



THE BELLOWS

GREAT YEAR

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Puget Sound Photographic Collector's Society, Inc.

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WHAT	NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF PSPCS
WHERE	DES MOINES MASONIC TEMPLE 2208 S. 223rd St. (Take Midway exit #149 west off I-5...go to first stop light west of Pacific Hwy. South...Turn right.)
WHEN	Thursday, September 21st..7:30 p.m. till 10:00 p.m. (Doors open about 6:30 p.m.)
WHY	Short business meeting..auction (one item per member please)..door prize..Show & Tell..member trade and sell tables (free to members, please cover during business meeting). Program: Member <u>Art Pfalzer</u> will present information on 70mm RF Graphic and combat Graphic 6 by 7 format cameras.

GREETINGS FROM THE PRESIDENT: DARREL WOMACK

Welcome to the start of our 22d year. I am honored to have been voted as P.S.P.C.S.'s new president. Hopefully most of you know me..I'm Darrel Womack, and I have been a club member for over 20 years; having joined at Bill Kimber's home at the second club meeting. I have been collecting photographica for over twenty-five years. I have been active in all our Camera Shows from number one through number twenty; in one capacity or another. I have been in charge of our Show announcement card mailing for the past two years. Also, last year I was Show table registrar. I enjoy setting up at our Camera Shows. I am retired after 45 years in retail camera sales. I'm married with four children and am a foster parent.

I do not think anyone could replace Dave, he was one Great man. But, as your new President I will do my very best to uphold the standards that have been set and work hard to help our club continue to thrive and meet the challenges and opportunities that the future holds. Thanks and good hunting. See you at our meetings. Darrel

REGULAR MEETING IN OCTOBER:

Remember, we have canceled our Inter-club Gathering that we have held in October for many years. This year October 19th will be our regular meeting night. An October The Bellows will be published. See you at the meeting. Ed

FALL SHOWS ARE COMING:

November 5th and 11th are the dates of two good Northwest fall shows you should find interesting.

November 5th: The Vancouver B.C. Camera Show & Swap Meet will be held on Sunday in the Jericho Hill Centre..4196 West 4th Ave. This is a 140 table show at \$30.00 each. Admission is \$3.00 from 10 am to 4 pm..\$15 early bird gets in at 9 am. For all the information call, ☎fax, Siggie (604) 941-0300.

November 11th: The 12th Annual Portland Metro Fall Camera Swap Meet will be held Saturday at the Washington County Fairplex West of Portland. With over 100 8 foot tables this has been a very good show in past years. Tables are \$35.00 each or three for \$90.00. General admission is \$5.00 from 10 am to 4:30 pm..\$15.00 early bird gets in at 8:30 am. There is a Friday evening sellers only set-up/wheeling-dealing from 6 pm to 9 pm. For all information call Dwight Bash (503)650-8333 or email: deebash@aol.com

****BACKSIDE INFORMATION****

The June 15th meeting of the Puget Sound Photographic Collectors Society came to order at 7:31 p.m. with President Pro Tem Bill Kimber presiding. Forty-seven members and no guests were in attendance. The minutes of our May meeting were approved as read and our treasurer, Shirley, reported our bank account had survived our Show & Sale in good shape for the coming year.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Election of President: The four person election committee, under the direction of Bob Kelly, contacted members to see if they would be interested in running. Three members agreed to run. Bill Adams, Don Friend and Darrel Womack. Don Temple, Bill Kimber, Maxine Nagal and Shirley Sparrow were named from the floor. These four all declined the honor of running. Motion was made, seconded and passed that we accept the three committee candidates. Each candidate gave a short talk as to their desire and qualifications for Club President and then a secret vote was taken. The election committee withdrew with the ballots and returned to announce that Darrel Womack was our new President.

NEW BUSINESS:

It was suggested that our October inter-club gathering be moved to a new location with a new format. After some discussion it was moved, seconded and passed to not have our October show this year and discuss it's future earlier next year. Therefore, we will have our regular meeting, (with an October "The Bellows") in October.

It was suggested we have a committee to write by-laws and look into incorporating as a Federal non-profit organization. Maxine said we didn't need Federal non-profit status as long as we have State of Washington non-profit status. Treasurer said she would look to see if we ever had any by-laws and report in September. A motion was made, seconded and passed that Bill Kimber become Vice President. Bill agreed to do so.

PROGRAM:

The program consisted of members sharing their special thoughts and stories about our late President, Dave Studebaker.

SHOW & TELL..AUCTION..DOOR PRIZE:

Five members had interesting items for Show & Tell. Seven items were presented for auction. Six items sold for a total of \$109.00. Lee Ray won the door prize of \$5.00. Meeting adjourned for selling and more nummie munching at 8:55 p.m.

This Month's Mystery Question:

Answers at end of Newsletter.

With thanks to the Arizona Photographic Collectors:

What half frame 35mm camera, manufactured in the 1950s, was used in police training?



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The P.S.P.C.S. internet address is: <http://www.geocities.com/eureka/park/3740/>

Dues are \$10.00 per year and should be sent to Secretary/Treasurer Shirley Sparrow, 300 Pease Road, Cle Elum, WA 98922 (509) 674-1916, ssparrow@eburg.com P.S.P.C.S. members receive first notification of our last Saturday in April yearly show.

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A CAMERA IN SPACE:

The following is from Bob Petters with thanks to the Rollei Digest & Rollei User Groups Discussions.

