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Meets first and third Tuesdays of each month at Bayland Community Center, 6400 Bissonnet near Hillcroft

Field Trip—April 21

Houston Arboretum and Nature Center

9:00 A.M at the Arboretum, 4501 Woodway Dr., Houston.

We continue our photographic exploration of Houston with a trip to the Arboretum. The object of this trip is to improve your observation skills. One can walk the entire Arboretum and see almost nothing or you can see wonderful photographic opportunities if you take the time to really look and listen. The Arboretum is full of a large variety of frogs, snakes, turtles, small animals, birds, plants, trees, flowers, fungus and lake reflections. The problem is many of the objects are camouglaged in their environment. Bring your macro lens. Look for an email with additional details the week before the event.

Gerry Jump—Field Trip Chair

Program — April 17

Kathy Adams Clark—Travel Photography

Join Kathy Adams Clark on a journey through back alleys and jungle pathways with her camera. Kathy has been a professional photographer since 1995 with travel images appearing in many places including the New York Times, National Geography books, Texas Highways, and AAA *Journey.* In this program, Kathy will talk about preparing for a trip, traveling with equipment, capturing a sense of place, paying tribute to local customs, using creative vision, and working with people. The program will also include tips for photographing landscapes, shooting at night and inside buildings, using high-dynamic range to capture tricky light, and how to catalogue images once back home.

This is a special program. Put it on your calendar now.

Ross McEathron-Program Chair

Refreshments—C.T. Edwards

Tuesday, April 3, 2012

Competition Meeting:—Projected Digital Images and Prints 6

Starting time: 7:00 p.m.

- 6. Projected Image Competition—Enter one image in any of 5 categories: (Pictorial, Nature, Travel, Photojournalism, Creative). Send digital images to Bob Jump by Saturday March 31 at hcc digital@att.net
- 66666666666 Digital Print Competition—Enter one print in any of 5 categories: (Pictorial, Nature, Travel, Photojournalism, and Creative)
 - **Monochrome**—Enter one projected image and/or one print.
 - Unlimited Prints —Enter 1 print.
 - Assignment for April—Animal, Not a Bird Enter 1 projected image and/or 1 print.
- 666666 Quarterly Field Trip—Enter one projected image and/or one print from each of the following field trips:

Ice Sculpting, Rockport, Rice University

Judges: Urvine Atkinson, Mark Katz, Gwen Kunz

Competition Table: Marilyn Holloway, Henry Peterman

Mini Show: Presenters needed. Sign up with Ron Towe.

🔧 Refreshments: Gwen Kunz

Calendar—Upcoming Activities

Kathy Adams Clark April 17

April 19-21 GSCCC Convention, New Iberia, LA

April 21 **Houston Arboretum and Nature Center**

Upcoming Assignments

May	Downtown At Night			
June	e Animal or Animals, Person or Peopl			
	Playing In Water			
July	Bicycle or Tricycle			

Shootout

Thank you all for making the effort to attend the shootout. We were very pleased with the HCC turnout. Now we still have lots of work to do to get the images processed, judged, etc. When you send you images to Bob Jump, please include shootout in the subject line. Remember that you can enter one image for each of the twenty categories, but must have five or more to be considered a participant. If you have any questions about entering these projected entries, please contact Bob at HCCDigital@att.net.

Dates to Remember

April 8th, midnight Deadline to enter images. April 10th, 7:00 p.m. HCC judging at Bayland Park All are invited to attend. June 2nd, 11:30 a.m. Lunch at Frank's Restaurant

Schulenburg. Winner announced

Photograph Painted Churches

Gerry and Bob Jump, Shootout Co-Chairs

Camera Club Web Site

We have moved our web site to a new ISP. It is a lot of work to change web hosts. Please thank **Bill Buryhka** for all his hard work to rebuild the site when you see him. Thank you also to **Ross McEathron** for allowing the club to use his server as a web host for no cost.

Check out the web site, houstoncameraclub.org, to see what is new. Our web site is a valuable tool for the club. It brings us many visitors each year, and some of them become members.



Lake Sunset

By: Gerry Jump

Visitors: We had two visitors in March. **Howard Pollock** lives in Houston. **Alison Santiago** lives in Denver.

