

# THE VIEWFINDER

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**THE PIKES PEAK CAMERA CLUB**

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Ama Dablam – Nepal by Spencer Swanger

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## December 2007 Events:

### Monthly Meeting:

Tuesday **December 4, 2007 6:00pm**, meet at Living Springs Worship Center, 604 Manitou Blvd. Colorado Springs, Colorado.

*Monthly Competition Subject:* **Salon 2007 Dinner, Print, Digital and Slide Show. Come one, come all, and enjoy this great dinner and arts show!**

### Board Meeting:

The members of the board will meet **TBA**

### PSA: TBA

### December Fieldtrip:

**Saturday December 8<sup>th</sup>**. I will be leading field trip to Prospect Lake. This will be a morning trip, and will last as long as you want to stay. We'll meet at 7am at Prospect Lake in the South parking lot, at Union and East Las Animas St. I have taken some really nice shots of waterfowl there, so bring a long lens and be prepared to shoot at a fast shutter speed. Bring mild walking shoes, but they should be able to you're your feet warm. Dress in layers, because you never know what the weather in December might be like. Water ad Munches might be a good thing to bring too.

If you have any questions call me, Jerry Moldenhauer, at 237-8728

### Travelogue:

**January 15<sup>th</sup> Ramona Boone**, see the **Future Focus** section for more information.

**New Members:** Ramona Boone has recently joined the club. Welcome Ramona! And it looks like she has already signed up with Andy to do a travelogue night in January! Check that out...



Albuquerque Balloon Fest by Spencer Swanger



“One on It's Way” by Jerry Moldenhauer

## **The Presidents Corner:**

**As we near the end of 2007 I look back at all that has happened this year. My main goal as President, along with many others, was to get digital projection included in the competition. We not only achieved that goal but went far beyond and got our own projector, and we have just added a new laptop.**

**This was not accomplished by me, but by the members of this club approving this, and the hard work of Bruce and Tim in researching and purchasing. It was my goal, but you made it happen. Thank you all.**

**We continue to make money from the Pikes Peak Challenge thanks to Bruce's idea of selling the images on the internet. This will continue to make money in 2008.**

**As President again in 2008 I hope we can do even more. There will be bumps in the road, but we will smooth them out just as we did in 2007. For 2008 we are going to continue to go forward. I have four workshops lined up for the coming year. We must continue to be a teaching club as well as a learning club. We must continue to volunteer for good causes. I want to have an event in the next year where we can get all the past Presidents of the club that we can find to come to a meeting and pose for a picture. I want to have this for the club records as well as a picture for all the Presidents to have. I look at the year book and wonder what the past Presidents of this club looked like. Let's make this happen. I will supply the backdrop and lights for this image and I'm sure we can find a photographer to record it!!!**

**As President for 2007 it has been an honor. You as a club has given me all the support and encouragement I could have asked for and more.**

**Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.**

**T.W. Woodruff**

## **From the Editor:**

As most of you have already heard or read, Deb James will be taking over as the newsletter editor in 2008. I took over as newsletter editor five years ago, and it has been a pleasure doing it for the most part. In doing the fieldtrip reports in conjunction with the newsletter, I have not given the newsletter its due. Looking back, after I first took over as editor, I was excited to do it. I made changes to the 2001 version. I continued to make small changes for the first three years. The past two years, however, the newsletter has for the most part remained unchanged. I think it's a good time to hand it

over to someone with fresh ideas and views. I am looking forward to seeing the changes that will come with the change of a new newsletter editor. Thanks Deb!



## Future Focus:

### Third Tuesdays:

**January 15<sup>th</sup>** **Ramona Boone** will be giving a travelogue on the Amazon River Valley. This will be great! Don't miss this one...

**February 19<sup>th</sup>** Work Shop Night with Tim and Bruce, more details later.

**March 18<sup>th</sup>** Travelogue with Art Porter on Elsmere Island.

## Field Trip Review:

### Part One: Morning at Bear Creek Area:

Sunday November 11<sup>th</sup> was a beautiful morning to be out making pictures. But then we have had a lot of great days this fall. It's really hard to think of it as November with the weather being so mild. What a change from last year. Getting back to the field trip; Tom met me at the appointed place at 6:30 am. Tom mentioned he went through the Garden of the Gods on his way over to Safeway. On his way through the Garden of the Gods Tom saw a three point buck chasing and sniffing a doe. I thought, great! It must be rutting time. Shortly after his arrival we took off in Tom's jeep and went in to the Bear Creek Canyon area.

