman, Charles Lowell, and Martha Kilcoyne. You can tour the exhibit during normal library hours: Monday-Thursday 9-9, Friday 9-6, Saturday 9-5, and Sunday 1-5. Be aware, though, that the portion of the exhibit in the meeting room will not be accessible when there is an event going on in the room. Many thanks to Sally Wadman for volunteering to handle publicity for the show. For more information about the Library, directions, etc., visit their website at http://www.wellesleyfreelibrary.org.

Wayne Hall, Exhibitions Committee Chair

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 Doreen O'Connor (apronphoto@yahoo.com)