



# The Viewfinder

Newsletter of the Peterborough Photographic Society

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## President's Message By Claude Denis

### Let's Make This Happen

I sit here today with one idea in mind: "What do I think I can do for the PPS as president?" The first problem arises in the fact that I can only offer what I know, or is my role more in offering what you know, or wish to know. The Viewfinder, the programs, the speakers, the outings, and the challenges were all designed to serve you, the members. They are designed to help you improve, develop, and share your photographic skills in this, an ever-changing technological world.

I suspect we don't often practice our choice of art (Photography) as much as we would like in the din of our busy lives. Taking time to really look, and see is a luxury that, for so many, has been trampled by our pace of life. The onset of digital photography has added to our need for instant results, sometimes with little energy expended.

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All this is to say that I have chosen my preferred form of expression, and the PPS has helped me immensely to improve my skills in attempting to represent the spirit of the scene I am photographing. I have come to see this club as an extended family, as I try to do with most things in life. We as people are not always perfect, and, sometimes, a meeting is not perfect. But, I believe we are all striving for the same goal. To learn and share our knowledge with like-minded people.

As an executive, we are here, not to entertain, but to take what you contribute, and organize it in a way that our meetings will be both entertaining and helpful. We need your knowledge, your passion, and your questions, but most of all, we need your participation to make this happen. This year, I will try to make the President's Messages reflect our goals as a photographic society.

And with that, I wish everyone a great summer, and, hopefully, we will all take the time to get out there and take photos. You will find the themes for the new year in the May issue of The Viewfinder.

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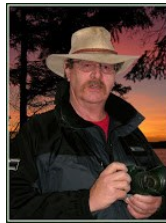
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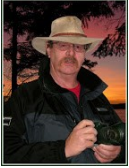


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## Program Notes By Terry Carpenter

### MAY MEETING

It was great to see so many members participate in the Five-Minute slide shows. A total of 15 presentations came in with a diversity of subjects ranging from infra-red photography to travelogues. Thanks to all who participated, for all your time, effort, and ideas.

### JUNE MEETING

Our next meeting will be the End-Of-Year Slide Show. There will be many images from each member who submitted in the last year and put to music. If you missed some meetings, now is the time to see those pictures. Also there will be an extended break with ice cream.

**NOTE:** Since our website is temporarily down, we will be using the links noted below to submit photos for the June meeting. Please drag-and-drop each link to your desktop or a folder conveniently placed somewhere on your computer. It will appear as an icon with a long URL address. Just right click this and then click on **rename** and call it the corresponding link name such as theme or outings, etc. Hope this doesn't cause you any inconvenience.  
Cheers, Terry (Projectionist)

#### THEME

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### 2019 PHOTO THEME

June: Clouds

#### June Outings

#### Breakfast Outing

June 8th

Zim Art

#### Regular Outing

June 22nd

Scarborough Bluffs &  
Bluffers Park



**Etiquette** contributed by George Dimitroff

## Pow-wow Photography Etiquette

We attended a Pow-Wow last week, and I did not take a camera, but I was curious about their policies in case I returned. Sheila sent me the following link to look over, and I was given the attached .pdf at the event.

<https://newsmaven.io/indiancountrytoday/archive/pow-wow-etiquette-10-rules-to-follow-in-and-out-of-the-arena-zs0Fb3CsGEyju8O1QJL9Fw/>

The person at the gate indicated that you may only take photos inside the circle if it is inter-tribal (involving all genders and ages). This seems informal. Otherwise, you are not allowed to take photos of anything traditional or formal. We saw men only and women only and that would not be allowed. Furthermore, if you take a photo of a person outside of the circle you are advised to always ask permission. Hope this might be helpful to PPS members,

#1- Pow-wows are fun events, but they are also sacred events. Ceremonial songs and dances, which are sacred, are performed from time-to-time throughout the pow-wow.

#2- People should stand during all ceremonial songs and dances. These include the Grand Entry, Flag Songs, Veteran Songs, Honour Songs, and any other songs that the M.C. designates as ceremonial songs.

#3 - Do not take any photos, or video or sound recordings of ceremonies without asking permission from the person or group you are recording. Some areas of Turtle Island do not allow the recording of ceremonies period.

#4- People should listen to the M.C. because he or she will announce the different songs and will also let people know when they can dance and when they cannot. The M.C. will also give out other information and news.

#5- Respect the Elders, drummers, singers, dancers, the pow-wow staff, and the committee.

#6- The dancers wear regalia while they are dancing not "costumes". People should not touch the regalia. Never pick up a piece of a dancer's outfit. Point out the fallen item to the person instead. Upon asking permission, dancers will usually oblige a request to look at their outfit and to take a photo.

#7- Appropriate dress and behaviour are required in the dance area.

#8- People should take good care of their children at pow-wows.



## Etiquette Continued

- #9- Do not hold children while dancing in the dance area. The child may be construed as a gift to the Creator.
- #10- Do not run around the dance area. Always walk in a clockwise direction when you are in the dance area. Horse-play is not tolerated.
- #11- Do not bring alcohol or drugs to a pow-wow. Do not come to a pow-wow while you are intoxicated.
- #12 - Dogs are not allowed around the pow-wow area.
- #13 - Bring your own chairs. Do not sit on someone else's chair unless you have their permission.
- #14- Remember you are a guest. Have fun, ask questions and meet people.



For a look at a different kind of photography etiquette, George also suggests that members take a look at the Ontario Parks blog about photography etiquette related to nature photography. It can be found at this address: [www.ontarioparks.com/parksblog/etiquette-for-nature-photography](http://www.ontarioparks.com/parksblog/etiquette-for-nature-photography)





## Location Challenge By Brian Crangle

### Peterborough City Hall

Hi, Folks ...

