

# SANP NEWSLETTER

## **CANCELLED: March Monthly Meeting**

**Cedar Springs Presbyterian Church has closed the Watershed Building**

### **What do we do in the current situation?**

The coronavirus is affecting us all. In addition to exercising caution and making decisions that bring the best possible outcome to everyone, perhaps this is a great time to take our cameras into the woods and reconnect with nature, a time to breathe freely and appreciate the beauty around us, a time to record spring in east Tennessee, keeping social distancing in mind.

Check out the spring wildflower walk organized and led by Joe Rentz on April 18. Details on p. 5.

The April Newsletter will provide updates about future meetings.

### **SANP 2020 Salon**

The SANP 2020 Salon Dinner was held on Saturday, February 29, at Buddy's Bar-B-Q Banquet Hall in Knoxville.

On page 2, you'll find a thank-up note from Dale Potter, the names of the Salon judges, and a list of our Salon donors. The winners of the 2020 Salon are on pages 3 and 4. Congratulations to all who participated.

Page 6 features the People's Choice Award, which this year was presented to two SANP members, who each received the same number of votes! I can hardly "bear" to talk about it, so visit page 6 to check them out.

### 2020 SANP Salon Best of Show Winners



Totem Pole and Yei Bi Chei in Monument Valley, AZ, by Sharon Wright Cottrell, was awarded Best of Show for Prints. It also received 1st Place for Black and White Prints. *Congratulations, Sharon!*



Sullivan County Farm, by Kendall Chiles, was awarded Best of Show for Projected Images. It also received 1st Place in the Travel and Place Category. *Congratulations, Kendall!*

**A Note from Dale Potter, Salon Chair**

As the new 2020 Salon director, I want to thank everyone for stepping up and helping to make it a great success this year. Thanks to Jim Britt, Kendall Chiles, Brad Cottrell, Ed Dumas, Mark Frankel, Ron McConathy, Holland Rowe, Paul Schubert, Steve Shackelford, Donna Silvey, Ed Stickle, Bobbie Thurston, and Clay Thurston for help with the Salon.

Thanks to our judges Pat Cory, Harold Stinnette, and Jerry Whaley in digital, and Tom Cory, Wayne Setzer, and Nye Simmons in prints.

Our sponsors who donated door prizes deserve a big hand for their donations: the Smoky Mountain Field School, f/32 Photo, Aubrey's Family of Restaurants, Holland Rowe, Paul Schubert and the UT Professional and Personal Development Program.

While there was some uncertainty about the print category due to taking some time to find a Salon director, I want to thank all the folks who contributed images to the Salon this year. The quality of prints and digital images was outstanding. To those entering the print category, I want to especially thank you because the late filling of the Salon director left you all on the fence to get your prints ready, but you all came through with some great prints! Last but not least, I want to thank all of those who attended this year's Salon as you helped contribute to its success. Let's take the success of this Salon and past Salons and make the 2021 Salon an even bigger success as 2021 will be the 30th birthday for the club.

--Dale Potter

**Cades Cove Vehicle-Free Days Public Comment**

Do you spend time photographing in Cades Cove? If so, until March 27 you have an opportunity to comment on a proposed change the Park Service is considering.

Great Smoky Mountains National Park officials invite the public to comment on a proposed change in vehicle-free access days on the Cades Cove Loop Road. The park is proposing to implement a pilot study for the 2020 season to evaluate changing this vehicle-free period to a weekly, full day closure on Wednesdays from May through September. If approved, implementation would begin in May 2020 and the results of the closure change would be evaluated by park management to inform future planning. To register your thoughts on the proposal, go to the website below and click on the "Comment Now" button. The comment period closes March 27, 2020.

