

# Out of Focus

**Newsletter of the Focus Photo Club**

**A Special Interest Club for Amateur and Professional Photographers**

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Meetings are held on the first Thursday of the month at 7:00 pm at Cox Arboretum.

## TONIGHT!

Mike Williams, photographer for the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, will present a program entitled "Springtime Around Ohio." Mike has done several programs for us in the past and we always welcome him back. The theme tonight is Animals. The slate of officers running for election will be presented, as well as one proposed Constitutional change. Nominations will also be taken from the floor.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

April 5 meeting - Mike Williams, ODNR Photographer, with a program on "Spring Around Ohio"

April 20-22 Shoot the Hills  
Photo Competition  
Hocking Hills State Park

April 21-28 Smoky Mountains trip with Julie Guenther

May 3 Meeting - People's Choice Competition, Election of Officers, Club Photo

June 7 Annual Awards Banquet at Amber Rose

July 5 Meeting - Judging Seminar - Terry Watson and Art Fabian

### Coming Up Next Month

Several things will take place at our May Meeting. We will hold election of officers and vote on a Constitutional change. We will also have our annual People's Choice Competition. You may enter one photo. It may be one you've entered in competition, or one we haven't seen. Members will vote and the top six entries will receive awards at the Banquet in June.

### Professional Photographers of Ohio Trade Show & Exhibit

Well over twenty members of Focus Photo Club attended the PPO show on Saturday, March 3. Some attended at other times. Eighteen of us went to the Spaghetti Warehouse for dinner after viewing the awesome pictures in the exhibit. Our own Chuck Shade had a photo in the exhibit.



**FOCUS MEMBERS ENJOYING THE PPO EXHIBIT**

## Yearly Club Photo

Our yearly club photo will be taken in May. If you have a Focus Photo shirt, wear it to the meeting. If not, another navy shirt would be good.

## Icon Achievers

Due to technical difficulties, we are unable to bring you the names of the icon achievers from March. Aren't computers wonderful?

## Stivers High School Photo Exhibit and Sale

Several Focus Photo members attended the photo exhibit and sale at Stivers High School and some purchased photos. Photos were donated by people from all over the world, including our own Art Fabian. It was an awesome display of photo talent, and the school raised quite a bit of money. One photo sold for \$700.

## Jackie Buck's Work on Sale

Until the end of May, Jackie Buck will have photos on sale at the Town and Country Fine Art Gallery in the shopping mall at 300 E. Stroop Road in Kettering.

If you have anything you would like in the newsletter, please send it to me at [patmcbirder@woh.rr.com](mailto:patmcbirder@woh.rr.com)

## Monthly Judging Clinics

Beginning in May, we will put a slight twist on our 6:30 Critique Sessions. The revised sessions will be called Judging Clinics. You are still encouraged to bring your images for critique, but now we will have an experienced club judge on hand to look at the image and tell you what score he or she would give it in competition. Then the judge will explain why he or she gave it that score. This will provide the critique you're looking for and also give you a better understanding of what judges are looking for in our monthly competitions. Even if you don't want to bring a print, you're still welcome to stop by and do some "pretend" judging to see how your scores match up with those of the judge for the night. The only thing we ask is that you please not bring a print for critique that you plan to enter in competition that night. Terry Watson will lead May's Judging Clinic.

## Bring a Photo for the Banquet Show

The Board plans to have an ongoing slide show of everyone's favorite photos during the Banquet in June. They ask that you contribute three shots you like. You can put them on a CD and bring them to the meeting in May or e-mail them to Tony Kilby at [tboneK67@woh.rr.com](mailto:tboneK67@woh.rr.com). The more people who are involved, the better the show will be, so get your pictures in.

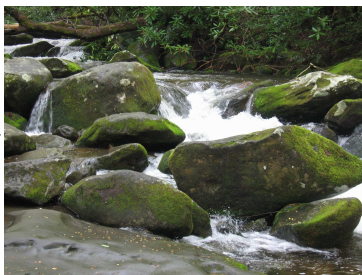
### Executive Board 2005-2006

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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 in any one category. Competition rules can be found in the Constitution, Article X.

**Julie Guenther’s Annual Smoky Mountain Photo Shoot**



Julie’s spring photo outing in the Smokies starts on Saturday, April 21 and ends the following Saturday. You can go for the whole week or for a few days.

If you want to attend, please contact Julie at guenther@donet.com or call her at (937)433-8710 and let her know when you will arrive. She will get you a list of items you might need. A group of rooms have

been reserved for us at the Valley View Lodge in Townsend, TN. When you make your reservation, tell them you’re with the Guenther Photo Group in order to get the special rate, which is \$49.95+tax on Sunday through Thursday and \$69.95 on Friday and Saturday. The number is 1-800-292-4844. Rooms have two double beds, a small refrigerator, microwave and coffee pot.

Sunday through Friday are the best days to photograph without too many tourists present. We will be there during “Wildflower Week,” so there will be a lot of people in the Smokies on the weekends. Activities are scheduled the night before, in order to take the weather forecast into consideration. This is a great opportunity to get in some quality shooting and to get better acquainted with our members and members of the Tripod Camera Club, who will also be there.



**MONTHLY THEMES**

April	Animals
May	Shoot a Member
June	Banquet - No Competition
July	Hair
August	Food
September	Weather
October	Eyes
November	Reflections
December	Toys

**Competition Tip**

Judging is a very important part of each month’s competition. It is important that you agree to judge if the competition chairman asks you to. The fact that he asks you means that he has confidence in your ability to judge. If you’re wary of judging, attend some of the pre-meeting judging clinics. Also the July meeting will be devoted to judging training. All photos are to be judged on impact, composition and technical merit.

