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MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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Greetings to all and welcome to Summer!!!!!! Being a barefoot, boardshorts sand dune native, my schedule becomes extremely busy this time of year as others become dormant within the comforts of air conditioners that are working overtime. It is also that time of the year when many head north and others take vacations, thus, "the header images" this month. I have been absent from many of the club's functions lately (crazy schedule) so, much of the news will be "as reported." Soooo, on to the news!!!!!!!!!!!!

RECAP---I was unable to attend the May meeting. This is Ans' report of the meeting.

May 23, 2019 meeting: Presentation by Dan Biferie, Department Chair of Daytona State College

Dan presented his own work and his own viewpoint. He had humor, pearls of wisdom and he and his wife started the Southeast Museum of Photography when they laid down their roots in Daytona Beach. Originally he had accepted a teaching job in Fort Lauderdale.

“Knowledge is not skill. Knowledge plus 10,000 times is skill” – Shinichi Suzuki, founder of the Suzuki Method for Music Instruction. This was the quote Dan led with. This was also mentioned all through his presentation.

Another quote was from Henri Cartier-Bresson: **“Your first 10,000 photographs are your worst.”**

So what do we say: practice, practice, practice....

In this photograph Dan manipulated the image to his viewpoint.



It was a most inspiring presentation. Everybody took something away from Dan’s imagery and wise words.

Ans

We also signed up 2 new members: Carolyn Brenner & John Manuel. John was a guest at the meeting. **Welcome!!!!!!!** It appears this was a very rewarding meeting. I am sorry I missed it.

THERE WILL NOT BE A JUNE MEETING!!!!!!!!!!!! Please make note of this, and please continue to read.

Very important!!!!!! The Awards Reception for the 7th Annual Spring Exhibit at the Ormond Beach Performing Arts Center is set for Friday June 28 at 5:30 pm. The show will strike after the reception. The winner's photos will be placed in the East Display Case at the entrance of the Ormond Beach Library. Members are asked to bring a finger food dish to the reception. Upon receiving this newsletter members still have time to visit the exhibit and vote. The center is open Tuesday thru Thursday from 12:00pm to 5:00pm and 2 hours before any scheduled performance.

A warm "Thank you" goes out to the 38 members and their 67 entries, making this show a huge success!!! There are some really good entries this year, so please support your fellow members and vote!!!!

An Early Start-----The July Meeting Assignment this year is **High Key Photography**. The winner will receive a free 2020 club membership valued at \$35.00!!! High Key Photography may be described as: **A stylistic genre, where the subject is reproduced primarily as white or light colors or tones. This style can be discovered, or created through lighting, props, wardrobe and post-production techniques. A correctly executed high key image will also have a small area of "black" to create a full contrast artwork. Make sure it is NOT an overexposed image or one in which all of the dark areas have been removed or altered in post-production. The high key image begins in camera. It requires proper exposure, and a keen photographer's eye toward light, shadow and tone.**

This is a very challenging assignment and Ans feels very confident that the members can handle it. Please google High Key Photography for more data. A future email will be sent with more details.

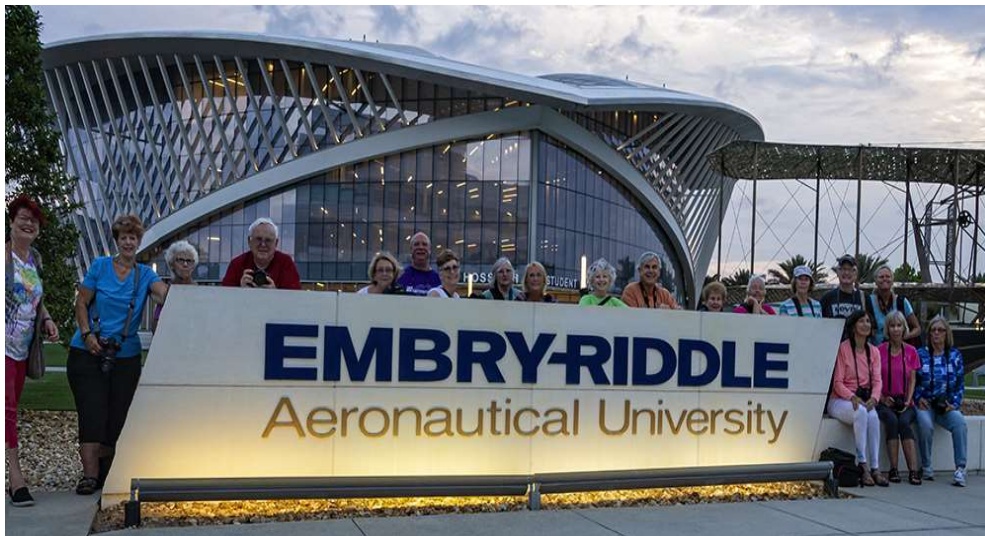
I have received absolutely no comments or feedback on the Casements trivia question last month. I don't know if it is a "thumbs up" or "thumbs down"---- I'll try it again this month.

