

The Official Bulletin of  
**The Modesto  
Camera Club**  
March 2016  
Visitors Are Always Welcome

**Meetings:** 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays of the month, 7:30 pm.  
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**March 21 – Program**

**Water Drops, Smoke  
and Masking**

Last year we had a program from Topaz and special deals on their software. How many of you have mastered the use of this software? Well prepare to learn a little more about Topaz ReMask. After you get the information on masking out people or objects from a scene you can then place them in images you take during the next phase of tonight's program. You will be shown and have the opportunity to photograph water drops and smoke.

You will want to bring your cameras, tripods, cable releases may be useful, lens that will let you focus from about a foot to two feet away.

Once you have your water drop and smoke images and know how to mask out a portion of an image there is no limit on what you can create, or you can use those images just as they were photographed.

**April 4 Competition**

**Judge: ???**

Don't know who the judge will be, but the Challenge subject is Windows.

**May 1**

**Gold Rush Chapter - Fresno**

The Gold Rush Chapter of PSA meets four times a year. Usually the meetings are held in Sacramento but the May 1<sup>st</sup> meeting will be held in Fresno at the Ramada Inn, 324 East Shaw Avenue. The meeting usually consists of three 45-minute programs on a variety of subjects, three or four short 5-10 minute programs and a print critique. There is a five dollar guest fee for non-members. Lunch is available for \$22.

**“There are no bad pictures; that's just  
how your face looks sometimes.”  
Abraham Lincoln**



## Special Events

### Daffodil Hill

Daffodil Hill opened for the 2016 season on March 2 and will stay open, weather permitting, as long as at least 25% of the daffodils are in bloom. Located at 18310 Rams Horn Grade, Volcano CA. Open everyday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. weather permitting. Admission and parking are free. You may call 209-296-7048 for a recorded phone message to see if Daffodil Hill is open on that particular day.

### American Civil War Association Knight's Ferry

Saturday, March 19 to Sunday, March 20 located at the Knight's Ferry Covered Bridge.

### Dandelion Days

Saturday and Sunday, March 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., in downtown Jackson.

### Color Fun Fest Sacramento

Saturday, April 9<sup>th</sup>, Downtown Sacramento at Capitol Mall 4:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Website:

<http://colorfunfest5k.com/sacramento/>

**"IF YOU TAKE A LAPTOP  
COMPUTER FOR A RUN YOU COULD  
JOG YOUR MEMORY."**

## Shutter Speed

What is shutter speed? What does it do? Do I want a fast shutter speed or a slow one?

Shutter speed is the amount of time your shutter stays open for light to reach your sensor and capture the scene before you. It is measured in seconds or fractions of seconds. Most modern digital SLR's have a range from 1/1000 or even faster to 30 seconds with a special setting of Bulb which will leave the shutter open for as long as you hold the button down.

Why would you use one speed over another? If you want to stop a fast moving object and freeze the action you need a fast (1/250) shutter speed, if you want to blur the movement of a waterfall, background of a race or for some other reason you need a slow (5 seconds) shutter speed. The other deciding factor is the lens you are shooting with. Normally, without stabilization you can only hand hold and get a sharp image at one over the mm of the lens. So, if you have a 200mm lens you need to shoot at 1/200<sup>th</sup> of a second or faster unless you use a tripod or have stabilization.



Cheetah – 1/2000 of a second



Sphere and Bay Bridge – 30 seconds

## Challenge List

February .....  
March .....  
April ..... Windows  
May ..... Architecture  
June ..... Sunrise/Sunset  
October ..... Silhouette  
November .... Mostly Two Colors

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## Calendar of Events

March 21 ..... MCC Program, Modesto  
..... Set-ups – Bring Your Camera  
March 28 ..... MCC Digital Images Due  
April 4 ..... MCC Competition, Modesto  
..... Windows – Judge???  
April 18 ..... MCC Program, Modesto  
..... Macro – Close-Up Photography  
May 1 ..... Gold Rush Chapter, Fresno  
May 2 ..... MCC Competition, Modesto  
May 16 ..... MCC Program, Modesto  
..... The Photographers Ephemeris and  
Stellarium --- "A Beginners Guide to  
Understanding Their Use".  
June 6 ..... MCC Competition, Modesto

## SUMMER BREAK

August 21.. Gold Rush Chapter, Sacramento

## Cookies and Drinks

March 21

Cookies – Rinda Webber  
Drinks – Bill Moore

April 4

Cookies – Barbara Shaw  
Drinks – Sam Shaw

April 18

Cookies – Eric Bjerke  
Drinks – Joe Yonan

Remember – Dinner with the Judge on  
Competition nights at 6 pm at **Perko's**  
located at 901 N. Carpenter Rd #50,  
Modesto.

