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## Best Of Year 2007



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Congratulations to all of the 2007 winners and honorees! A special thanks to Sharon Callahan, Barbara Staggs, and all of the members who organized and assisted in this year's Banquet. We had about 60 attendees. The food was fantastic and thanks to Costco for their presentation. We look forward to their sponsorship in 2008. See pages 3-4, for final point standings, member achievements, and all the 2007 winners.

## January Program - Photojournalism



Bob Gathany  
Photographer

Bob has been a staff photographer for the Huntsville Times for seven years. Before working with the paper, he operated a commercial / industrial photo studio in Huntsville specializing in product, architectural, industrial and public relations

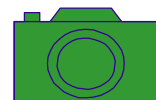
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## From The President *by Andrea Shetley*

Happy New Year!

I hope everyone had a safe and happy holiday season. Did anyone get any new goodies? Camera? Software? Accessories? Did you find a great place for photographing or practice a new technique?

A big thanks goes to Sharon Callahan for her extraordinary efforts in organizing the End of Year Awards dinner. I unfortunately could not attend, but heard rave reviews about it. Thanks, too, to all the people who pitched in to help make it a great evening.

Please join me in welcoming several new people to the HPS Board. Jerry Green is our new Programs VP and has a great selection of presentations lined up for this year. Joy Henderson has agreed to take over as Competitions VP when Sharon leaves us in a few months. Geri Reddy is our new newsletter editor and brings lots of interesting ideas to this position. Thank you to these members for volunteering and donating their time to the Society.

I encourage everyone who has not filled out a 2008 survey to do so. Your comments and suggestions help the HPS Board keep the organization fresh, interesting, and exciting. We have received some excellent suggestions for programs and activities, and some informative comments. On that note, I would like to apologize to an anonymous member who was offended by something I wrote in my last column. I jokingly said, "Since (again) no one challenged me for my position, I will continue to be president in the best capacity I can." This was interpreted as a smart aleck, egotistical remark; which was not my intent. The HPS Board always encourages and welcomes members who would like to serve on the Board in any capacity, including president. Each year the positions are voted on by the membership, and the current person does not have to be stepping down for someone else to run for that position.

Our first program for 2008 is "Photojournalism" with Bob Gathany, and our first competition topic is "White."

Best wishes and happy shooting in 2008!

Andrea L. Shetley  
HPS President

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photography. Together with his wife Lou, they owned Huntsville Photo Lab, doing custom photographic processing and printing.

Photojournalism has always been on the cutting edge of digital photography. Tight deadlines and breaking news call for quick turnaround. Every day is something totally different with a variety of assignments, spot news and hunting for feature photos. From climbing a 240 foot tower crane or being on the sidelines of an Auburn football game, to making something visual out of a nothing story. Be it covering Lynyrd Skynyrd, climbing the catwalk at the VBC to shoot hockey, riding in a blimp, or photographing recreational tree climbing in Georgia – I still find it hard to believe they actually pay me to have so much fun. What equipment and software do we use? How do we shoot sporting events and concerts? How do we come up with ideas for feature photos? What is happening to the newspaper business in a digital world? What else would you like to know about this business? Bring your questions and come to the next HPS meeting to find out.

[www.iScout.us/bobgathanyphotographer](http://www.iScout.us/bobgathanyphotographer)



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Final 2007 Point Standings:

Rank	Name	Total	
		Points	Wins
1	Staggs, Barbara	77	31
2	Webster, Elsabe	53	16
3	Green, Jerry	49	18
4	Kress, Rick	42	15
5	Hitt, Barbara	40	19
6	Snoddy, Bill	33	10
7	Callahan, Sharon	25	12
8	Boyd, Joe	24	8
9	Fara, Sam	23	10
10	Schuffert, Robert	22	7
10	Schumacher, Walt	22	8
12	Teal, Martha	21	12
13	Little, Daniel	20	6
13	Reddy, Geri	20	7
15	Smith, Henry	19	6
16	Blue, David	17	9
17	Holderfield, Diane	16	4
18	Gardner, Pat	15	8
19	Bryant, Tom	14	9
19	McAllister, Guy	14	5
21	Saile, Emily	13	7
22	Blue, Carol	12	5
23	Goodin, Melanie	11	7
24	Henderson, Joy	9	7
24	Mangus, Sheila	9	4
26	Courtney, Bill	8	5
26	Fleming, Judy	8	5
26	Gilbert, Virginia	8	4
26	Schumacher, Janet	8	3
30	Fox, Bobby	5	2
30	Tumminello, Sam	5	3
30	Zupko, Sue	5	3

