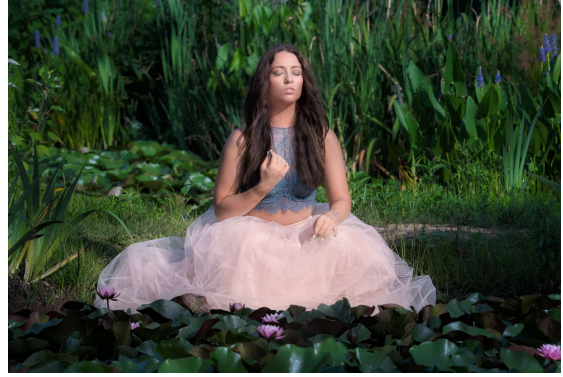




The Casements---Vicki Payne



Joel Wallen

## MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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Greetings to all !!!!! The holidays are upon us accompanied by the hustle and bustle of decorating (home and/or workplace), short fuses in the shopping lines, the preparation of meals fit for a king, the joys of travel (whether it be outbound or the inbound holiday guests) and the, aughhhh, traffic. BTW, I am not the Grinch, LOL!!! So, let us all take what my wife calls a "zen moment" and relax and enjoy this festive Holiday Season!!!! Now you have it, the method to my madness in the header images this month!!! On to some news and a somewhat different format to close out the year!!!!!!!!!!

## RECAP

In the November meeting all four board members were unanimously re-elected.

President----Ans van Beek Torkington  
Vice President---Paul Johnson  
Secretary--- Richard Rosenthal  
Director---Sylvia Camille

The returning extended staff volunteers:

Me (Stan Mitchell)----Newsletter  
Joan Robinson--- Telephone correspondence  
Angela Bean----Hospitality/Refreshments  
Kathleen Pruett---Web site co-administrator  
Judy Speno---Coordinator for monthly photo challenges  
Sandi Blackmer---Publicity

The meeting concluded with Ans giving a slideshow presentation of images from the October weather challenge and the September architecture challenge. Thanks to the board and our extended staff volunteers for agreeing to another year of club dedication. 2019 ,here we come!!!!!!

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## DUES ARE DUE --- 35.00/member & 45.00/ family

The **January 26<sup>th</sup> meeting** will feature a presentation by retired DSC professor Patrick van Dusen on External Flash Use, and Ans will be available for dues collection. It should prove to be a very informative meeting. Hope to see y'all there!!!

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The November 16<sup>th</sup> field trip on the Volusia Farm Tour was reported as, “a wonderful event and very informative.” Pictured in front of the Caviar sign of Evans Fish Farm are from left to right: Rick Seiler, Sue Causey, Joan Robinson, Ans, Gloria Lotzer, Kathleen Pruett, Joel Wallen and Trish Hale.



Welcome new member Don Hutter. Thank you for joining our group as we look forward to your creativity in the upcoming year!!!!!!!

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Just a little FYI, from this point on, there will be more pictures than normal as I finish the newsletter. LOL!!!!!!!

Adelet Kegley co-ordinated the Casements Camera Club Christmas Tree display in the Casements and Gloria Lotzer lent the tree and table. George Goldtrap sent me these images of the tree decorating.



Work in Progress



Adelet Kegley, Gloria Lotzer & Linda Johnson

Thanks to all who helped with the decorating and all of the ornaments!!!!!!!

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The Holiday Party on December 5<sup>th</sup> proved to be an excellent evening, unfortunately I was unable to attend. It was reported that there were over 60 members and company attending with not enough table room for all. Some were eating in the kitchen. There was an array of mouth watering foods along with a wine bar. The slideshow presentation during the holiday party included images from the Washington Oaks State Park field trip, the field trip at the two farms in the Volusia County Farm Tour and the November Street Photography Challenge along with some other member's images sent to Ans.

Ans delivered an appreciation & recognition speech, and for those of us that were unable to attend, please read:

Speech December 5, 2018

Welcome everybody and thank you for bringing all these yummy goods.

First of all, being Dutch, I have to explain the significance of this day for me.

December 5th is St. Nicholas day. When I was young you would get your presents on this day from St. Nicholas. With the presents, if you were a bit older, would come a poem. So here goes:

"I am assuring you all this is no prank

At the end of the year there are some people to thank.

Sylvia Camille, Paul Johnson and Richard Rosenthal as members of the Board

Thank you very much for all your support.

And then I thank Mitchell, Stan

Our most excellent newsletter man

Also to thank here is Robinson, Joan

Who lends us her telephone

In faraway Rochester there is Blackmer, Sandi

Who for her newspaper contacts earns some candy

Co-ordinating the refreshments there is Angela Bean

The likes of which we have never seen

Organizing challenges is no mean feat;

We thank Judy Speno and hope she does a repeat

This year we finally have a web site, hurray, hurray

Kathleen Pruett is administrator, I don't know what to say

Exhibitions is a great part of what we do and we need to thank a few people for that too:

For registration and general help and support

Jeanne Figurelli didn't come up short

And then the wonderful men with a hammer:

Bill Speno, Tom Silvey, David Pruett, Skip Lowery, Richard Rosenthal and Ron Zeier, you would think I stammer...

There is Adelet Kegley to thank for co-ordinating a tree

That is in the ballroom for all to see.

And lastly today we thank Mr. Paul Johnson; the man with a ham

That smells so appetizing - get it while you can!"

Bon Appetit and if I don't talk to you have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

**On behalf of the entire club I would like to add "THANK YOU ANS" for all of your exhausted hours making this club a phenomenal camera club. Thank you for your dedication to the club; organizing meetings, field trips, workshops, exhibits and the many unrecognized hours behind the scenes. We are totally grateful and look forward to what you have in store for the club in 2019. Thank you!!!!!!**



Karen Botvin & Vicki Payne brought their cameras and sent me an email with some images. I hope you enjoy them :) These images were sent by **Karen Botvin**



Happy chef—Paul Johnson



Linda Johnson pouring refreshments



Eating in the kitchen—right to left –Donna Armstrong and fiancée Mike, Adelet Kegley and husband Bob and Ans

**Thank you Karen for these images!!!!**

A few more pictures, these were sent by **Vicki Payne**:



Ans on display (LOL) in her sparkly dress with lighted trees in the Ballroom



Left to right-Jeanne Figurelli, Joyce White & Larry Parker



Zoomed in happy chef Paul Johnson





A full house @ the 2018 CCC Holiday Party!!!!!!

Thank you Vicki for these images!!!

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This pretty much sums things up for the final newsletter of 2018. Thank you for your support and encouragement while attempting to deliver a quality newsletter. It is my sincere wish that each and everyone of y'all have a very Merry Christmas and a safe, healthy and prosperous 2019!!!!!!!!!! Happy shooting!!!!!!



Until\_\_\_\_\_

Stan