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FROM THE PRESIDENT:

Let me start by extending best wishes for a happy and prosperous New Year. The board and I are looking forward to making this an interesting and beneficial year for our membership.

I'd like to thank Sheila Mangus, Lisa Stuart, and Helmut Wagner for their outstanding work as Vice President, Treasurer, and Competition Chairperson, respectively. Their considerable efforts made 2003 an interesting and rewarding year. Thanks Sheila, Helmut, and Lisa. I'd also like to thank Bill Gates and Sam Fara for volunteering to be Treasurer and Competition Chairperson for 2004.

Membership dues for 2004 are now due. Your dues make it possible to present our monthly programs, competitions, and newsletters. Please help us make the society more rewarding to you.

Charles Seifried of Decatur is going to present our January program. Charlie has given programs to HPS in the past, and we're looking forward to hearing about, and seeing, his further experiences with the panorama format. This program will concentrate on nature images using the panorama format. You can read about, and see more about Charlie at his web site <http://www.seifriedphoto.com/main.htm>

2003 END OF YEAR COMPETITION RESULTS:

Color Print: (judge Barry Jackson)

- Best of Year: Sheila Mangus
- 1st Runner Up: Martha Teal
- 2nd Runner Up: Don Bennet
- 3rd Runner Up: Don Bennet
- 3rd Runner Up: Karen Davis
- HM: Emily Saile
- HM: David Blue
- HM: Doug Felton
- HM: Sheila Mangus
- HM: Doug Felton
- HM: Barbara Staggs
- HM: Helmut Wagner

B/W: (judge Monica Martin)

- Best of Year: Pat Gardner
- 1st Runner Up: Pat Gardner
- 2nd Runner Up: Carol Blue
- 3rd Runner Up: Martha Teal
- HM: Doug Felton
- HM: Pat Gardner
- HM: Sheila Mangus

Next Meeting: January 12, 2004 (Board meeting at 6:15)

Speaker: Charles Seifried – Black & white, nature and panorama.

Next Competition: January 26, 2004

Topic: Fall Color

January Scheduled Judge: Mike Mercier, chief photographer for the Huntsville Times.

The Huntsville Photographic Society meets at 7 PM on the second and fourth Mondays of each month in the Huntsville Public Library. Visitors are welcome.

Please contact Robert Schuffert with news, information, or announcements. (256) 881-1354, or by email at: reschuff@knology.net.

Slides: (judge Axel Tegtmeier)

- Best of Year: Sam Fara
- 1st Runner Up: Bill Gates
- 2nd Runner Up: Joe Boyd
- 3rd Runner Up: Sam Fara
- HM: Sam Fara
- HM: Barbara Staggs
- HM: Bill Gates
- HM: Helmut Wagner
- HM: David Blue
- HM: David Blue
- HM: Uwe Weiler
- HM: Joe Boyd

SOUTHERLAND'S TOP TEN FOR 2003:

Rank	Name	Total	
		Pts	Wins
1	Felton, Doug	47	15
2	Teal, Martha	42	13
3	Blue, David	39	16
4	Saile, Emily	37	14
5	Fara, Sam	34	10
6	Bennet, Don	32	14
7	Mangus, Sheila	28	11
8	Staggs, Barbara	27	13
9	Gardner, Pat	24	8
10	Wagner, Helmut	20	6

OF INTEREST:

§ **John Shaw Workshop In Huntsville**

John Shaw, one of the country's best-known nature photographer/authors, will present a workshop in Huntsville on Sat., January 31 and Sun. February 1. This is a great opportunity for all photographers from beginners to pros to hear and see the work of a great communicator of the photographic experience right here in Huntsville. The workshop will cover a variety of topics on nature photography, digital imaging, and the photography business. The cost of the workshop is \$99 for either day, and \$149 for both days. You can get more information and register for the workshop at www.theshowcaseschool.com, click the Workshops link. The workshop will be held in the Chan Auditorium in the Administrative Sciences building on the UAH campus (see map at <http://www.uah.edu/News/map/index.php>). You can read more about John and his work at www.johnshawphoto.com.

§ **Byron Jorjorian Workshop**

Coming up in March the 4th-7th a three full day workshop in the Everglades!! The Everglades is one of the most unique habitats on earth with something for just about every type of nature photography. Read about it at: <http://www.naturephotocentral.com/everglade.html> Read about all the currently scheduled workshops for 2004 at: <http://www.naturephotocentral.com/Workshops.html>. There will be more added soon. Keep checking back! Best Regards, Byron

§ **Wilderness Wildlife Week, Tom & Pat Cory**

Wilderness Wildlife Week is an annual event held at Pigeon Forge, TN, close to the Smoky Mountains. This is the 14th year for WWW which attracts about 14,000 people. The week-long series of programs covers just about any topic you can think of that relates to nature or the heritage of the area. There are also hikes and workshops. And the amazing thing is that the entire event is free. Low season rates at the motels in Pigeon Forge are also attractive. We will be co-presenting a 4-hour nature photography workshop from 9 until 1 on Saturday, Jan 10 and a 1-hour program at 11 on Sunday, Jan 11. We hope to see you there. For more information check the web at www.mypigeonforge.com. You need to click on events on a couple of pages and then on wilderness wildlife week to find lots of info.

