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Our 2017 Competitive Field Trip Old Town Salinas - Sunday, January 22, 2017

ach year *PTCC* takes a competitive field trip to a unique local venue where members compete in assigned image categories. This year we're heading into historic Old Town Salinas. The categories for this competition are still in the works as of this writing, but will focus on the strong historic, cultural and architectural elements of **Old Town.** A full event fact sheet and category list will be provided to Club members and all images submitted for this competition must have been taken on the day of the trip, Sunday, January 22, 2017. We're working on where to meet for lunch, too, so look for more info coming to your mailbox. This is a "Rain or Shine" event!



The Steinbeck House



Glikbarg Building



Steinbeck Center



Southern Pacific Railroad station

Images from the City's walking tour pamphlet.

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December 2016 in Review

n December 4th, the first set of prints was hung at *Mundos Cafe* in Monterey. After front door lock problems required the



Owner Fernando Mundo removes a front window to let us in.

- Photo by Ken Jones

owner, Fernando Mundo, to literally break into the restaurant to let us all in, things went smoothly and the Club's work looked fabulous on the walls there. The information tags that Chris Johnson made for us worked beautifully. We've had one sale generated by the show with Chris Johnson's "Pure Joy" being snatched up and delivered as a Christmas present. Outstanding!

Photos by Dominique Gallet

At our December 7th meeting at Hilltop, Padre Trails members and friends once again proved their artistic talent and generous nature in support of our 2016 annual print donation and raffle in support

of the Food Bank for Monterey **County**. An incredible array of images in a wide range of styles encircled the room and generated a great deal of excitement among those present. After a lively drawing and scramble for prints, we'd raised nearly \$600 in ticket sales. The Club pitched in to round the number up and a check for \$600 was sent to the Food Bank. Congratulations to all who participated for making the 2016 Holiday Season a little

cheerier for those in need in our community.

Bits & Pixels



My Two Bits ... Old New Year's Resolutions

"In the coming year I hereby resolve to...." How many times have we promised to make changes in our lives at this time of year and then things go on as before until next New Year's Eve? And then we do it again. Human nature. So what to resolve? I'm pretty sure that we all had events or moments in 2016 that, when recalled, elicit a cringe, a sigh or a silent, "Sorry." So, in the coming year I hereby resolve to reduce these moments to zero. 'Tis a lofty goal, I'll admit, but a personal cringe-free 2017 is within my reach. If I fall short at times, well, sigh, sorry.

~ Take your lens cap off.

Ken Jones

January Update

Our **January 4th**, **2017** meeting has been changed to an *Open Projecter* evening, including *Carol Silveira's Halloween Show*. We also hope to have some print sharing.

Our Black & White returns will be presented at our January 18th meeting. *Eduardo Fuji* is the Judge for this competition. He used to be a member of *PTCC* and said he was happy to give back. Eduardo has exhibited at the *CPA* and other local places and won many awards. He has a wonderful website:

· https://eduardofujii.photography

The Pictorial #2 submission, which has the directed subject, "Circles," is due on **Sunday**, **January 29**th. Our Judge will be *Christine Holding*. Her website is:

https://christineholding.smugmug.com.

Editor's Corner

My husband, Doug, and I returned just a few days ago from our holiday trip to Oregon where we celebrated Christmas with our daughter's family – including two grand kids under 5. It was a good trip, but we both came down with colds. So it's nice to be home! I hope you all had joyful holidays and wish you good health and happiness in 2017.

Carmay Knowles, Editor

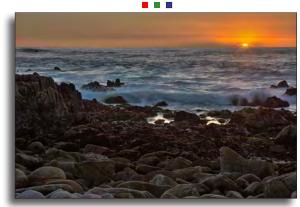
Please send comments, suggestions, images and photographic news items to info@padretrailscc.org. or by clicking on "Letters to the Editor" at the bottom of our Bits & Pixels Newsletter website page.

Upcoming Exhibits

As always, you can find a comprehensive listing of upcoming events at *Monterey Peninsula Photographic Events* by clicking on the link on our website *Links of Interest* page or going to:

• http://mpenphotoevents.blogspot.com

Of special note is *Steve Zmak's* Solo Exhibit: *Expressions of Infinity*: 30 black and white photographs including two just published in *Black & White Magazine*. The opening Reception is **Friday, January 6th, 2017, 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm** at the Pacific Grove Art Center, 568 Lighthouse Avenue, Pacific Grove, CA.



Last Sunset of 2016 ~ Carol Silveira

Padre Trails Camera Club

Meetings: 1st & 3rd Wednesdays, 7:00-9:00 PM Hilltop Center, 871 Jessie St., Monterey 831-646-3975

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