

DEVELOPMENTS



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Happy New Year!

We hope you like the look of the new newsletter. Please do not hesitate to send in articles that you would like to see in this publication to Shilesh Jani.

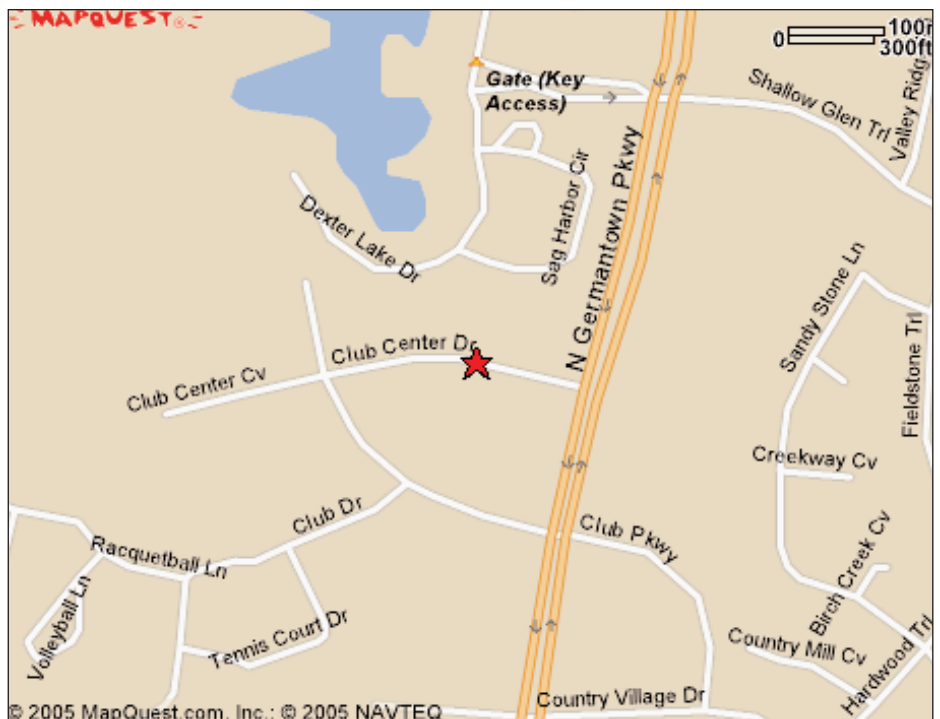
YEAR-END AWARDS BANQUET

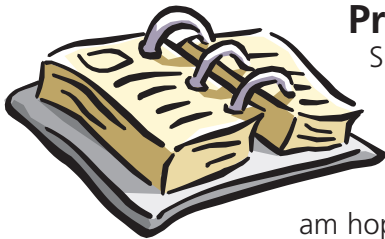
The year-end awards were juried on December 30th, 2004 by Gary Culley, Jack Kenner, Sheila Lansky. The Awards Banquet will be held at Gallina's restaurant in Cordova (see map below) at 7:00 PM on Saturday January 29. The menu is Italian buffet. Alcoholic beverages will be available pay-as-you-go at the open bar starting at 6:30 PM. The cost of the dinner is \$20 per person and all members and their friends and family are invited. Please let Beverly Hammonds know if you plan to attend by Wednesday January 26.

Some of the Judges may attend the banquet, so if you see them please stop by to thank them for their time and effort.

Awards dinner directions

Go north on Germantown Parkway from Poplar, past Walnut Grove. Make a left onto CLUB PKWY. Turn RIGHT onto CLUB CENTER DR. and you will see it on the right. Address is 8014 Club Center Dr, Cordova, TN 38016.





Programs in 2005

Shilesh Jani

I am working diligently to fill out the roster for programs in 2005. I

am hoping to get a good mix

of photographers who are members of the club along with some exciting non-members. If you have any suggestions or would like to present to the club, please bring them to my attention. I am hoping to invite some speakers whose style is not particularly well-represented in our club, namely documentary and journalistic styles. This is shame because some of the most memorable images ever created fit in these styles. Of the non-members, I was hoping to get Mark Tucker who is a Nashville based commercial photographers. I urge you to visit his web site at www.marktucker.com to see the unique work he does. Alas, Mark has declined my invitation because he hates the drive from Nashville to Memphis; I can't say I blame him. It is, however, a shame because I consider him one of the best photographers around, and the club would have benefited a lot from hearing him talk. Not to despair, so far I have been able to confirm the following:

February 17: Competition Rules. There will be a presentation and an open forum. We will go through examples of what is considered "manipulated" according to the rules as they stand right now, and get member feedback for future Rule changes. This will be a fun "brain-storming", but important session for the Club. So please make a special effort to attend, and bring plenty of opinions.