Just before the intersection of Gold Camp Road and Bear Creek Road, off 26<sup>th</sup> Street, we saw a nice 5 point buck, but he didn't seem as though he wanted his picture taken. The buck crossed the road and when we got out he bounded off into some nearby scrub oak. We watched this buck for a while and he was quite content to stay hidden in the scrub oak. Tom then headed up Gold Camp Road toward where we seen some deer last year. Being wild animals with no set schedule, we did not see as

many in this area as we had in the past. We did see a two point buck, but he was in no mood to have his picture taken either.

Odd these bucks were not in the mood for getting their pictures taken. Nor were they in the mood for “love”. We continued around the Gold Camp Road and Bear Creek Road loop looking for cooperative deer. Then back on 26<sup>th</sup> Street we saw the 5 point again.

The 5 point buck gave us a couple of shots and then headed back into the scrub oak again. We continued down the road, through the switch backs, and at the bottom of the valley we stopped and got out to look for the buck. Tom and I walked up the valley and saw a doe. Then Tom spotted the buck bedded down in a group of scrub oak. We both stalked the buck and were able to get a few shots of him while he chewed his cud and watched us photograph him.

After photographing the buck a while we saw other deer bedded down for the morning, so headed off and went to Moe’s Diner for breakfast ourselves.

### **Part Two: Evening at Fountain Creek Regional Park:**

The evening of the 11<sup>th</sup> turned out to have a few more photographers show up. Jackie, Tom, Dick Snow, Tim and Bruce were all ready to make pictures. We headed north down the path from the visitors center and saw our first group of white tailed deer. In the group, there were doe and fawn, no bucks. We shot them for a while, and continued around the rest of the park at our own paces.

At my own pace I worked my way along Rice’s pond and saw a flock of geese, a number of ducks, and a great blue heron. I stopped to talk with Jackie and Dick along the way to where Tom was. I stopped and chatted with Tom for a while and then started back to where Dick was set up. Just before I got there, the geese took off for their evening flight. I missed that opportunity, but Dick didn’t. Dick and I headed back where we saw and photographed the white tailed deer again. Here the photographers seemed to regroup and shoot the deer again. After sunset we headed back to the parking lot, called it a day, and went our own ways home.

Jerry Moldenhauer

### Photographs from the November field trip:



Buck at Bear Creek Canyon



White Tailed Deer at Fountain Creek

# PRINT COMPETITION RESULTS: *As of November 2007:*

ENTRANTS		SUBJECT		MAKER MADE		COMMERCIAL		TOTAL	
		CURRENT MONTH	YTD						
<b>Steinhauer</b>	<b>Rita</b>	13	133	13	66	18	139	44	<b>338</b>
<b>Meisenheimer</b>	<b>David</b>	19	<b>159</b>	18	<b>162</b>	0	0	37	321
Starr	Tim	17	143	16	155	0	0	33	298
Stanley	Bill	13	119	0	8	16	<b>151</b>	29	278
Vignone	Jacqueline	0	108	0	0	0	112	0	220
Stewart	William	13	60	13	132	0	0	26	192
Lloyd	Bill	0	32	17	113	0	0	17	145
Schnelzer	J.R.	0	43	0	45	0	0	0	88
James	Deb	0	18	16	54	0	0	16	72
Saj	Andrew	16	32	8	23	0	0	24	55
Porter	Art	0	16	13	13	0	20	13	49
Kittiel	Linda	0	0	0	17	0	20	0	37
Meisenheimer,C	Carol	13	13	13	13	0	0	26	26
Snow	Dick	0	0	20	20	0	0	20	20
Moldenhauer	Tom	0	0	0	0	0	8	0	8

