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Majestic Buck
Bob Bedison
1st Place—October 2008



Baby Bird
Trudy Roney
2nd Place --October 2008

October Meeting

Although there was a small miscommunication, the October meeting was a fine success. As is clear from the monthly contest winners, the decisions for attendees were tough again. In the end, first place went to Bob Bedison for the fantastic elk photo to the left of this article. Second was a great photo of a baby bird taken by Trudy Roney. Trudy doubled her fun because she entered the third place winner, a picture of two deer where one seems to be whispering in the other's ear. All of the entered *wildlife* pictures were exemplary.

That slight miscommunication occurred because some of us thought Larry the PhotoShop guy from *The GreenSAVER* was going to do a presentation on basics of PhotoShop. The catch was that we did not ask Larry. In fact, a couple of days after the meeting, he was really surprised when Jerry pointed out that we had expected him. We'll have to make sure we ask him again for real.

We were treated to another fine portfolio when Kathy Douglas showed hers which included matted prints and a video presentation set to music. As a former camera operator for a TV news station, she has developed a keen appreciation for photos that catch your eye. Kathy's portfolio included macro work of insects and flowers and people shots including wedding photography.

Janice reported that our club has applied for membership in the Photographic Society of America. It may take up to 3 weeks to process the membership application, but once completed, we will all be able to access the PSA website. After the application is processed, members will be advised of log in procedures. Janice will also see what is involved in our borrowing instructional DVDs for our meetings as the Taylor County Club does.

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Whispering Deer

Trudy Roney

3rd Place --October 2008

We Thought About and Discussed It

One of the discussion topics at the October meeting concerned hosting our own photo contest next fall. We will be working on the details, but we surely hope it can become an annual event for photographers from near and far. Most clubs do contests like this to give exposure to the club, its members, and other photographers and to generate some funds for normal operation. As we work out those details, please help in both planning and later in conducting this contest.

Lee Hosts Again

By the time this newsletter gets done, this will probably have already happened, but the club has been invited to another social get together at the Weavers' home. Lee and Jackie have insisted on providing the goodies and the facilities for an evening of fellowship around his fire pit on Oak Forest Road. If you attended the previous picnic there, you know that Jackie and Lee are super hosts. Try to make sure you come out to the Lee Weaver farm on Oak Forest Road before 3 pm on Saturday, November 15th.

BTW, as great a host as Lee is, he cannot control the weather, so make sure you dress for the late autumn chill and maybe even a little rain or snow. If you get this newsletter too late to attend, I am sure you missed a great time and some good food. I guess I apologize too for being so late in getting this month's newsletter finished.

Minimal directions to Weavers' are go west on Rte 21 out of Waynesburg. Turn south on Oak Forest Road very roughly a mile, and watch for a 2-story brick house and barn beside it on the left side of the road. If you reach the Woods Covered Bridge, you went too far.

November Meeting:

The Greene County Photography Club's November meeting will be held on at 7 pm on Tuesday, November 25th at The Waynesburg Bible Chapel. Thank you again, Pastor Douglas. Don't forget to bring three of your very best 4x6 *Autumn* photos for the monthly contest. Beverly Yoskovich will present her portfolio, and if you've seen any of Beverly's pictures in the past, you know we'll be blessed again. On the 25th, we should also plan a Christmas party for our December meeting. Although the author has not checked this with anyone else, he thinks we have to nominate officer candidates for 2009 before that December meeting.

Oct. mtg (cont)

Cathy Butcher called our attention to another handy website: www.journeyed.com. Like her previous suggestion, www.digital-photography-school.com, *Journeyed* is an educational site that can be very helpful. *Journeyed* provides discounts on hardware, software and books to educators and students, but all you have to provide to qualify is a school pay stub or your child's report card. If all else fails, make friends of the family with a school child next door! (Is this ethical?)

December and Beyond

As indicated above, we probably need to think about officers for 2009. Hopefully, all positions can be filled with folks who volunteer to serve (maybe by staying in office). If memory is correct, we elect those people in December.

2009 dues will also be collected in December and January. However, a slight question has occurred with membership dues. We have been fortunate in that those who have joined have all paid for a full year. It creates a record keeping problem because new members have different dates for when their dues need to be renewed. Before the new year, we need to determine how much each member who has joined within the year should pay to carry through year end. If it is acceptable to our members, when a new member joins, dues can be pro-rated or adjusted to finish the year so that in the future, we all stay on a calendar year.