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Next Meeting

Thursday, October 11th, 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 October 11th meeting: Photoshop Fun with Travel Images.

A presentation by Linda Crews

FYI, this is not intended as Photoshop instruction. The presentation, geared primarily to beginners, will involve a "before and after" look at travel images prepared in Photoshop for quick presentation to family and friends via photo albums and/or slide show presentations

In addition to the presentation, Bill Kantor will give a brief technical presentation.

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

October 11, 2007	Linda Crews	Photoshop Fun with Travel Images
November 8, 2007	Amitava Gangulee & Suzanne Lorant Gangulee	Images from Iceland

Recap of September 20th Meeting

- Betsy Moyer, Sue Abrahamsen and Sherry Fendell presented a program on Monhegan Island.
- Russ Kirby gave a short presentation on the autochrome, an early color medium.

- Welcome to new members: Arthur Ferguson from Framingham
Carol Walsh from Newton
Alice Shafer from Acton
- Thanks to all photographers who showed their images.
- Jackie Greene updated details for the upcoming benefit event for Steve Maka. See 'Items of Interest' below for more info.
- Refreshments were provided by Elizabeth Weisenburger.

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.

<u><i>Date</i></u>	<u><i>Member</i></u>	<u><i>Exhibit Location</i></u>
Through Sept.	Irene Chang	Beijing Star Restaurant, 835 Main St., Waltham, MA
October	Sue Abrahamsen	Trinity Episcopal Church, 81 Elm St., Concord, MA
October	George Brawerman	Wayland Library (foyer)
November	Murray and Trudy Drobnis	Wayland Library (foyer)

SVNP Group Exhibits

<u><i>Date</i></u>	<u><i>Exhibit Location</i></u>
Ongoing	Traditions, 6 Green Way, Wayland, MA
Sept. 5 – Oct. 25	Wayland Library (Raytheon Room) – reception Sunday, Sept. 30, 2:30-4:30

Other Exhibits in which SVNP Members are Participating

October	Henry Weisenburger	Boston Camera Club at the Brookline Art Institute
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Items of Interest

SVNP member Suthir Shan is participating in a pilot photo program for street kids in Lima, Peru, and is looking for donations to offset the cost of purchasing supplies. To quote Suthir:

"I figure most photographers store their film in relatively good condition, so even if it's expired, it would still be usable for this project.

"I'll take any old equipment as well - 35mm point and shoot cameras or manual 35mm SLRs (like old Ricohs or K1000s). They don't have to be fancy or have an assortment of lenses. The more we have, the more kids will be allowed to participate (right now kids will be sharing in groups of 2 or 3). Any SLRs would be supplemental and be available for kids who take a further interest in photography to learn the more technical aspects of photography. People can give money as well. Film, either donated or money to buy film, is our most important need.

"Stuff can be mailed via US Postal Service to me at Suthir Shan, P.O. Box 473 Natick, MA 01760. If anyone prefers to use FedEx or UPS, they can send it to: Suthir Shan c/o Peru Project, 7 Union Street Natick, MA 01760. Please include your name, address, and contact info."

If there are questions, contact Suthir at suthir@onepost.net.

A notice was sent out to SVNP members on September 19, and the response has been overwhelming. By September 25 a total of about 20 cameras, 100 rolls of film as well as lenses and other equipment were donated. Anyone wishing to donate additional items can get in touch with Suthir (e-mail address above) or Betsy Moyer at 508-358-2939 or bmga@aol.com.



September 25 at Traditions: Suthir Shan, SVNP member active in the "Peru Project," accepts donations from other members Luther Davis, Betsy Moyer, and Arthur Ferguson. (Photo by Amitava Gangulee)

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SVNP ARTISTS' RECEPTION, September 30, 2:30 – 4:30

The **SVNP** exhibit at the Raytheon Room, Wayland Public Library, continues through October 25. Please join us for the Artists' Reception on September 30, 2:30 - 4:30 and please spread the word. Photographers exhibiting are Sue Abrahamsen, Warren Bailey, George Brawerman, Irene Chang, Linda Crews, Murray and Trudy Drobni, Jon Ehrmann, Amitava Gangulee, Suzanne Lorant-Gangulee, Jackie Green, Wayne Hall, Stanley Klein, Erin Lamb, Susan Majors, Betsy

Moyer, David Parish, John Varnerin, Elizabeth and Henry Weisenburger. Several photographers will speak about their work, and refreshments will be served.

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SVNP SPONSORED STEVE MAKI FIRE FUNDRAISER, November 1, 7 – 9 p.m.

Jackie Greene gave an announcement about the "Steve Maka Fire Fundraiser" that SVNPN is sponsoring on November 1, 7 - 9:30, in the Large Hearing Room of the Wayland Town Building. She hopes there will be a large crowd of Steve's friends and fellow photographers who will attend to give support to Steve, who lost everything, 30 years worth of professional photographic work, in the Bernat Mill fire in Uxbridge on July 11. The title of his talk is "Image Impact," and he'll be focusing on techniques to help us take photos that have an immediate impact on the viewer. This is a wonderful opportunity for us to learn from a world-renowned first class nature photographer. (For more about Steve and to see some of his images, visit his web site at www.makaphotography.com.) Please spread the word, especially to friends in other photo clubs.

Some highlights of the November 1 fundraiser:

- In lieu of an admission fee, attendees are invited to make a contribution of \$20 per person to Steve's fund. (Checks may be sent to Steve Maka, c/o Betsy Moyer, SVNPN, 36 Hampshire Road, Wayland, MA 01778.)
- Attendees may bring up to two slides or two images on a CD for possible inclusion in Steve's presentation. If you do submit images, please come at 6:30 so there is time to load the images into the appropriate carousel or computer.
- There will be a drawing for door prizes, which include a gift certificate from the Photo Video Store in Wayland and an 18 x 24 signed print from Steve, saved because the image was on his laptop computer at home at the time of the fire. We could use more door prizes, if anyone has or can obtain something to contribute.
- We need volunteers to bring refreshments and to help on the day of the event -- setup, cleanup, greet guests, and before the event to help put up posters, etc.

For information, to contribute a door prize, or to volunteer, please contact Jackie Greene at 508-358-9544.

Many thanks for any help you can give us. *The Steve Maka Fire Fundraiser Steering Committee: Jackie Greene, Erin Lamb, Betsy Moyer.*

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OLDTOWN PHOTO CALENDAR COMPETITION

Registration to enter the *Oldtown Photo Calendar Competition* closes October 7. Photos are not needed until October 19 and should be taken of the "Oldtown area" in South Natick, which includes, among other places, Broadmoor Wildlife Sanctuary. To register visit

www.oldtowncalendar.org and click on "Photographer Entry Info." For more information contact Tod at his e-mail address, oldtownphoto@comcast.net.

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PHOTOSHOPPERS

Because of increased work and home commitments, Tom Arnold has stepped down as chair of our Photoshoppers group. If there anyone who would like to take over -- organize meetings, topics, and speakers -- please get in touch with Betsy Moyer 508-358-2939 or bmga@aol.com or Tom Arnold at 978-443-2344 or tba1959@comcast.net.

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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.