



Dues--Big Bargain! If you pay your 2001 dues at the Christmas Party or before Jan. 1 you only have to pay \$18. After the first of the year it will be \$20. In the coming year HPS will be paying \$50 a month to the library for use of the auditorium so your prompt payment of dues will be very important.

November Program

The results of our Photoshootout 2000 were shown at the November 11 meeting. All of the 28 participants in the contest had one slide from each category shown. This provided an interesting insight into how different people approach photographing the same subject. First, second, third and honorable mentions were announced. Small prizes were given to the first place winners. The pictures were great even if they didn't all win. If you look at the results you will see that we have many highly talented photographers in our club. Only one person won two first places, the other ten were spread out among the whole group.

November Competition Results

We had 11 entries in B&W, 29 in Color, and 38 Slides. Our thanks to Bob Gathney for his critiques of the "Misty Scenes" competition. He chose the following:

COLOR		<u>B & W</u>	SLIDES	
	Lisa Stuart	Barry Jackson	Joe Boyd	
¹ nd 2 _{rd} 3	Gordon Carrey	Harry Kinnane	Harry Kinnane	
3	Brenda Kinnane	Harry Kinnane	Joe Boyd	
HM	Martha Teal	-	Harry Kinnane	
HM	Mary Lou Lewis	-	Brenda Kinnane	
HM	Barry Jackson	-	David Blue	
HM	-	-	Barbara Staggs	
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Southerland Top Ten

Southerland Photo on Whitesburg Drive is again sponsoring the "Southerland Top Ten". They will give gift certificates to those members who are in the top ten of accumulated points in the monthly competitions for 2000. The contest runs from the January competition through the November competition.

Congratulations to our 2000 Top Ten Finalists!

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Place	Name	Wins	Total Points	5	
1.	Barry Jackson	21	69		
2.	Harry Kinnane	26	63		
3.	Barbara Staggs	22	49		
4.	Ron Romej	15	42		
5.	Brenda Kinnane	13	30		
6.	David Blue	13	28		
7.	Jaime Cifuentes	12	28		
8.	Lowell Skidmore	9	24		
9.	Joe Boyd	7	23		
10.	Chris Dang	5	17		
Final Competition Total Points for 2000 are:					
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11. Doug Felton	9	15	22. Judy Fleming	2	6
12. Susie McGaha	3	15	23. Darren Reed	1	5
13. Martha Teal	5	14	24. Don Bennett	1	5
14. Lisa Stuart	6	13	25. Sheila Mangus	3	5
15. Pat Gardner	6	13	26. Gordon Carrey	1	4
16. Virginia Gilbert	4	13	27. Heinz Schmidli	1	4
17. Carol Blue	4	9	28. Mary Lou Lewis	2	2
18. Guy McAllister	3	9	29. J. Schaefer	1	1
19. Patty McCarley	5	9	30. Jim Sisco	1	1
20. Pauline Steinbri	nk 4	9	31. Pat Cole	1	1
21. Bill Self	3	6	32. Richard Elliot	1	1

Photoshootout Results

--Our thanks to Steve Cassidy of *Professional Photographic Services* for donating the film and development to make the *Photo Shootout* possible. --More on Photoshootout 2000

Twenty eight members participated in our first Photoshootout. The three judges had a very difficult time deciding the winners. Everyone was enthusiastic about the contest and voted to do it again next year. They agreed that it would be helpful to conduct the contest over two weekends rather than one. October seemed like a great time for photographing the scenes of Huntsville. --Judging consisted of first choosing the best of the three images of each entrant in each category. Those slides were separated into the separate categories. Then 3 judges individually reviewed these selected slides. Each of the judges top six choices in each category were totalled to find the winners. There was great diversity in the judges selections so any slide that was picked as a top six by any of the judges has been included as an honorable mention. There were still many not chosen that are very good. Entries were judged on creativity, compostion and technical merit. Creativity was a big factor.

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--Judges for the Shootout were: Barbara Staggs, Roberto Puon and Ron Romej.

--Please Note: The winning slides in the Photoshootout Contest DO NOT count towards the Best of the Year Competition or the Southerlands Top Ten for 2000. However, they may be entered in the monthly competitions for 2001 the same way you would enter any other slide. --The winning photographs are on the HPS Web page: home.hiwaay.net/~puon/hps

PHOTOSHOOTOUT 2000 WINNERS Green Mountain Nature Trail

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1_{nd} Lisa Stuart 2_{rd} Jaime Cifuentes 3 Joe Boyd HM Suzie McGaha Martha Teal Don Bennett Monica Martin Lowell Skidmore Bill Haynes Carol Blue

Cabin Joe Bovd Emily Saile Monica Martin Jaime Cifuentes **Diehl Martin** Charlie Poplin Bill Self Rodney Durrett

Huntsville Train Depot

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2 _{rd}	Lisa Stuart Bill Self and Don Bennett	Don Bennett		
3	Bill Self and Don Bennett	Bill Self and Joe Boyd		
HM	Diehl Martin	Doug Felton		
	Bill Haynes	Susie Mc Gaha		
	David Blue	Pat Cole		
	Emily Saile	Emily Saile		
	Shiela Mangus	Martha Teal		
	Jamie Cifuentes	Bill Reynolds		
	Allison Durrett			
	Downtown Hu	Intsville		
Cau	rt House Square	Historic District		
1 _{nd}		Joe Boyd		
2	Paige Vaughn	Lisa Stuart and		
Davi	d Blue			
3	Carol Blue	Susie McGaha		
HM	Guy McAllister	Lowell Skidmore		
	Susie McGaha	Emily Saile		
	David Blue	Guy McAllister		
		Don Bennett		
Maple Hill Cemetery				
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Headstones