Who owns the Casements?

- a) The City of Ormond Beach
- b) Volusia County Preservation Board
- c) The Rockefeller Foundation
- d) The National Register of Historic Place

The second field trip at ERAU on Tuesday, June 4 was reported as a very successful evening. Ans sent me an image she took after 9:15 pm and stated, "this time I had a great shoot." There will be another field trip at ERAU on Saturday July 6, so please make a note of that date. An email will be sent to the club at a future date.

The group picture from left to right: Ans, Cheryl Pannone, Elizabeth Rourke, Paul Johnson, Pattie Swenson, Rick Seiler, Karen Botvin, Debbie Perez, Sue Causey, Debbie LeCrone, Jerry LeCrone, Marianita Iglesias, Joan Robinson, Joyce White, Larry Parker, Nancy Munier. Sitting are Sylvia Camille, Gloria Lotzer and Jeanne Figurelli



ERAU Night Shot--Ans

Skip Lowery recently won first prize for his image in the Dream Green Volusia Contest. The subject was litter, especially plastic and styrofoam. I would like to share Skip's comments on this experience.

"I was amazed at all the garbage I found. Too many people just throw fast food and other containers out the window, and many pick-up drivers do not stop when trash blows out of the truck backs. The photo I'm sending was taken at the pond off the east entrance to Ormond's Walmart. It's not a big deal as a photo, and you might tell readers to look closely, because it seems like a standard point-and-shoot image of an egret standing in pond water, but if you look closely you will see the plastic Walmart bag floating nearby. There were many other plastic bags and other trash in the pond; I was just lucky to see the egret. Its presence in the photo emphasizes the conflict between the natural world and human garbage, garbage that not only ruins the water's beauty but which is dangerous for wildlife.

The worst collection of litter I found was off the road behind Stonewoods restaurant on LPGA Blvd. There is a trash bin behind the parking lot, but much of the trash is lying outside the bin, even a couch that somebody just dumped there. And farther out that road is an actual dump, not an official one but a convenient place for people to get rid of large collections of junk because the road stops in the middle of nowhere. Surrounding the dump, of course, are beautiful trees and grasses.

Maybe CCC should do a litter thing one week."

Thanks, Skip

Congrats Skip!!!! I happen to agree with Skip as this would be a great photo challenge for the group and the means for the club to use its skills as a community service and public awareness. **FOOD FOR THOUGHT!!!!!!**



Skip Lowery---Dream Green Volusia

Trivia answer: a) The City of Ormond Beach

I received an email from CCC member Alan Hovey stating he had come across a documentary on Netflix entitled "The Last Resort." This film features the work of Andy Sweet and former CCC member Gary Monroe as they documented the transformation of South Miami and the people who lived there from 1970-1980. For all who knew Gary and have access to Netflix, this would be a great opportunity to view his work.

Thank you Alan!!!!

In conclusion: Once again, there will be NO JUNE MEETING!!! Please earmark Friday June 28 for the Awards Reception at the OBPA Center. Enjoy your summer and for those on the road, in the air and overseas, be safe, have fun and happy shooting!!!!!!!!!!

Until _____

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