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**This Month's Meeting is May 19**, to be held at 7950 Independence Blvd.  
Board Meeting: 6:00 p.m.  
**Regular LPS Meeting: 7:00 p.m.**

### Visitors are encouraged!

Each month LPS has a Competition. There is no competition for December.

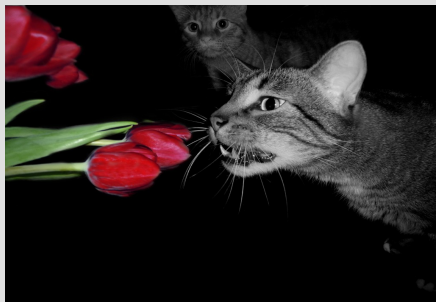
### Field Trips

Contact David Dendy  
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**Each month: Please submit your favorite photo or editorial to the newsletter to [lps@miketilley.com](mailto:lps@miketilley.com)**

LPS is a member of the GSCCC. To view the Gulf States Camera Club Council newsletter click on this link: [Newsletters](#)

"Seeing Red" - Honorable Mention



JP Morgan

## President's Message

Four LPS members including myself attended the "*Canon Explorer of Light*" workshop in New Orleans arranged by Greater New Orleans Photographic Society (GNOPS). It was very informative, well presented with over one hundred in attendance. We are exploring the possibility of presenting a similar Canon Workshop in Baton Rouge next year. Details will be forth coming as the plan develops. I was impressed by High Dynamic Range (HDR) photography techniques and HDR photos presented during the workshop. This technique allows capturing all the details in the dark as well as bright area of a photograph which would normally be lost in capturing a single exposure image under high contrast conditions. HDR image is a composite of a single scene captured over five to seven F-stop range and combining them using special software. One of the NOPS members has agreed to present how to create HDR images at our July 24<sup>th</sup> workshop at the Jones Creek Library. We also learned about improving the white balance while capturing the images under all light conditions including mixed lights. It is a disc that fits in front of the lens through which we capture one exposure using the available light source/s and use it as a custom white balance setting on our camera. This has the potential to save a tremendous amount of time in post processing to fine-tune the white balance. ExpoDisc is one of such disc available in the market place. We gave up film assuming it would save money but now we are compelled to open our valets for many new tools to perfect our digital photography techniques. There appears to be no end to such tools and many are worth exploring to satisfy our quest in achieving the ultimate perfection. During my May vacation trip to the Midwest I plan to try out capturing HDR images and ExpoDisc.

I proposed a motion for amending the LPS Constitution to separate the media responsibility from the duties of the Secretary and create a new Media Coordinator's position to promote LPS visibility in our community. We will also add "coordinator" in the President's responsibility to make the Constitution consistent with the current practice. You may read the entire Constitution on our website under FAQ. The excerpts of the Constitution being amended are as follows:  
SECTION 4: Titles and Duties

**President:** The President shall decide on the agenda for all meetings, conduct all meetings, coordinate special events, arrange meeting programs, appoint **coordinators**,

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**Librarian:**

committees and chairpersons as necessary, and serve as an ad hoc member of all committees.

**Secretary:** The Secretary is responsible for recording the minutes of the Executive Board meetings and any other minutes designated by the President. The minutes and a current copy of the Constitution are to be kept on file. The official correspondence of LPS is the responsibility of the Secretary. ~~The Secretary shall promote the meetings by advertising the meetings, and any additional activities indicated by the President, in the newspaper and any other appropriate venues.~~ At the completion of the term of office, the records are to be given to the incoming Secretary.

Julie Morgan has been serving as an honorary Media Coordinator. If this motion is approved the Media Coordinator’s position will become permanent and she will continue to serve in this capacity. Our club has come a long way and we are really a hidden jewel in promoting photography in our community and now the time has come to shine a light on us. If you can assist or have any suggestions to increase the visibility of LPS please contact Julie so she could coordinate all promotion activities appropriately.

I am proud to announce Petty Cooper as our Library Coordinator. We will have our library set up at the Garden Center in the near future making it possible for the members to check out various educational materials. Members will also be able to donate photography educational material to the LPS library. Petty could use some help from other members who may be familiar in setting up check out procedure for the library and serve as a backup during her absence.

Many thanks to Gordon Buck and Earl Arboneaux for sharing their photography knowledge and talents at the May 15<sup>th</sup> workshop. Creativity in digital photography is endless and presents many opportunities to pick interesting educational topics to support our workshops. Would you please consider sharing your talents and donating your time so we can continue our educational programs? We need two to three one to two hour presentations for the July 24<sup>th</sup> workshop. I have not given up searching for the Education Coordinator yet. Education is a very important function of LPS and as such continuation of LPS workshop program is extremely important for our membership. This is a great opportunity to be of service to our club. Would you please consider supporting this program?

