



# THE VIEWFINDER

Not to be confused with the directory

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## From the President

Kerry Owen

### Looking Ahead

An army marches on it's stomach. Nothing ventured nothing gained. We reap what we sow. There is a pot of gold at the end of the rainbow. All these things are true. (Actually, #4 is false, as far as I know, but I just wanted to see if you were paying attention.) Also true is that this club, and all other organizations like it depend on volunteers to get the job done. The more the number of volunteers the better the club functions. The better trained the volunteers, the smoother everything goes, the more fun it is. Volunteering is another side of paying our dues.

Until 2004, club competition was handled by a single competition chairman. When I volunteered to do it that year, I really wanted some help. So I asked 5 other members to each be responsible for getting the images judged for a couple of months each. The secondary reason I had was to train more people to become Competition Chairman. The following year, the committee went from 6 to 12. This year the committee stands at 13 with a backup member being added. The health and vitality of the club competition depends on those volunteers to read the materials given about their role in the contest, get instructions from the Competition Chair, and to execute well, ask for help when needed, and overall take a serious interest in making everything work. But competition is only one area in which we need volunteers.

We have added a lot of new members in the last 2 years, but have not added as many volunteers into the ranks as we should have. Consider that some of us are enjoying the benefits of club membership, but not contributing to the health and welfare of the whole. Many new members, I'm sure, look forward to assuming responsibility for some of the club functions as part of the reason they joined, i.e. to enjoy the friendship and company of like minded members.

Looking forward to next year, or maybe still this year, I have presented on page 5 a description of the jobs officers and volunteers do. And I'm looking to you to fill those jobs next year.

### SAN ANTONIO OUTING ATTENDED BY 22 MEMBERS

FWCC members found out quickly that San Antonio is full of photo ops. The four missions on the mission trail, plus the Alamo, San Fernando Cathedral, the Bexar Co. Courthouse, the Governor's Palace, River Walk, plus various targets of opportunity throughout the city fell before the onslaught of our cameras. We began shooting almost as soon as we arrived, around 7:30 Friday evening, and shot up until almost noon Sunday.

Renting the van to carry 8 members proved to be fun and economical, as van passengers paid only \$65 for a round trip. Besides, van passengers, not having to drive, and being cool and comfortable, spent all their time telling jokes, yakking, eating, sight seeing, and hollerin' at the driver to stop. Lets just say that what happened in the van, should stay in the van.



Barbeque in Blanco, TexMex in San Antonio and pie in Marble Falls. The van crew ate well.

## *My Trip to San Antonio*

There were many things that made my “senior” trip to San Antonio memorable. Here are a few of them, as they came to mind.

1. Watching a young man get 10 yards in front of his camera, set up at the Alamo at night, and point his strobe at the open shutter and circumscribe a kind of an arc, firing many times. He said he was taking pictures of “ghosts”.
2. Seeing the first direct rays of warm sunlight kiss the bells and climb slowly down the bell tower of the Mission San Francisco de la Espada for our first mission stop on Saturday morning.
3. Also at Espada, watching one of the Mission cats catch a bird, and then watching another cat steal it.
4. Feeling the peace and serenity in the sanctuary at Mission San José y San Miguel de Aquayo.
5. Learning that there is a brass plaque in the pavement in front of the Alamo, put there by the San Antonio Chamber of Commerce to show tourists exactly the best spot from which to photograph this, the greatest icon of Texas independence. As it cost them a great deal of money to hire a professional photographer to do the research, it is called “the \$10,000 spot”.
6. Getting a table for 15 immediately at the Original Mexican Restaurant on the River Walk on a Saturday night, due to the quick thinking of Steve Biel. Other groups were waiting up to 45 minutes.
7. Realizing that the Spanish Governor’s Palace, with its small rooms and 2’ thick rough adobe walls really was a palace in the 1700’s.
8. Photographing the anomaly of the richly detailed and beautiful Bexar Co. Courthouse with a homeless guy sleeping on a park bench out front.
9. Watching Bill Martin capture the façade of the old San Fernando Cathedral with a street vendor selling raspberry snowcones.
10. Because we came down the “back” way, finding a little barbeque place in Blanco where they served superb smoked meats the old-fashioned way, bought by the pound and served on butcher paper.
11. Finding out that the rent van got 14 miles per gallon, but the inside of the van yielded at least 60 laughs per hour.
12. Enjoying 2 1/2 days in the company of people who don’t think we were crazy for “chasing the light”.