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*"Frustration is trying to find  
your glasses without your  
glasses."*



## 2016 Competition Scores

Names		Pictorial								
Last	First	Class	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Oct	Nov	Total
1	Bjerke	Eric	A	10	8					18
2	Brewer	Marsha								
3	Buginas	John								
4	Callas	Don								
5	Chambers	Bob	A							
6	Council	Warren	A	10	8					18
7	Elms	Kerry	AA	10	9					19
8	Friedrich	Larry	A	10						10
9	Garcez	Dave								
10	Gomes	Jerry	A	10	10					20
11	Hall	Jack	A	10	7					17
12	Harvey	Rebecca	AA	10	10					20
13	Hudson	Alli								
14	Hunter	Gary	AAA	9	10					19
15	Joy	Taresa	AA	9	10					19
16	Lamarre	Darrin	A							
17	Liley	Bud	A	9	9					18
18	Medeiros	Bob	A	8	9					17
19	Menard	Jim	AA	9	9					18
20	Menard	Sandy	A	8	10					18
21	Moore	Bill	AAA	9	9					18
22	Nichols	Susanne	AA	9	8					17
23	Powell	Gary	A							
24	Ramos	Francisca	A							
25	Richards	Alan	A	10	10					20
26	Richter	Ed	A	9	8					17
27	Shaw	Barbara	A	9	9					18
28	Shaw	Sam	AAA	10	9					19
29	Shook	Ernest								
30	Shroyer	Bob								
31	Shroyer	Paula	AAA	10	10					20
32	Smith	Lisa								
33	Standfill	Stephanie	A							
34	Stephens	Amanda	A							
35	Theilen	Ken	A	8	9					17
36	Walker	Mike								
37	Webber	Rinda	A	9	9					18
38	Yonan	Joe	A							
<b>Score Count</b>				<b>22</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>43</b>
<b>Total Points</b>				<b>205</b>	<b>190</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>395</b>
<b>Average Points per Image</b>				<b>9.32</b>	<b>9.05</b>					<b>9.19</b>

2016 Competition Scores											
Names			Nature								
Last	First	Class	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Oct	Nov	Total	
1	Bjerke	Eric	A	9	10					19	1
2	Brewer	Marsha								-	2
3	Buginas	John								-	3
4	Callas	Don								-	4
5	Chambers	Bob	A							-	5
6	Costa	Robin	A							-	6
7	Elms	Kerry	AAA	10	9					19	7
8	Friedrich	Larry								-	8
9	Garcez	Dave								-	9
10	Gomes	Jerry	AA	9	8					17	10
11	Hall	Jack	AA	9	8					17	11
12	Harvey	Rebecca	AAA	10	10					20	12
13	Hudson	Alli								-	13
14	Hunter	Gary	AA	9	9					18	14
15	Joy	Taresa	AAA	9	10					19	15
16	Lamarre	Darrin	A							-	16
17	Liley	Bud								-	17
18	Medeiros	Bob	AA	8	10					18	18
19	Menard	Jim	AAA	8	9					17	19
20	Menard	Sandy								-	20
21	Moore	Bill	AAA	10	9					19	21
22	Nichols	Susanne	AAA	9	8					17	22
23	Powell	Gary	A	10	10					20	23
24	Ramos	Francisca	A							-	24
25	Richards	Alan	A	8	9					17	25
26	Richter	Ed	AA	9	9					18	26
27	Shaw	Barbara	A	9	9					18	27
28	Shaw	Sam	AAA	10	10					20	28
29	Shook	Ernest								-	29
30	Shroyer	Bob								-	30
31	Shroyer	Paula								-	31
32	Smith	Lisa	A							-	32
33	Standfill	Stephanie	A							-	33
34	Stephens	Amanda	A							-	34
35	Theilen	Ken	A	10	8					18	35
36	Webber	Rinda	AAA	9	9					18	36
37	Wilburn	Mark								-	37
38	Yonan	Joe								-	38

<b>Score Count</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>36</b>
<b>Total Points</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>329</b>
<b>Average Points per Image</b>	<b>9.17</b>	<b>9.11</b>							<b>9.14</b>





