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CHAGRIN VALLEY CAMERA CLUB

Bulletin

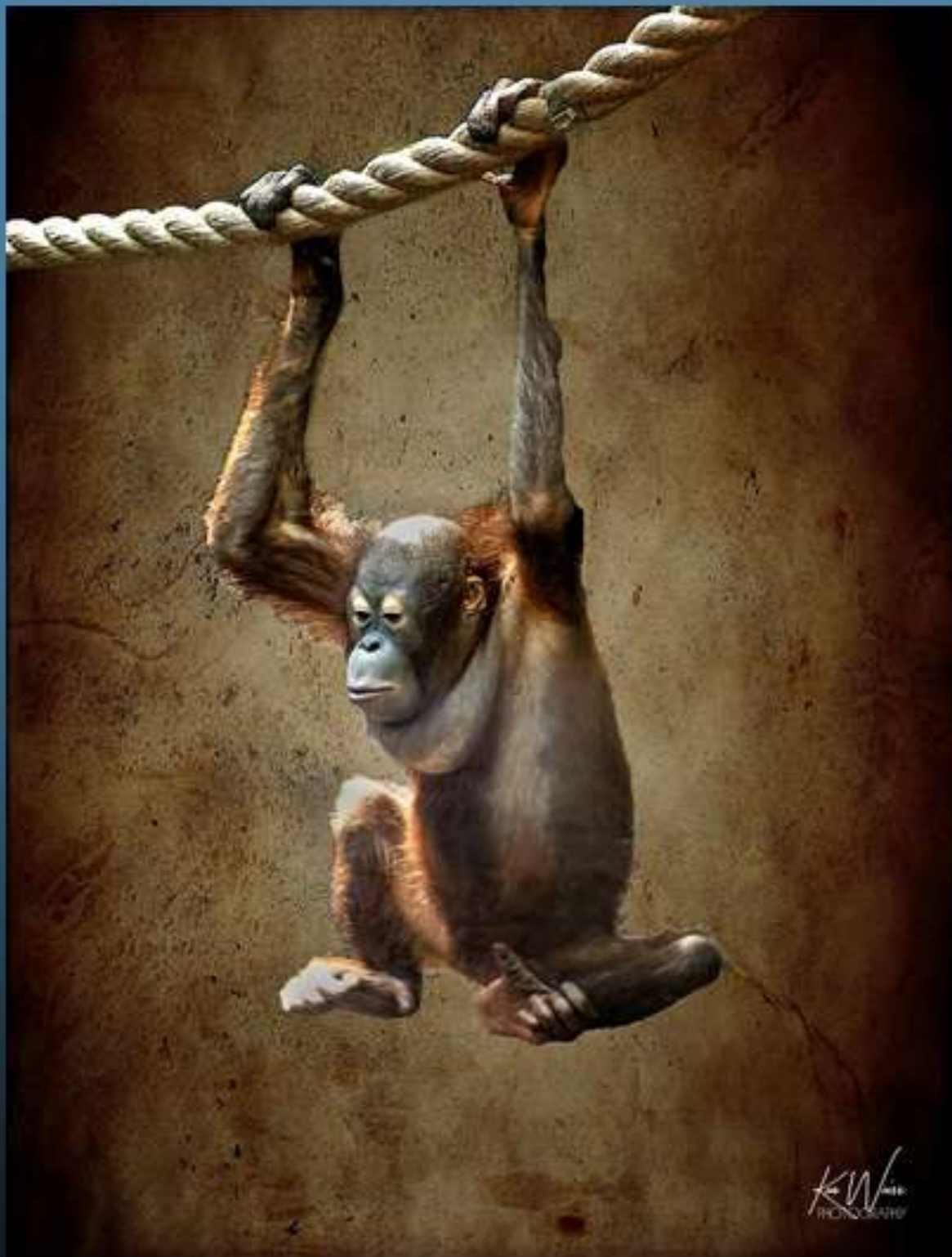


Photo by Ken Weiss

August 2022

President's Message

Dear Member,

I hope that you are enjoying our mostly mild summer. When we turn on the national news, we begin to appreciate how blessed we are to live in Northeast Ohio.

In September, when we resume monthly meetings, they will be in-person. We have reserved large meeting rooms either at Beachwood or Mayfield Libraries from September through December. We will also try to video record these meetings for those who are unable to attend.

We are now collecting dues for this upcoming year. **It is important for everyone interested in the activities of the club to send their dues in during the month of August.** Doing so will facilitate our ability to plan for speakers, judges and potential field trips.

