

NORTH COUNTY PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY

September 2003

September 2003 Meeting

Wednesday, September 24, 2003 Quail Botanical Garden, Encinitas Ecke Building Meeting Room Enter Front Gate - **Exit Rear Gate** Front Gate is Locked at 7:00 p.m.

6:00 p.m. - Front Gate Opens
6:15 p.m. - Sign-in, Refreshments
6:30 p.m. - Announcements & Member Greeting
6:45 p.m. - Member Share
7:15 p.m. - Break & Refreshments
7:30 - 8:30 p.m. - Presentation
Donations: First-time guests free, returning guests \$3.00

September Speaker: Jim Cline

Jim Cline will give a slide presentation featuring his travels on numerous trips throughout the fascinating, diverse, and beautiful country of Mexico entitled, "The Magic of Mexico." His journey begins with a drive down the Baja peninsula, with various adventures along the way. We will join Jim as he pets gray whales, snorkels with sea lions, goes kayaking on the Sea of Cortez, and visits pristine beaches, missions and ancient cave paintings.

The journey continues on mainland Mexico with visits to historical cities, tropical beaches, ancient Mayan ruins, and celebrations such as the Day of the Dead in beautiful Oaxaca, and Easter week in Chiapas, the southernmost and most indigenous of states in Mexico. Finally, he visits the isolated mountains of Michoacan for the unforgettable experience of witnessing the arrival of millions of monarch butterflies on their annual winter migration from the northern U.S. and Canada.

Jim Cline is an award-winning travel photographer based in San Diego. His wanderlust and search for compelling images has brought him to 30 countries on six continents. His area of special interest is in the countries of Latin America. He especially enjoys exploring less-traveled areas, and photographing the indigenous peoples and traditional cultures found in developing nations.

Jim's work has been displayed in the San Diego History Museum, and published in numerous publications, including the book, *San Diego's North County Coast*, by Twin Lights Publishing. He has recently had an exhibit at the La Jolla Art Association Gallery. Recent awards include placing in the "Nature and Eye" and "Focus on Travel" photo contests sponsored by the *Union-Tribune* and the International Exhibition of Photography at the San Diego County Fair.

Jim runs photo tours to destinations throughout Mexico. For information on his tours and to view some of Jim's images, visit http://www.JimCline.com>.

Member Share by Emile Kfouri

For September, (1) members who attended the photo shoot at the Antique Gas and Steam Engine Museum are invited to share one or two images from that outing, and (2) all members are invited to share

one or two images that illustrate/answer the question, "What did you do this summer?".

President's Corner by Mike McMahon

Please join me in extending our thanks and appreciation to Mort Needle for his outstanding contribution as our past President. Mort, you served with dedication and commitment– well done!

The next few months will be busy ones for NCPS. Our photoshoot program has been bolstered by the leadership of Carolyn Taylor. Watch for details of an exciting opportunity for us at the newly-opened Leo Carillo Park in Carlsbad.

Our Member Show is scheduled for November at the Solana Beach City Hall. All members are welcome to submit one or two images for hanging. Don't miss this opportunity...have you thought about which photographs you plan to submit? It's time to get to the lab or the desktop printer...the deadlines are approaching. Your registration is due in 4 weeks. The photographs themselves will be submitted during our October 24th meeting. Thanks to Carrie Barton and Jeff Brosbe for their leadership in this event. Volunteers are needed to help accept, hang, and take down the show. Jump in and lend a hand...it's fun!

We owe a special thanks to Ed Stalder and his team of volunteers who worked hard at the Fair this year. The club received over \$1,100 because of the hours contributed by the team - wow! As your new President, I know I speak for the Board when I say that we are committed to making the NCPS a valuable and fun experience for all of the members. Please feel free to make suggestions at any time...our contact information is found on page 2 of this newsletter or you may give me a call at 760-207-9544. Please join us to make NCPS better than ever!

Photo Shoot Update by Carolyn Taylor

Circle the date: Saturday, October 4, 2003 for an afternoon shoot at the newly opened Leo Carrillo Ranch Historical Park in Carlsbad. This 27-acre park includes several restored ranch structures, original walls, cactus and succulents galore, and even a few peafowl. There will be no access to interiors at this time. We'll plan to meet in the parking lot at 4 p.m., introduce ourselves, share our expertise with those who wish it, and enjoy an afternoon shoot. The park closes for all at 6 p.m. A brief slide presentation at the September meeting will give an overview of the scene. Call (760) 476-1042 for a park recording giving directions and information.

Don't forget to bring to the September meeting your favorite image from last month's Antique Gas and Steam Engine Museum shoot, along with your photographic interpretation of that "lone truck." Mounting and framing are NOT necessary. Let's see each other's work and get inspired.

Next on our list of shoots come outings in San Diego and Torrey Pines. Where else would you like to shoot? If you're interested, you can bet others are too. Please contact me at (760) 931-1807 with your ideas.

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Meetings are the first Wednesday of each month at the 101 Artists' Colony, 25 E Street, Encinitas (half block east of Coast Highway) from 7:00 to around 9:00 p.m. **For More Info** contact James G. Respess at (858) 272-1926 or <jim@greenflashphotography.com>.



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Member Profile: Jack and Nancy Jennings

Jack and Nancy Jennings, both Philadelphia transplants, have been involved in photography since 1996 when Jack retired from a technical position with the Federal government. Photography had been a hobby since an early age and he decided to return to school to learn as much as possible about this favorite art form. Jack enrolled in the photo program at Palomar College where he still attends classes. Nancy, a manager at Coram Healthcare (a respiratory and home medical equipment company), has always had an eye for form, composition, and fine art. She became involved in photography after seeing a Polaroid manipulation Jack brought home from a field trip.

Jack is а traditional photographer. His highly colorful, detailed images use artifacts, textures, and structures in the landscape to invoke in the viewer a sense of nostalgia for the old West. His love of nature and the outdoors combined with his inherent curiosity to see the



West as it used to be is manifested in his images.

Nancy's Polaroid image transfers are soft, little pictures that resemble miniature watercolor paintings. Sometimes she adds color to emphasize or subdue a detail. Her Polaroid emulsion transfers allow her to unleash her creative talent. Bordering on the abstract, she distorts or arranges them so that the viewer can see what she feels the image should resemble.

Married for thirty-four years, Jack and Nancy are co-owners of Optical Illusions Photography in Escondido. They are dedicated to promoting the arts in their community and volunteer their time as members of the Escondido Arts Partnership's Exhibition Committee. Additionally, Jack photographs the works of local artists for the EAP's archives. Both are six-year members of the North County Photographic Society where Nancy serves as Treasurer. Jack is Treasurer of the San Diego Chapter of the American Society of Media Photographers. Both are members of the San Dieguito Art Guild that manages the Off Track Gallery in Encinitas.

Jack and Nancy are both San Diego County Fair award winners. This year, Jack judged the Kids Best photography section at the Fair and selected a Best in Show winner that went on to take Best in Show at the State Fair. As a couple, their work is exhibited at the Off Track Gallery and the Escondido Municipal Gallery. They recently participated in an all-photography show called Double Exposure at the Grand Galleria in Escondido featuring three local couples. They both feel fortunate to have made so many friends in the photographic community.