



# CABLE RELEASE

Newsletter for Riverwoods Nature Photographic Society

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## UPCOMING SCHEDULE

### March 21, 2011 - Program by Sharon Peterson - Judging Photo Competitions

Sharon will be presenting guidelines for improving your ability in judging photographic competitions. She will bring some examples of prints to use for demonstration, but also encourages club members to bring some of their own prints, whether you want them critiqued or if you are in doubt about them doing well in club competition.

### April 4, 2011 - 4th Competition

### April 18, 2011 - Program by Lou Nettelhorst—"Close Up and Personal: The Joy of Macro Photography"

The Riverwoods Nature Photographic Society (RNPS) is excited to welcome one of their own, Lou Nettelhorst, in an hour and a half program to teach us macro, nature and landscape photography. Lou will go through the tools you need, what equipment he carries in his photo vest, composing your images and camera settings that will take those close-up macro images of insects, birds and flowers.

### May 2, 2011 - 5th Competition

### May 16, 2011 - Program by Matt Sparapani and Alison Newberry-"Do It Yourself African Safari"

### June 6, 2011 - Workshop TBA

### June 20, 2011 - End of the Year Competition

(will select best of the year in all categories)

### Special Competition Results

On March 7, 2011 there were 14 small prints entered in our annual Special Competition. This year the theme was "camouflage".

First place went to Joan Sayre for "Color Coordinated" (box elder bugs on butterfly weed).

Second place to Mel Ellingsen for "White on White (white ermine in snow).

Third place to Diane Bodkin for "Lizard in the Moss".

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## Goodies

*A reminder to Elli Glist for 3/21 and to Matt Plofsky for 4/4*

## Club News

### Liberty Prairie Conservancy's Annual Meeting - by Jim Sayre

The Liberty Prairie Conservancy will hold their Annual Meeting on Tuesday, April 5<sup>th</sup> at Independence Grove Forest Preserve. The evening starts at 6:30 pm with a wine and cheese reception and opening of Tobin Fraley's photographic exhibit, entitled "36 Acres." The exhibit captures the essence of the Reed-Turner Woodlands. At last year's Annual Meeting, the featured artist was the RNPS Club who created the Nature Exhibit: Beauty Close to Home.

The evening's speaker is Doug Tallamy, author of *Bringing Nature Home*. Doug is a passionate advocate for creating habitat for wildlife where we live, work and play. Another highlight of the evening will be the presentation of the first Lake County Conservation Award to be presented to Barbara Turner for her tireless work to preserve and steward the Reed-Turner Woodland Nature Preserve.

The Independence Grove Welcome Center is located at 16400 W. Buckley Rd. (Rt. 137) in Libertyville. Guests: \$10.00.

### Photography Exhibit

As previously mentioned, Jim and Diane Bodkin have a husband/wife nature photography exhibit at the Barrington Area Library March 11-April 2. They had a reception March 11 at 7 PM, and a "demonstration/presentation" March 15 at 7 PM.



### **Board Meeting**

**To be held at 6:45 pm on 3/21 prior to the scheduled program**

# SPRING WILDFLOWERS

Now that March is here it signals the time to start looking for spring wildflowers. This is a very limited list but gives you some idea of where to start. Times of their peak can vary due to a cool spring making everything later or to a warm early spring making things appear. The list of where they are found is limited too. For instance, how can I tell you to look for them in the ravine by my house. The best thing to do is to start looking in areas near where you live, whether it be a small wooded area, a ravine, a small prairie, ect. You will be surprised at the number of things you might find.