We will be starting a 6 or 7 week stretch of County Fairs here in our area, featuring those in Lake and Summit counties (Jul 26-31), Medina Co. (Aug 1-7), Holmes Co. (Aug 8-13), Lorain Co. (Aug 21-28), Geauga Co. (Aug 31-Sep 5) and Wayne Co. (Sep 10-15). Cuyahoga Co. Fair is held in Berea from Aug 9-14. The Ohio State Fair in Columbus falls between Jul 27 & Aug 7. Any of these listed here are well worth attending for a variety of photographic opportunities. **Perhaps we can schedule an exhibition in the fall for images made in any of the fair or festival. Let us know if you are going to a fair this year.**



President's Message (continued)

We have finally gotten the Flickr Discussion Groups off and running. I believe that you will find that Flickr is an excellent venue to view and interact about images, and I would encourage everyone to join in, even if you don't have images to post. These sites are extremely safe (more so than the email you use), as you can only post images and video. Hyperlinks to the outside world won't work. There is no messaging and no visibility for non-participants. You will be able to view some images that are not shared anywhere else. See the feature article about the discussion groups on page 10 of this newsletter.

We have chosen three topics for exhibitions in the upcoming year. They are **Water in Motion**, **Vernacular Architecture**, and **The Decisive Moment**. All three of those topics can be shot in any season, but we wanted to give everyone an opportunity to start thinking about them now. Based on the success in May, let's again have a **Monochrome Exhibition** at the end of the coming calendar year (May 2023).

Erie Shores will be hosting this year's **Tri-Club Exhibition**, and we may also have a **Bi-Club Exhibition** with an out-of- state club sometime this calendar year. News about these events will be coming out in an upcoming issue of the newsletter.

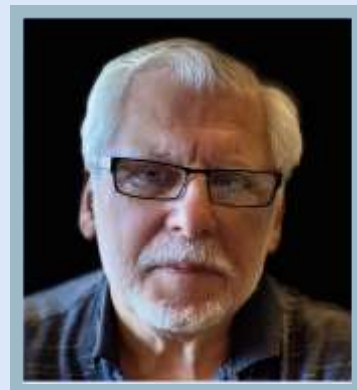
Let's get out and do some shooting.

Stay safe.

Skip Kremer

President

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CVCC President
2021-2023 Program Years



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Don't forget to pay
your dues!!
See page 14
for information

**Feel Free to contact us
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Comments & concerns:
cvccnotes@gmail.com

Field trip suggestions:
cvcctrips@gmail.com

Image Submissions:
cvccpics@gmail.com

CVCC Calendar Summer /Fall 2022

Note: Tuesday evening meetings will resume Sept 6th.

- July 25, Mon, 09:15 AM (ZOOM) Photoshop Critique Group****
- Aug 01, Mon, 09:15 AM (ZOOM) Photoshop Critique Group****
- Aug 08, Mon, 09:15 AM (ZOOM) Photoshop Critique Group****
- Aug 15, Mon, 09:15 AM (ZOOM) Photoshop Critique Group**
(Look for email with new ZOOM codes for continuing meetings.)**
- Aug 22, Mon, 09:15 AM (ZOOM) Photoshop Critique Group****
- Aug 29, Mon, 09:15 AM (ZOOM) Photoshop Critique Group****
- Sept 05, Mon, 09:15 AM (ZOOM) Photoshop Critique Group****
- Sept 06, Tues, 07:00 PM (BCH) Program TBA**
- Sept 12, Mon, 09:15 AM (ZOOM) Photoshop Critique Group****
- Sept 19, Mon, 09:15 AM (ZOOM) Photoshop Critique Group****
- Sept 20, Tues, 07:00 PM (BCH) Program TBA**
- Sept 26, Mon, 09:15 AM (ZOOM) Photoshop Critique Group****

**** MONDAY PHOTOSHOP CRITIQUE GROUP**

Mondays, 9:15am, ZOOM virtual meetings with members presenting 2 of their own images from their computers. Les Greenberg will invite members to a scheduled ZOOM meeting by sending an email invitation before the meeting. There are unique ZOOM codes for June 13th-thru Aug 15th meetings. If you do not have this session's codes send an email to Les Greenberg, bikerles@yahoo.com, to join.

