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To encourage and develop an interest in photography.

Twin City Camera Club Welcomes you to our 77th. Competition Season

Welcome back: Our 2010 – 2011 Competition Season begins in two (2) weeks with the submittal of Digital Slide entries by September 6th. The competition night will be on September 13th. with the Select Subject of “Water”. Make sure you review the Select Subject Descriptions.

TCCC Picnic was held on August 2nd at Riverview Park: Good food, fellowship and fun, is the description I would use for the annual picnic. A great time was had by all that attended. President Ken McKeown was again the caller for the BINGO fun and was assisted by his lovely wife Bonnie as she handled the distribution of the prizes. Speaking of prizes, many Thanks go out to Flagstar Bank, Chase Bank, Premier Promotions, Lakeland HealthCare (thanks to Rick & Jamie Keffer), Jamie Keffer, Dick Lyon, Amber Tibone, Barb Creech, Dan Brant, Ken and Bonnie McKeown and anyone else that obtained or contributed any of the wonderful Bingo Prizes. I believe everyone went home with a prize and a few took home several.

A Reminder: TCCC Membership Dues should be paid by August 31st. The TCCC Membership renewal form, which has the renewal instructions, should be submitted with your payment. Please include all the information so we can update the roster. Treasurer Ted Post will accept payment (cash or check) on the meeting night at the clubhouse but remember to include a completed Membership renewal form. Thanks... Use this link to print the [Membership renewal form](#). There is a link for the form on the ViewFinder page of the website.

Annual Competition Prints: The new selections for our print displays, at both the annual banquet and the clubhouse wall, will be selected from the Annual Competition prints. Please **Do Not** pick up your prints at this time.

Annual Banquet: Make note that this year the banquet will be on a Friday night and mark your calendar for Friday November 5th. Once again we will be at the Vineland Center where we had a wonderful meal in a lovely setting, hosted by Don Damron and staff. Social hour will start at 6:00 pm. and dinner will be at 7:00 pm. More information about costs and reservations will be in a future ViewFinder.

Healing thoughts are going out to several of our members: For Ron Bonczkowski who is at home recovering from a broken foot. Ron said he took a spill and messed up his best lens and “Oh, I also broke my foot in two places”. We wish Ron a speedy recovery and hope that can get his “Best” Lens repaired.

For Ken McKeown, who can now use both arms and is home recovering from his injuries. Ken is doing well and attended the Annual Picnic and did an excellent job calling the Bingo game. It’s good to see Ken out and about. We will be keeping Ken and Bonnie in our thoughts and prayers.

For Justine Drake who is now at home working on recovering from a mild stroke. We’ll be keeping Gorson and Justine in our thoughts and prayers and wish her a speedy and complete recovery.

Classifieds: A SIGMA EF-500 DG ST flash is For Sale \$ 75.00. This flash unit is in like-new condition with Case and manual. Contact Curtis Drake curtisirenedrake@gmail.com or call 269-621-3374. Photo and more information is on the Classifieds page on the website.

SWMCCC 2010 Fall Competition: The date has not been announced but could be in October so it would be a good idea to consider what images you might be entering. Most likely the categories will stay the same with Creative, Open, Portrait, and Nature. Be sure to review the Category Descriptions on the SWMCCC website. More information when it becomes available.

Competition hints: Remember that the Judges are instructed to consider Composition, Interest and Impact, Technique and Technical quality, when they judge our images. They expect the image to stand on its own irregardless of the Select Subject and they will be looking for the exceptional and outstanding images, NOT the Good Enough’s, so keep that in mind when selecting and preparing your images for competition.

Reminder of the Competition changes: Starting with the 2010 – 2011 Competition Season there will no longer be a Film Slide Category. Anyone with Film Slides that wants to enter them into the Digital Slide Category should be making arrangements with Ted Post to have them scanned. After scanning there is some post processing to prepare them for competition and they have to be entered into the Digital competition process in which the images must be submitted by the Monday one week before the competition. Ted Post will be making the final decision but members should have the film slides at the clubhouse a minimum of two (2) weeks prior to the competition to be scanned. A scanned Film Slide becomes a Digital Slide entry and the maximum of four (4) entries applies.

Nature category changes: (underlined areas are the changes)

- The images must be naturally present in Nature. Techniques that enhance the presentation of the photography without changing the nature story or the pictorial content are permitted. Digital enhancement and manipulation must not be obvious. All adjustments must appear natural.
- Must not contain any presence of the “**hand of man**”. In other words everything must be there naturally, without human intervention.
- The presence of scientific bands or tags on wild animals is permissible.
- **Unacceptable (examples):** Cultivated or domestic plants, pets, farm animals, mounted specimens, or obviously set arrangements, are ineligible.

Keep those shutters clicking...