<https://parkplanning.nps.gov/document.cfm?parkID=382&projectID=94330&documentID=101928>

**Thanks to our 2020 Salon Judges!**

Pat Cory	Wayne Setzer
Tom Cory	Harold Stinnette
Nye Simmons	Jerry Whaley

**Salon Door Prize Donors**

This year the following generous donors provided some great door prizes, which were given out to attendees at the Salon dinner. Thank you, donors, for your support for our Salon.

★ Aubreys Restaurants	★ Smoky Mountain Field School
★ F32 Photo	
★ Holland Rowe	★ UT Professional and Personal Development Program
★ Nye Simmons	
★ Paul Schubert	



"Autumn in Cades Cove," by Laura Capozzola, was an entry in the 2020 SANP Salon.

**Congrats to SANP 2020 Salon Winners!**

Thanks to all those who entered the 2020 Salon. Winning photos are listed on this page and the next. You can view all the projected entries and many of the print entries at the SANP Zenfolio website: <https://sanp.zenfolio.com/f316153686>.



Photos taken at the 2020 Salon dinner, shown on pp. 3 and 4, were taken by Ron McConathy.

**Black & White Prints - Miscellaneous**

1 <sup>st</sup> /BOS	Sharon W. Cottrell	Monument Valley
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Doug Wielfaert	Abandoned Island Ellie
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Doug Wielfaert	Looking Back
HM	Marcy Wielfaert	Emerging from the Fog
HM	Sharon W. Cottrell	Mendocino Cactus Flower
HM	Marcy Wielfaert	At Home in Montana

**Color Prints - Scenic**

1 <sup>st</sup>	Jim Britt	Storm at Sunset
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Doug Wielfaert	Sunset on Chobe River
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Marcy Wielfaert	Moody Denali
HM	Sharon W. Cottrell	Mystery Valley
HM	Sharon W. Cottrell	Totem Pole and Yei Bi Chei

**Color Prints - Miscellaneous**

1 <sup>st</sup>	Marcy Wielfaert	Shadows of the Monastery
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Paul Schubert	Clover
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Bobbie Thurston	Jacob's Ladder
HM	Clay Thurston	Bermuda Shapes Two
HM	Marcy Wielfaert	Chobe River Crossing

**Projected Images - Scenic**

1 <sup>st</sup>	Brad Cottrell	Yosemite Spring
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Kendall Chiles	Foothills Parkway Sunrise
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Dennis Sabo	Sea and Sand
HM	Ron McConathy	Nature's Ultimate Blue
HM	Lee Smalley	Lake Kariba Sunset
HM	Marcy Wielfaert	Matterhorn at First Light

**Projected Images - Travel and Place**

1 <sup>st</sup> /BOS	Kendall Chiles	Sullivan County Farm
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Marcy Wielfaert	Golden Gate in Springtime
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Sharon W. Cottrell	Last Dollar Road
HM	Kevin Bascle	Cristo Redentor
HM	Marcy Wielfaert	Springtime in Venice
HM	Doug Wielfaert	Northbank London, Holiday Lights

**Color Prints - Wildlife**

1 <sup>st</sup>	Marcy Wielfaert	Wild Mustang Foal
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Dale Potter	Here's Looking at You
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Dale Potter	Guess What I Heard
HM	Clay Thurston	Anhinga Lunch
HM	Clay Thurston	Burrowing Owl
HM	Edward Stickle	Stop Looking at Me

**Color Prints - Travel and Place**

1 <sup>st</sup>	Doug Wielfaert	Shades of Como Italy
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Marcy Wielfaert	Colors of Graham Pond
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Doug Wielfaert	Pryor Mountain Minneapolis Moline
HM	Ronald Russell	Interior Catholic Church Buffalo New York
HM	Clay Thurston	Yellow Doors
HM	Bobbie Thurston	Christmas at St. Pete's

**Projected Images - Plants**

1 <sup>st</sup>	Clay Thurston	Dogwood Freeze
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Clay Thurston	Purple Water Lily
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Dennis Sabo	A Southern Stroll
HM	Bobbie Thurston	Rubber Tree Reach
HM	Roni Boyd	Early Spring Beauty

