



After the Storm—Vicki Payne



Douglas Lake Sunset—Terry Dickerson

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Greetings CCC members. I don't know about y'all, but I have been enjoying the majestic artistry in our western skies on the horizon these last few weeks. As the storms pass and the sun sets, it peers through the clouds, creating an array of colors and phenomenal designs and all I can say is "Wow, how awesome!" I must confess that I've been a little jealous of my wife as she has captured some really beautiful sunset images on her cell phone. Our digital technology has come a long way. Temperatures are beginning to slightly drop and the evenings are becoming more pleasant. In the weeks ahead, the sunsets will become even more majestic, sooooooo, enjoy the fresh air and get out there and shoot!!!!!! That sums up the theme of the header images, on to the news.

RECAP—In the September 24th Zoom Meeting, Ans gave a slideshow presentation of images from the first 5 days of the group's trip to the Netherlands in June 2019. Ans was accompanied by Jeanne Figurelli, Karen Botvin, Donna Armstrong, Cheryl Pannone, Gloria Lotzer and Kathleen Pruett. Her friend Ingrid was the guide and her friend Jannie was the driver. I sent Ans an email the next day and asked her if she still had a voice after the meeting, she narrated the entire presentation (about an hour and a half) only to pause to take a breath. Her reply, "I like talking, I can go on and on, LOL." It was an enjoyable evening with a good turn out from members.

October 22 Zoom Meeting----Ans will give three slideshow presentations in this meeting. They will consist of the last four days of the Netherlands trip, the Texture and the Portrait Challenges.

Also, just a reminder, Ans sent out an email re: CCC Board of Directors election. If you have yet to send her your vote, **PLEASE DO SO!!!!!!!** The official vote will take place at this meeting. If you did not receive the email or have misfiled it, please contact Ans, myself or any board member and we will send it again. **THANK YOU!!!!!**

The strike for the 40th Annual Show in the Casements was Tuesday, September 30. In spite of our "crazy-changing times", the show was a success and 5 member's photographs were sold. So, I guess it's safe to say that the public enjoyed the show. Again, **thank you to all** who were responsible for making this show a success.

Feedback Friday---What is Feedback Friday? It is constructive critiquing. The feedback is positive as the image is discussed. It is a technique recommended by many noted photography instructors. **It is not**—subjective opinions about what you should have or could have done or what one does not like about your image. If you have an image that you are not 100% positive about, please send Ans your image for the next Feedback Friday.

Stuck at Home images-----Y'all are more than likely getting tired of me putting something in the newsletter every month about "stuck at home" images. With that said, please let me interject on a personal note. After retiring my dark room 9 years ago, I entered the digital world. I started with a Lightroom3 purchase and continued with Lightroom5.7 until 2018 when I purchased ON1. After the Blake Rudis webinar a few

months ago I decided to learn Photoshop. I should have done this years ago. I finished Blake's class a few weeks ago and I am taking a different class now. I've been sending Ans images of "Learning Photoshop" lately. I say this to emphasize that "stuck at home" consists of anything new you are learning or attempting in these challenging times. Knowledge is power and when you quit learning you die. Whether it be a YouTube challenge or a class where you've learned something new during this covid season, that is what "stuck at home" is all about. Okay, I'll step down from this soap box, but please send Ans some "stuck at home" images.

YOUR FEEDBACK NEEDED---After the webinar with Noah Buchanan from Hunt's Photo on mirrorless cameras, Noah sent out an email with additional programs for the club. The programs are designed to be educational and are not a sales pitch. Hunt's Photo has access to many outside speakers and if there is a subject or speaker you would like in a webinar please send Ans your suggestions. Here are a few of the topics:

- Color Management
- Lighting
- Q&A sessions about gear
- Fujifilm cameras
- How to improve your Photoshop skills with a Wacom Tablet
- Food Photography
- Lighting with portable LEDs

After the webinar Noah will have special offers with discounts for any of the equipment discussed in the webinar. Once again this is not a sales pitch. The offers are courtesy discounts given to the CCC, so let Noah know you are a member if you would like to purchase something. Your feedback will be greatly appreciated.

The newsletter this month is what we southerners call *slim pickens*, and on that note, I'll close!!!!!! Be safe, start taking advantage of our cooler evenings and capture some of the surrounding beauty!!!!!!

Until_____

Stan