In John Glenn's autobiography, published in 1999, Glenn states that the camera he carried, and used, on his 5 hour, 3 orbital flight aboard Friendship 7 on February 20, 1962, was a Minolta HiMatic CL. This is supposedly the first hand-held camera used by US astronauts in space because the pilots who preceded him weren't in space long enough to take any pictures. Glenn's few shots have apparently never been published. This camera can be seen at the web site (<http://dyson.brisnet.org.au/~craig/hi-matic60.jpg>) and is attributed to NASA.

It is on prominent display in a glass case along with other Glenn mission artifacts at the Smithsonian Air and Space Museum in Washington D.C.!

The Minolta has been visibly modified in two ways..it has had a "dowel" mounted on end to the accessory shoe as a handle (it appears it was meant to be held in an upside down position). Also, the wind lever has been extended. Some duct tape was added for gripping surfaces. The modifications appear to be amateurish (no NASA hi-tech here!).

Later, the Hasselblad 500C, that was employed in Project Mercury and Project Gemini, (<http://www.hasselbladusa.com/about/default.htm>) did not use a focusing screen or hood. Instead, a ring-shaped frame finder was used for viewing. The lens used was a basic 80mm Planar. A 250mm Sonnar was used for detail photos of the earth's surface. The Hasselblad SWC with a 38mm Biogon was used on later flights. No. 12 magazines were used with thin-based film (without backing paper).

Still later, NASA used Rollei 6008i cameras with a rubber ring over the rims of the filters so they wouldn't scratch the quartz glass of the windows. If you look at the 6008i pamphlet there is a shot of the cargo bay of the shuttle with earth in the background. This is in the section on Zeiss lenses.



As space allows The Bellows will gladly run a few Classified Advertisements. It is hoped that members will use this service mainly to search for wanted items. Ed

From member Steven Fisher (425) 483-1212 ext. 342:

For Sale:

Nikon 50mm f 1.4 AIS lens F&R caps, Box, card....\$150.00
Nikon 75-150mm F 3.5 AIS, F&R caps....\$150.00
Nikon 50-135mm f 3.5 AIS, F&R caps, Box, card.....\$400.00
Nikon 180mm f 2.8 AIS-ED, F&R caps, Box, Case, card.....\$600.00
Tokiva 17mm f3.5 ATX aspherical 72mm, F&R caps, Box, case, card....\$330.00

BUD TAYLOR ON THE MEND:

Member Jean Taylor, from Billings, Montana, wrote in July to say that husband Bud was recovering from June lung surgery. He had the surgery in Seattle and was back in Billings by the time I stopped by his shop in August. He was able to come to the shop for several hours a day and both he and Jean hope to be able to come to some of the fall camera shows. Hope to see you soon Bud, Ed.

BAD PUN OF THE MONTH:

The following is from member Bob Petters who obviously has too much free time. Ed

Snow White and the 7 Dwarfs (little know facts of well known people).

Snow White had finished a roll of VPS III and had some superb candid shots of the 7 dwarfs. She took the film in for processing. The clerk told her to come back in a week and the photos would be ready for her.

After a week, Snow White went back to the shop to pick up her photos. The clerk was apologetic and told her the photos had not come back yet. Snow White was extremely upset, so in order to calm her, the clerk told her...."Don,t worry, Snow White. Your Prints will come."

The following items are used with thanks to the American Photographic Historical Society

ONCE THE TARGET SIX-16, NOW THE NEW MILLENNIUM CAMERA

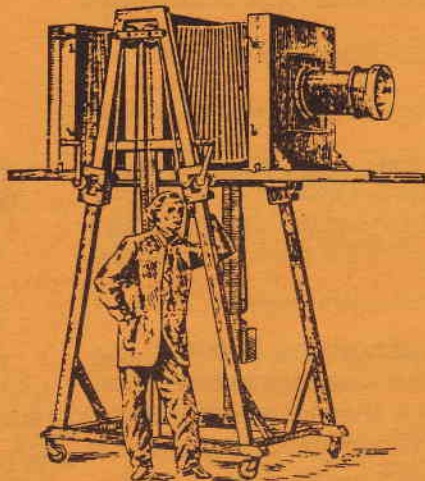
There may still be time to acquire one of the 100 New Millennium Cameras, specially created by the Ohio Camera Collectors Society. A baked enamel faceplate replaces the original Target faceplate on the camera you provide. A new 2-color exterior carton and a certificate "reissues" the camera. Want a New Millennium? Find a Target Six-16 and forward it with \$30.00 -- if the 100 of the Limited Edition has not been oversubscribed. -- Ohio Camera Collecting Soc., PO Box 282, Columbus OH 43216.; Or, see the refurbished camera at: www.delnet.net/~hoar/camera

ARGUS COLLECTORS GROUP MAKES ENDLESS GIFT OF THE BRICK

According to a member of the Argus Collectors Group, collectors of the Argus C-3 (The brick) are known as "Argonuts" In a world rich with endless numbers of the C-3, the author of e-mail reproduced on the Internet apparently keeps buying C-3s at \$5 - \$15 ea. These are working cameras which he cleans a bit before he packages each for later presentation on all or any occasions. People, he says, think these are \$50 - \$100 cameras. Shhhh, he says; "Its our secret!" -- *Bulletin, Chi. Photo Coll. Soc., June, 2000.*

PUN-TIME FROM THE MICHIGAN PHOTOGRAM

Megahertz? A very large car rental agency. *Modem?* What you do with dandelions. If you cross a bald-headed TV detective with a camera, do you get a *Kojak Instamatic?* - *Photogram, MiPHS, May-June 2000.*



Answer: This half frame camera is shaped like a pistol and aptly named 'Pistol Camera.' It has a Sekor fixed focus f5.6 - 45 mm lens. About 250 were made and McKeown's list them at over \$2,000.



Pistol camera - c1954. Half-frame
McKeown's