## **Calling all shutterbugs! Zoom in for the Zoo’s first photo contest**

Sent in by our dear ex newsletter editor, Pam Powell.

Participate in the Fort Worth Zoo’s first photo contest! Open to amateurs and professionals 18 years or older, the ZOOM Lens photo contest begins on June 1 and runs through July 31.

Photos may be entered in three categories: Mammals, Birds, and Reptiles and Amphibians. A panel of three judges will select one grand prize winner, as well as one runner-up from each category. Winners will receive prizes and be featured in an issue of roar! magazine and on the Zoo’s website.

Photos must be of Fort Worth Zoo animals taken no earlier than January 2005. Please e-mail entries in a digital format to [zoomlens@fortworthzoo.org](mailto:zoomlens@fortworthzoo.org) or drop off a CD at Member Services, located at the front of the Zoo.

For additional contest information, visit the Fort Worth Zoo’s website at [www.fortworthzoo.org](http://www.fortworthzoo.org), (and see page 4 for our scheduled club outing to the zoo, on June 3).

**May Contest Results**Class B Color Prints

1217	Circles & Triangle	11	
1222	Clam Ball	7	
1222	Oval	7	
1184	View of Triangles	10	
1225	Windows	10	HM Jeff Clark
1225	Transition Implied	11	3rd Jeff Clark
1221	Ahhhhh...rch!	12	2nd Jana Lopez
1217	Geo Patterns	12	1st Diana McMillan

Class A Color Prints

1227	Filmless	11	
1231	Geo Floral	12	
1230	Rectangles, Triangles and Curves	10	
180	Stairway to Somewhere	10	
633	Pretty in Pink	13	
1231	Nature's Mandelbrot	10	
900	Follow the Cactus	12	
1044	Circles on Squares	11	
1195	Ogive Pattern	12	
1115	Living near the Point	10	
113	F.L. Wright Chapel	12	
114	Circles & Triangles	9	
1107	Caught in the Dance	8	
114	Bucky Ball	10	
1107	Sunrise Has Broken	12	
1189	Wave of Color	12	
1113	City Shapes	12	
1115	Thru the Window Pane	8	
1190	Paint Me	8	
1113	Night Light	12	
1190	A Little Help	7	
633	Rules of Thirds	14	HM John Hill
1195	Arches in Color	14	HM Don Webb
1189	The Balcony	14	HM Lynne Richards
1212	Mud Curls	14	3rd John Bonewitz
1212	Mill Gears	14	2nd John Bonewitz
1213	Meeting of the Corners	14	1st Bill Davis

Black & White Prints

1190	Relaxing Sand	7	
1189	Outstanding in Her Field	11	
1115	Chain, Lock Variation	12	
1214	Days End	13	
1115	I Still Have My Dish!	13	
633	Old 495 Wasting Away	10	
1195	The Oil Can	10	
113	Showing Off	10	
1225	Amy	8	
1217	Caverns	13	
633	An Alter of Worship	10	
1195	Say What?	7	
113	Indian Church	7	
1107	Waiting for Sunbathers	14	HM G Mercado-Marx

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## Black &amp; White Prints continued

1107	Pathway	14	HM Grace Mercado-Marx
1189	No Vacancy	14	3rd Lynne Richards
1190	Early Morning Fog	14	2nd Owen Richards
1214	Bright Angel Point	14	1st Reagan Ferguson

Masters Prints

791	Porsche Speedster 1957	13	Dick Coers
1094	Key West	10	Cherry Christianson
1116	The Trinity at Twilight	12	Darren Huski
720	Lajitas Cemetery	12	Ken Spencer
791	Model A	10	Dick Coers
1116	The Cimmerons	13	Darren Huski
669	Cubs in the Rain	12	Tom Savage
1094	Purple Window	12	Cherry Christianson
669	Little Bee Easter	13	HM Tom Savage
720	Photographing the Canyon	14	3rd Ken Spencer
1042	Early Morning at Caddo	14	2nd Glenn Wogstad
1042	Weathered Door	15	1st Glenn Wogstad