2004 Scheduled Workshops:

Jan 10 & 11 Pigeon Forge, TN Wilderness Wildlife Week
Jan 31 Chattanooga, TN Black and White Workshop
(Filled)

NEW! Feb 28 Chattanooga, TN Black and White Workshop (Filled)

Mar 6 Atlanta (Roswell), GA Nature, People, Travel & Creativity Workshop

Mar 13-19 Tucson, AZ Photo Tour, sponsored by TN Aquarium

Mar 27 Chattanooga, TN Environmental Portraits, sponsored at UTC

Apr 2-4 Chattanooga, TN Picture Chattanooga, Workshop and Field Trip, sponsored by the Tennessee Aquarium

Apr 10 Huntsville, AL Wildflower Photography Workshop, sponsored by the Huntsville Botanical Garden

Apr 14-18 Smoky Mountains, TN Photo Tour/Workshop

June 18-30 County Mayo, Ireland Photo Tour
Sponsored by Strabo Tours

July 24-30 Eastern Sierra, Mammoth Lakes, CA Photo Tour/Workshop

Sep 18-25 Utah (Arches NP) and Colorado Photo Tour/Workshop

Oct 2 Huntsville, AL Environmental Portraits, sponsored by the Huntsville Botanical Garden

Oct 16-27 Florence & Tuscany Italy Photo Tour, sponsored by Strabo Tours

Oct 27-Nov 1 Venice, Italy Photo Tour Extension

Nov 12-13 Chattanooga, TN Nature and Creativity Workshop

Tom & Pat Cory

<http://hometown.aol.com/tompatcory>

§ **HPS Logo On Your Jacket/Shirt**

REMINDER: Bring your items (Jackets, shirts, etc, to the next meeting if you want the HPS logo sewn on them. \$8.50 per item. Items will be sewn and brought back to you at the next meeting.
Thanksabunch, Judy

§ **Scenic North Alabama** is still available.

§ **Huntsville Times Photo Contest**

"Annual Times Travel Photo Contest is welcoming entries. Now that so many people have digital cameras, it seems that people are taking more pictures than ever before. We're asking to see some of the best for The Times' 2004 Travel Photo Contest.

The categories again this year are People and Places. Three winners will be selected in each and will receive prizes. The deadline for entries to be received at the newspaper is Jan. 31. All photos must be from trips taken in 2003.

Send photo to Travel Photo Contest, The Huntsville Times, P.O. Box 1487 West Station, Huntsville 35807. Entries should be 5-by-7 or smaller printouts. Include a little about where and when the photo was taken and a daytime phone number. Send a stamped, self-addressed return envelope for photos to be returned. E-mailed photos will not be accepted.

Winners will be announced in February. For information, call 532-4406 or e-mail dstorey@htimes.com.

§ **Software Viewers**

Here's a link to a Microsoft web site that provides a download site for free Microsoft Word (97/2000) viewer software. People without a copy of the Word software will be able to view and print the newsletter with this software.

http://office.microsoft.com/downloads/2000/wd97vvr32.a_spx

The Adobe Acrobat Reader download site is (<http://www.adobe.com/products/acrobat/readstep2.html>)

§ **Articles related to digital darkroom and web images**
<http://www.wildlifephoto.net/articles/index.html>

HPS MEMBER ACHEIVEMENTS:

§ Photos by one of our HPS members, Bill Gates, is being displayed and sold on-line by Herp Arts. Herp Arts supports conservation of reptiles and amphibians. Bill has several photos listed on their site. Navigate your browser to [Www.HerpArts.Com](http://www.HerpArts.Com). On the home page, scroll to the bottom to see Bill's photo of a Pine Barrens Tree Frog (it's near the bottom of the page, listed as ID - PF 001). Next, They are using a photo Bill took on their Christmas cards. It's a photo of Christmas lights in the shape of a gliding frog at the Riverbanks Zoo in Columbia, SC. Bill's photo is on the first three sets of cards (select "Christmas Cards" from the home page left column). Also, three of Bill's photos are displayed under Photo Prints from the left column of the home page. A page will come up which contains a box with the words "Select type." Move your mouse to the down arrow and then select "Frogs & Toads." The first page has Bill's photos of the Pine Barrens Treefrog, Barking Treefrog, and Gray Treefrog. All are calling to attract mates and were taken at breeding sites at night. Bill may also have turtle prints they asked him for on the site at a later date. Congratulations Bill!

§ Diehl and Monica Martin are exhibiting at the Mt. Valley Arts Council in Jan/Feb. Mostly B/W photographs, some color. This is a two-person exhibit, just us.
 Dates: Jan 5 to Feb 18
 Reception: Monday Jan 26, 5-7pm
 Gallery hours:
 Monday through Friday 9 a.m.-4 p.m.
 Saturday 10 a.m.-3 p.m.
 Mountain Valley Arts Council
 300 Gunter Ave
 Guntersville, AL 35976 Tele: 256-582-1454

§ David Blue has two photos, Winter Ice and Cowan Mill, accepted in the Mountain Valley Arts Council "Winterfest 2004" 9th Annual Juried Fine Arts Exhibition. The exhibit runs from Jan.18 thru Feb. 29, 2004 at Becker Hall in Grant, AL"

§ Robert Schuffert's photograph of South Caney Creek Falls in Bankhead National Forest made the front cover of North Alabama Life magazine's Jan-Feb 2004 issue. The issue also provides a complimentary review of his new book, *Scenic North Alabama*.

NEWSLETTERS BY EMAIL: If you would like to receive your newsletter by email (in Word97 format or text) send Robert Schuffert an email at reschuff@knology.net

COMPETITION TOPICS 2004

<u>Month</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Month</u>	<u>Month</u>	<u>Topic</u>
Jan '04	Fall color	June '04	Architecture	Nov '04	Fashion
Feb '04	Staircases	July '04	Nighttime	Dec '04	Best of the Year
Mar '04	Hands, eyes, feet	Aug '04	Joy	Jan '05	Impressionism
Apr '04	Open	Sep '04	Open		
May '04	Icon	Oct '04	Sports		

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