

Sudbury Valley Nature Photographers

Meeting Notes – August 8, 2013

(Held at Newbury Court in Concord)

Featured presentation notes (our semi-annual “member images” night):

Our theme for the evening was “shapes” (suggested by Katherine O’Hara). The following members presented images for discussion, covering shapes ranging from triangles and circles to arches and some more abstract shapes:

Sue Abrahamsen
Linda Crews
Hendrik Broekman
Steve Gabeler
Mark Hopkins
Betsy Moyer
Wayne Hall
Don Sherman
George Brawerman
Marilyn Tromer

There was a lot of creativity demonstrated and much good and constructive discussion.

Announcements:

1. We welcomed several Newbury Court residents, as we “kicked the tires” to aid in our consideration of using Newbury Court’s Community Room as a future meeting location. No decisions have yet been made, and our September 12 meeting will be back in our usual location at Traditions of Wayland. The subject will be discussed further at that meeting. Each location has its own set of pros and cons, both as a meeting location and for ongoing exhibit space. As an example, the built-in projector at Newbury Court seems to render colors a little more accurately than SVNP’s unit, but ours produces somewhat sharper images on the screen.

2. SVNP members are invited to enter their favorite photographs taken in the three rivers watershed (Concord, Assabet, and Sudbury Rivers) in **OARS' 2013 Photo Contest**. The deadline for submissions is September 27.

About OARS: OARS is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization whose mission is to protect, preserve, and enhance the natural and recreational features of the Assabet, Sudbury, and Concord Rivers, their tributaries and watersheds, and to increase public awareness of the rivers' values as important natural resources. Established in 1986 as the Organization for the Assabet River by a group of concerned citizens, OAR added the Sudbury and Concord Rivers to its mission in 2011, becoming OARS.

For more information visit their web site at
<http://www.oars3rivers.org/event/photocontest>

3. We need presentations for October and beyond. Contact Wayne Hall if you have a program you would like to present to the group, or have suggestions for outside guest speakers, etc.
4. Remember our group exhibit coming up at the Raytheon Room of the Wayland Public Library during the month of November – images captured on conservation/public lands in Wayland, in conjunction with the town's 375th anniversary celebration. Wayne will send out the "call for exhibitors" on or about September 1.
5. SVNP co-founder Budd Titlow's latest book, "Bird Brains", goes on sale September 3. You can find advance information about it (and preorder, if you'd like) on Amazon.com. Budd has offered to do a presentation for us during one of his trips to Boston if we can work out the related scheduling issues.
6. Remember that SVNP is now on Facebook. Contact Jon Ehrmann (jehrmann@aol.com) if you'd like to join the "closed" Facebook group that Jon has set up.
7. And, a reminder that dues for 2013 remain at \$15 (\$20 per couple). Payment of 2013 dues is a prerequisite for participating in our November group show. Contact Wayne if you're not sure whether or not you've paid.

Schedule of Upcoming SVN Program

Sept. 12, 2013 We will view one or two instructional DVDs featuring National Geographic photographer Joel Sartore – the subject will be “composition”

October and beyond – PRESENTERS AND IDEAS NEEDED!!!

SVNP Exhibit Calendar

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

Individual Member Exhibits

<u>Date</u>	<u>Member</u>	<u>Exhibit Location</u>
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None to report this month

SVNP Group Exhibits

<u>Date</u>	<u>Exhibit Location</u>
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Ongoing	Traditions, 10 Green Way, Wayland, MA
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November 2013	Raytheon Room, Wayland Public Library – “Images of Wayland’s Public Lands,” in conjunction with Wayland’s 375 th anniversary celebration
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Other Exhibits Involving SVN Members

<u>Date</u>	<u>Exhibit</u>	<u>Location</u>
August 1-30	Sudbury Art Association	Goodnow Library, Sudbury, MA
Oct. 19-20	Sudbury Open Studios	Town Hall, Grange Hall, various other locations

About SVN

The Sudbury Valley Nature Photographers
is an informal group of approximately fifty talented advanced, amateur, and professional photographers from the western suburbs of Boston, brought together by their passion for capturing the beauty and power of nature through photography.

The group was established in 1995, and regularly exhibits its members' work throughout eastern Massachusetts and on the Internet.

Visit our web site at <http://svnp.homestead.com>

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