



# Out of Focus

Newsletter of the Focus Photo Club  
A Special Interest Club for Amateur and Professional Photographers  
Meeting at Central Christian Church, 1200 Forrer Blvd, Dayton OH on the  
Second Thursday each month

Out of Focus is published monthly by the Focus Photo Club. Announcements and articles relating to photography, photo contests, and events are strongly encouraged.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

July 11 - Meeting - Mike Doran - Shooting at the USAF Museum

July 13 - Linda Madden - Lily Fest - Rockbridge

July 15 - Mike Doran - Tour of USAF Museum

August 1 - Linda Madden - Butterfly Ridge Butterfly House Rockbridge, OH

August 4 - Picnic at Washington Twp. Rec Center Shelter

August 8 - August Club Meeting

August 24 - Linda Madden - Wildflower Shoot at Huffman Prairie

September 12 - Meeting—Staff from National Trails Parks—Photo Ops in Clark County Parks

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## TONIGHT'S MEETING

Tonight Mike Doran will speak on shooting at the U.S. Air Force Museum. After an extensive career working with the military, Mike has been a volunteer at the museum for seven years. He will share his insights on photographing aircraft, as well as sharing a brief history of many of the planes. The theme tonight is Bodies of Water.



On Saturday, July 13,, we will travel to Rockbridge, Ohio for their annual Lilyfest. Meet at the Kroger on Yellow Springs Road at 9:00am. Pack a lunch or eat from vendors at the event. We will return home by 6:00.



Meet at the Museum at 10:00am. Lunch in the Café. Bring a tripod. There will be a special tour by Mike Doran, speaker at tonight's meeting.

Welcome to FOCUS Photo Club's new year of exciting fellowship and competition! My name is Susan Willin and I will be serving as the president of the club for the 2018 - 2019 club year.



**3. Keep the traditions.** FOCUS is well experienced and has a rich history of tradition. And this is the basis of my overall goal for the club: To maintain and develop a spirit of learning. ***We always remember those who teach us!***

I look forward to another great club and competition year!

Susan

I want to congratulate all of the club members for their placements in the 2018-19 competition year. Competition is tough and we have many talented photographers! Super congratulations to the Photographer of the Year, Richard Fox, and to Stan Rohrer, and Kathy Moore for their accomplishment in 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place.

We have a fully packed schedule of exciting club outings planned for the year. Linda Madden has worked very hard to provide our club with many opportunities to 'get out and shoot'! Outings are a great way to learn from each other and a great way to meet others if you are new. We each have special talents and I know I have learned a lot by picking the photography brains of many club members. Information about these outings can be found on both our Facebook page and our website.

I have three goals for the club as we begin this new year.

**1. Leadership.** I encourage members to seek positions in club leadership. One way to do that is for us to become 'two deep' in every position. These positions include Competition (both print and digital), Webmaster, Hospitality, Historian Secretary, Treasurer and PR/Newsletter. I think this is important as it promotes continuity and safeguards critical information and processes.

**2. Seek New Generations.** Yes, membership : ) I am always amazed at the depth of knowledge of our membership. I am also amazed with the knowledge our younger generations have as well. How can we connect with the younger versions of ourselves? Please share your ideas with us. If we can do this, what a great way for us all to grow and learn as a club.

Membership is hugely important, and I encourage everyone to spread the word about our club. I also want us to connect with new members as it can very intimidating to be new in a club of our size. If you see someone who is new, say hello! This is one easy way that we can help others feel welcome.

## Digital Competition

Welcome new members. Just a few words about Digital ( aka Projected) competition. We use Photocontestpro.com to submit our digital format pictures. If all goes right, you should have an account created, using the email you gave us, within two weeks. Once created you will receive an email from Moskowitz and Associates with your credentials with your information.

If you have questions, please email [digitalcompetition@focusphotoclub.com](mailto:digitalcompetition@focusphotoclub.com).

If you do not have an email address, there are several free sites. Please check that all is OK with your account at least one week prior to the due date. Notify us of problems using [digitalcompetition@focusphotoclub.com](mailto:digitalcompetition@focusphotoclub.com).

If you wait till the last minute to notify us of problems, we cannot guarantee that you will be able to compete digitally that month.

Nancy Christolear, Digital Competition VP

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## GUIDELINES

Competition is open to all paid-up members of Focus Photo Club (dues must be current one week prior to competition.) Entry deadline is 7:10 p.m. on meeting night. Each member may submit 4 entries, no more than 2 photos in any one category. Competition rules can be found in the Constitution. Projected entries must be uploaded by midnight of the Monday before the meeting.

## MEMBER GALLERIES on CLUB WEBSITE

If you haven't already checked out the Member Galleries on our Focus Photo Club Website, you're in for a treat. A number of our members have a selection of their photos on the website for people to view. There is some beautiful work being highlighted here.