New Members:

Rick Abarca of Houston is interested in a variety of photography including nature, travel and portraiture. He uses Canon equipment.

Ed Canoy lives in Pearland. He is interested in all photography. He also uses Canon equipment.

Member News: Denny Moller is home after surgery and physical therapy for a broken leg. He is working hard to recover. We wish him well and hope to see him soon.

Steve Goldberg and his wife, Amelia, traveled to the Clearwater Ranch in Leakey, TX. The cabins there are right on the Frio River. Steve and Amelia were there more for astronomy than photography. This trip was a lead up to their annual trek to Fort Davis later in the year with their astronomy club.

Bayland Community Center

Bayland Community Center has requested that we coordinate our scheduling activities through identified individuals. If you need to schedule a room for a special camera club meeting, please contact **Joe Sandler** with your requirements. He is our club's designated representative to Bayland.

An Open Letter From Denny Moller

To all members of Houston Camera Club:

At the time of the accident which caused a fracture of my left leg I was deeply involved in getting ready to have the February GSCCC Nature category judged. When I realized my leg was not working my first concern was to have the leg repaired but I also realized that something had to be done to complete the judging. Before I could take any action to consider a way out of the problem, Leslie and John Niemand called to say that they would collect all of the work I had done and all of the entries I had received and see that the judging was properly handled. My son gathered all of the work from my computer and all of the prints and packaging so they could take over the direction of the judging which was held on March 21 at Bayland Community Center.

I have asked for this note to be included in the Rangefinder so I can publicly express my appreciation to the Niemands for their thoughtfulness and generosity in to relieving me of the obligation and letting me concentrate on recuperation and therapy. In addition, since the Niemands needed help in conducting the judging I want to thank all of the HCC members who assisted them in the judging. All of you have shown the strength of HCC where members are willing to volunteer to help when unfortunate things happen. It is this cooperative joining together that has kept HCC a viable organization for all of the years of its existence.

Thanks to all of you.

Denny Moller, GSCCC Representative

Photographer Saying:

Anything more than 500 yards from the car just isn't photogenic.

Edward Weston



Red Headed Duck Close-up by Leslie Niemand



Country Lane

By Urvine Atkinson



Fishing At Dawn

By: Tejas Rajaram

FeatherFest—Galveston Birding and Nature Photo Festival

This year, FeatherFest will be held on Thursday April 12 through Sunday April 15 on Galveston Island. This is one of the largest birding festivals in Texas, and the only one with a dedicated nature photography track. There are workshops that have been designed for photographers and there are also field trips. It is also an opportunity to meet and mingle with some top nature photographers from our area. For further information and to register, check the web site glavestonfeatherfest.com.