Gulf state Camera Club Council (GSCC) Competition Winner



Congratulation Earl for the first place trophy.

### General Meeting April 15, 2010

President, Jay Patel began the general meeting by welcoming the visitors and asked visitors to introduce themselves. There were five visitors present. A couple of visitors commented that they googled for the website.

The Guest Speaker was then introduced Ray Mears - *"Studio in the Wild."* He is a Louisiana sportsman, photographer and evangelist dedicated in serving our community in a very unique way. He did a show and tell of his favorite photographs.

A vote was brought to the floor by a motion that was made last month to update the LPS web. Our website is managed by a person who lives in Florida and there have been problems reported with the browser. There was a unanimous vote to spend **up to \$350** ~~the money~~ to update the web with no opposition.

Barry made a motion to set up a Louisiana Photographic Society web page on Face book. This is free. This will be is a companion to the LPS website and is to be voted on in our next meeting.

Jay Patel presented a motion to amend the LPS Constitution to separate the media responsibility from the Secretary's duties and create a new Media Coordinator's postion for organizing promotion and publicity of the LPS purpose and activities. The membership will vote on this motion at the next meeting.

Darelyn Marshall, GSCCC Coordinator announced that Earl Arboneaux won 1<sup>st</sup> place in nature competition with GSCCC. A plaque was presented to Earl.

Kathy Reeves won a green ribbon at an LSU competition.

Kathy Reeves reported that there were five photographs sold at our last exhibit held at the Baton Rouge Arts Council exhibit.

Sharon Turner announced that our website, Embroidery This, which will include items for sale with our new logo is ready to go live.

Sharon announced that there were a case of envelopes that were donated by Sam's Club that were free to those at the meeting.

Sharon announced that a library cabinet has been chosen and is waiting on approval from the Brec's Garden Center. This cabinet will be housed at the Garden Center to store books from our library.

Jay Patel, President, announced that we need a Library Coordinator and an Education Coordinator.

David Dendy announced there would be a field trip to Lake Martin on May 1, 2010. David announced the photos for the scavenger hunt.

The tasks / ideas this time around are, and remember, this is to exercise the mind's eye, the camera's eye, and your imagination. This "Hunt" will run till the May meeting. Here they are, in no particular order:

- \*) 2 abstracts
- \*) 1 Panorama in the Landscape Mode (horizontal)
- \*) 1 Panorama in the Portrait Mode (vertical)

These panoramas need to have at least a 2.5 to 1 ratio. For example, a 10" wide image divided by 2.5, would equal 4. The resulting image would be a 4x10. Or in pixels, a maximum width of 1024 divided by 2.5 would yield an image of about 1024 x 409. The method is not important, whether you crop, stitch, or use a camera with a panorama format. If you have any questions, please let me know.

- \*) Country store
- \*) Brick wall
- \*) The common (this is an extra)

Linda Medine announced the programs for May and June. In May, we will have George Long with George Long Photography and in June Jeanie Frey Rhodes, a Wedding Photographer.

Exhibits Coordinator – Kathy Reeves – announced that in June we have an exhibit scheduled at the Jones Creek Library. Hang date is May 30 and take down is July 3. Kathy also announced that she is talking with the LA Association of Non Profit Organization. This is an office building.

John Gallagher, an LPS member, has an exhibit in Walker.

Jay Patel announced that Helena Reynolds has agreed to be a greeter for Visitors.

## **Websites Of the Month**

For this month I have web sites. The first one is Photo Weather Gauge (<http://photoweathergauge.com>) This site show different weather conditions in photographs. With a photographs show wind speed, wind direction, humidity, temprature, barometric pressure, and the current weather condition ie fair, overcast, thunderstoem, etc) anyone can add photos by joining the Flickr Group Photo Weather Gage (<http://www.flickr.com/groups/756080@N20/>).

The second web site is Photo Notepad ( <http://geodining.com/HumanWeather/PhotoNotepad.php>) This site allows you to type in a message. All the letters will be converted to images of the letters make a mosaic of you typed message. Anyone can add photos to the site by joining the Flickr group Squared Letter (<http://www.flickr.com/groups/1021103@N20/>)

## **Motions to be voted on at the Next Metting**

1. Motion for separating the media responsibility will be published in the May newsletter. Please complete the voting on this motion. If approved add Media Coordinator and JP Morgan as contact to the website.
  
2. Facebook - Bring the motion for voting provided that it was published in the May newsletter. The board needs to decide how to manage the Facebook site. This is a big responsibility and I suggest we create a new coordinator's position.