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Other **Diehl Martin** Jaime Cifuentes 1_{nd} Carol Blue David Blue Don Bennett Lisa Stuart

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HM Guy McAllister Paige Vaughn Joe Boyd Doug Felton Susie McGaha Dick Elliott Allison Durrett

Boats 1_{nd} Carol Blue ²rd 3 **Diehl Martin** Joe Boyd HM Guy McAllister Don Bennett Rodney Durrett Lisa Stuart Jamie Cifuentes Charlie Poplin Heinz Schmidle

Sheila Mangus Doug Felton Monica Martin Martha Teal Allison Durrett Bill Self

Ditto Landing

Water **Emily Saile** Joe Boyd Don Bennett Martha Teal Jamie Cifuentes Susie McGaha Bill Self David Blue Carol Blue

	Botan	<u>ical Garden</u>	
Fall	Colors	Pavillion	
1 _{nd}	David Blue	Don Benne	ett
2_{rd}	Don Bennett	Lisa Stuart	
1 _{nd} David Blue 2 _{rd} Don Bennett 3 Rodney Durrett and Low		ell Skidmore	Diehl Martin
HM	Jaime Cifuentes	Carol Blue	
	Sheila Mangus	Martha Tea	al
	Lisa Stuart	Emily Saile)
	Heinz Schmidli	Jaime Cifu	entes
		Sheila Mar	nane

Sheila Mangus David Blue Allison Durrett Lowell Skidmore Joe Boyd Paige Vaughn



December Program Topic

-December Awards Party and Best of the Year Show.--On Dec. 11 HPS will have the annual party where the winning photos of all the monthly competitions can be viewed and awards will be given. This is a great time to see the "Best of the Best". Tickets for the Barbecue dinner with all of the trimmings are \$8.00. For tickets call Roberto Puon **325-puon** for reservations. Also his e-mail is **puon@HiWAAY.net**. The dinner will start at 6:00. The awards will start at 7:00. All events will be in the Library auditorium, as usual.

End of Year Judges: Slides--Doug Smoot, B&W--Arlon Moss, Color--Steve Cassity

January 2001 Competition

Our Judge for the January 2001 competition "Patterns" will be announced in the January newsletter.

Members News

Nothing to report.

Welcome New Members

-Karen Davis -Phil Lindsey

Featured Photographer of the Month

End of year awards and banquet in December.

From The President

My two years as HPS president is coming to an end. I really have enjoyed working with all of you. Its been rewarding and great fun. I've especially enjoyed the enthusiasm of the new members and have cheered right along with you when you start winning in the competitions. The HPS Board has done a wonderful job. Be sure to thank them all and thanks to Lowell Skidmore who faithfully brings the projector equipment each time. Its hard to realize all the "behind the scenes" work that goes on to keep the club running. Some of you who were not at the last meeting may not have heard that I'm going in for spinal fusion surgery on Nov 27. That means I will probably miss the December Party. If there's any way I can hobble in, I certainly will because it definitely is my favorite meeting of the year. I hope you all show up and celebrate for me. Hopefully I will be back in Jan. or Feb. and definitely plan to be a big part of HPS in the future.

New HPS Officers/Board for 2001

President-Don Bennett Vice President/Program Chairman-Bill Reynolds Competition Secretary-Susie McGaha and Lowell Skidmore Newsletter-Darren Reed Publicity-Sam Tumminello Treasurer-Lisa Stuart PSA Representative-Lee Pratt

Things of Interest

-11th Annual Wilderness Wildlife Week at Pigeon Forge. Jan. 6-14, 2001. Recognized as one of the nation¹s leading conservation education events, Wilderness Wildlife Week combines nature workshops and lectures with a variety of daily hikes on some of the best trails in Great Smoky Mountains National Park. 1-800-WINTERFEST or http://www.mypigeonforge.com or sevent@pigeonforge.tn.us

-The 7th Annual Fine Art and Photography Show and Sale will be held at Pigeon Forge on Feb. 9-11, 2001. (same contacts as above)

Classified Ads:

-Anyone wanting **b/w darkroom instruction** please contact **Monica Martin** 882-3397 or email monica@monicamartin.com. 30% of the fees go to support HPS.

Photo Web Sites

-none

The Huntsville Nature Photography

Society meets 3rd Monday of each month at Charles Stone Agricultural Building on Cook Avenue at 7 PM.

The Tennessee Valley Audubon Society

meets 3rd Tuesday of each month at The Huntsville Library at 7 PM.

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Competition Topics 2000/01

Month	Topic
December	Best of Year Competition
January 2001	Patterns
February	Cold / Frozen
March	People with Character
April	Open
May	Circular
June	Small Wonders
July	Paradoxes
Aug.	Photojournalism
Sept.	Open
October	Music
November	Scenic No. Alabama /So. Tenn.
December	Best of the Year
January 2002	



Have a Safe and Joyous Holiday Season!

Abstract

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Southerland's Specials of the Month

Don't forget Photo Christmas Shopping at Southerland's. They always have a great selection of gift ideas. While you're in there be sure to thank them for their "Top Ten" sponsorship.

Special Note: Folks, this will be the final newsletter that we publish so we would like to extend a very special Thank You to: Barbara Staggs who has consistently contributed not only the "From the President" articles, but also a significant portion of the remainder of the newsletter; Judy Flemming who has contributed all the Competion Results and contest information in time for each newsletter; Roberto Puon has done a great job keeping the membership roster current (Thank you, Roberto. Without the roster we couldn't create a mailing list); and also to Sam Tuminello and all the HPS members who have contributed articles to this newsletter. Please continue the wonderful support to Darren Reed your new newsletter editor. We've had lots of fun doing the newsletter, but plan to spend more time on the road and with my horses this next year and feel that we could not do the newsletter properly. See you at the meetings.

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