**Projected Images - Wildlife**

1 <sup>st</sup>	Braam Oberholster	Savanna Crossing at Sunset
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Doug Wielfaert	Cape Buffalo, Hluhluwe Game Reserve
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Edward Stickle	Shetland Puffin
HM	Braam Oberholster	Flamingoes Landing
HM	Laura Capozzola	Fish Again?
HM	Kevin Bascle	Colorado Prairie Dog

**List of Winning Photos continued:**

**Projected Images - People in Nature**

1 <sup>st</sup>	Jim Britt	Shooting Jupiter
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Jim Britt	The Bathers
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Kendall Chiles	Clinch River Fly Fisherman
HM	Paul Schubert	Rock Climbing in Saxon Switzerland National Park
HM	Brad Cottrell	Californ-i-a
HM	Bob Tatum	Sitting on the Dock

**Projected Images - Abstracts in Nature**

1 <sup>st</sup>	Ron McConathy	Forest Reflection
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Dennis Sabo	Appalachian Impressionism
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Bob Tatus	Falls of Icy Water ..
HM	Ron McConathy	Sandstone Patterns
HM	Roni Boyd	Bonyard Beauty

**Projected Images - Altered Nature**

1 <sup>st</sup>	Jim Britt	Aspen Infinity
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Marcy Wielfaert	Insects of Spain
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Jim Britt	Red Tree (Morton's Overlook)
HM	Laura Capozzola	Autumn Leaves
HM	Clay Thurston	Spanish Moss
HM	Doug Wielfaert	Rudbekia Acrylic, Prince Edward Island

**Projected Images - Architecture**

1 <sup>st</sup>	Kendall Chiles	Bridge Over Clouds
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Bob Tatum	High Rise
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Kent Sauter	Bridge
HM	Marcy Wielfaert	San Quirico d'Orcia, Italy
HM	Bobbie Thurston	Going Green
HM	Marcy Wielfaert	Bozeman Barn

**SANP Members Who Participated in the 2020 Salon**

Kevin Bascle	Dale Potter
Mike Boyd	Ronald Russell
Roni Boyd	Dennis Sabo
Jim Britt	Kent Sauter
Laura Capozzola	Paul Schubert
Nico Ceargeo	Ron Sentell
Kendall Chiles	Lee Smalley
Brad Cottrell	Edward Stickle
Sharon Wright	Bob Tatum
Cottrell	Bobbie Thurston
Susan Goodwin	Clay Thurston
Ron McConathy	Doug Wielfaert
Braam Oberholster	Marcy Wielfaert



Ed Stickle and Dale Potter share the "Viewer's Choice Award" this year! Congrats, Ed and Dale!



## SANP Wildflower Walk, Great Smoky Mountains National Park

Date/Time: Saturday, April 18, 2020, 7:00 am      Leader: Joe Rentz      Phone: 865-659-2721

Email: [drjoe77749@gmail.com](mailto:drjoe77749@gmail.com)

Meeting Place: Little River Trail trailhead in the Elkmont area

We will hike/walk the Little River Trail/Cucumber Gap Trail/Jakes Creek Trail loop. Wildflowers should be abundant along all three trails. Little River is a beautiful mountain stream, with some cascades. Jakes Creek is a smaller, steeper stream with overhanging foliage and more cascades. Often the three trails will have different wildflowers blooming because of different ecosystems. We can stop by the Troll Bridge along the way and explore the houses the Park is restoring in the Elkmont area after the hike if the group wants.