Solon Center for the Arts Focus 2022

Award winning images by CVCC Members~

BEST OF SHOW

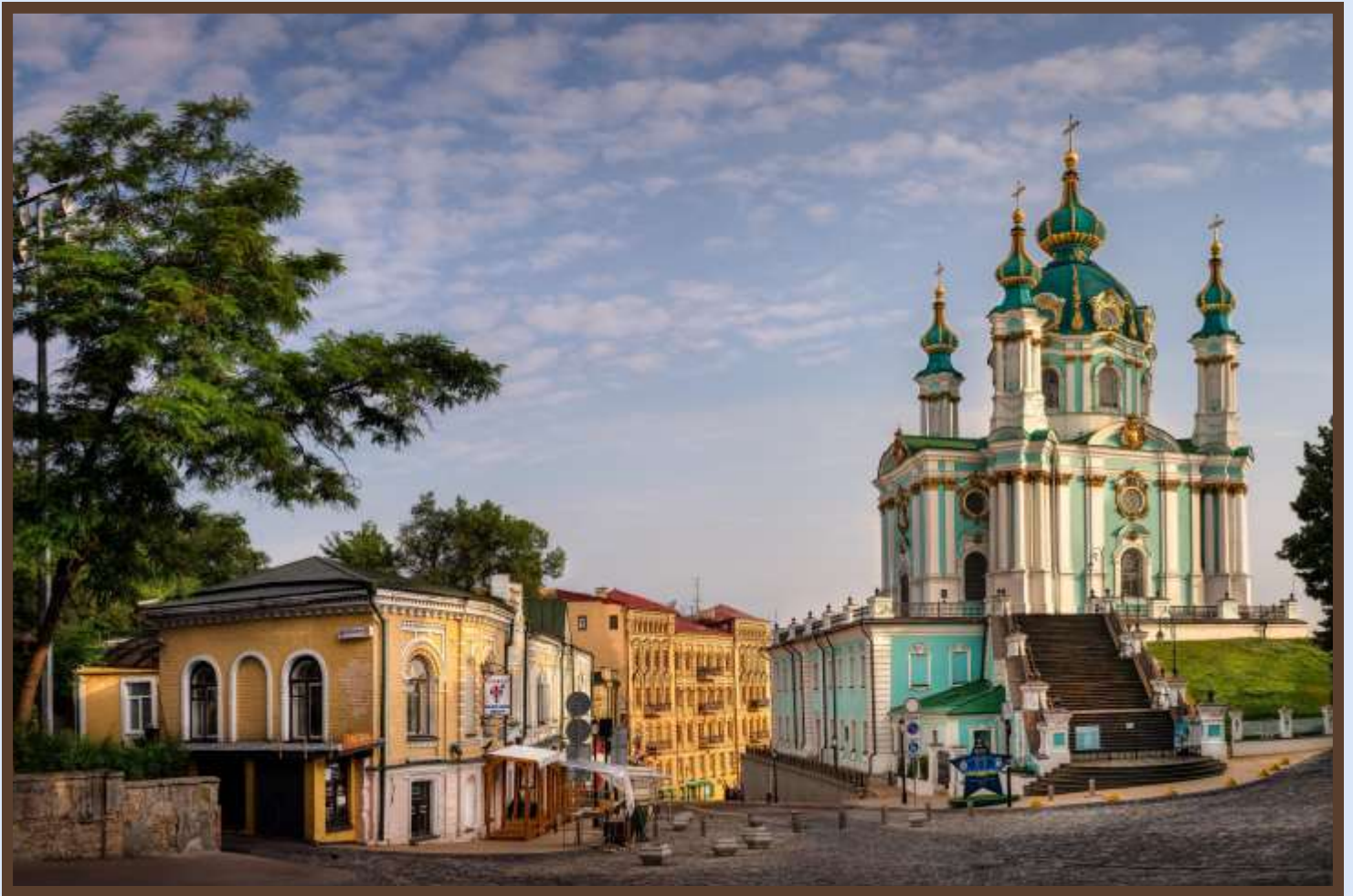
Amateur



Marina Neyman *"Motherhood"*

Solon Center for the Arts Focus 2022

BEST OF SHOW Seasoned/Professional



Alexander Philip,
"Historic Andriyivskyy Descent at Sunrise , Kyiv, Ukraine"

**Solon Center for the Arts
Focus 2022**

CATEGORY WINNER: People/Portraits
Seasoned/Professional



Ken Weiss *"Little Girl on a Trail"*

Solon Center for the Arts Focus 2022

CATEGORY WINNER: Travel/Places/Cityscape
Seasoned/Professional



Judith Khaner, "*Cleveland Rooftops*"

Taken on the 9th floor of the downtown Cleveland Public Library. Behind glass...practicing wide angle architectural shots. I loved dark sky with clearing in the distance...
PS: Printed on metallic paper to make colors pop.

Congratulations to all!

Around CVCC

Flickr Discussion Groups

We have introduced three Discussion Groups on **Flickr**. These cover **Macro** and **Closeup** photography, **Architecture** and **Infrared** photography. Access for each group is available to members of CVCC.

Among the advantages of **Flickr Groups** is that you have the option of making your images public or private to the group (rather than to the entire Flickr community). Flickr provides EXIF information about each image, which can be helpful in understanding how the settings have influenced the final image. Also, Flickr provides a discussion thread independent from the timeline of the images, which is helpful for groups like ours in focusing a discussion.

