



“Hore Abbey” by Bob Matthews, won HM in Advanced Color Prints for the May “Open” competition. See more on pages 4-7.



# THE VIEWFINDER

## Comments From the President

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

by Jeanine Cummins, President

Well here we are at the end of a very different camera club year. As members of a creative community we have continued to create, learn, and think differently. We were able to have our competitions, our photo talks, program talks, and webinars. Our Zoom meetings allowed us to connect with friends and members from Alaska, to Indiana to Georgia to New Hampshire. We were all over the country.

Our annual slideshow took us to other times and other places. We experienced trips to Norway, Hawaii, Alaska, Tanzania, and Costa Rica. We went back in time to World War II aviation and onto the annual celebration of radio-controlled Charm City Fly-In festival and continued to vintage train travel. We witnessed times when we can gather to listen to live music, and it was concluded with the heart of the

Bowie-Crofton Camera Club.

Unfortunately, we will not end the year with our awards ceremony but in this month’s *ViewFinder* you will find out the standings in the different categories based on scores and who will be promoted to the next class. Hopefully, in the fall we will be able to meet as a group to learn the results of the End of Year competition telling us which photographs were picked as photographs of the year and the runner-ups.

We still need your help. Offer your perspective - every voice counts. We still need a V.P. of How-To and a V.P. of Photo Talk. We need writers for *ViewFinder* articles and involvement on the field trip committee. Many of you bring different things to the table.

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Articles for The Viewfinder

THE VIEWFINDER is distributed via e-mail early in the month and at the first meeting of each month during the club year. Contributions of articles of interest to photographers are welcomed.

The deadline for submitting articles is the second Monday of the month prior to publication (ie, articles submitted in early October will be published in the November newsletter).

Membership Rates

Individual	..... \$40.00
Family	..... \$55.00

Meeting Nights

The Bowie-Crofton Camera Club meets the first through fourth Monday nights of each month September through May in the Fellowship Hall of the All Saints Lutheran Church at US 301 and Mt. Oak Road in Bowie. Meetings begin at 7:30. Visitors are always welcome.

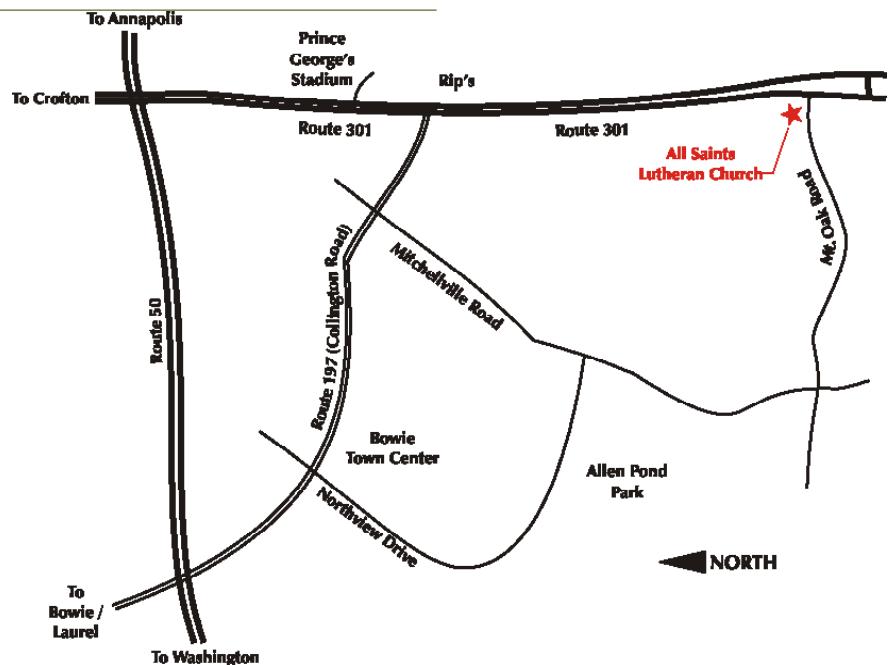
Articles should be sent via e-mail to [viewfinder@b-ccc.org](mailto:viewfinder@b-ccc.org). Attachments as MS Word, .txt, or .rtf files are acceptable. Photos and illustrations should be separate attachments.

Photographs should be submitted electronically as JPEGs with a "high" quality compression setting. The optimal photograph will be no more than 800 pixels in its greatest dimension.

Photographic Society of America (PSA)

The Bowie-Crofton Camera Club has been a member of the Photographic Society of America (PSA) since 1977. Denise Hill is B-CCC's representative to PSA.

For information regarding the benefits of a PSA individual membership and for PSA-sponsored events contact Denise Hill (301) 809-1399 or e-mail [psa@b-ccc.org](mailto:psa@b-ccc.org).



