

**Yamhill Valley Camera Club**  
minutes for **May 8, 2006**

The group held a trial meeting at Amity high school.

President Stuart presented information on the Photographic Society of America (PSA), which we are members of. Our membership is up for renewal; do we wish to renew at \$45 for the year? Yes. Visit the PSA website at <http://www.psa-photo.org> . The passwords and codes for members to enter certain areas of the site are: for May – 101010 password: mempsa and for June: 010101 password photog

Stuart presented a bill for \$34.99 for a projector light.

Discussion as to whether or not we wish to continue to meet through the summer. Yes!

\*\* The **June 13 meeting** will be held at Sandi's shop **Hidden Treasures on Third street** (and Ford) in McMinnville at **6:30pm**. We will be doing a mini field trip of sorts – going on a walk about town taking photos. Stuart, Debbie and Marta will work out the details of the evening.

\*\* The **May 22 Clinic night** will also be held at **Hidden Treasures at 6:30pm**.. Sandi will present information on various printing processes and papers. Vice-president Debbie will be providing various handouts with information on the upcoming fairs and shows, and print sizes.

Treasurers report: balance of \$958.41

Slide Chair Jim Mishell reported that our club is currently in 4<sup>th</sup> place by 2 points! WooHoo!! Shannon (Morning rise) and Ed (Fawn Lilies) each earned 23 points and Honorable mentions with their submissions. Congratulations!

President Stuart explained that he was forming a nominating committee consisting of Debbie, Gary and Shannon, to help with the selection of next years club officers. If you are interested in performing the duties of an office or would like to nominate a person, please contact one of them. Stuart will have a list put together for the July meeting, so those persons and committees may begin working for the new year in September.

The club owns much property; cameras, studio lights, books, etc... Stuart will be inventorying and looking at what can be kept and sold. Watch for this .....

Three members were able to attend the Gorge field trip, and had a wonderful time!

Upcoming field trips announced and discussed included – May 27-29 trip to Fort Stevens park for the mult-era war displays. The group has chosen not to attend this event.

The June field trip dates were swapped. The **Opal Creek** ( <http://opalcreek.org/> ) trip will now be on **Saturday June 3**. Please contact Michelle if you are interested in attending this trip (503-852-6380 or [meandbobe@onlinemac.com](mailto:meandbobe@onlinemac.com) ). Take a look at the link – it will provide maps to Opal creek as well as a map of the area.

The **Crack-in-the-Ground** ( <http://www.oregonsoutback.com/sights/index.html> ) trip will be held **June 17**. Please contact Krista if you are interested in attending this trip (503-858-0480 or [KANBK1@yahoo.com](mailto:KANBK1@yahoo.com) ). There is much to see and photograph in the area, as well as the 2 mile Crack-in-the ground.

Other trips and areas of interest discussed included; Schriners Iris garden ( <http://www.schreinersgardens.com/> ) and Adelman Peony farm( <http://peonyparadise.com/> ). watch these sites for field reports, maps and festival dates, etc... (just a side note: the roses will begin blooming in June ( <http://www.heirloomroses.com> ) and the dahlias in August; ( <http://www.dahlias.com/> ).

Please be helpful to the next field trip committee by providing places and points of interest and suggested peak times for attending, for their consideration when putting together the trip schedule. Your knowledge and input is appreciated when putting together these events!

Tom Catrall demonstrated 'Digital Stitching' to the group. Thank you, Tom for your interesting presentation! Tom also provided a handout with software information. If you missed it .....  
Stitching software:

- PanaVue Image Assembler – <http://www.panavue.com/>
- PTGui – <http://www.ptgui.com>
- Panorama Factory – <http://www.parnoramafactory.com>
- PhotoShop: see tutorial at <http://www.luminous-landscape.com/tutorials/stitching.shtml>
- PhotoShop Elements: file>new>Photomerge Panorama

and Panorama tripod heads

- Kaidan – [www.kaidan.com](http://www.kaidan.com)
- Jasper engineering – [www.stereoscopy.com/jasper](http://www.stereoscopy.com/jasper)
- KingPANO – [www.kingpano.com](http://www.kingpano.com)
- Manfrotto – [www.manfrotto.com](http://www.manfrotto.com)
- Nodal Ninja – [www.nodalninja.com](http://www.nodalninja.com)
- Peace River Studios – [www.peaceriverstudios.com](http://www.peaceriverstudios.com)
- Panorama-hardware.com – [www.panarama-hardware.com](http://www.panarama-hardware.com)

Competition winners were: Krista, Adam, Lori, Craig and Ed. (Sorry I didn't get names!)

Scott, Julie, Hannah and Michelle presented photos from their 'Photopalooza' trip, and Krista presented photos from the Gorge field trip.

**\*\* a vote was taken with a majority voting to hold the July club meeting at the Community center in McMinnville, beginning at 6:30pm sharp! We must be out of the room by 9pm!**

Submitted for you approval,  
secretary, Michelle Early