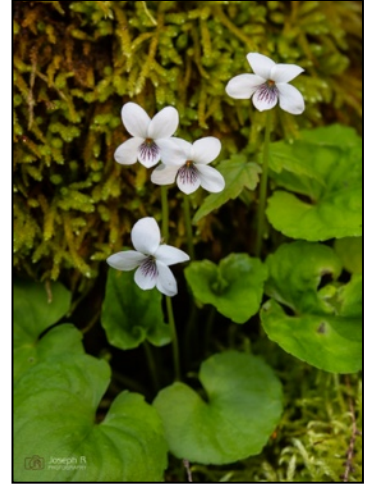
The entire loop is 5.4 miles. We will be stopping often and photographing flowers along the way, so plan on plenty of time (4 hours?). For those who have physical difficulties or not enough time, you can go up Little River Trail as far as you want and then return to the parking lot. It's a wide trail with a relatively gentle slope.

**Recommended Equipment:** Take what you have. Some will have macro lenses and other gizmos. If you don't have those, you can learn from others, and you can get good images without a macro. A tripod is virtually a necessity if you want really sharp images. For the streams, I'll probably use my 24-70mm lens. For the flowers, I've had good luck with my 70-200mm in the past and will probably take it, too, along with my new 105mm macro lens. A polarizing filter is helpful most any time, and a neutral density filter may be necessary for creative photos of the streams.

**Directions:** Do not rely on GPS in the Park. Reception is spotty at best, and it may lead you astray. From the Townsend Wye or the Sugarlands Visitor Center, take Little River Road (Hwy 73), turn onto Elkmont Road (there are small brown signs marking it), and proceed to Elkmont. Don't go into the Elkmont campground, but rather bear to the left (there are signs) and go around it. You will cross a bridge over a stream and in a short distance the parking lot for the Little River trailhead is on the left. If you aren't familiar with the area, taking a map may be a good idea.

### A Note on the Covid-19

**Pandemic:** Several of us agree that we can practice "social distancing" during the hike. Please bring hand sanitizer. We'll keep an eye on further developments and will inform you if any changes need to be made. Be sure to email Joe Rentz if you plan to attend so he can keep track of the number planning to participate.



Spring wildflowers.  
Copyright Joe Rentz.

### It's time to pay 2020 Membership Dues!

The process is simple. Print the membership form, available on the [website](#), and mail the form and your check to

**Brad Cottrell**  
7432 Huntland Drive  
Knoxville, TN 37919

Per the SANP bylaws, if dues are delinquent after three months of the new year, membership is terminated. Because our March meeting had to be cancelled as the result of coronavirus restrictions, we won't remove anyone before the next meeting. You can ensure you remain a member by sending Brad your form and check.

Also, it is very helpful if you will complete the entire form, including your email and mobile phone number even if they haven't changed, so that Brad can make sure the membership list is current. Dual-person memberships *require* an email address for each person.

[Questions? email [sanpmembership@gmail.com](mailto:sanpmembership@gmail.com)]

**Future 2020 Meetings**

March 31 Canceled  
 April 28 Steve Zigler  
 May 26 Joe Anderson

**SANP Officers**

President: Kendall Chiles  
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 Vice President: Ed Stickle  
 Secretary: Ron Sentell  
 Treasurer: Steve Shackelford  
 Field Trips: Open  
 Membership: Brad Cottrell  
 Website & Newsletter: Ron & Sharon  
 McConathy ([info@sanp.net](mailto:info@sanp.net))

**Board Members**

2020: Ed Dumas  
 Ron McConathy  
 Ron Sentell  
 2021: Sharon Cottrell  
 Charlie Samuels  
 Ed Stickle  
 2022: TBD

**CAMERA CLUB COUNCIL OF TENNESSEE (3CT)**

SANP is a member club of 3CT, which is a network of photography clubs from across Tennessee and neighboring states. Their [monthly newsletter](#) (over 20 pages) includes information about meetings and events for member clubs.

Check out their website at [www.3ct.org](http://www.3ct.org); past newsletters can be found under the “Resources” link at the top of the home page or behind the “Menu” button. You can also visit their Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/CameraClubCouncilOfTennessee](http://www.facebook.com/CameraClubCouncilOfTennessee).