## **Subject: Hot Air Balloons:**

### **Awards:**

Firey Bullseye by David Meisenheimer  
Balloon Graphic by Tim Starr

### **HMs:**

Balloons by Andrew Saj  
Shall We Dance by David Meisenheimer

## **Open Commercial:**

### **Award:**

A Perfect Sky by Rita Steinhauer

### **HM:**

Bali Hi by Bill Stanley

## **Open Maker Made:**

### **Awards**

Stripes by Dick Snow  
Yellow Crown with Catch by David Meisenheimer

### **HMs:**

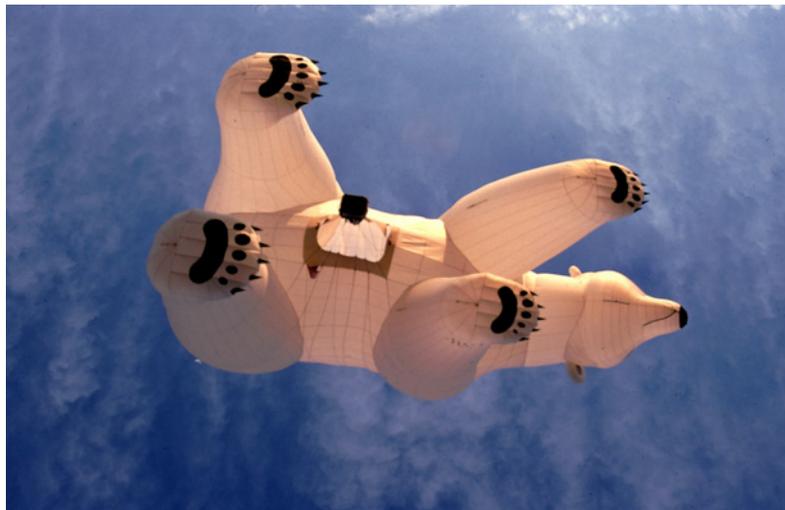
Three Cosmos by Bill Lloyd  
Weathered Fence by Tim Starr



Fall Spectacular by Tom Moldenhauer



Falls Lasting Stand by Tim Starr



Polar Bear Flight by Andy de Naray

Slide Competition Results: *As of November 2007*

	SUBJECT		OPEN		TOTAL	
	CURRENT MONTH	YTD	CURRENT MONTH	YTD	CURRENT MONTH	YTD
<b>D Meisenheimer</b>	15	150	18	155	33	<b>305</b>
<b>Tim Starr</b>	15	<b>151</b>	19	150	34	301
<b>Jerry Moldenhauer</b>	16	141	15	<b>156</b>	31	297
Andy de Naray	18	147	15	144	33	291

William Stewart	16	110	19	141	35	251
Beverly Cellini	14	117	15	124	29	241
Tom Moldenhauer	0	74	19	142	19	216
T.W. Woodruff	12	76	15	97	27	173
Spencer Swanger	19	56	19	57	38	113
J.R. Schnelzer	0	44	0	40	0	84
Richard Snow	17	17	14	28	31	45
C Meisenheimer	14	14	14	14	28	28

**Subject: Hot Air Balloons:**

**Awards:**

Albuquerque Balloon Fest by Spencer Swanger  
Polar Bear Flight by Andy de Naray

**HM's:**

One on its Way by Jerry Moldenhauer  
Inflation by Dick Snow

**Open:**

**Awards:**

Golden Color at Dead Horse by D Meisenheimer  
Ama Dablam – Nepal by Spencer Swanger  
Falls Lasting Stand by Tim Starr

**HM's:**

Sparrow Hawk by Tom Moldenhauer  
Vase and Clouds by William Stewart  
Fall Spectacular by Tom Moldenhauer



Vase and Clouds by William Stewart



Sparrow Hawk by Tom Moldenhauer

# Projected Digital Image Competition Results: *As of November 2007:*

	SUBJECT		OPEN		TOTAL	
	CURRENT MONTH	YTD	CURRENT MONTH	YTD	CURRENT MONTH	YTD
<b>Tim Starr</b>	18	<b>98</b>	19	93	37	<b>191</b>
<b>T.W. Woodruff</b>	13	52	22	<b>98</b>	35	150
Bruce du Fresne	0	71	0	69	0	140
Bill Stanley	0	66	0	59	0	125
Rita Steinhauer	0	50	0	38	0	88
D Meisenheimer	0	0	15	82	15	82
Bill Lloyd	0	15	16	62	16	77
Marjorie Card	0	32	0	37	0	69
Deb James	0	16	15	48	15	64
Dick Snow	15	27	18	34	33	61
Bob Card	0	30	0	29	0	59
Al Swanson	19	19	16	16	35	35
Art Porter	0	0	17	17	17	17
C Meisenheimer	0	0	14	14	14	14