## Comments from the President, continued from page 1

by Jeanine Cummins, President

Throughout the summer there will be plenty of webinars and free online learning. Continue to check the Maryland Photography Alliance website ([www.mdphotoalliance.org/](http://www.mdphotoalliance.org/)) is available for information. We've had some excellent presentations on books to read, photo manipulation of digital and analog

photographs, up and coming young photographers, and top nature photographers that gave ideas for creativity.

Enjoy your summer, continue to photograph, and continue to create.

## Out and About

What B-CCC members are up to this month

by Vincent Ferrari, Editor

As most galleries are now closed, we have no news of club members involved in exhibitions at this time.

## Upcoming Events

News about non-club related photographic events

by Vincent Ferrari, Editor

The first annual Carroll County Hot Air Balloon Festival is scheduled for late this summer, on August 29 and 30. It will be held at the Carroll County Agricultural Center in Westminster, Maryland. Twenty balloon pilots from all over the country have been invited to participate. There will be three mass ascension flights of up to 15 hot air balloons each, as well as a balloon glow event in the evening. So mark your calendars for this great photographic opportunity. For more information, visit:

[www.carrollcountyballoonfestival.com/](http://www.carrollcountyballoonfestival.com/)

Here are some revised dates for upcoming events:

World War II Weekend moved to July 31, 2020

Frederick High Wheel Race: August 1, 2020

Smithsonian Folk Life Festival: No new date yet.

VE Day Flyover the Mall: Now VJ Flyover on September 25, 2020.

## 2020 - 2021 Competition Themes

A preview of the competition themes for the next club year

- October 5, 2020 - Open- Any picture taken anytime.
- November 2, 2020- Close-Up- No restriction on lens used just get in close.
- December 7, 2020 - Shadows- The shadow must be the subject of the image.
- January 4, 2021 - Architecture- Building inside or out, partial or entire structure.
- February 1, 2021 - Travel- Greater than 50 miles from Bowie AND must portray some kind of transportation.
- March 1, 2021 - Photojournalism- Let the picture tell a story.
- April 5, 2021 - Nature- NO evidence of the hand of man.
- May 3, 2021 - Open - Any picture taken anytime.

## Competition Corner

### May 4 Competition Results

by Roz Kleffman, VP Competition

Covid-19 could not stop the May 2020 competition from happening. Kudos to Joel Hoffman for his excellent virtual judging to a packed house via ZOOM. We will be talking about this virtual judging for years to come. The quarantine did not stop folks from tuning in to Zoom to watch. This competition clearly defined

### Star Award Winners

Many Star Awards were attained this year.

by Roz Kleffman, VP Competition

You may be wondering just what a STAR AWARD is. The B-CCC Star Award is a prestigious award given to members as they achieve points by winning first, second, third or honorable mentions in the monthly competitions. Points are cumulative year after year. Recipients need to achieve 100 points to receive the plaque and first star. Future stars are given with each 100 points until 500 points are obtained. Only winning points are counted for Star Awards. Once the 500 point total is achieved, the award is finished but recipients can then set their goal for Master Award with 700 points and Grand Master Award with 1400 points.

2020 was a productive year for 8 photographers:

Sherry Carbone earned her plaque and first star with 105 points.

### Class Advancement

Photographers who are moving up to the Advanced Class

by Roz Kleffman, VP Competition

Congratulations to these photographers for winning the Novice Digital, Novice Color Print and Novice Monochrome Print categories. The first and second place winners in each category are promoted to the next higher class. Welcome to Advanced photography.

Drum roll please.....

## The Race Is Now Over for 2019-2020 Photographers

### May 4 Competition Results

by Roz Kleffman, VP Competition

The 2019-2020 club year is now over. We had 8 monthly competitions. Participants received one entry point for each image entered plus points were given to those images that won 1st Place (10 Points), 2nd Place (8 points), 3rd Place (6 Points) and Honorable Mention (3 points). Final scores have been calculated

the winners in the End Of Year Race. There were 60 plus folks on the call at one time or another. The "Open" competition offered a wide variety of subjects too. Hopefully next year more novices will enter. Kudos to the winners.

JC Hsu earned his plaque and first star with 137 points.

Karen Smale earned her plaque and first star with 175 points.

Monica Hawse earned her plaque and 2 stars with a total of 207 points.

Jeanine Cummins earned her 3rd star with 342 points.

Stan Turk earned his 4th star with 425 points.

Glenn Thompson earned his 4th and 5th star with a total of 517 points

Stefan Kaben earned his 5th star with 513 points.

Congratulations to our 2020 Star Award Recipients. Job well done!

Color Print graduates are Karen Smale (61 points) and Monica Hawse (60 Points).

