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## June 2017 Newsletter

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Here we are at the end of another club year. The annual dinner meeting is now behind us -- and a truly wonderful occasion it was! Our thanks go to Janet Kerr for taking the lead on pulling it off at a brand new venue (Talbot County Senior Center) and to all the members who assisted her in setting up and cleaning up, and to all those who brought appetizers and desserts to round out the meal. Nothing but positive comments so far....

We owe a debt of gratitude as well to many others who gave of their time and energy to help the club progress during the year: to Chris Jewett for taking on the responsibilities of Exhibits Coordinator; to Jack

Upchurch, David Todd and Mutt Meritt working as the Competition Committee, to Mutt in particular for taking on the (literal) burden of projectionist at club meetings; to Jack Upchurch for his work as Chief Judge and Webmaster; to Mary Hunt-Miller for a wonderful job of spreading the word about club activities through event media and the press; to Bill McDonnell for taking on the job of database manager and workshop evangelist on top of his role as Treasurer; to Norm Bell for handling the "kudos" coordination and for leading the effort to develop new programming for our second meetings of the month; and on, and on....

Thanks, too, to our retiring officers: Bill McDonnell, Mary Hunt-Miller, Jim Campbell, Joe Scukanec and yours truly. Janet Kerr and Norm Bell had also reached the end of their terms, but were elected to new positions for the coming year (see below). Our new officers



just to reiterate, they are:

- President: Janet Kerr
- Vice President: Norm Bell
- Secretary: Rose Poling
- Treasurer: George Durhan
- At-large: Kevan Full
- At-large: Chris Jewett
- At-large: Dawn Miller
- At-large: Joe Soares
- At-large: Jack Upchurch

I feel truly privileged to have been able to serve as acting president and then president for the last two and a half years. What could have been an incredibly difficult job was made so much easier - and rewarding - through the constant help and support from those individuals mentioned above along with many, many others. The job of a



president is, more than anything else, I believe, one of channeling the knowledge and skills of others to the benefit of the many. To the extent that I was able to do this, it was owing to the willingness of others to give freely of that knowledge and those skills. Thank you very much!

*Bill Geoghegan*

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### **Highlights of the Annual Meeting:**

As most of you know, one feature of the annual meeting in June is the distribution of awards of various types: for advancement between skill groups, for highest total points awarded during the year, and for the annual digital and print Photo of the Year competitions. The following awards were presented during the annual meeting on June 5:

#### ***Advancement:***

- Chris Jewett
- Bob Johnson
- Janet Kerr

From "C" Group to "B" Group:

- Rose Poling

***Highest Total Points:***

- Janet Kerr (44 total points awarded in digital competitions)

***President's Award:***

- This award may be given annually by the President to a member who, in the President's opinion, has contributed to the club's welfare in a significant manner. This year's award was presented to **Janet Kerr**. The citation reads as follows:

"Presented to **Janet Kerr** for her unstinting support of Tidewater Camera Club's membership, programs and operations while serving as the club's Vice President from 2015 to 2017. She has been a consistent source of new ideas and an unfailing sounding board for those of others, all while leading the speaker program, playing an active role in a growing workshop series, managing the annual dinner, and much more. Thanks for your outstanding commitment to the club and to its members."

***Digital Photo of the Year:***

- 1st Place: Roger Maki, "Among the Dunes"
- 2nd Place: Chris Jewett, "A Future Lovely"
- 3rd Place: Mitch Cannon. "Busy Street"
- Honorable Mentions:
  - Beverly Middleton, "Flamingo"
  - Joe Soares, "Flight Over Denali"
  - Norm Bell, "Jockeys Ridge 3"
  - Manfred Dicks, "Lemur Pleading"
  - Dane Madsen, "Osprey Courtship"
  - Beverly Middleton, "Sika Deer"



- 1st Place: Chris Jewett, "OGST"
- 2nd Place: Janet Kerr, "Main and Jib"
- 3rd Place: Janet Kerr, "Indian River Inlet Bridge"
  
- Honorable Mentions:
  - Mary Hunt-Miller, "Meditation"
  - Cal Jackson, "Urban Living"



The winners of this year's digital and print POTY competitions are scattered throughout the newsletter. See if you can put the images with the titles. The newsletter software doesn't

If you received an award and weren't at the meeting to collect it, shoot me an email, and we'll figure out how to get it to you. The ribbons this year were pretty nice.

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### **Photo Opportunities:**

The community radio station **WHCP** in Cambridge is soliciting photos for its 2018 community calendar. The deadline for submissions is June 12! Club member Jill Jasuta is helping with design and layout. Contact [calendar@whcp.org](mailto:calendar@whcp.org) for submission guidelines. In a pinch, I can forward them to you in a Word Doc, though I can't answer questions about submission rules...

The **Eastern State Penitentiary** will be open on the evening of Friday, June 30 from 5:00 to 8:00 PM with free admission and no reservations. This famous (or infamous) site for grunge photography could be worth a visit -- even if only for planning your next (private) tour. For this and other ESP news, go to <https://www.easternstate.org/visit/events/wawa-welcome-america-free-museum-night>. From there you can catch sight of other prison events....

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### **The TCC Blog:**

If you haven't already done so, now would be a good time to subscribe to the TCC blog. This is the preferred vehicle for getting last-minute news of photo opportunities, workshops, meet-ups, etc., distributed to the membership without having to produce an interim newsletter. You get a short email notice about the new blog posting and a link to follow if you are interested.

You can subscribe by visiting the TCC website, scrolling to the bottom of the home page and clicking on the [TCC Blog](#) link on the right-hand side near the bottom (or by clicking the link earlier in this sentence). You will see the subscription notice on the right.

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Until September, have fun; enjoy your summer; and keep on shooting!

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