PEAK DIGITAL IMAGING SOCIETY NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER 2023 "INSIDE PDIS:" Linda C Case, PDIS President

"Think about all the beauty still left behind you and be happy."

[Anne Frank] I was thinking about our loss of fall colors! LC

WITH GRATITUDE TO OUR SPEAKER ROBERT GRAY: He was our keynote speaker at our monthly meeting on October 26, IHOP. Chair of Pikes Peak Arts Council, he is an artistic engineer who was an early member of our digital photo club. He explained our club relationship with the Arts Council. During the Q & A time, he gave us added insight regarding how to apply for personal grants through the Council. Truly insightful information! He invited us to become members within the Council and experience the benefits of networking and programs.

<u>CHILDREN'S LIBRARY PROJECT UPDATED</u>: Charlene, representing the Hope & Home foster care organization, received approximately 90 prints from PDIS, on behalf of Jenna Opperman. She read the "Dear Friend" letter attached to the back of each print. In her remarks she noted how meaningful this collection of artworks will be to those children who are going to new homes.

PDIS has a reservation to echo this project at Library 21C, July / August / September 2024.

COMPETITION IDEAS RESOLVED FOR 2024: Three (3) winning categories were decided by PDIS member ballots at our October monthly meeting. Here are the results:

- #1 <u>Landscapes, Seascapes, Skyscapes</u>: This category will be featured at the **February** Academy Art and Frame Gallery by PDIS Members. [THIS IS NOT A COMPETITION, SHOW ONLY, CURATED BY CAS FOSTE, ENJOY!]
- #2 Abstract: This competition will be held in April.
- #3 Nature & Wildlife: This competition will be held in June, along with the John Fielder Award

#4—<u>Industrial Scenes</u> [machinery, gears, wheels]: This competition will be held in **September**, along with the Dave Horn Award, related to bicycles.

<u>FIELD TRIP IDEAS</u>: #1 Wild Animal Sanctuary; #2 Broadmoor Holiday Light Images; #3 Fountain Creek [White Pelicans]. These were followed by: Garden of the Gods, Hillside Gardens & Event Center, and Seven Falls. Final resolutions on trips will be determined at our January 2024 meeting.

<u>PDIS WEBSITE</u>: It is under construction for 2024 activities and calendars. If you missed the October 26 monthly meeting at IHOP -- the president's annual report, new members, thanks to the leadership team, and other information is included in "Final Approach." See the menu bar. [https://pdis.club].

NEXT LEADERSHIP TEAM MEETING: January 15, 2024, at the Academy Art & Frame. [1:30 p.m. -2:30 p.m.] Please join us if you are interested in helping us with competitions, education, or field trips. Thanks!

JANUARY MONTHLY MEETING: Thursday, JAN 25, 2024. LIBRARY 21C. [5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.] Doors open at 5 p.m.

<u>WEBSITE MARKETING OPPORTUNITIES</u>: If you are showing your artworks in a local gallery and would like to invite our PDIS Members, please submit your information through CONTACT US on our website, one month ahead. The Leadership Team will gladly support you. You may also bring flyers / business cards to our meetings.

THANK YOU TO ALL THE MEMBERS: Who supported PDIS through your attendance, participation in our meetings, competitions, shows, and field trips. Your friendship, inspiration, and energy, have contributed much to our club. NO MEETINGS IN NOVEMBER / DECEMBER. HAPPY THANKISGIVING! LC