**PHOTOGRAPHY WEEKEND COMPETITIONS**

On the weekend of April 20-22, you have a choice of two weekend photo competitions. You can go to Hocking Hills State Park for their Shoot the Hills competition, or you can attend the photography weekend at Cumberland Falls State Resort Park in Kentucky. For Shoot the Hills info, see their website <http://shootthehills.com> . For more info on Cumberland Falls, call naturalist Bret Smitley at 1-800-325-0063 or email him at [BretA.Smitley@ky.gov](mailto:BretA.Smitley@ky.gov) .

**ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET**

Our annual banquet will be held on Thursday, June 7 at the Amber Rose in Dayton. More information will be coming as to the cost and the menu, but this is always a lot of fun. We honor members for their achievements during the year, have a slide show of “moments” in the life of Focus Photo, and have lots of door prizes and items to be raffled off. You don’t want to miss this! The menu will be available soon and you can choose your entrée and make your reservations at the next meeting. More on the cost and menu will appear in the May newsletter.

## March Top Ten

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|--------------------|----|
| 1. Terry Watson    | 19 |
| 2. Deb Simon       | 17 |
| 3. Vickie Barnhill | 16 |
| Julie Guenther     | 16 |
| 5. Chuck Shade     | 15 |
| Louise Haws        | 13 |
| 7. Kathy Moore     | 10 |
| Chris Mathews      | 10 |
| Terry Cavanaugh    | 10 |
| 10. Paul Farrier   | 9  |

## New Member

Focus Photo Club is pleased to welcome the following new member:

Keith Bailey

We're glad to have you all aboard!

## Proposed Slate of Officers

President - Terry Watson  
 Executive VP - Tony Kilby  
 Competition VP - Tim Highley  
 Secretary - Marilyn Calondis  
 Treas. - Brian Woolum  
 PR/Newsletter - Pat McCarthy  
 Hospitality - Joyce Willis, Nancy Roach  
 Program - Tom Entingh, Art Fabian  
 Historian - Mary West  
 Ass't - Harry Boltz  
 Liaison - John Murphy  
 Webmaster - Chris Mathews

# MARCH COMPETITION THEME: WATER

## SMALL PRINT OPEN

1. Cliff Hanger - Deb Simon
2. Wood Nymph - Kathy Moore
3. Arizona Mission - Pat McCarthy
3. Looking Sharp - Eleanor Hilton
3. Garden Sells Avenue - Cara Koesters

## SMALL PRINT THEME

1. The Sinks - Terry Watson
2. Shoreline - Kayte Kirby
3. Leaves in Water - Pat McCarthy
- HM - Caribbean Night - Kathy Moore
- HM - Cancun Wilma - Jim Rike
- HM - Mountain Lake - Eleanor Hilton
- HM - Natural Bridge - Jeff Showalter
- HM - Waterfall #3 - Lynn Milenkevitch

## COLOR OPEN

1. Oh Joy - Chris Mathews
2. Osprey - Louise Haws
2. After All Is Said & Done - Vickie Barnhill
2. KC Playing Dressup - Terry Watson
- HM - Snow Queen - Deb Simon
- HM - Sheltie #2 - Lynn Milenkevitch
- HM - Anhinga - Paul Farrier
- HM - Cardinal - Dan Swart

## COLOR THEME

1. Guarding the Coast - Louise Haws
1. Surf's Up, Dude - Terry Watson
1. Reflection - Margarette Hyden
- HM - Oregon - Dave Osika
- HM - Emerald Lake - Jeff Showalter
- HM - Laura's Rose - Vickie Barnhill
- HM - High Tide - Eleanor Hilton
- HM - Brrrrrr - Kathy Moore
- HM - Last Dip - Dave Lundy
- HM - Upper Falls Cascade - Paul Farrier
- HM - Bird in Merced - Billy Crafton
- HM - Waterfalls - Dan Swart
- HM - Pacific Sunrise - Harry Boltz

## Black & White Open

1. Wegerzyn Treeline - Vickie Barnhill
1. Hole in One - Deb Simon
3. In Your Face - Chris Mathews
- HM - Mule Train - Robert Comer
- HM - Roxanne & Michelle - Paul Farrier
- HM - February Shadows - Chuck Shade
- HM - Tree in Merced - Billy Crafton

## Black & White Theme

1. Eastwood Sunset - Vickie Barnhill
1. Ash Cave & Ice - Chuck Shade
3. Lower Falls Cascade - Paul Farrier
- HM - Squirt'en - Kathy Moore
- HM - Cedarville Falls - Laura James
- HM - Summer Cool - Ray Titcombe

## SLIDE OPEN

1. Red Tulip - Julie Guenther
1. Zion - Terry Cavanaugh
3. Two Roses - Julie Guenther
3. Tumbleweed - Terry Cavanaugh
- HM - Water Canon Show - Bill Box

## SLIDE THEME

1. U.P. Waterfall - Don Scott
2. The Sinks - Julie Guenther
2. Little River Falls - Julie Guenther
- HM - Falls Creek - Bill Box
- HM - Grass w/ Dew Drop - Bill Box

## Extended Open

1. Chrome - Terry Watson
1. Fall Leopard - Deb Simon
3. Egret w/ Big Hair - Louise Haws
3. Triple Purple - Chuck Shade
- HM - Spirit in the Sky - Chris Matthews
- HM - Barn - Bob Comer
- HM - Cooke Meadow Infrared - Billy Crafton

## Extended Theme

1. Smokies 06 - Chuck Shade
2. Fast Stream - Margarette Hyden
2. Eastwood Sunset - Laura James
- HM - Swan - Margarette Hyden