

PEAK DIGITAL IMAGING SOCIETY
SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER 2024
“AUTUMN TO ARRIVE” from Linda C Case, PDIS President

THANK YOU ...

For attending our bonus August meeting on Thursday, August 22, at Library 21C. Eighteen (18) attendees, including five (5) first timers shared self-introductions with photography hacks, tips and tricks. This segment of our program was so intriguing that I recommend we do a 2025 full program of interactive photography secrets. The combined expertise at this meeting was exceptional and fun.

Thank you to participants: Bill Young / Chris Nelson / Warren Pearce / Al Puente / Steve Moeller / Louise Hunter / Kendra Stone / Colby Raggianti / Pam Ousley / William Wang / and Anne Edward. Forgive me if I missed noting your name here for your great hacks!

THANK YOU TO BILL YOUNG ...

For inviting us to Kendra Stone’s South African wildlife exhibit, recently shown at Cottonwood Center for the Arts. It was a dramatic black & white hybrid of nature and art.

THANK YOU TO CHRIS NELSON ...

For presenting “Ansel Adams: An American Experience,” in PBS videography format (DVD) to our photo club during our August meeting. Few American photographers have reached a national audience or enjoyed such great popularity in their own lifetime as Ansel Adams. He was a visionary photographer, a pioneer in photographic technique, and a crusader for the environment. He loved the wilderness and could express his soul through a photograph. As we display our black & white images this November, we stand on his shoulders regarding creativity, revelation of lighting, timelessness, and public outreach.

CHILDREN’S LIBRARY 21C PROJECT

This project was removed August 31. Jenna Opperman, Director of Marketing and Development for [Hope & Home Foster Care](#), COS, reviewed the entire display before it was taken down. She was impressed with the extraordinary quality and subject matter of these images. Jenna will meet us October 24, at our final meeting of the year: “Photo Finish.”

At that time, she will accept these photos by 15 PDIS artists as donations. H & H places 500 plus kids each year. The busiest time of the year are Thanksgiving and Christmas. Hope & Home lays out our images in piles of categories: birds, bicycles, flowers, sports, toys, transportation, culture, etc. and lets each child choose the picture that “speaks to them” as they are placed in their new home. We have nine months to prepare for June 2025!

Jenna mentioned two (2) teenage boys who would like to own a camera and learn about photography. If you would like to step up to the plate, CONTACT US at:

<https://pdis.club/contact.php>.

If we are unable to find two spare used cameras, they would gladly accept the disposable cameras, easily purchased at Walgreens, Walmart, Target, and Best Buy.

Thanks!

FIELD TRIP TO SPACE FOUNDATION HQ DISCOVERY CENTER

Thank you to Larry McGough for sending out flyers to our PDIS members.

If you did not receive your e-mailed copy, please find the flyer on our website at <https://pdis.club/space.pdf> for detailed information. Saturday, September 14, 2024, 10 AM to noon, followed by lunch at Mollica's on Garden of the Gods Road. Lunch is optional. However, I will need to RSVP on behalf of our group. Please let me know if you plan to eat lunch with us [\$10-20 per person].

RECOMMENDATIONS & SUGGESTIONS

Members of our Leadership Team are crafting the 2025 Calendar.

If you have any suggestions for speakers, newsletter writers, workshop instructors, competition coordinators, field trip leaders, learning group leaders, recruitment leaders or club photographers [related to our meetings / competitions / field trips / and gallery shows], please submit your name and contact information through our CONTACT page on our website: <https://pdis.club/contact.php>

SEPTEMBER 26, 2024 [5:30 P.M. – 7:30 P.M.]

This will be a very interesting INTERACTIVE program where we showcase your ideas for the new year during the first half of the program. The second half of the program will be a digital image competition with the theme: "Gears – Machinery-Wheels," chosen last year by PDIS members. We will also be giving a certificate for the Dave Horn Award -- best bicycle image. Of course, there will be an OPEN THEME for photographer's choice.

See the flyer on our website for detailed guidelines and information.

<https://pdis.club/sept.pdf>

OCTOBER 24, 2024 [5:30 P.M.-7:30 P.M.]

"PHOTO FINISH" will be our last monthly meeting of the year. Our speaker will be Dustin Addison from Mike's Camera. Hold on to your seatbelt because he loves the International Hill Climb, as well as black and white images. We will have a harvest pie celebration!

Jenna Opperman will receive our donated prints - formerly displayed in Children's Library.

NOVEMBER B/W SHOW

The opening reception for this show is November 1. Shutter & Strum. 2217 E. Platte Ave. COS, 80909. Description: Inspiring the next generation of artists, creators, and healers. Through free photography workshops, therapy from trauma specialists, and a public art exhibition with various opportunities for community dialogue.... Prospectus pending.

You may submit questions to Cas Foste through AAFC or CONTACT US: pdis.club. I am already planning my B/W entries – framed and ready to go. AND YOU TOO?!?

FIELD TRIP TO ELIZABETH – The Gabriel Foundation

This is an extraordinary animal shelter in Elbert County, CO, for hundreds of parrots, macaws, and small birds. Our current plans are to leave Sunday morning, October 13, at 0900 from COS. ETA 10 AM. It is located at 39520 Co Rd 13, Elizabeth, CO 80107. This is a veterinary affiliated parrot welfare organization licensed by the State of Colorado. Check out thegabrielfoundation.org Great photo opportunities! Lunch at Catalina's Diner in town. 273 E. Kiowa Ave, Elizabeth, CO 80107. [\$10-20 per person.]
LC