Monochrome Print graduates are Monica Hawse (68 points) and Karen Smale (43 points).

Digital graduates Jeanine Cummins (63 points) and Karen Smale (49 points).

and double checked. The person with the most points in each category (Color Print, Monochrome Print and Digital ) wins the Photographer of that category. The next two photographers win a "runner-up" award. The final numbers and names are listed on page 5.

*More Competition news on page 5.*

## Competition Corner

May 4 Competition Results, continued

### Final Competition Standings For Club Year 2019 - 2020

#### Advanced Color Prints

Glenn Thompson . . . .76  
 Robert Howard. . . .52  
 Beth Fabey . . . . .48

#### Novice Color Prints

Karen Smale . . . . .61  
 Monica Hawse . . . .60  
 Jin-chung Hsu. . . . .49

#### Advanced Digital

Robert Howard. . . .63  
 Glenn Thompson . .53  
 Monica Hawse . . . .41

#### Novice Digital

Jeanine Cummins . .63  
 Karen Smale. . . . .49  
 Jin-chung Hsu . . . .39

#### Advanced Monochrome

Beth Fabey. . . . .65  
 Glenn Thompson. .45  
 Stanley Turk . . . . .44

#### Novice Monochrome

Monica Hawse. . . .68  
 Karen Smale. . . . .43  
 Jin-chung Hsu. . . .22

#### Novice Digital (24 Entries)

1st Mikasa Glass. . . . .Anthony Varner  
 2nd Final Four on ice. . . . .Carmella Doty  
 3rd Balcony Chair. . . . .Theresa Harrison  
 HM 2 White Deers Pt Lookout Park. . . . .Samuel Lane  
 HM Calm Before The Storm. . . Bruce Edwards  
 HM Down the cell block. . . . .Karen Smale

#### Novice Monochrome Prints (8 Entries)

2nd Three Feathers. . . . .Monica Hawse  
 3rd Dad's Camera. . . . .Monica Hawse

#### Novice Color Prints (8 Entries)

2nd Guitar plucked. . . . .Karen Smale  
 3rd Heron At Wilde Lake. . . .Monica Hawse

#### Advanced Digital (37 Entries)

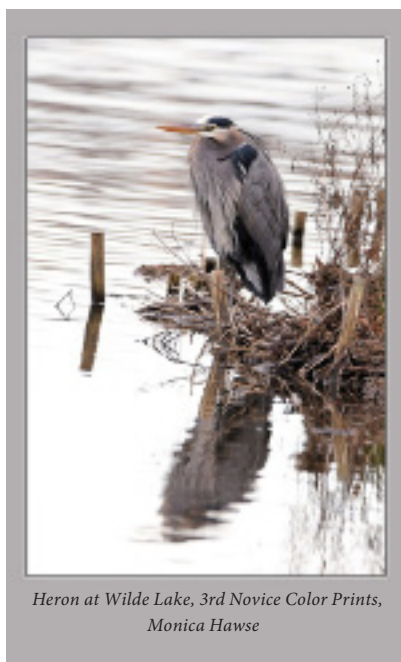
1st Basket with Fruit 2019. . . Robert Howard  
 2nd Grit and Glitz. . . . .Mark Laster  
 3rd Spring!. . . . .Monica Hawse  
 HM HIGH KARATE. . . . .Robert Eubanks  
 HM New\_York\_Blue\_Hour. . . .Bill Collins  
 HM Leaves 2019. . . . .Robert Howard  
 HM Pink Bouquet. . . . .Monica Hawse  
 HM Time To Feed The Kids. . . Glenn Thompson  
 HM A Walk Down a Garden Path. . . . .Roz Kleffman

#### Advanced Monochrome Prints (20 Entries)

1st BW White Tulip Dewdrops. . . . .Beth Fabey  
 2nd Bee\_Mono. . . . .Stanley Turk  
 3rd ADV BW - No\_Pressure. . . Bill Collins  
 HM B25\_PreCheck\_BW. . . . .Stanley Turk  
 HM Start of the Day 2019. . . .Robert Howard

#### Advanced Color Prints (19 Entries)

1st Milky Way over Mill Creek. . . . .Zolt Levay  
 2nd Cody on the Santa Fe Trail. . . . .Stanley Turk  
 3rd Yellow Maple Leaf Motion Blur. . . . .Beth Fabey  
 HM Tracks To NoWhere. . . . Glenn Thompson  
 HM Hore Abbey. . . . .Bob Matthews



Heron at Wilde Lake, 3rd Novice Color Prints,  
 Monica Hawse



Hore Abbey, HM, Advanced Color Prints,  
 Bob Matthews

*More Competition Photos*

*on page 6.*

## The 2019-2020 Photographer of The Year Congratulations to Glenn Thompson

by Roz Kleffman, VP Competition

This prestigious award is given to the one club photographer who attains the highest score in competitions. The number is a tally of winning points and entry points across all three categories (Color Prints, Monochrome Prints and Digital images). The photographer must be a dedicated competitor in every competition and category to win this award. The competition is tough! No longer is it enough to compete in just one or two categories (although, some years ago this may have been possible). It is through dedication by entering in each category monthly and award winning photos that make this dream a reality. You can look at the yearly award totals per category to see just how close the race could be.