**Subject: Hot Air Balloons:**

**Awards:**

Balloon Reflection by Al Swanson

**Open:**

**Awards:**

Eagle & Flag by T.W. Woodruff

Open Rings by T.W. Woodruff

**HM's:**

Close Quarters by Tim Starr

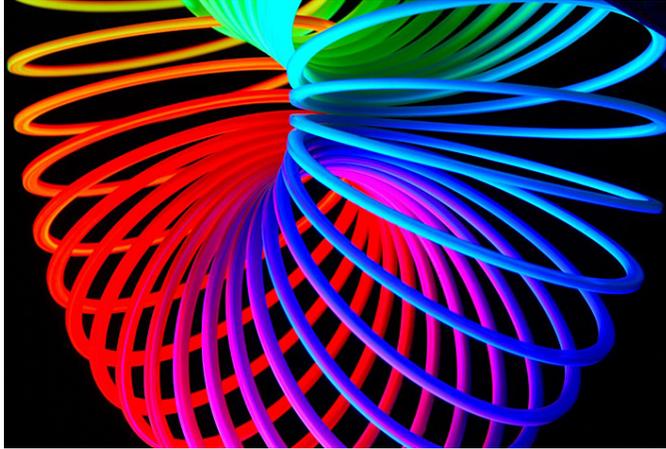
**HM's:**

Early Snow by Tim Starr

Eye Believe by Dick Snow

## Projected Digital Images:

Anyone that competes in **PDI** may bring up to four digital images to show. Two for the Open category, and two for the Subject category. Use jpg format to keep file sizes down. The file name structure is: 06\_07\_Open(or Subject)\_Title, Your Name. This will make it easy to sort the photos. Maximum file size should be 500 KB. .jpg files 1024wx768h pixels max for horizontal, vertical 768h max. A color space of sRGB works good. The compression, (probably around 7-10), is recommended to get a file size of about 300-500KB. For easy down loading of your images to a laptop, store images on a flash drive (memory stick), or CD only. *If anyone has any questions about saving/ naming files please contact Tim Starr (719-683-4347, [timstarr@falconbroadband.net](mailto:timstarr@falconbroadband.net))*



Open Rings by T.W. Woodruff



Early Snow by Tim Starr

## The 2007 Monthly Competition Subjects

<b>January</b>	<b>Storefront Window</b>	An interesting storefront window.
<b>February</b>	<b>Self-Portraits</b>	An expressive view of yourself.
<b>March</b>	<b>Frozen:</b>	Anything that is frozen (water, frozen in time, frozen with fear)
<b>April</b>	<b>PSA/ Slide Show</b> <b>Spring Scavenger Hunt:</b>	Subjects to be announced.
<b>May</b>	<b>Government Building:</b>	Photograph showing the exterior or interior of a government building (local, state, federal).
<b>June</b>	<b>Neon Signs:</b>	Scene containing a neon sign.

- July**     **Ants Eye View:**     Something shot from low to the ground.
- August**     **Wet:**     Anything wet.
- September**     **People at Work:**     A photograph showing people doing what makes them their living.
- October**     **Fall Scavenger Hunt:**     Subjects will be announced later.
- November**     **Hot Air Balloons:**     Interesting shot of hot air balloons.
- December**     **Salon:**     Subjects will be announced closer to December.

## Club Officers for 2006

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## SUBJECTS FOR THE YEAR 2008

**January**     Horses - Scene containing at least one horse

**February**     Portrait - An expressive view of someone else

**March**     Camouflage - An example of something camouflaged

**April**     PSA/Spring Scavenger Hunt - Subjects to be announced

**May** Planes, Trains, and Automobiles - Photograph containing any of these things

**June** Inclement Weather - Dramatic view of Mother Nature in Action

**July** Flowers - Scene containing at least one flower

**August** Bugs - Insect type stuff (spiders, etc. OK)

**September** Reflection - A subject that is being reflected, or the reflection itself

**October** Fall Scavenger Hunt - Subjects will be announced later

**November** Landscape with Windmill - Classic landscape shot with a windmill as a central subject

**December** Salon - Subjects to be announced closer to December