Rank	Name	Total	
		Points	Wins
33	Courtney, Brenda	3	1
33	Davidson, Diana Lyn	3	1
33	Felton, Doug	3	3
36	Ashley, Peter	2	2
37	Werp, Rick	2	2
37	Wolfe, Don	2	2
37	Zupko, Bill	2	2
40	Bennett, Don	1	1
40	Hughes, Beverly	1	1
40	Prince, Anthony	1	1
40	Schultz, Jeannie	1	1
40	Soracco, Paul	1	1

2007 Honor Achievements

*Presidents Trophy*                      *Barbara Staggs*

*Silver Star*                                      *Rick Kress*

*(Fellows plus*                                      *Sheila Mangus*

*40 pts)*

*Bronze Star*                                      *Carol Blue*

*(Fellows plus*                                      *Rick Kress*

*20 pts)*    *Daniel Little*

*Janet Schumacher*

*Fellows*    *Jerry Green*

Congrats To All The  
Winners!

## 2007 Awards

	<u>Slide</u>	<u>Color Print</u>	<u>B&amp;W Print</u>	<u>Digital</u>
<u>Best Of Year</u>	Walt Schumacher	Jerry Green	Tom Bryant	Jerry Green
<u>First RunnerUp</u>	Barbara Staggs	Barbara Hitt	Martha Teal	Jerry Green
<u>Second RunnerUp</u>	Barbara Staggs	Barbara Hitt	Sue Zupko	Robert Schuffert
<u>Third RunnerUp</u>	Emile Saile	Barbara Staggs	Barbara Hitt	Jerry Green
<u>Honorable Mention</u>	Joy Henderson	Joy Henderson	Geri Reddy	Bill Snoddy
	Tom Bryant	Henry Smith	Pat Gardner	Robert Schuffert
	Daniel Little	Jerry Green	Barbara Staggs	Barbara Staggs
	Joy Henderson	Sam Fara	Barbara Hitt	Geri Reddy
	Joe Boyd	Barbara Staggs	Barbara Hitt	Bill Snoddy
		Martha Teal		Robert Schuffert
		Barbara Hitt		Emily Saile
				Rick Kress



**Important Deadlines!**

Digital Competition Pics due January 21st.

Articles/submissions for February newsletter due Tuesday, January 29th.

**The Shades Valley Camera Club Presents Tom Ulrich** by Robert Schuffert, VP Activities

Tom Ulrich, well-known wildlife photographer, will be in town Friday, February 15, 2008. Ulrich, from West Glacier Montana, will present, "Living Wild With Tom Ulrich" at 7PM at the Birmingham Zoo Auditorium. The program is free and open to the public. For more information call 249-7154.

This program will highlight Mr. Ulrich's world travels in 2007. He will also present the results of the 4<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL SVCC PHOTO CONTEST which Mr. Ulrich created. Tom Ulrich's website with photos and more information is: <http://www.tomulrichphotos.com/index.htm>.

Tom Ulrich has covered the world capturing wildlife on film, with over 350,000 transparencies on file. A freelance photographer since 1975, Tom Ulrich is highly acclaimed around the world for his nature photography skills. Many of his 300,000+ transparencies have been used by numerous magazines and other publications, including National Wildlife, Audubon, Outdoor Oklahoma, Sierra, American Hunter, Ranger Rick, Alaska, National Geographic, Montana Outdoors, Life and many others. Tom is also responsible for publishing six nature books, Mammals of the Canadian Rockies, Birds of the Canadian Rockies,

Mammals of the Northern Rockies, Birds of the Northern Rockies, Once Upon a Frame, and his 2002 release, Photo Pantanal.

