

Leading Lines

The Newsletter of the Ames Camera Club -- Ames, Iowa

Volume 16, Issue 1

September 2008

President's Message

I would like to welcome everyone to another year of the Ames Camera Club. We have an excellent program this year that should be both fun and informative. We have an outdoor photo shoot planned for October and a club contest with the theme of "fall" planned for February. Both of these should be fun ways to get us out and shooting this year. We also have a few speakers lined up on various topics that should be very informative. We have simplified and lowered our fees this year as well. For the first meeting of the year we are going to keep with the show and tell theme of the last few years, so bring in some of the photos you have taken over the last year and share them.

I would like to encourage everyone to enter some of the N4C contests particularly the digital ones. The N4C has added a new category in the digital section called Creative Contemporary. In other N4C news The Ames Camera Club will be judging two contests this year. We will be judging the Photojournalism prints/slides in October and the new digital category, Creative Contemporary in either January or February. We would love to have volunteers to judge either of these contests.

This year as well, we would like to expand on our monthly newsletter. We are looking for club member photos and short articles on anything related to photography, so if you have anything to submit email it to Brent Pearce.

Again, welcome to all our new and returning members and keep shooting.

Chris Burtram
Ames Camera Club President

Membership Dues

The ACC board has changed the annual dues for the coming year. Surprise, they are not higher; they are lower. The new annual ACC dues are:

| | |
|-------------------------------------|------|
| Renewal membership | \$20 |
| New, family member, or student..... | 10 |
| Maximum per family..... | 30 |

Luke Healey is the treasurer and will be present to accept dues at the September meeting.

Program Schedule

The Ames Camera Club (ACC) meets every second Thursday at 7:00 to 8:30 in the Community Room of the Ames Public Library (second floor) from Sept. through May.

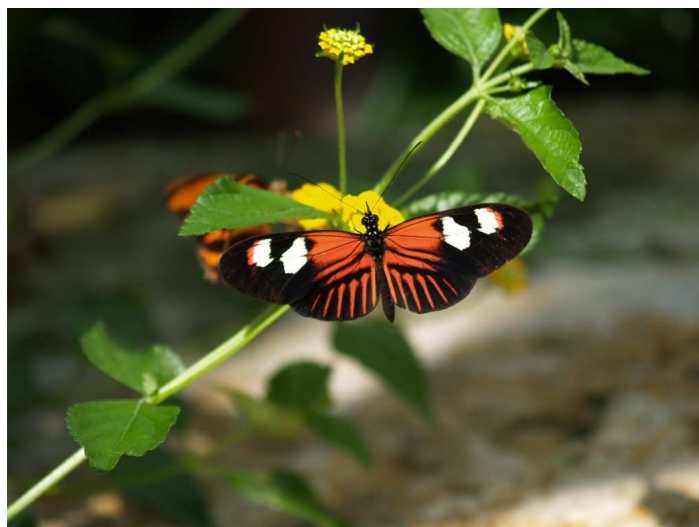
September 11, The Camera Club meets to present its annual "**Potpourri of Photography.**" Everyone should bring some photos to show. You may bring many or few, but you're limited to 4 minutes of presentation. Digital photos might be put on a CD or thumb drive. Prints and slides are also welcome. The public is welcome to attend and participate.

October 9, will be a night time photo shoot. More information will be given at the September meeting.

Club Photo Contest

The Ames Camera Club will hold its own contest in February. The topic is "Fall" so you need to start now thinking about what photos you would like to present. The rules of the contest are:

1. The subject is "Fall"
2. Presentation by prints only
3. Each contestant can bring up to 3 prints
4. Prints must be 11" x 14" or smaller



Butterfly - Stan Williams



N4C Photo Contests & Judging

Ames Camera Club Is a member of N4C. N4C represents camera clubs in the upper Midwest USA. N4C offers monthly photo contests from September through May. Members may enter these contests free and they are judged by different camera clubs (see **N4C Photo Contest Rules** below). Our club is scheduled to judge "Photo-journalism prints and slides" in October. **YOU** should consider entering a N4C photo contest at least once this year if not each month.

N4C Photo Contests Rules

There is a contest each month. One entry per person and 8 entries per club for each category listed below. Send your photos (except for digital) to **Denise Wheeler** (232-3521) by the 5th of month.

The categories are:

1. 2 x 2 pictorial slides (35 mm art).
2. 2 x 2 nature slides.
3. Black & white pictorial prints, large and small
Large prints = mount up to 16 x 20 inches.
Small prints = mount up to 11 x 14 inches
4. Nature prints, large and small.
5. 2 1/4 slides (i.e. medium format).
6. Color prints, large and small (any topic).
7. Contemporary/creative prints & slides (weird or manipulated).
8. Photojournalism prints & slides (prints may be small, mounted and must not be matted).
9. Travel prints & slides.
- 10 & 11. Three digital contests: pictorial, nature, and creative-contemporary. The images must be 1024 x 768 or smaller, less than 500 kb of memory and in jpg format. Submit these to: rbpearce@mchsi.com by the 10th of the month.

NOTE: Digital contests have 80-100 contestants. Other contests have from 20 to 50 contestants.

A Couple Photographic Truths

Secondary quote from the N4C News Bulletin

The best scenic views are clearly designated by highway signs reading NO STOPPING ANY TIME

Owning more than one lens assures that you will always have the wrong lens on the camera for any given picture.

N4C Annual Convention

The annual convention is being held in Bloomington, Minnesota on Sept. 25-28 at the Airport Hilton Hotel. There are programs, photo shoots, and seminars on a wide variety of subjects concerning photography.

See www.minnesotavalleyphotoclub.org and click on N4C 2008 for more information.

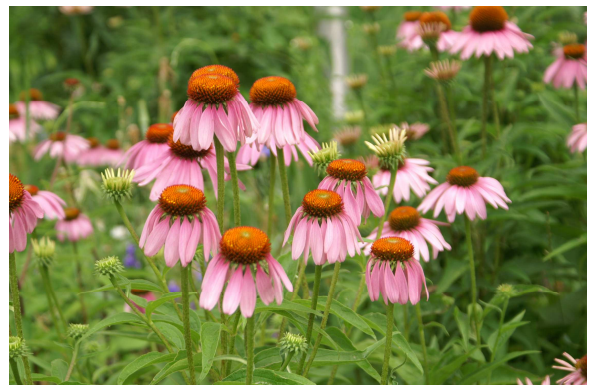
2009 Photo Contest

Sponsored by Story County Conservation Partners & Ames Camera Club

Story County Conservation *Partners* and the **Ames Camera Club** are cosponsoring a contest for photos taken in Story County, Iowa. Judging of the photos will take place in April 2009 to encourage submission of photos from all four seasons. Photos must be digital and may be entered in the following categories:

- A. Nature (may include structures)
- B. Specimen shot of native plant or animal
- C. People and recreation

Now is the time to take your pictures if you want flowers or insects for submission in March



Purple Cone Flowers – Brent Pearce

Ames Camera Club 2008-2009

Officers:

President: Chris Burtram, 450-5567
Vice President: Mark Slagell, 292-9467
Secretary: Gloria Johnston, 832-2100.
Treasurer: Luke Healey, 451-6619

Board Members:

Membership and Publicity: Mark Slagell, 292-9467
Newsletter Editor: Brent Pearce, 232-8064.
N4C Committee Chair: Denise Wheeler. 232-3521