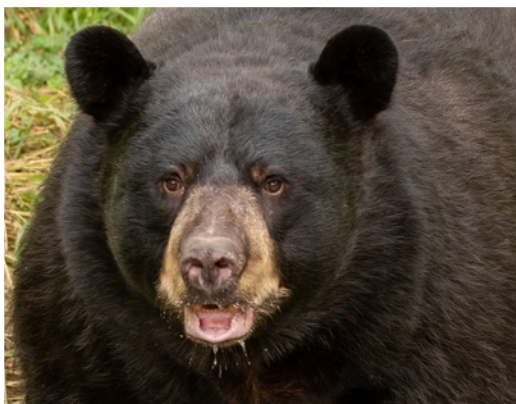
*SANP’s Meeting Place:*

**Cedar Springs Presbyterian’s Watershed Building at 9132 Kingston Pike, Knoxville**

Turn into the church parking lot, go to the fourth lane and turn right. The Watershed Building is straight ahead. Once you enter the main door, walk straight back to find the Ramsey Cascades Room.

“The camera is an instrument that teaches people how to see without a camera.”

**--Dorothea Lange**



**Viewer’s Choice, 2020 Salon**, was presented to two club members this year: “Here’s Looking at You” (left) by Dale Potter and “Stop Looking at Me” (far left) by Ed Stickle.

**Reminder for Members:** Dues are payable in January of each calendar year. If you have questions about whether you have paid, please contact Brad Cottrell, . If you are new to the area and thinking of joining, go to the SANP Join page (<http://www.sanp.net/joining.html>), read about the levels of membership available, and click on the [Membership Form](#).

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

## **Call for Entries: 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Juried Photo Competition & Exhibition**

(02/21/20/Knoxville) – The Friends of Seven Islands State Birding Park announce a call for entries for its 1st annual Juried Photo Competition and Exhibition. The Competition was developed to promote the beauty and diversity of Seven Islands State Birding Park and to provide a forum for photographic artists to compete on a regional scale and display their work. Approximately 10 - 12 fine art works will receive monetary awards and will comprise an exhibition on the North Wall gallery of the beautifully restored Emporium Center at 100 S. Gay Street from September 1-30, 2020. The Emporium is free and open to the public Monday-Friday, 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM and other hours for special events.

**The deadline for entries to be received is midnight, Sunday, May 31, 2020**

**Prizes include at least \$1,000 in cash awards**, and winning artists will have the opportunity for their imagery to be displayed in a variety of local galleries following the initial display and awards presentation at the Emporium Center.

The call for entries is open to all photographic artists. Entries must be original images completed within the last three years in the following categories: Birds of the Park, Bird of the Year, People of the Park and Landscape. The nonrefundable entry fee is \$40 for up to four images (\$20 for Park members and students). Up to three additional images may be submitted for \$5/each.

Artists may view the information, pay the entry fees and complete the entry form at <https://www.friendsofsevenislands.com/photo-contest-call-for-entries/>

**About the juror:** David Underwood is a Professor of Art and a former Art Department Chairperson at Carson-Newman University, in Jefferson City, Tennessee. His work is included in the permanent collections of 16 art museums, including the Knoxville Museum of Art and the Smithsonian American Art Museum. His work has been featured or included in more than 150 solo and group exhibitions around the USA and Europe. Underwood earned his MFA from Florida State University in 1990, and started teaching Photography and Art at Carson-Newman the same year.

**More information about the exhibition can be found at** <http://www.friendsofsevenislands.com/seven-islands-photo-competition-exhibition-2020-rules-and-guidelines/>

### **About Friends of Seven Islands State Birding Park**

The Friends of Seven Islands State Birding Park was founded to support the Seven Islands State Birding Park in its vision to be a world class birding destination and to protect, preserve and promote its natural resources and to promote the general education of the public. The Friends are a non-profit organization with an all volunteer board and staff and its funding is derived entirely from fund raising activities and donations.

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