Tom has been the recipient of many prestigious awards including the Mammal Behaviour category in the 1987 International Wildlife Photographer of the Year, winner of the 1979 and 1981 National Wildlife Photo Contest (finalist in 1978 and 1980), Grand Prize Winner of the 1996 National Wildbird Photo Contest, and the 1987, 1988, 1991 and 1994 Outdoor Writers Scavenger Hunt Photo Contest.

For many years Tom has been leading tours to remote parts of the world, such as, Patagonia, Tierra del Fuego, Galapagos Islands, Costa Rica, East Africa as well as to the greatest aviary spectacle known to man - Pantanal, Brazil. Additionally, Tom is busy conducting three to five day photography seminars and workshops around the country. He has lectured at many universities around the United States.

He is a charter member and Fellow of North American Nature Photography Association (NANPA), an active member and past board member of Outdoor Writers Association of America (OWAA), an active member and photo workshop leader of Rocky Mountain Outdoor Writers and Photographers (RMOWP), and a life member of the SIU Alumni Association.



**Photography Workshops**

Robert Schuffert, HPS member and VP of Activities, is hosting a one night photography class, Wednesday, Jan 23, from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at Trinity United Methodist Church, Room 269. The church is located at 607 Airport Rd, in Huntsville. The \$25 enrollment fee includes a copy of Robert's newest book, Photography Highlights & Tips. For more information contact Robert at (256)881-1354 or [www.SchuffertStudios.com](http://www.SchuffertStudios.com).

**Charles Needle-**

If you've ever wanted to photograph inside the world-famous Georgia Aquarium with NO tourists, here's your chance! I'll be teaching two 1-day workshops at the Aquarium again next year on Wed, Jan. 23rd and Thurs, Jan. 24th from 7:30 am to 4 pm both days. (Same program repeated both days.) New this year, we'll gain PRIVATE ACCESS to the Aquarium for two hours of uninterrupted shooting before it opens to

the public. And we'll also possibly have some unique behind-the-scenes photo opportunities during the workshop. Dr. Bruce Carlson, former director of the Waikiki Aquarium and now Vice President for Exhibits, Education & Conservation at the GA Aquarium, will also present a guest lecture. And there will be plenty of 1-on-1 instruction in the Aquarium, a classroom lecture, handouts, etc.

Cost is \$169 for Aquarium members and \$195 for non-members. (Includes lunch and admission to the Aquarium.) The registration deadline is January 18, 2008.

Details are posted on my workshops page: <http://www.charlesneedlephoto.com/workshops.html>

- > Charles Needle Photography
- > 3581 Schooner Ridge Drive
- > Alpharetta, GA 30005
- > 770-752-8566



## Photography Conferences

Wilderness Wildlife Week in Pigeon Forge, TN, January 12-19, at the Music Road Hotel & Convention Center. **All activities are free of charge.** In its 18<sup>th</sup> year, the Wilderness Wildlife Week begins with a series of outdoor themed activities designed to connect visitors with the outdoor world of the Great Smoky Mountain terrain. Visitors can take classes on mountain photography, wildlife, history, and much more. Those who are hungry for outdoor adventure can go on wilderness hikes and field trips, and everyone who loves live music will enjoy free performances daily.

For a brochure outlining all the activities, call 1-800-WINTERFEST or the Pigeon Forge Office of Special Events at (865) 429-7350. For more info go to <http://www.mypigeonforge.com/winterfest-wilderness.asp>.

14th Annual NANPA (North American Nature Photography Association) Summit, February 27 through March 2, 2008, Sandestin Golf and Beach Resort, Destin Florida.

The Conference offers opportunities like a Member's Slide show, and Portfolio reviews (\$75 or 3 for

\$126). That's a half hour with such names as **Arthur Morris, Rob Sheppard, Tom Ulrich, and Gary Crabbe (who managed the stock photo department for Galen Rowell for nine years.)** Of course, there will be Exhibitor Booths from all the major equipment manufacturers and retailers across the US.