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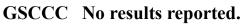
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March Co	ompetition Results		Prints Co	ntinued	
Judged Mrch 6, 2012			Nature Prints – 8 entries		
Judges: Bill Burychka, Ross McEathron, Marcia Raskin			1st (22 pts)	Grebe	M. Holloway
Projected	Images		2 nd (19 pts)	Red Headed Duck Close-	ıp
	ategory – 6 entries				L. Niemand
1 st (21 pts)	Country Lane	U. Atkinson		Ladder Back Woodpecker	J. Klehm
2^{nd} (20 pts)	Lake Sunset	G. Jump	3 rd (18 pts)	Altimira Oriole	T. Rutledge
3 rd (18 pts)	Butterfly	D. Peck	(17 pts)	Freeway Daisy	S. Goldberg
	Lonesome 3014	E. Sandler	(16 pts)	Snowy Hanging On	E. Sandler
(17 pts)	The Ashram	T. Rajaram		Mating	Ross Gore
(16 pts)	According Player	S. Goldberg	(15 pts)	Bad Hair Day Bird	G. Jump
	egory – 4 entries	C	Photojourn	alism Prints – 3 entries	
1^{st} (20 pts)	Eagle 8621	M. Holloway	1st (20 pts)	It's A Double	H. Peterman
2^{nd} (18 pts)	What You Say	J. Klehm	2 nd (19 pts)	Have An Ice Day	G. Sternes
2 rd (17 pts)	Kite	T. Rutledge	3 rd (17 pts)	3 On 3 Matchup	C.T. Edwards
(16 pts)	Rockport Duck	H. Peterman	Travel Prin	Its – 2 entries	
	alism Category – 2entr		1st (18 pts)	Capilano Bridge	B. Jump
1 st (19 pts)	Going For The Finish	J. Sandler	2 nd (17 pts)	New Mexico Stairway	J. Sandler
2^{nd} (18 pts)	Panther Basket	G. Sternes	Creative Pr	·ints – 1 entry	
		O. Sternes	1 st (19 pts)	Let's Talk	U. Atkinson
	egory – 1 entry	D. Lunur	Monochron		
1 st (17 pts)	Yosemite Falls	B. Jump	1 st (21 pts)	Desert Road	B, Jump
	ategory – 1 entry		2^{nd} (20 pts)	Halls History	J. Klehm
1 st (20 pts)	Rice University	M. Barrera	3 rd (18 pts)	Missed Tackle	G. Sternes
Monochrome – 7 entries		(17 pts)	Limbo	T. Rutledge	
1 st (20 pts)	Fishing At Dawn	T. Rajaram	(16 pts)	Rain Forest	M. Barrera
2 nd (18 pts)	Food Fight	B. Jump	(15 pts)	B + W Duck	G. Jump
	Great Blue 289	J. Sandler		mited Prints – 8 entries	
	Immature Pair 2686	E. Sandler	1^{st} (22 pts)	Proud Pappa 3-5-12	E. Sandler
	Logs On Beach	G. Jump	2^{nd} (21 pts)	Balanced Rock @ Sunset	
	San Luis Resort	M. Barrera	2^{rd} (21 pts) 3^{rd} (20 pts)	Night Heron	J. Sandler
3^{rd} (16 pts)	Going For The Score	G. Sternes	5 (20 pts)	Sad Girl	R. Burychka
Assignment	<i>Emptiness</i> – 9 entries		(10 mts)		R. Gore
Winner:	No Tennis Today	L. Auerbach	(19 pts)	Young Ibis Lady In The Mist	M. Barrera
<u>Prints</u>			(17 mts)	Great Blue	
	rints – 1 entry		(17 pts)		T. Rutledge
1^{st} (18 pts)	San Luis Resort	M. Barrera	(16 pts) Standing Touch Down G. Sternes Assignment: <i>Emptiness</i> – 4 entries		
i (10 pts)	Sun Luis Resolt	m. Durrerd	Winner:	Empty Field	B. Jump
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Interclub Competitions







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Judged February, 2012, on the basis of 15 points.

White Ibis 2939	9 pts	Joe Sandler				
Harley	8 pts	Manuel Barrera				
Black & White Sea Stack						
	9 pts	Bob Jump				
Bromiliad	10 pts	Joe Sandler				
Hawk	7 pts	Manuel Barrera				
Badwater Sunset	9 pts	Bob Jump				

GSCCC Convention

The 2012 convention, **Mudbugs and Shutterbugs**, is almost here. It will be held **April 19-22** in New Iberia, Louisiana.



The Greater Lafayette Photographic Society has organized this convention and has a web site with information about their plans. You will find infor-

mation on the photographic tours that will be available as well as information about the presenters that will be speaking. And, you will find information on registering for the conference and making hotel reservations.

Check the web site gsccc.convention.angelfire.com for the latest news on the conference. Several HCC members will be attending. If you haven't made your reservations yet, make them now.

PSA Conference

This year's conference will be held in San Francisco in September. Additional details have been posted to the conference web site. They include tours that will be available, classes and workshops



that will be held, and the hotel. The conference is open to all.

See the web site psa-photo.org/conference for details.

Thank you to Ross Gore, Gerry Jump, John Niemand and Joe Sandler for contributing images from the Rice University field trip and the Shootout in Columbus.



Pat Gough at Rice University By: Gerry Jump



Urvine Atkinson and Bob Jump By John Niemand

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Shootout Attendees

By: Ross Gore



Bob Jump, Others Shooting Ceiling By: Joe Sandler



Rachel Burychka and the Gattling Gun By: John Niemand



Leslie Niemand and the Hat Lady By: John Niemand

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Urvine Atkinson, the Judge

By: Ross Gore

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