

### Meeting Agenda

- Welcome
- Monthly Assignment slideshow
- 2018 Photo Contest
- Creating a family website (Bert Taylor)
- Smartphone Camera App
- Photography Tips (videos)
- Monthly assignment

# **HCC** Faculty & Meeting Leaders

Hobbyists Camera Club

### Camera Club Faculty Update

- I am looking again for a few volunteers willing to manage (alone or with a fellow Member) a meeting in 2018.
- The meeting can also be a Photo Shoot like the one we had this past December.
- Please email me if you are interested in running one meeting.

### 2018 Meeting Leaders

<b>Meeting date</b>	Meeting Leader	
Jan. 24, 2018	Giancarlo Bisone	
Feb. 14, 2018	Bert Taylor & Giancarlo Bisone	
Mar. 7, 2018	Giancarlo Bisone	
Apr. 4, 2018	Tom Heed	
May 2, 2018	Steve Basch	
Jun. 6, 2018	TBD	
Sep. 5, 2018	Lou Karcher & Giancarlo Bisone	
Oct. 3, 2018	Walt Staab	
Nov. 7, 2017	TPD	
Dec. 5, 2017	TBD	

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### Monthly Assignment Slideshow



View slideshow at https://youtu.be/8nGWz87hPCE

### 2018 Photo Contest

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### **HCC Photo Contest**

- The deadline to submit the photos for the contest is passed and 27 Members entered 52 photos.
   Last year 46 photos were entered.
- \* All entries are posted on our web site in an album.
- An email will be sent tonight to all Hobbyists asking them to pick their top 3 photos.
- The votes will be sent via email to Lew Dickinson (lewandsue@optonline.net) that will tally them. The voting deadline is March 4, 2018.
- The top 10 photos will be critiqued and judged by the Camera Club members attending the March 2018 meeting.

### **HCC Photo Contest**

### Contest Prizes

I <sup>st</sup> place	\$100 B&H gift certificate
2 <sup>nd</sup> place	\$50 B&H gift certificate
3 <sup>rd</sup> place	\$25 B&H gift certificate
Honorable Mention	\$15 Amazon gift certificate
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- The winning photos will be printed (at our expenses) and shown at our Photo Exhibition in November 2018.
- All the contest entries can be see in this album: https://www.flickr.com/photos/82687026@N00/sets/ 72157693354744085/

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# Creating a family website

**Bert Taylor** 



### Why create a family website?

### What can happen

- Years ago, there was a flood in a basement and all the photos were stored there.
- The computer crashed and I lost all the pictures I had saved
- The cloud server went out of business or was hacked.

### Why now?

- The "greatest generation" is fizzling out. The VA estimates we lose 1,150 a Day!
- Tales go untold
- Students don't know their history lessons and there is now "fake news".

# Aren't photo websites enough?

They are great but only one part of your story. What were relationships.

Why was that baseball photo important?

Where people were during special events

You can provide links from one picture to another as you see fit

### **Photo Websites**

Snapshot	
Dropbox	
Shutterfly	
Amazon	
Picasa	
23 Snaps	
Smugmug Flikr 500 Pixels Photobucket Etc.	

A good photo-hosting service should offer six things:

**Space**: Enough storage to keep all of your photos in one place

Quality: Your photos saved in high-res.

Ease of Use: You need to be able to upload photos easily, and edit them.

Ease of Access: Sort photos by date, by tags or other means.

**Shareability**: Sharing photos allows you to post pictures to other sites.

**Printability:** Should be able to buy a print or put together a photo book

# Story sharing websites

Facebook.com	
My Family.com	
Google.com	
Family	
Crossings.com	
Pinterest.com	
Rootsy.com	
Just Family.com	

### Do it yourself websites

(fromPCMag.com)

- Wix.com
- Wed.com
- GoDaddy.com
- Weelby.com
- Fiverr.com
- Hibu.com
- Squarespace.com

# Customizing a Template

- What do you want to show how to organize
- · Who is audience
- Source of info family records, photo albums, pictures, movies, slides
- How to sort historical, geographical, relationship
- Compile outline and check family members for details

### Collecting your photos

### 1. Collect It All Into One Place

Collecting all in one place will avoid chasing down photos mid-project or repeat work later because a new discovery changes previous work.

All the digital to one drive and all printed to one physical place.

### 2. Make the Photos Safe

Protect your images. Your digital copy can be in the cloud or a drive off-site. Printed photos can't be easily duplicated. Place your photos in clean, dry watertight boxes with lids to prevent damage.

# **Entering Photos**

- Family album or loose photos
- Group as you have outlined
- Subgroup as outlined
- For each natural grouping, add notes to accompany section / picture w dates
- Put notes on paper to see if there are links

# Decisions, decisions

- Decide on template that gives freedom to reorganize and expand for future growth
- Begin process of adding photos / movies / slides
- Older materials will need scanning and work with photo editing to show up
- Decide on color schemes / backgrounds for album and section

# Personal Pictures





My mom in 1924



Clip from 1942 movie of my in laws wedding in NYC

# Scan and Improve with software









**Colorize old photos – Very time consuming or expensive** 



**Chronological** 1939 – 1950 1951 - on

Events in family history

WWI WWII First kids Teenage years **Hierarchy** Great grandparents

Grandparents You Etc.

# Smartphone Camera App

### Smartphone Camera App

- All smartphone are shipped with a basic camera app that allow the user some basic photo shooting.
- If you want to have more control on the smartphone built-in camera, you might look at some additional app that allow to control ISO, shutter speed, etc.
- One of the best add-on camera app is Camera+ that is free for Android phones and it costs \$2.99 for iPhones.
- Camera+ includes a photo editor, many filters and scene modes.



# Monthly Assignment

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### Monthly Assignments

### **Car Details**



if you have it, take these photos with your smartphone

# Calendar Wednesday March 7, 2018 Camera Club Meeting Hobbyists Camera Club **Thanks**