

Big Thanks

Southerland"s Top Five winners were announced at the end of the year party. Southerland Photo again generously donated \$300 worth of gift certificates to the top five ranking members in points from monthly competitions.

Remember to thank Southerlands when you are in the store. Don't forget that Southerlands has one day processing on slides. They can make prints of your favorite slides or create prints from a file you furnish them on a zip drive. So now you have no excuse for not entering the monthly competions.

Southerland's Top Five for 1998

Place	Name	<u>Points</u>
1	Barbara Staggs	97
2	Sam Tumminello	40
3	Judy Fleming	39
4	Pat Gardner	24
5	Alma Sanders	23

End of Year Competition Results

	B&W Prints	Color Prints	Slides	
Best	Wesley Swift, Jr.	Patricia Col	Alma Sanders	
1 st RU	Amanda Grant		Barbara Staggs	
2 RU	Wesley Swift Jr.	Barbara Staggs	Alma Sanders	
3 [™] RU	Tom McDonald			
1 HM		Barbara Staggs	Guy McAllister	
2 nd HM		Barbara Staggs	Guy McAllister	

President's Trophy Award Winner

Barbara Staggs

1998 List of Honors

-Congratulations to the 1998 HPS List of Honors Recipients:

Barbara Staggs Master of Photography

Wesley Swift, Jr. Fellow of HPS

A BIG Thank You to the 1998 Officers

Thank you all again from all the members of HPS for a job well done.

Members News

- -Congratulations to Pat Cole. She had a photo accepted by WAFF for their 1999 calandar.
- -Alma Sanders has art work in the lower gallery of the Huntsville Art League Gallery
- -Tom McDonald has art work in the upper gallery and also will be featured this month (Jan.) in the Huntsville Times Gallery.
- -Barbara Staggs has photography in the upper gallery.

Welcome New Members

- Katherine Newman from Huntsville, principal harpist with Huntsville Symphony. She likes to photograph people, nature, close-ups. She uses 35mm, point and shoot and digital cameras.
- -Peter Grant from Madison, retired from the Army. He uses 35mm to photograph people, landscapes and nature. Some of his work has been seen in our monthly competitions.
- -His daughter Amanda is also an aspiring photographer. She is a student at UAH and works at Wolf Camera in the Mall. One of her black and white photographs was a winner in the end of the year competition.

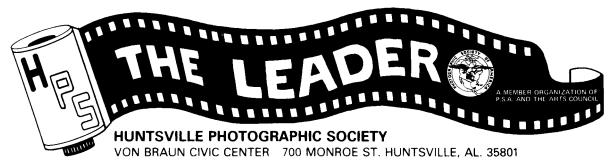
From The President

Thanks to all who helped with the dinner and awards ceremony. I hope that everyone had a great time and enjoyed viewing the varied display of photographs. Maybe it will inspire more of you to enter competitions next year.

I am very pleased to have such a wonderful and enthusiastic board for 1999. Lots of new ideas are in the works. We'll try to keep you informed through the newsletter.

We would like to mention in the newsletter more about what the membership is doing with photography. If you have photographs in a gallery, have won any awards or have any other news you would like to share about your photographs be sure to contact Carol or David Blue at (256) 232-7526 (email: dcblue@hiwaay.net).

The program for Jan. 11 will be by Virginia Gilbert. Virginia obtained photographs from HPS members several months ago to take to the Alabama Poetry Society. The Society members each chose a



photograph and wrote a poem inspired by the photo. Virginia will present both the photos and the poems at the meeting. If you were one of our members who contributed a photo, try to bring a larger version or the original slide to the meeting so that other members can see it more easily. Virginia is not sure that all of the photos were returned so it will be especially important for you to bring another copy. We may also get to choose a poem from the Society and create a photograph around it. Sounds like an interesting meeting.

The topic for the Jan. competition on Jan. 25 will be "Odd Angles". Muril Robertson will be the judge.

Things of Interest

-Jan 9-17--9th Annual Wilderness Wildlife Week at the HeartlandCountry Star Resort, Pigeon Forge, TN. FREE & EDUCATIONAL. Over 80 nationally recognized experts lead you through the Wilderness Wildlife week series of hikes, field trips, lectures and photography workshops. Call 1-800-WINTERFEST for more information.

-Jan 30-31 (Orlando, FL) or Feb 27-28 (Atlanta, GA)--Nikon School, one-day (choose Saturday or Sunday) \$99 (incl. lunch and 157 page Nikon book. Order tickets by mail: Nikon School, 1300 Walt Whitman Rd., Melville, NY 11747-3064; by phone (516)547-8666; by fax (516)547-0309. www.nikonusa.com for details.

-Feb 5-7---Fifth Annual Winterfest Fine Art/Photography Show & Sale, Smokey Mountai Convention Center, Pigeon Forge, TN. This sho features an elite group of local artists and photographers depicting Sevier County and Great Smokey Mountains' historical landscapes and structures all under one roof. Call 1-800-WINTERFEST for more information.

-Feb 20---Tom and Pat Cory from Chattanooga will be conducting a Nature Photography Workshop in Huntsville on Feb. 20 from 9:00 to 4:30 . The fee is \$79 or \$85 afterJan. 31. Seating is limited to 36. For more info contact them at or 800-495-6190. They have given programs many times in Huntsville and are always well received.

-Feb. 20-21 --Widely known nature photographer, George Lepp will conduct a one or two day seminar in Atlanta. First day-educational seminar on natur and outdoor photography. Sun.-overview on use of consumer available digital imaging to improv traditional photographic procedures. 9am to 5pm. one day \$90, both days \$160 Call 800-394-7677

1999 Competition Topics

<u>Month</u>	<u>Topic</u>		
January	Odd Angles		
February	Family		
March	Animals		
April	Open (any subject)		
May	Building		
June	Water		
July	A Single Tree		
August	Flowers		
September	Open		
October	Scenes of Huntsville		
November	Humorou		
December Bes	t of the Year Competition (all entries		
that received a place in the monthly competition,			
including Honorable Mention)			

1999 Dues Reminder

January 2000 Season

The yearly dues of \$20 are due. See Roberto Puon for renewal or more info.

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Southerlands Specials of the Month

Look for special "After Inventory" markdowns all this month.