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GREENE COUNTY PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB



Those who attended the kick-off meeting to the Greene County Photography Club
Front row: Patti Stewart, Laura Sponaule, Daunice Lohr, Carolyn Whitehead, and Kay Namolek. **Second row:** Fran Hardy, Candy Hoskins, Beverly Yoskovich, Ruth Bedison, Janice Morris if that helps, and Jerry Hardy. **Third Row:** Kay Mooney, Pam Blaker, Jo Hart, Keith Moredock and Bob Bedison.

MONTHLY CONTEST TO BE REGULAR EVENT

Each month's meeting will feature an exhibit/contest for those present at the meeting. Each person who attends the meeting is invited to bring three photos to the meeting for the exhibit. As he or she comes into the meeting, pick up a *Post-it* note, attach it to the photo, put a number on the note, and place it on the exhibit table. During the meeting, each person in attendance will pick up a ballot and vote for their first three choices. By the end of the meeting, the ballots will be counted, and the first three place winners will be announced. Those three pictures will be featured in the next month's newsletter. See the back page for February's contest winners. **AND do not be intimidated! This is not a big deal. Its purpose is to share what works with each other.**

YOUR INPUT IS IMPORTANT

One of the first things done in this club was to select ideas for topics at our meetings. We all want to benefit from each others ideas. That being so, make sure you either completed the survey at the meeting on Feb. 20th or that you do so at the next meeting. We will also welcome ideas for field trips that may benefit your club.

COPYING IN THIS CLUB IS ENCOURAGED

When Pam contacted Jerry about her wish to start this club, two ideas came most prevalently to his mind. First, he was delighted and excited. He had wanted to see such a club begun in Greene County for years. Secondly, he felt that his and Fran's two year membership in the Taylor County Photography Club had given them many positive experiences to share with the Greene County Photography Club. Jerry suggested, and Pam agreed, that a good way to get the club off the ground was to model it after the Taylor County Club. Basically, that is what has been done to this point. Taylor County has meetings with an educational, contest, and fellowship format. Copying that seems to work. They also go on photo field trips (which we may join) and that should work. **WE COPY!**

NEW PHOTO CLUB!

In the Cooperative Extension meeting room on February 20, the new **Greene County Photography Club** was born. Pam Blaker had spearheaded the effort to establish this first photo club in the county. The meeting allowed attendees to introduce themselves, share ideas, and participate in what is to become a monthly exhibit and contest.

Pam outlined some of her ideas in starting the club and provided a survey sheet for those in attendance to input their ideas.

For this first meeting, Jerry Hardy shared 20 tips for good taking good pictures.

Future meetings will have a similar format with the monthly contest, some photo educational program by a member or from an other organization, and time to share ideas and fellowship relating to photography. The club is open to anyone in the area whether they be experienced photographers or beginners.

For the present, the Greene County Photography Club will meet at 7:00 pm on the third Tuesday of each month. Normally, the meetings will be held at the Extension meeting room, but because of prior scheduling of the meeting room, the March 2007 meeting has to be held at the Franklin Township Bldg on Rolling Meadows Rd.



First place winner from February 20, 2007—*Misty Rose* taken by Janice Morris



Second Place winner from February 20, 2007—*Black Swallowtail* taken by Beverly Yoskovich



Third place winner from February 20, 2007—*Misty Path* taken by Janice Morris

NEXT MEETING

As we discussed in our organizational meeting, the next meeting of the Greene County Photography Club will be held on March 20th. Since the Extension Office meeting room has a previously scheduled meeting, we will meet this time at the Franklin Township Building at 520 Rolling Meadows Road. If there is anyone who does not know how to get there, call Jerry at 724-627-6757. Do not forget to invite others with photo interests. Also, bring three 4x6's for the contest.

PLAN FOR THE SHEEP AND FIBER FEST!

The Fourth Annual Sheep and Fiber Fest Photography Exhibit will be held in the Courthouse on May 19 and 20. Our club has the opportunity to make a great first impression by exhibiting lots of photos. Jerry is the chairman of that event, and he distributed brochures at the meeting. Whether you checked your flyer or not, you are reminded that entries are to be prepared and turned in at the Frame Up and Gallery on High Street or at Rite Aid between April 29 and May 12. Since the requirements and the entry form are in the brochure, if you do not already have one, call Jerry or make sure he gives you one at the March meeting.

