PEAK DIGITAL IMAGING SOCIETY JANUARY NEWSLETTER 2024 Linda C Case, PDIS President

Photography takes an instant out of time, altering life by holding it still. [Dorothea Lange]

WELCOME BACK & WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

You are cordially invited to our first meeting of the year, January 25, 2024, 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. We will meet at Library 21C, The Venue Room. Doors open at 5 p.m. Please refer to the January flyer sent out to each of you. There will be light refreshments. Our PDIS Veteran friend and photographer **Jeff Mallo** will give a presentation on Alaska: "Wildlife in the National Parks of the Kenai and Alaskan Peninsulas." If you have photographs of Alaska, please bring them to share!

Be prepared to introduce yourself and answer this question: "Where's your favorite place to view wildlife?"

PDIS 2024 CALENDAR

Our last PDIS meeting was held on October 26, 2023, at IHOP. At that time, we surveyed the members for their competition theme choices. We have honored these selections of our PDIS members and have incorporated them into the new calendar.

The Leadership Team reviewed our new calendar last Monday, January 15 We discussed speakers, competitions, gallery shows, workshops, and fieldtrips. This new calendar will be distributed by e-mail before our meeting on the 25th. Remember: This is a rolling calendar, meaning changes can and will be made throughout the year as necessary.

PDIS LEADERSHIP TEAM

The core team will continue their work through 2024: Bill Young (Chairman), Cas Foste (Advisor), Linda Case (President), Larry McGough (Communications), Bill Case (Treasurer), and Chris Nelson (IT).

We are hoping to mentor a new dream team for 2025. Because our membership is expanding, we need more help. The following positions will be open. So, please consider stepping up to the plate to help us keep PDIS a resilient and relevant photo club.

You may submit your name to https://pdis.club for any opportunity listed. Your name will be reviewed by the Leadership Team, then presented to the PDIS membership at the September PDIS business meeting for membership approval.

PRESIDENT, COMMUNICATIONS, TREASURER, INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (IT), COMMUNITY OUTREACH, FIELD TRIPS, PHOTOGRAPHY STUDY GROUPS, RECRUITMENT, AND EVENTS. Also: Keeper of the Log Book (Monthly Meeting Sign-in) Greeters, Assisting Speakers.

FIELD TRIP GALLERY

Larry McGough replaced our Member Gallery Page with our Field Trip Gallery on our PDIS website. We found this gallery to be more inclusive and more fun, reflecting our adventures!

COMPETITIONS

PDIS Leadership is giving you major opportunities for competitions. We realize that participation is the agony and the ecstasy of honing your knowledge, skills, and abilities. Since we do not charge club dues, we do charge \$2 / entry for each competition. There will be a mixture of judges and membership collaboration. Here are the following opportunities:

April Competition: ABSTRACT THEME / OPEN THEME [Judge Ric Bascobert] **June Competition**: NATURE AND WILDLIFE – "Caught on Camera" / OPEN THEME

September Competition: GEARS / MACHINERY / WHEELS. "Industrial Scenes" / OPEN THEME

GALLERY SHOWS

February: Academy Art & Frame Co.: "Landscapes, Seascapes, Skyscapes

July: Library 21C: "PDIS PRINTS FOR CHILDREN" Children's Library Project, Hope and Home.

[11 x 14 or 14 x 11 colored prints] You will be receiving a flyer with all the details.

Black and White Show: Cas Foste is working out the details related to date and location.

MARKETING OPPORTUNITIES

All artworks shown in gallery exhibits will also be for sale.

Photographers and digital illustrators will benefit by attending art receptions to promote their own artwork. Don't forget, viewers also love hearing stories behind your artwork!

We recommend you prepare for the summer sidewalk opportunity at AAFC in July. [Details TBD] ALSO – please bring your business cards / brochures with you to our meetings and network!!!

THREE PDIS RECEPTIONS

We are looking forward to our take off reception on January 25, to begin our new PDIS year. We are looking forward to a July – midsummer reception with watermelon at Library 21C. We are looking forward to our end of the PDIS year reception at a restaurant in October.

If you would like to work with our team on any of these events, please submit your name through the https://pdis.club [Contact US] form. We need your help!

PERSONAL NOTE

I will be having knee replacement surgery on March 25. There will be some recovery time. You will be in good hands with your Leadership Team. March (Larry McGough), April (Cas Foste) and May (Chris Nelson). See you on Thursday. LC