



Twin City Camera Club

ViewFinder

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Upcoming Competition Subjects for 2006-7 Calendar (2nd Monday of each month)

Oct--Neon sign(s)

Nov--Rivers or streams

Dec--Entryways

Jan--Antiquity

Feb--Sweets or treats

Mar--People at work or play

Apr--White

May--Upton Arboretum (you must be inside the arboretum boundary while taking the photo)

June—Nature

Note: Be certain to review rules and procedures for competitions on the TCCC website:
<http://www.twincitycameraclub.com/competition1.htm>

Remember, digital images need to be e-mailed to digital@twincitycameraclub.com, using this e-mail link no later than the Monday one week before the competition. Sharon Bogner is now in charge.

September 25 Program Night at the Upton Arboretum a challenging success: Sharon Bogner reported, "I thought the night shoot went fine. Sunset was around 7:40pm; so there wasn't a lot of daylight. Some people arrived early. I got there just after 7pm. One of the big ships came in while we were there. A few people stayed after the sun went down and did some night photography. The lights from the boats and bridge reflected nicely on the water."

From Howard Nahikian: As part of the **reminder for dues**, please note that several e-mail addresses are being rejected, this means you're going to miss out on lots of communications during the year. **Please check the website Members Only page and verify your e-mail address listed in the Roster.** Send revisions for e-mails and any other info to Howard at nahikianhr@comcast.net

Plan to attend the Saturday, October 14, field trip:

This is a TCCC sponsored event. **Birds of Prey Photo Shoot** will take place on Saturday Oct. 14, 2006 at the Outdoor Discovery Center in Holland, MI. Introduction will be at 5:00 pm. The shoot will begin after the intro and continue until dark. Sunset will be at 7:04 pm that night with twilight ending around 7:30 pm. Rain date will be Saturday Oct. 21, 2006. This was one of the featured events for the SWMCC Summer School and now you'll have the opportunity to get some award winning photos. This is one field trip you won't want to miss.

Program Night, October 23, 2006. **Barbara Wright** will be presenting a program on her **photography trip to Lake Powell in Glen Canyon National Recreation Area**, led by Gary Ladd, photographer for Arizona Highway Magazine. Lake Powell is the second largest man-made lake in the United States and was created by the Glen Canyon Dam in the 1960's. It took 17 years for the lake to fill to capacity. Barbara has been involved in photography for 15 years; has a small portrait studio, is a member of KAPI (Kalamazoo Photo club) and SWMCCC. Website www.BWright753.photosite.com

Sign up for the **Annual TCCC Banquet, Saturday, November 4, 2006**. The banquet will be held at the St Joseph Elks Club on Saturday, November 4th, social hour starting at 6:00 p.m. dinner at 7:15 p.m. Reservations must be to Ken McKeown by October 31st.

Great Food, Print Display & Slide Show

SWMCCC will be holding this Fall's photo competition on November 11, hosted by the Grand Rapids Camera Club. Members should reserve the date and begin to think about what images to enter. Details will follow. Dennis Mally reports that it's safe to assume that the same procedures (with minor improvements) that were used this past Spring will be employed at this conference.

Use our Website: <http://www.twincitycameraclub.com/> Members that have photographic related items for sale or find things of photographic interest to share with members: links to websites, contests, tours and workshops should email that information for possible inclusion on the website: webmaster@twincitycameraclub.com. Members should get in the habit of checking the website: to find information posted about TCCC special announcements; field trips, competition subjects, programs, the dates of activities, the ViewFinder, for sale items, links and who to contact or where to go to find more information. Be sure to check the Head's Up and What's New pages. Also, check the **2006 - 2007 Season** on the Calendar page for all the dates and activities.

Costa Rica Photo Tours Available in January, February, and March 2007.

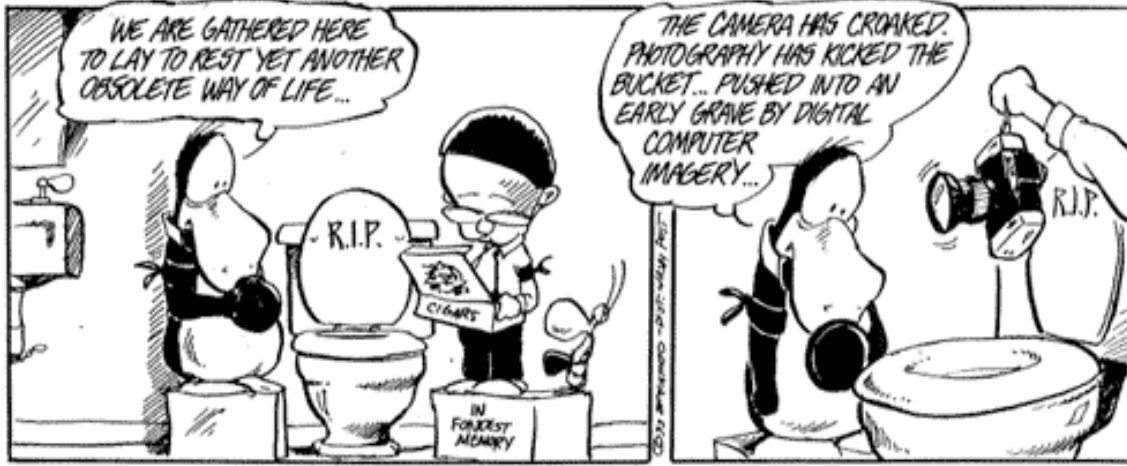
Frank Scott e-mailed the *ViewFinder*:

If you have been thinking about a photography trip to Costa Rica now is the time. I am leading ten day tours in January and March, but for those who cannot get away for a longer period of time, there is a new seven day "Volcano and Beach" tour in February. On this new February tour, we will be flying from San Jose to Puerto Jimenez via a Twin Otter aircraft, then a 4X4 taxi to the lodge. This maximizes the shooting time.

Available upon request is a detailed itinerary of the tours. I invite you to visit my web site **www.crphototours.com** where you will have a glimpse of Costa Rica through the lens of my camera. Please read the testimonials page for what some of the participants are saying; "It's not just a photo tour, it's an adventure." T. Fries, Burlington VT; "What a wonderful addition to our lifetime memories bank." Felicity and Alan Somerset, Toronto ON; "Professional knowledge so willingly shared." Colleen and Bob Bevacqua, Newport Beach, CA., "Frank's trips are as good as it gets" Anne and Jack Wallace, Toronto, ON

Again, as in past years, I am offering a 10 percent discount on any group of six or more members from the Southwestern Michigan Council of Camera Clubs.

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