March 17: Christian Patterson. Christian has been working as an archivist with William Eggleston in Memphis. His talent has won him a recognition of "international emerging artist to watch" by the PDN magazine. Christian's clients include New York Times, Conde Nast Travel, Wired, and others. Christian's work can be seen at www.christianpatterson.com.

April 21: Eric Hinson. Eric recently received his MFA from University of Memphis. Eric has apprenticed under the world-renowned landscape photographer Michael Fatali (see www.fatali.com) and

is a close friend of our own Tom Fox, with whom he has done some traveling in the West. Eric will present his reason for pursuing the MFA and share his experiences along with his photographs. Eric's web site is

www.ericrhinson.com.

July 21:

Uttam Shah. Our own Uttam is an excellent exponent of the **Decisive Moment**, which is the working title of his presentation. Uttam has agreed to take on an assignment specifically for the club. For the next six months, Uttam will photograph "from the hip" in his daily life. His goal is to photograph as he sees, not spending too much time in perfecting a composition, and certainly not using a tripod. He will present the photographs to us unadulterated, with no cropping or other excessive adjustments made to the photographs. I hope he will have insightful observations to share from this exercise.



February Birthdays

Happy birthday!

David Wood - 11

Rita Jackson - 16

Darren Mendel - 16

FrankHashegen - 27

Brenda Kremser - 28

January Print Competition



Photos of the month

COLOR NATURE - 6 Entries
"First Frost" Ellen Cox – 27 Points

OPEN COLOR - 4 Entries
"Dawn's Early Light" Shilesh Jani – 24 Points

BLACK & WHITE 13 Entries
"Mushroom Couture" Barry Siegel - 27 Points

PORTRAIT 6 Entries
"Deep in Thought" Beverly Hammond– 25 Points

CREATIVE - 5 Entries
"Frozen in Time" Dale Cox – 23 Points

LANDSCAPE -10 Entries
"Iced in for Christmas" Shilesh Jani - 25 Points

CANDID PEOPLE -4 Entries
"Face Painting" Beverly Hammond - 23 Points
"The Party Animal" Brenda Silberman – 23 Points

Total Prints Entered – 44
January Slide Competition

OPEN-5 Entries
"Panning for Gold" Lynette Dalton – 22 Points

NATURE 10 Entries
"Hidden Artic Hare" Jed Dreifas – 22 Points
"Marigold" Paul Fultz 22 Points

LANDSCAPE- 9 Entries
"Snow Mountain" Jed Dreifas – 27 Points

Total Slides Entered – 24

PRINT OF THE MONTH
"First Frost" Ellen Cox – 27 Points
"Mushroom Couture" Barry Siegel - 27 Points

SLIDE OF THE MONTH
"Snow Mountain" Jed Dreifas – 27 Points

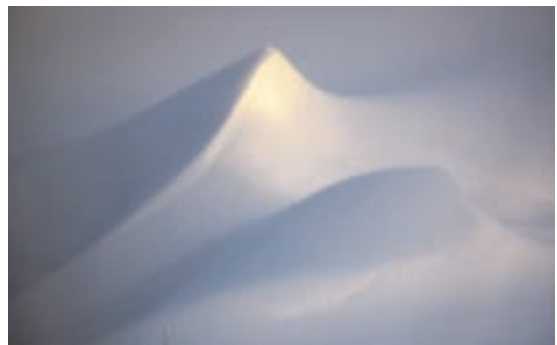
Thanks to the judges this month:
Ellen Cox, Beverly Hammond
Bob Kremser and Bob Laster



"First Frost" Ellen Cox – 27 Points



"Mushroom
Couture"
Barry Siegel
27 Points



"Snow Mountain"
Jed Dreifas
27 Points

MCC Members Receive Tribute

By Mary Stubbs

Please note from The Commercial Appeal editorial page on Monday December 20, 2004. Congratulations to our own Jed and Jeanne Dreifus who were honored as charter members of the Mayor's "Celebrating Our History" Club. Mayor Herenton awarded them gold medals for their efforts in launching several education initiatives in the city.

ASSIGNED CATEGORIES FOR 2005

Entries for the assigned categories can be either slide, or print in either color or b/w. Please keep this handy, so you can refer to this as you shoot photography. The categories for 2005 are:

March – Walls

June – Silhouettes

September – Yesteryear

December – Movement

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

"To consult the rules of composition before making a picture is a little like consulting the law of gravitation before going for a walk."

... Edward Weston

Welcome New Members

Karla Griffin, Camille Thomas, Steve Hood, and Makayla Hallford have joined the club. We extend warm greetings and welcome to them.