SVNP NEWS

The Newsletter of the
Sudbury Valley Nature Photographers

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Next Meeting

Thursday, June 14th, 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 June 14th meeting**:** "Wonders of Northeast Florida"
A presentation by Eileen Kurkoski

and

"Nature Preserves in Florida"
A presentation by George Brawerman

Tri-colored Heron on the Prowl (George Brawerman)

Please bring five minutes worth of 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.

Schedule of Upcoming SVNP Programs

June, 2007	George Brawerman Eileen Kurkoski	Nature Preserves in Florida "Wonders of Northeast Florida"
July, 2007	Don Sherman	Images from Southeast Asia
August, 2007	Ann DeCristofaro	Photodex Pro Show Gold.

Recap of May 10th Meeting

- Amitava Gangulee gave a presentation entitled "Nature and Wildlife of India"
- Thanks to photographers whose images were shown, including Linda Crews, Betsy Moyer and Sue Abrahamsen.

SVNP Exhibit Calendar

Individual Member Exhibits

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

SVNP Group Exhibits

Date	*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)
Sept. – Oct., 2007	Wayland Library (Raytheon Room)

Other Exhibits in which SVNP Members are Participating

May 1 – June 30 "Focus on Natick" - The Center for the Arts in Natick, Summer St.
http://www.natickarts.org

May 19, 20 Newton Open Studios (various locations)
http://www.newtonopenstudios.com

Note from Wayne and Betsy:

We have received complaints about the excessive length of some notices that have appeared in the Newsletter. Therefore, we think it fair to adopt the following policy.

> Announcements of classes, contest notices, etc, should in general be limited to a paragraph or two with a pointer to a place (a website or an Email address or a phone number) to get additional information.
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> Thanks for your cooperation.
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> Betsy and Wayne

News About Photoshoppers

A Message from Tom Arnold about Restructuring the Digital Darkroom Program for SVNP:

> Commencing with the meeting on July 12, the program for meetings of the Sudbury Valley Nature Photographers will include a brief demonstration of digital image editing and a discussion of digital editing techniques.
> Any member of SVNP who shoots with a digital camera will find these demonstrations informative and useful.

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FOURTH ANNUAL SVT PHOTO CONTEST

Attention, all nature photographers.

The Sudbury Valley Trustees is holding its fourth annual photo contest. Winning photographs will be selected in three categories (people, rivers, and wildlife habitat), plus an overall "Best In Show."

You've probably taken some great photographs in our 36-town region. Do you think yours could be award winning? Bring up to three of your nature photographs, taken within the Sudbury, Assabet, and Concord Rivers Valley to the Sudbury Valley Trustees headquarters off of Rt. 27, Sudbury during the dates listed below.

Drop off times at SVT headquarters are from May 14 through June 8 (Monday to Friday,

9am-5pm only). Everyone submitting a photograph will receive an invitation to the Friday night Riverfest Kick-Off. All winning photographs will be displayed throughout Riverfest in the barn at Wolbach Farm. More details are on SVT's web page. Members: Entry fee is $10 for the first photograph and $5 for additional photographs, Non-Members: $10 per photo.

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Items of Interest

Hunt's Photo and Video Store, 100 Main Street, Melrose, offers many Camera Club Specials. Call Gary at 800-221-1830 ext. 2332 or e-mail him at digitalguygary@wbhunt.com for details.

NECCC (New England Camera Club Council) announces its 62nd annual conference, to take place July 13, 14, and 15 at UMass Amherst. For more details, visit their web site at www.neccc.org.

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 – christopherowan@earthlink.net or 978-443-4587.