early Apr	Bloodroot	MW, PS, DW	
	Hepatica	R, MW, PS, MH, DW	
	Spring Beauty	R, MW, PS, HH	
	Pussywillow catkins	CP	
mid Apr	Dutchman's Breeches	MW, PS	
	Marsh Marigolds	PS, HH, DW	
	Trout Lilys	PS, HH	
	Yellow Trout Lilys	HW	
late Apr	Cut Leaved Toothwort	PS, HH	
	Blue Violets	HH	
	Globe flower	HH	
	Grape Hyacinth	HH	
	Purple Periwinkle	HH	
	Jack-in-the-Pulpit	HH	
	Large White Trillium	MW, HH	
	Red Trillium	HH	
	Blue-eyed Mary's	MW	
	Bird's Foot Violets	CP	
	Hoary Puccoon	CP	
	Wood betony	CP	
	early May	Yellow Dog Tooth Violet	MW
		Wild ginger	MW
Virginia Bluebells		MW	
Celandine Poppy			
Mayapples			
mid May	Wild Geranium		
	Yellow Ladyslipper		
	Yellow Bellwort		
	Jacob's Ladder		
	Nodding Trillium		
	Yellow Trillium	PS	
	Anemone	HH, PS	
	Buttercup	HH	
Yellow Star Grass	CP		
end May	Blue-eyed grass	CP, IB	
Shooting Star	CP		
	Columbine		
	Larkspur		
	Spiderwort	CP	
	Blue Flag Iris	CP	
	Lupine	IB	

MW-Messenger Woods  
 IB-Illinois Beach S.P.  
 CP-Chiwaukee Prairie

DW-Daniel Wright Woods  
 HH-Hawthorne Hollow  
 PS-Petrifying Springs

R-Ryerson  
 MH-Morraine Hills

**This is an old list and I believe the source to be Sheri Sparks**

## **CACCA News**

By Sheri Sparks, CACCA Rep  
Results from Saturday, March 12th

### **Color Projected Images**

“Learning to Hunt” by Sheri Sparks, 24 pts., AW  
“One of Many” by Joyce Burzloff, 23 pts.  
“Blue Dart Frog” by Richard Fisher, 23 pts.  
“Skua Chick” by Karen Frischman, 23 pts.

### **Slides**

“Green Iguana” by Lilian Fulde, 22 pts.  
“Yellow Billed Stork” by Joyce Burzloff, 22pts  
“3 Banded Spider” by Don Bolak, 22 pts.  
“Wagner Falls Flow” by Bill Ditman, 21 pts.

### **Small Color Prints Class AA**

“Romancing the Elk” by Diane Bodkin, 22 pts.  
“Great Gray Owl” by Matt Plofsky, 22 pts.  
“Brown Bat and Reflection” by Richard Fisher, 21 pts.  
“Little Bee Eater” by Karen Frischman, 21 pts

### **Large Color Prints, Class A**

“Sacred Lotus” by Don Bolak, 22 pts.  
“Ragged Warrior Drying on Rock” by Diane Bodkin, 21 pts.  
“Bonanza Falls in Autumn Splendor” by Jim Bodkin, 21 pts.

### **Special Category Slides- Arches and/or Angles**

**Lloyd McCarthy** “Evening St Arc De Triumphe” AW

### **Individual Nature Slides**

Don Bolak took the Slide of the Year Award with “Grass Pink Orchids”

### **Individual Nature Prints**

Rich Fisher took the Print of the Year Award with “Broad Billed Hummingbird”

**The Special Category** Slides for April is “Hand of Man in Nature”. Give entries to me by the 4th meeting. The theme for Special Category DPI will be “Night or Twilight.” These images are to be emailed to Jerry Hug (jerryhug@comcast.net) by Saturday, April 2nd. You can put in up to four entries in each category.

### **CACCA Exhibit- “The World as Seen by Chicagoland Photographers”**

CACCA images from 45 area club members are on display at the Chicago Cultural Center, 78 E. Washington in the Renaissance Gallery. There is still time to see this exhibit as it will be up until March 27<sup>th</sup>. The gallery hours are Monday-Thursday 8 am to 7 pm, Friday 8 am to 6 pm, Saturday 9 am to 6 pm, and Sunday 10 am to 5 pm. Several Riverwoods members have pictures in the Exhibit including Don Bolak, Karen Frischman, Richard Fisher and Sheri Sparks. Check out the rest of the Center for interesting exhibits including one by Vivian Maier, a phenomenal street photographer.

