

# **Photo Arts Club of Toledo**

## **April 2009**

### **Board Minutes**

President Steven Stalker opened the meeting of the Photo Arts Club of Toledo on April 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 PM.

Present other than Mr. Stalker was Vice President Tajinder Singh, Treasurer Donna Gottschalk, Secretary Wennie Anderson, Board members Mike Essi, Scott Layher, Al Henderson, and Ben Anderson. Absent was Todd Grinonneau

A treasurers report was given. A complete report can be obtained by asking Donna Gottschalk.

Al Henderson announced the number of PAC members is now 85, with several up for renewal this month.

The, newly voted into effect, Constitution and By-Laws of the group was signed by the officers and a copy will be posted on the PAC web site. Backup of this document will be kept on a CD as will the treasurers reports.

One copy will be kept by the Secretary with the minutes and another will be filed in the clubhouse file.

Mr. Stalker told of his desire to fill committees for the 2009-2010 term. Among the committees he wishes to fill is an Annual Contest Committee to begin work soon on the 2010 contest.

A committee to run the Monthly contest was needed. TJ Singh and Ben Anderson volunteered to do this.

Other committees would be a Program Chairperson with members to find speakers, hand on or other various

programs to be given monthly during the first meeting of the month.

An Audit Committee has been formed to go over the 2008-09 Treasurers report. The group is comprised of TJ Singh, Mike Essi and Ben Anderson. This will be accomplished soon.

The last committee is for the Clubhouse. Mike Essi, Ben and Wennie Anderson will all head this committee. Help from members will be needed from time to time.

Presently, the plumbing in the former darkroom needs to be finished. A cabinet needs to be removed and cabinets from the bathroom need to be moved into the old darkroom.

Mike Essi will take photography equipment, old cameras, filters, lens etc from the darkroom to Owen College to be used in their photography classes.

Wennie Anderson will be decorating the bathroom after it is painted. Donna Gottschalk has donated paint. A new piece of flooring will also be installed. (A thought, if a member has a piece of linoleum that may fit the bathroom, we would be glad to take it off your hands).

Letters will be sent out to the Sponsors and donators for the Annual contest by the Secretary Wennie Anderson. Thank you letters to the Judges have already been given.

Old Contest entries from past years have been burned.

Many attempts were made to give these back to their owners and was not successful.

Some changes are needed on the Web Site. These are just small changes such as dates & additions of any new program that PAC is giving. (Focus and Elements)

It was suggested that the Camera 101 be given again at the end of Summer/early Fall.

It was decided that all 5 clubs comprising the NWOCCC will be contacted to see what their interest is in doing the Toledo Museum of Art exhibit. We need 45 pieces of work maximum to do this project.

Todd will contact the museum personal to see if another informational program can be presented, perhaps inviting all the clubs. A decision will have to made soon, if we are going to follow through with this.

Donna Gottschalk volunteered her email address to be posted on the web site for contact information and to answer questions/referrals about the group.

The Botanical Gardens are asking all of our members to join the Gardens membership. This membership is \$30.00 annually.

Mike Essi announced that the PAC group now has 140 volunteer hours out of the 200 hours needed to use the Crosby Conference Center during the winter months.

We have asked by the Gardens to have our clubhouse open for the Open Art Days-the first Sunday of each month.

This will start May 3<sup>rd</sup> and go until October 4<sup>th</sup>. To get ready for this we need members to bring in framed Photography work and change out what has been hanging in the clubhouse. A card on the right hand side should contain the photographer name, the title of the work and price. If it is not for sale, N/S should be on the front of the card. On the back of the card give a phone number or email address so the person can contact you to buy your work. Please make arrangements to get these in as soon as possible. Cards that can be used for this purpose are located in the bookcase in the hallway of the clubhouse.

The gardens also will need volunteers for the Crosby Festival, The Jazz Concerts, Heralding the Holidays, and the above mentioned Open Art Sundays.

May 21 will be our competition night with it being a digital only competition. The first contest will feature “Spring” followed by an open theme. More information will be sent in an email to the members as to the size to send. Entries will be accepted from May 1<sup>st</sup>-May 15<sup>th</sup> and will be sent to Steven Stalker by email to [sstalker@bex.net](mailto:sstalker@bex.net) . As with the other contests, you must be present to enter and each member are limited to submit 3 entries in each contest. June 4<sup>th</sup> or June 18<sup>th</sup> will be the date to mark on your calendar for our annual scavenger hunt in the gardens. The correct date will be announced soon.

Several suggestions were given for day trips, shoots and programs. These will be looked into and announced.

The meeting was closed by President Stalker at 9:15 and seconded by Scott Layher.

Respectfully submitted by  
Wennie Anderson, PAC secretary  
April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2009

Any corrections, or additions to the April minutes can be sent to [wennie1@sbcglobal.net](mailto:wennie1@sbcglobal.net)

Please send ASAP so corrections can be made before it is posted in the newsletter.