

**GRAND PHOTOS  
GENERAL MEETING  
NOVEMBER 9, 2011**

Meeting began at 2:00 pm.

**Sue Maruggi, President of the Club** opened the meeting with a welcome to all new members. She explained that the Club holds two memberships meeting each month from October through April. The first is the second Wednesday of the month and the third Wednesday with a program speaker.

Today's speaker is Mike Matlach who will do a presentation on Photographing Faith. This will be followed by the 50/50 drawing, business meeting and fun and friendly competition winner.

The 50/50 drawing was won by Jay Gardella.

**Sue Penney, Membership** - Our membership is now 400.

**Dik Salbury, ACCC Round Up** - Saturday, November 19<sup>th</sup> Grand Photos is hosting the ACCC Fall Round Up. He thanked Liz Burke for arranging all foods for that day. The cost to come to this event is \$28.00. This includes a continental breakfast, lunch and presentations by accomplished photographers. The winners from the Fall ACCC Competition will also be announced. Larry Linder is co-chairperson involved compiling the prints and judging. Lyle Patton is working with Dik on the digital portion. The event will be held in the Sonoran Plaza with three meeting rooms displaying prints. Friday, November 14<sup>th</sup> is the last day for registration. At the present time we have 175 people attending, with 57 from Grand

Photos.

**Mel Whaley, Programs** - November 16<sup>th</sup> our speaker will be Larry Becker.

Larry Becker is a trainer, author, designer, photographer, freelancer, and small business professional, and for the past 6 years he has been the Executive Director of NAPP. For more than two decades, Larry started and ran his own small businesses including an advertising firm, a web design firm, and a computer training company. Much of his professional career has revolved around Photoshop (he even taught Photoshop part time at USF in Tampa) and photography and now he's going on the road for the National Association of Photoshop Professionals (NAPP) to reach out to camera clubs all across the country and show them what NAPP is all about.

Being a part of the most popular Photoshop and photography training organization on the planet, Larry has the opportunity to cherry-pick some of the best, most popular training for photographers and bring it, live and in person, to camera clubs like ours.

Larry's presentation is solid training; the kind of information NAPP and Kelby Training are known for. He'll be presenting content from Scott Kelby's popular 7 Point System for Camera Raw. And if you use Light room, this is equally valid training because when it comes to post processing, Light room and Camera Raw are practically identical. And even Photoshop Elements users will be happy because Larry is the featured instructor at Kelby Training for Photoshop Elements 9, and he'll cover some techniques for Elements users.

So plan to join us for Larry's visit. You're sure to get some fast and powerful processing tips and to help your images look better.

**Linda McKean, Photo shoots** - Our November 14<sup>th</sup> photo shoot for the Tempe sunset has 14 people going. The November 17<sup>th</sup> photo shoot to the Japanese Gardens needs one more person to go, to help with the driving. A photo shoot is scheduled for Glendale Glitters, with a workshop prior to go over techniques. Please check the website for more info and dates.

**Stan Borman, PSA** - The educational concept from all competitions is an important part of the process and feedback is essential. On that note, on November 22<sup>nd</sup> after the round up, will hold a critiquing class on prints and digitals submitted.

PSA will be holding a Grand Canyon International Circuit Exhibition. The cost will be \$36 and 8 images can be entered in two categories. This competition is open to everyone and encourages members to enter. More information will be forthcoming on the website. The judging will be around April 22, 2012.

**Gary Jann** informed the members that Skunk Works is no longer in existence and has been replaced by Pro Show and Pro Show Gold. The meetings are still the third Thursday of the month at 1:00 in the lab.

**Arnie Becker, Fun and Friendly** - Peggy Boike won the contest. Arnie is also chairperson of the mentoring program. If anyone needs help in their photography quest, please contact him and he can match you up with someone who will be happy to help you.

Meeting ended at 3:15 pm.

Respectively submitted,

Gina Evangelista