## Post Card Competition – April 9<sup>th</sup>

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Post Card competition will be held at CACCA in April. (2)-4X6 prints (Postcards) can be submitted per individual CACCA club member at no cost. They must be turned in on the competition date, Saturday, April 9, 2011. On the back of each card should be the Maker's name, Club Name and Title of the Image. Anything goes, be creative. Last year many of the Post Cards had the usual type set Headline on the Photograph just like real postcards. Last year we had over 300 4X6 entries. This is a fun way to get involved in a print competition with little cost. Anyone can get a 4X6 photo made with or without a printer. For more information or any questions contact Mark Southard at: [photo.mark@prodigy.net](mailto:photo.mark@prodigy.net).

## Web Picture Contest

By: Robert Brandes

CACCA is running a contest for images to represent CACCA Club members on the CACCA web site. CACCA has allowed me to run a contest to collect images to be placed on the top of the CACCA Web site at [CACCAweb.com](http://CACCAweb.com). With 2 pictures on every page and over 24 pages we need about 48 winning images. Every member of every club is eligible to enter 1 image into the contest. Details will be on the website. Click on the "Picture Contest" tab, located on the first page of the website for the full story, rules and information.



First Place Winner in the 3/7 Special Competition  
"Color Coordinated" by Joan Sayre

## RNPS Intraclub Competition Scores

### Results after 3rd Competition

#### Small Color B

Maker	# Entries	Pts	Avg Score	HMs	Awards	POM
Kelley Happ	8	173	21.6	0	0	3
Norman Carl	8	163	20.4	0	2	0
Melissa Alderson	6	120	20.0	0	2	0
Julie Cheng	5	105	21.0	0	1	0
Steve Bittner	3	59	19.7	0	0	0

#### Small Color A

Maker	# Entries	Pts	Avg Score	HMs	Awards	POM
Sheri Sparks	9	203	22.6	2	1	0
Joan Sayre	9	201	22.3	2	1	0
Alison Newberry	9	198	22.0	1	2	0
Matt Plofsky	9	198	22.0	1	2	1
Karen Frischman	9	197	21.9	2	0	0
James Sayre	9	195	21.7	2	0	0
Don Bolak	8	186	23.3	4	2	1
Diane Bodkin	8	178	22.3	1	1	1
Jim Bodkin	8	177	22.1	3	0	0
Mel Ellingsen	6	137	22.8	0	1	0
Matt Sparapini	5	108	21.6	1	0	0
Len Messineo	3	64	21.3	0	0	0
Faith Bushnell	3	63	21.0	0	0	0

#### Large Color Prints

Maker	# Entries	Pts	Avg Score	HMs	Awards	POM
Karen Frischman	9	212	23.6	4	2	1
Jim Bodkin	9	209	23.2	2	0	0
Roland Fulde	9	200	22.2	2	0	0
Don Bolak	7	160	22.9	1	1	1
Mel Ellingsen	6	143	23.8	1	1	0
Julie Cheng	4	91	22.8	0	0	0
Gene Burda	3	68	22.7	1	0	0
Len Messineo	3	66	22.0	0	0	0
Suzanne Gravelle	3	63	21.0	0	0	0
Diane Bodkin	2	44	22	0	0	0
Sheri Sparks	1	24	24.0	0	0	0

#### Slides

Maker	# Entries	Pts	Avg Score	HMs	Awards	POM
Don Bolak	9	199	22.1	4	1	0
Joyce Burzloff	9	185	20.6	1	1	0
Lilian Fulde	9	195	21.7	3	3	3
Bill Dittman	6	124	20.7	2	0	0

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Maker	# Entries	DPI		HMs	Awards	POM
		Pts	Avg Score			
Karen Frischman	9	208	23.1	4	2	1
Sheri Sparks	9	208	23.1	3	3	0
Siva Venkat	9	193	21.4	1	0	0
Conrad Gutraj	9	192	21.3	0	0	0
Joyce Burzioff	9	190	21.1	1	1	0
Marty Winn	9	189	21.0	1	0	0
Mel Ellingsen	5	122	24.4	0	1	1
Don Bolak	3	66	22.0	1	0	0
Mike Harrass	3	64	21.3	0	0	0
Julie Chen	3	61	20.3	1	0	0
Suzanne Gravelle	3	58	19.3	0	0	0

Sorted by Total Points, not average score.  
After minimum number of entries have been submitted,  
only those scores counting towards standings are included

**“The camera is an instrument that teaches people how to see without a camera”**  
**Dorothea Lange**