The **Macro Discussion Group** is off to a good start. In September we will begin with monthly meetings to discuss the photographic challenges and possibilities of macro photography. We hope that you will join one of our groups and participate in the discussions.

In order to join one of these groups, follow the steps:

- a. Sign up for a **Flickr** account if you don't already have one, at **Flickr.com**.
- b. Type "**beacon2020**" in the search window, and choose "search people".
- c. Click on **Beacon2020** when that Flickr member comes up.
- d. In the **Beacon2020** account page, click on "Group" in the headlines.
- e. Select the Group that you are interested in.
- f. Click the **+Join Group** tab. You will immediately have access to that group.

You can view an image Full Screen. When you click on an image in Flickr it will become larger. Then in the upper right hand margin you can click on the 2 arrows that point at each other to enlarge the image further. Finally, if you use Google Chrome as your browser, click on the 3 vertical dots in the upper right corner, then on the set of brackets to the right of "Zoom" to open the image Full Screen. To exit Full Screen, run your mouse to the middle of the top of the screen and click the "X" that descends.

Book Review

The Art of Photography by Bruce Barnbaum

This in depth study of photographic techniques and philosophy was brought to my attention by Teresa. The full title of this 351-page handbook states that it is ***An Approach to Personal Expression***.

In scanning the Table of Contents, one quickly sees that about a fourth of this volume is dedicated to shooting and developing film and printing in a wet darkroom. Still the majority of content can be applied to or references digital photography. There are ample images from the author's collections illustrating the various discussions of the plethora of topics that he covers.

I feel that the comprehensive approach of the author could act as an eye-opening guidebook for the aspiring enthusiast or as a refresher for those who wish to refocus their efforts. The author generally provides both sides of most issues, leaving you the reader to decide what will work best for you. At the same time, Barnbaum clearly states his opinion regarding the pitfalls of applying rules, saying that they "are foolish, arbitrary, mindless things that raise you quickly to a level of acceptable mediocrity".

The initial chapters of ***The Art of Photography*** cover the importance of composition in considerable detail. In place of rules Barnbaum emphasizes that various elements such as line, form, pattern, and contrast should support compositional decisions, but he emphasizes that it is the complex relationship between those elements that is of paramount importance. It is for this reason that Barnbaum states that he favors simplicity over complexity, especially for the beginning photographer. However, he elucidates both aspects, pointing out that many great works of music and painting have considerable complexity.

In the final third of the book, the author discusses the presentation of a photo as a work of fine art, as well as debunking a number of myths about image making and printmaking. He discusses obstacles to and prerequisites of creativity, and finally Barnbaum addresses the importance of intuition in the creative process. In sum, ***The Art of Photography*** is a well-conceived and well written volume, one that any photographer may wish to revisit from time to time, to refresh and refocus on personal goals in their work.

Reviewed by *Skip Kremer*

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2022 Summer Fairs, Festivals and DIY Field Trips



Following are some of the [Fairs & Festivals for this summer](#). As gas prices are sky high, carpooling is recommended. Watch the weather and plan ahead. Skip

- **Twins Day** Aug 5-7, Twinsburg, OH
- **Great Lakes Medieval Faire**, weekends July 9-10 to August 13-14
- **Hale Farm Civil War Reenactment** Aug 13-14, Bath, OH
- **D Day Conneaut** Aug 18-20, Conneaut Township Park
- [Stan Hywet](#) / **Molto Bella Auto Show** Sept 11, Akron, OH
- **Zoar Civil War Reenactment** Sept 17-10

Here's a schedule for County Fairs.

https://www.northernohiotourism.com/ohio_fairs.htm

Here's a Statewide list of Fairs & Festivals

https://www.northernohiotourism.com/ohio_festivals.htm#June1



2021-2023 Officers and Board Members

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Skip Kremer

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**Website address is below and at the bottom of every page.
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<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1595867520665401/>**



Chagrin Valley Camera Club
2022-2023
Membership Sign-Up/Renewal Form

Member's Name _____

Spouse's Name (if applicable) _____

Address _____

Cell Phone _____ E-Mail _____

(PRINT VERY CLEARLY)

Check One Type of Membership: ____ Individual (\$35/yr) ____ Couple with Social (\$40/yr)

Explanation of Memberships:

Individual or Full memberships are entitled to all privileges of membership.

Couple with Social means a full membership plus a spouse with the limited privileges of attending in-person and virtual meetings.

Please **PRINT**

Member 1 _____

Member 2 _____

Please enclose a check for amount due, payable to "**Chagrin Valley Camera Club**"

Send to: Kathie Smith, Treasurer CVCC
5659 Wellington Rd
Lyndhurst, OH 44124

Dues are payable by August 31, 2022.

If you have questions, please send an email to cvcnotes@gmail.com