Class B Slides

1106	Creature	9	
180	Making Plans	8	
1106	The Guard	8	
180	Grim Determination	9	
1164	Night Visitor	14	2nd Janice Schultz
1164	Cactus Butter	14	1st Janice Schultz

Class A Slides

1120	Night Time At the Fair	12	
1115	Real Chuck Wagon Meal	13	
1113	Ferns Can Grow Anywhere	11	
1214	Fall Reflections	12	
633	His Majesty	12	
1213	Make It Hot	10	
1115	Windmill in the Making	10	
1113	Dinner Time	12	
1120	Corner View	12	
633	Snow Mantle on Bryce	13	HM John Hill
1000	Side Street	13	HM John McMahon
1000	Spidser & Web	14	3rd John McMahon
1213	Out There	14	2nd Bill Davis
1214	Natural Beauty	14	1st Reagan Ferguson

Masters Slides

422	Winter Colors Reflected	12	Terry Vitt
729	Tree Expressionism	12	Sharon Wright
793	Sunlight Sparkles	13	Aimée Martin
900	Sanctuary	12	Bill Martin
1116	San Juan in Color	12	Darren Huski
422	Red Canyon Colo.	13	Terry Vitt
729	Nature's Owl	12	Sharon Wright
842	Boiling Thermal Pool	12	Janet Maloy
856	Boat Floats	13	HM Mary McMahon
793	Spring's Artistry	13	HM Aimée Martin
856	Colors	14	3rd Mary McMahon
900	Windmills at Sunset	14	2nd Bill Martin
1116	The Guadalupes	15	1st Darren Huski

**Class B Digital**

1106	Evening Dam	9
1106	The Bridge	9
1167	Column Cap	8
1167	Leaky Faucet	8
1168	Directional Leaves	10
1168	Underwater Leaf	10
1181	Marianplatz Nightlife	11
1181	Ready for Battle	9
1184	Scarborough Maiden	8
1209	Night Time at the Park	8
1225	A Bygone Era	9
1209	Overlook	11 HM Jim Petr
1184	Lonely Violet	11 3rd Danielba Grangeiro
1217	Canyon	12 2nd Diana McMillan
1225	Peace in the Valley	12 1st Jeff Clark

**Class A Digital**

1107	Hoover Dam	10
1107	Tiptoe Through the Tulips	11
113	Calling Home	10
113	Inside St. Steven's	11
1195	Colorful Bubbles	12
1195	Wet Cactus	11
842	Stormy St. Olaf	11
1042	Change of Seasons	12 HM Glenn Wogstad
1212	Sunlit Mine	13 3rd John Bonewitz
1042	Go That Way	13 2nd Glenn Wogstad
1212	Storm's a Brew'n	14 1st John Bonewitz

**Judge's Favorite**

Slide: **The Guadalupes & Boulders**, by Darren Huski  
 Print: **Weathered Door**, by Glenn Wogstad



Top Row: Kendall Rodgers, Jim Beckett, John McMahon, Bill Martin (hiding), Aimée Martin, Grace Mercado-Marx, Richard Gray, Jeff Clark, Jana Clark. Kneeling: Mary McMahon, Kerry Owen, Barb Miazgowicz, Steve Biel, Ken Marx, Tom O'Connell, Jennifer White, Linda Hurley. Missing: Joanna Sherman, Regina Biel, Barbara Beckett, Dave Ernst, Charlene Ernst. Photo by Mary McMahon

**Outing/Outing/Outing**

Darren Huski is throwing an outing at the Ft. Worth Zoo on Saturday, June 3rd, at 10:00 am when the gates open. According to Darren, 'tis better to be a monkey's photographer than a monkey's uncle. Remember that "Zoo" is the closed subject of Color Print contest in July. And now that the Ft. Worth Zoo is sponsoring a contest of their own, you have twice the reasons to be there

Darren says bring your long glass, and I'd say maybe your 1.4X tele-extender as well. And the tripod. And lots of film.

**Closed Subject Recap**

Just a friendly reminder: "Railroad" is up in B&W for June.

Shoot the "Zoo" for July for Color Prints.

"Cowtown" is the subject for August in Slides.

Digital will go with "Reflections" in August.

And the grand finalé across the board subject for October is "The Open Road"

## Club Officers, Committee Chairs and other volunteers; what they do

### The Elected Officers

**President:** Chairs the regular meetings and board meetings. Appoints all positions other than officers and directors.

**Vice President:** Chairs meetings and acts on behalf of the President when appropriate. Acts as advisor to the President.

