

November 14, 2018

SCCC Meeting Minutes for November 8, 2018

President Tom Schoening called the meeting to order. There were no guests or new members to introduce.

The President reported on a successful Sioux City Camera Club photo exhibit at the Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center gallery and the Sioux City Art Center gallery. It was reported that the club's exhibit at the Sioux City Art Center Exhibit has been extended, probably until the end of December, and those that are exhibiting will be notified when they can pick up their photographs.

President Schoening stated that the last meeting in November will still be the last Thursday of the month (November 29th) since it doesn't interfere with the Thanksgiving holiday. In December the first meeting will be the Christmas Party on December 13th beginning at 6:00 pm. The club will arrange for drinks, and Sneaky's Chicken and Ribs. Club members will bring side dishes and desserts. The cost will be \$10.00 per attendee. A sign-up sheet was circulated and will be passed around again at our next meeting.

Jerry Mennenga announced that the program for the Christmas Party will feature Jesse Freeman, a photographer living in Tokyo, Japan.

The club will not hold a meeting on the last Thursday of December due to the holiday's and a lack of volunteer judge hosts. Therefore, there will be no club photography competition in December. Competition will resume in January.

It was suggested that a card be sent to recuperating Steve Paulson for the many years of being the N4C digital contact and submitting digital entries for N4C regional competitions. The card will be available for signing at the Christmas Party and a donation jar will also be available for Steve's GoFundMe page. A thank you card for the donation from the Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center will also be available for signing.

Jerry Mennenga, Mike Greiner, and Tom Schoening reported on a superb Nature and Wildlife exhibit by Thomas Mangelsen at the Durham Museum in Omaha and a historical photo exhibit of the Transcontinental Railroad Construction at the Joslyn Museum also in Omaha. Both exhibits run until January 6th.

Jerry Mennenga suggested that we do a slide show with music of member's photographs during the meal at our Christmas banquet. It was proposed that everyone follow a theme and was decided that "Thankful" be the theme. Doug Conrad volunteered to do the slide show and to send out a notice as to how members can participate.

A discussion was held involving Camera Club competition issues, such as the lack of volunteer judge hosts/chairs. After a lengthy discussion and input from new members, the group appeared to favor limiting print judging to every other month, create a pool of judges and to focus on training judges. The group also appeared to be in favor of having some theme based competitions. These discussions will continue to be debated at our first meeting in January to allow more input from additional members who were not present at the meeting.

Two short programs were held after the discussion on competition issues. Doug Conrad gave a lesson on how to enter digital competitions and went over the rules for submission. He then gave a behind the scenes look as to how the digital images are organized in Lightroom, uploaded to the website and prepared for the judge host/chair for judging. Carol Blair gave a program on Astrophotography and showed and demonstrated some of the equipment she uses when photographing the moon and stars.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:15 pm. Thanks to Paula Warp for providing the refreshments.

Respectfully Submitted,

Doug Conrad
Secretary/Treasurer