It is my honor to present **Glenn Thompson** with the Photographer of The Year award with 174 points. Glenn achieved 45 points in Monochrome Prints, 53 points in Digital and 76 points in Color Prints.

Congratulations to **Beth Fabey** and **Robert Howard** for sharing the "runner-up" award with 148 points each. Beth achieved 65 points in Monochrome Prints, 48 points in Color Prints and 35 Points in Digital images. Robert achieved 33 points in Monochrome Prints, 63 points in Digital Images and 52 points in Color Prints.

Congratulations to our winners for a job well done!



*Grit and Glitz, 2nd Advanced Digital,  
Mark Laster*



*Dad's Camera, 3rd Novice Monochrome Prints,  
Monica Hawse*



*Pink Bouquet, HM Advanced Digital,  
Monica Hawse*



*Three Feathers, 2nd Novice Monochrome Prints,  
Monica Hawse*

*More Competition Photos on page 7.*

## Competition Corner

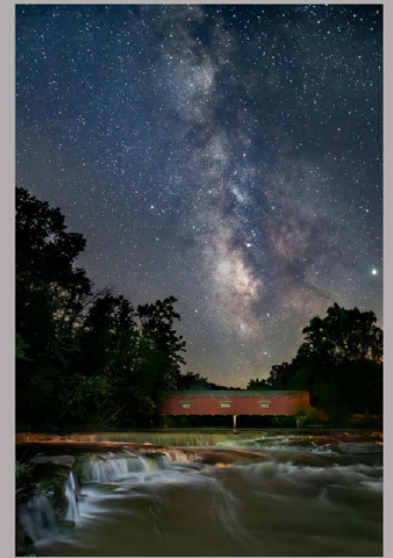
May 4 Competition Results, continued



*Spring!, 3rd Advanced Digital,  
Monica Hawse*



*Bee Mono, 2nd Advanced Monochrome Prints,  
Stanley Turk*



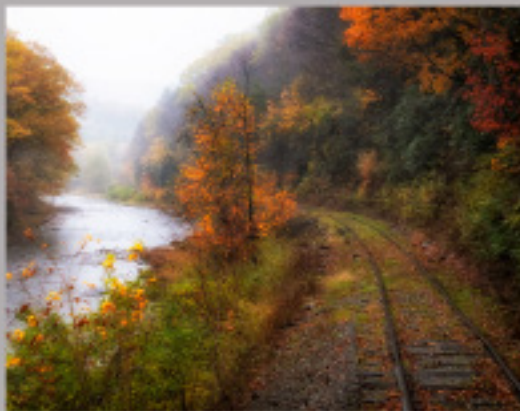
*Milky Way Over Mill Creek, 1st Advanced  
Color Prints, Zolt Levay*



*B25 Pre-Check BW, HM Advanced Monochrome Prints,  
Stanley Turk*



*Cody on Santa Fe Trail, 2nd Advanced Color Prints,  
Stanley Turk*



*Tracks to Nowhere, HM Advanced Color Prints,  
Glenn Thompson*



*Time to Feed the Kids, HM Advanced Digital,  
Glenn Thompson*

## Parting Shot

This month's Parting Shot is from Jeanine Cummins. If you would like your image and story presented here, send it to:

[viewfinder@b-ccc.org](mailto:viewfinder@b-ccc.org).

My niece, like thousands of college students was looking forward to being a part of the Class 2020 and being on her own out in the world. When we took this photograph it was early March and the virus had not sunk its teeth into our very existence. She told me that she wanted to look forward to the possibilities of things to come. The Class of 2020 from the beginning had a different path to follow because they were born during the time of 9/11/2001.

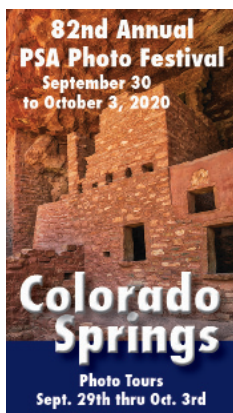
I watch them grow  
They'll learn much more  
Than I'll never know  
And I think to myself  
What a wonderful world

-- Jeanine Cummins



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