**Club Secretary:** Keeps minutes of Board Meetings.

**Club Treasurer:** Functions as the club bookkeeper. Keeps the books, writes the checks, collects the dues, and logs in and assigns numbers to all new members. This officer stays busy nearly every meeting.

**Directors:** 6 in all sit on the board, help and advise and vote on any club business.

### The Volunteer Army

**Competition Chair:** Solicits and schedules judges, keeps or directs the keeping of all contest scoring, directs the activities of the monthly members in charge of monthly competition. Makes up the ribbons or directs others to do so. Plans and executes the year end contest and awards program. The chief person in the club responsible for invoking all contest rules. Vic Kaldenbach fills the office this year.

**Monthly Member-in-Charge:** For one month's contest, responsible for all activities from picking up the entries to getting them to/from the judge, bringing them to contest night meeting, and putting on that night's program. Informs Chair about any possible contest rules violations.

**Outings Chair:** Plans and executes outings for all club members to participate in. Directs ad hoc volunteers who plan and lead other outings. Sees that we get a variety of sites and subjects over the year. This year and last, done by Darren Huski.

**Exhibitions Chair:** Plans and executes any exhibitions the club is involved with. This position is empty this year.

**Program Chair:** Procures and schedules all outside programs and guest lecturers. Currently filled by John Hill.

**Membership Chair:** Responsible for greeting guests at club meetings, answering guests questions, and showing a friendly face. The position is being done by Bill Martin, who provides us with name tags as well.

**Publicity, Budget, House Bylaws Chairs:** These jobs are provided for in the By-Laws, but are currently inactive.

**Viewfinder Editor:** Puts out the monthly newsletter, currently being handled by Kerry Owen.

**Yearbook Editor:** Done this year and last by Kipp Baker.

**Webmaster:** Liason with site server and with club. Administers our club website. Has been done for the last few years by Ray Sampson.

**Liaison Officer, Botanic Gardens:** Provides a point of contact and business go-between for the club. Is responsible for keeping club members informed about what we can do for the Gardens, and carries club requests to Gardens personnel. This year, Geoffrey Crewe is the man.

**Awards Banquet Chair:** Directs and plans the banquet location, menu, decorations, and door prizes. Others volunteer to help the actual set up with decorations, etc. This position is empty.

**4th of July Picnic Chair:** An ad hoc position, filled only if we vote to have a picnic. Currently empty. Lots of volunteers needed to help with this, from food prep to getting tables and chairs, and set up. Also need people who will find groups who would like to be models for our members.

**Nominating Committee:** Appointed by the President by the 1st meeting in September, and reports to the membership at the 2nd meeting in September, and holds elections at the 1st meeting in October.

Another job that doesn't exist today is Chair of an Education/Workshops Committee. The club really needs help in this area. We have members qualified to teach a lot of photographic skills. We just need help in getting organized and getting workshops scheduled.

Other ad hoc opportunities often appear as we go. But all these jobs need to be done. None of them are hard. None of them take very many hours. All of them, when done with enthusiasm, are rewarding.

I would be happy to answer any and all questions about any job you are thinking of volunteering to do, either looking forward till next year, or something needing to be done this year.

The message again, is that your fellow members need you to support our activities, whether you are a brand new member this year, or been a member since Ansel Adams was a pup. Don't let us down.

Kerry Owen

### From Jacksboro to Austin and from Mineral Wells to Carrollton

Our members are from at least 30 towns in our area:

Arlington	N. Richland Hills	Mansfield
Aledo	Burleson	Mineral Wells
Grandbury	Justin	Joshua
Keller	Glen Rose	Springtown
Eules	Saginaw	Hurst
Bedford	Cleburne	Dallas
Weatherford	Trophy Club	Jacksboro
Benbrook	Grapevine	Lewisville
Carrollton	Argyle	Azle
Flower Mound	Austin	Ft. Worth

**We're on the web**  
**[fortworthcameraclub.com](http://fortworthcameraclub.com)**



The Van Crew left to right: Bill Martin, Kerry Owen, Jennifer White, Joanna Sherman, Aimée Martin, Barb Miazgowicz, and Richard Gray.

Photo by Linda Martin

## **Fort Worth Camera Club**

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