As some of you might know, I have been ill and am currently undergoing tests. My thanks to those who have visited and sent good wishes.

Here is the June challenge once again.

Last challenge for the year. I hope you get images like this one.

Once again, I encourage creativity. Get out there, and show us that you had some fun, These images will be shown at the June meeting.





## Outings By Dave Duffus

### June Outings

**NOTE:** If you plan to go on one of the Outings, please sign the sheet at the meeting, or send Dave an e-mail. It's much easier to make reservations when we know how many will be attending. Thank you!

**Breakfast Outing: June 8th.** Zim Art. We can meet at the site at 11 a.m., maybe have breakfast before we go. Check the website: [zimart.ca](http://zimart.ca)

**Regular Outing: June 22nd.** Scarborough Bluffs and Bluffers Park. We can car-pool from the Harper Road parking lot. Leaving there at 8:30 a.m.



Photo courtesy of the Zim Art web site

If you are unable to drive, or you need a lift to an Outing, please be sure to call another PPS Member who will be attending the Outing and ask for a ride.

There will always be someone available to help.

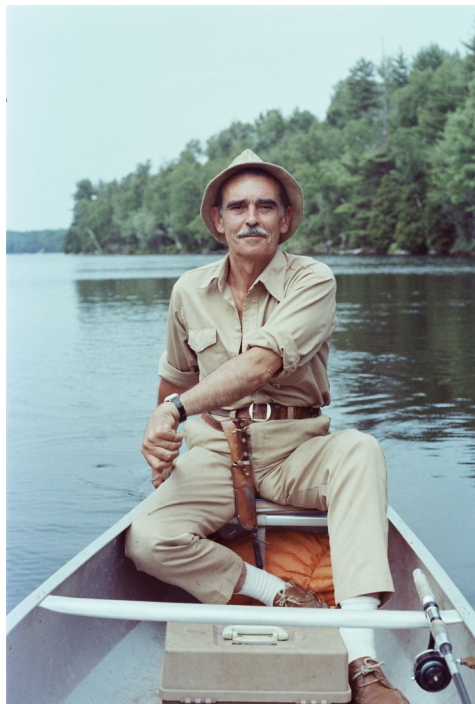


## Word Images By Murray Palmer

### In Ron Lawrence's Canoe

Murray Palmer, Copyright 2013

Into this tiny bay, a boggy retreat where great blue herons hide,  
Ron and I, paddling slowly now, smoothly, quietly, glide.  
We'd been patiently watching a bankside lodge, waiting for beaver to emerge,  
But after an hour and a half of seeing none, the exploratory urge  
Saw us following open surface channels through growths of water lily.  
Time can escape one in this idyllic place, and I was feeling silly.  
Across the dark water lie the water lilies' bright emerald leaves....  
What a calming effect on one's mind this spectacle achieves!  
The cheery, sunlit blooms of white and yellow lilies belie hidden danger below.  
One dare not step offshore into this mire - one's descent will not be slow!  
Then small splashing and chewing sounds revealed a head with fur slicked back;  
Another beaver on my right was also devouring its fibrous snack.  
I like to think, when paddling Ron Lawrence's canoe, that he's still here,  
Watching wildlings with me as we did in times of yesteryear.  
To Ron, who thought the experts' accounts of beaver ways deficient,  
Only field observation, not studying dead animals, would prove sufficient.  
It's now the evening of the twentieth of August with calm, pleasant weather.  
A spell is cast to draw two very different earthlings together.  
One changes its habitat to one as cyclical as what came before,  
Whereas landscapes transformed by the other soon become an eyesore.  
In Ron's canoe, at peace with myself, with these aquatic creatures,  
It seemed the beavers regarded me almost like everyday features.  
The sun slipped below the treetops, and the water glowed under skies of lead.  
In the growing gloom the beavers and I paddled for home, ready for bed.







**From the Editor's desk** By Judith Bain

## Your Newsletter Needs You!

This is a reminder to all PPS members that ***The Viewfinder*** is YOUR newsletter.

We can only continue to publish our monthly editions if we have contributions from the membership. Please contribute to the PPS by sending articles, photos, and photography-related information for inclusion in *The Viewfinder*. Thank you!

**Please Note:** If you like to participate in photo contests, please look at this web site:  
<https://www.photocontestinsider.com/>

### Equipment Sell / Swap

A table will be available at every meeting so members may display any photography-related gear that you wish to sell or trade.

### June Meeting

Tuesday, June 4th  
 7:00 p.m.  
 @ the Lions Centre,  
 347 Burnham St.,  
 Peterborough, ON.

### Viewfinder Seeks Submissions From Members

*The Viewfinder* invites PPS members to submit their work for any of the following features:

- The Story Behind My Photograph:** Send in one or more photos and the story behind them.
- Photo Essay:** Send in a series of photographs on a topic or location.
- Insights:** If you would like to contribute an essay with photos on anything to do with photography, you are welcome to send it to us.
- The Parting Shot:** Send in a photo with date, time, location, aperture, shutter speed, and ISO.



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## Viewfinder Submissions

We encourage PPS members to submit their photos and personal news, as well as articles, poetry, writing, and humour about photography and our club.

Text submissions should be in one of the following file formats: .doc, .rtf, .odt, or .pub. Image files in formats such as .jpeg, .tiff, .gif, or .png graphic file.

The editor reserves the right to edit all submissions for size, content, and style without consultation.

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# The Parting Shot

By Judith Bain