### **Keynote Presentations By:**

Robert Glenn Ketchum, Nick Nichols, Nancy Rotenberg, and James Balog

**Breakout Sessions** include "Expanding the Dynamic Range of Your Images", "The Ethics of Subject Welfare: Animals, People and the Land", "Becoming a Self-Supporting Nature Photographer: Life Beyond Stock", "Presentation Skills for the Nature Photographer", and more!

The Summit also offers the following **Workshops:** Digital Boot Camp, Essential Photoshop Techniques, Fine Art Printing, and Capturing Action with High-Speed Flash.

The cost of the Conference including general sessions, entry to the Exhibit Hall, conference materials, breakfasts and lunches on Thursday, Friday and Saturday and a reception on Wednesday is \$395, second person \$300, if you're a member. General Membership to NANPA is \$90, Joint Membership (2 in same household or business) is \$120.

For more info go to [www.nanpa.org](http://www.nanpa.org).

Welcome New Members!

Alan & Barb Montgomery



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## January Judge

Everett L. Carter, Sr., is a native of Huntsville, AL. Sharon met him at last summer's Art Stroll held around the Courthouse in the downtown area. Everett served in the military, and afterwards he returned home and started working as a sign painter's helper. That small job gave him the opportunity to be in the outdoor advertising industry for almost thirty years. He has worked on many art projects throughout the years. His background includes commercial art, drafting, pen & ink, oil, acrylic, and a love of photography. "My talent is all God given and I thank Him for it."

Quote of the month:

*The aim of art is to represent not the outward appearance of things, but their inward significance.- Aristotle*

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# Meeting Dates

Jan 14 - Photojournalism
Jan 28 - White Competition
Feb 11 - Bird Backyard Photography
Feb 25 - Lines/Angles/Patterns Competition
Mar 10 - Basic Photo Composition I
Mar 24 - Open Competition
Mar 31 - Members Forum
Apr 14 - Basic Photo Composition II
Apr 28 - Texture Competition
May 12 - Photo Shoot Out Program
May 26 - Glass (Alt Meeting Location)
Jun 9 - Program TBD
Jun 23 - Vintage Competition
Jun 30 - Members Forum
Jul 14 - Program TBD
Jul 28 - Signs Competition
Aug 11 - Program TBD
Aug 25 - Motion/Action Competition
Sep 8 - Program TBD
Sep 22 - Open Competition
Sep 29 - Members Forum
Oct 13 - 3D Photography Program
(Alternate Meeting Location)
Oct 27 - Water/Liquid Competition
Nov 10 - Program TBD
Nov 24 - Celebrate America Competition
Dec 8 - Best of Year
Jan 26 2009 - Sunrise/Sunset Competition

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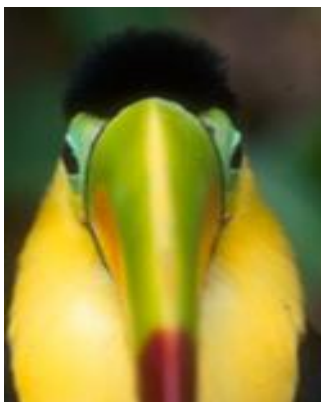
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## Huntsville Photographic Society

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Tom Ulrich coming to Birmingham.  
See story on page 5.

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Website for Digital Competition results: [www.HPSPhotos.smugmug.com](http://www.HPSPhotos.smugmug.com)

Club Website: [www.huntsvillephotographicsociety.org](http://www.huntsvillephotographicsociety.org)

#### Meeting Information:

HPS meets the second and fourth Mondays of the month, 7:00 p.m., at the Huntsville/Madison Library-  
Main Branch, 915 Monroe St., in Huntsville.

Annual Membership Dues: \$20.00 due Jan 1st (\$18.00 if renewal paid before start of the Calendar year).

Membership required to submit entries in monthly competitions.