## PATRIOTIC PHOTO BOOTH

Julie Lucht and Denice Martz will have a "photo booth" at the meeting, where they will take patriotic portraits of members. They did something similar in December. If you have any patriotic props they can use, please bring them to the meeting. Be sure to get your picture taken.

## NEWSLETTER INFO

Please e-mail me any information you have for the newsletter. That include good news, like awards you've won, photos you've had published, and exhibits you're participating in. I can also use information about local photography events, contests or exhibits that might be of interest to the members. It's your input that makes my job easier and enables me to include information that is of interest to the members. Thanks! [patmcbirder@woh.rr.com](mailto:patmcbirder@woh.rr.com)

## EXHIBIT AT MURPHY'S BOOKSTORE

Focus Photo Club continues to display photos at Murphy's Used Bookstore. Photographers are needed to provide photos which will be hung on July 13. Murphy's is located at 2852 Wilmington Pike, Kettering, Ohio, 45419.

Let Crystal Allen know if you want to display photos for three or four months. Crystal's email is [ajfan90@hotmail.com](mailto:ajfan90@hotmail.com).

## PEOPLE'S CHOICE COMPETITION

Winners of the competition were Robin Brandewie, Richard Fox, Stan Rohrer, Kathy Moore, Susan Willin and Judy Fellner.

## PROUD MOMENTS

**Congratulations to Dick Fox.** His photo of NKP 765 steam engine was a 1st runner-up in the Reader's Digest annual photo contest and was published in the June/July issue.



**Congratulations to Susan Willin!** Susan is a finalist in the Roebling Bridge Photo Contest! If you want to vote for her picture, go to the Focus Photo Club Facebook page and she has directions for voting. Votes must be in by Monday, July 15.



## FOOD DRIVE

This is the month for our quarterly food drive, which is part of our agreement with the church where we meet. Please bring a few non-perishable food items

## INTERNATIONAL CONTEST

Our annual international contest with clubs in Australia and England is coming up. Entries due by Sept. 30. More info later..



## HELP NEEDED WITH HOSPITALITY

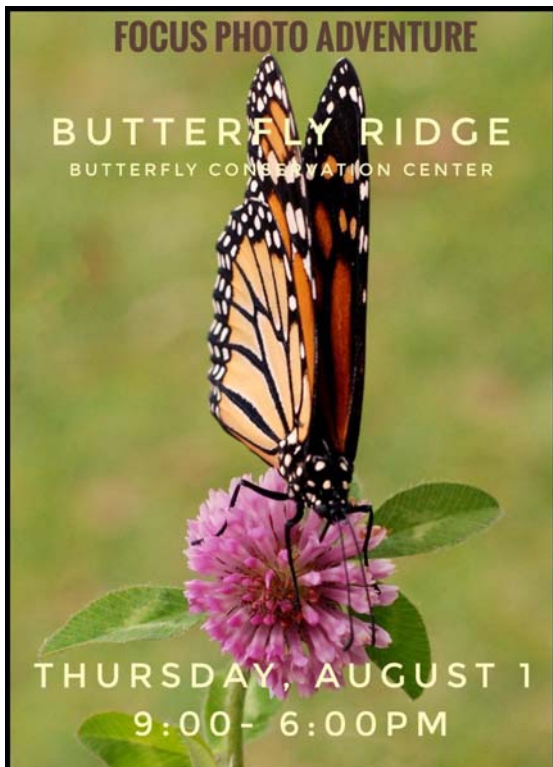
Since Judy is serving as both Hospitality Chair and Webmaster, she needs some help with the refreshments at meetings. She will have a sign-up sheet at the meeting where you can volunteer to either set up or tear down the refreshment table at a meeting. Please consider signing up to help.

## NEW COMPETITION RULES AND CATEGORIES

There are a number of changes to the competition categories and rules. For one thing, you can now enter 4 photos instead of 3. See the website for all the changes. Please check on this before the meeting so you don't try to enter a category that no longer exists.

## MEMBER AND ALUMNI BANQUET

On Sunday, August 4, we will have a picnic for ALL Focus Photo Members, from 1989 to the present! It will be held at the Washington Township Rec Center, 895 Miamisburg-Centerville Road, Dayton OH, 45459. The picnic will start at 4 and end at 7. Try to get your friends who are no longer members to come.



Meet at the Kroger on Yellow Springs Road at 9am. Pack a Lunch. We will be home by 6. Cost of \$5.



Meet at Huffman Prairie at 4pm. The shoot ends at 7pm.



Robin Brandewie won the first annual Legacy Award, in memory of Nancy Roach. Dave Lundy photo

# RELIVING THE BANQUET

Photos by Dave Lundy

