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## November Photo Challenge Winners "Architecture"



Tatiana Hoosack  
"Aimed at the Sky"



1<sup>st</sup> Place

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**2nd Place**

Larry Tipton  
**"Tiny Town on a Twisty Daydream"**



**3rd Place**

Michael Rooney  
**"Framed"**

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- To promote the art of photography as a hobby in a multicultural, congenial atmosphere.
- To promote educational experiences in the pursuit of excellence in photography.
- To promote public interest in and respect for fine photography.

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Check out our Club on our new website and on Facebook. Many of our members continue to post great photos, good information and interesting links.



<https://petersburgcameraclub.org/>

[www.facebook.com/groups/cccccinc](https://www.facebook.com/groups/cccccinc)

**November 2025 Treasurer's Report****Receipts**

a. Dues	\$	50.00
b. Donations	\$	41.00
	<b>+</b>	<b>\$ 91.00</b>

**Disbursements**

a. PAAL November 2025	\$	50.00
Rent		
	<b>-</b>	<b>\$ 50.00</b>

**Dick Menendez, Treasurer**

**November Meeting Summary**

The meeting was called to order at 6:45 by Larry Tipton with 18 people in attendance.

Larry opened the meeting with some standard administrative remarks

This month's meeting was about the Club itself and was a chance to discuss some recent changes, and to give the members an update on possible future adjustments.

The first topic was a business update which covered bylaw revisions, board restructuring, finances, and membership changes. Any Bylaw revisions aim to simplify governance; the Club's recent transition gives us a smaller, less complex structure, and bylaws revisions are under review for further streamlining.

Membership renewal to revert to January cycle for administrative efficiency. This will give us a better financial picture for event and activity planning. There will be adjustments for those who joined during this past year.

Next Dick Menendez, the Treasurer, gave a financial report highlighting:

- 2025 financials combine Cockade City and Petersburg Camera Clubs; Cockade City Club now closed.
- Our expenses exceed our income; projected year-end balance drops from \$1,540 to \$995.

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**November Meeting Summary**

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- Our major expenses: website renewal (\$323), rent (\$50/month), tax/accounting fees (\$375), insurance (\$300), state registration (\$100). In addition, there will be a final tax return for Cockade City Club due in early 2025; future returns not required as 501c7 non-profit.
- Fundraising and increased dues needed; proposed activities include photography classes and portrait studios; lack of promotion previously limited success.

Next we discussed our social media. Website hosting and content updates discussed, recognizing the need for more frequent updates and possible web host migration to reduce costs. The current website is updated infrequent; there are plans to add monthly winners, articles, and event info. We then had a short discussion on website value versus social media presence; website is a major expense.

We then took time to review and vote on the entries in this month's Photo Challenge. The topic was **Architecture**, but the reveal was held until the end of the program. Next, we showed the Miscellaneous Photos submitted this month. For this month images came from Jim Griffiths, John A. Rooney, Jr., Tatiana Hoosack, James Hampton-Snow, Ken Cox, Juan Giraud, Larry Tipton, Marvin Averett, Amber Smith, Tom Saunders, John K. Rooney and Tim Trauger. [See their photos on pages **5-8**].

When the counting was done the winners were: 1st – Crystal Phelps; 2<sup>nd</sup> – Tatiana Hoosack; 3<sup>rd</sup> - Tim Trauger. [Look for their photos on the cover and page 2]. Then we selected the topic for the December Photo Challenge contest: **Arches**. [See the details on this page.]

The meeting was then adjourned.

**December 2025 Monthly Photo Challenge****“Arches”**

The traditional definition of an arch is: a typically curved structural member spanning an opening and serving as a support. It can be man-made or natural. Arches are integrated into everyday objects, most of the time escaping our notice. But – there are other meanings that can really stretch your photographic eye. [Hint: look for alternative meanings in a dictionary!]



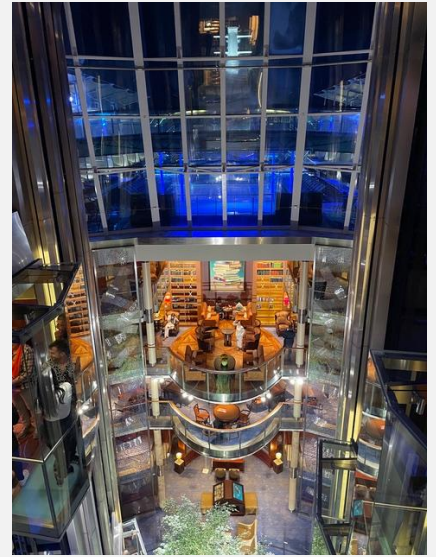
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**Members' Gallery** - a sampling of photos submitted by Club members from the past month.



(Photos by Jim Griffiths)



Members of the Cockade City Camera Club busily taking pictures of beautiful model Taylor Harris on Old Street. The Club sponsored a photo shoot that was lead by Kent Harris, a Club Board member. Saturday, Oct. 15th.



Left to right - Creighton Barber, Douglas Donovan, and Kent Harris discuss the functions of a camera at a Cockade City Camera Club sponsored photo shoot held Saturday, Oct. 15th in Old Towne.



Members of the Cockade City Camera Club eagerly taking photos of beautiful model Taylor Harris on Pike St. in Old Towne, Pety. The photo shoot was lead by Kent Harris, a Club Board member. Saturday, Oct. 15th.

(Photos by John A. Rooney, Jr.)



Members' Gallery [continued]



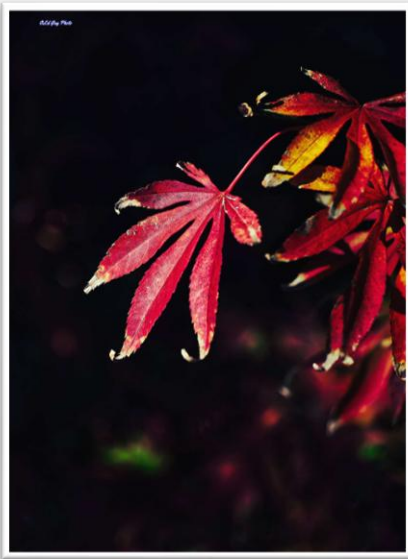
(Photos by Tatiana Hoosack)



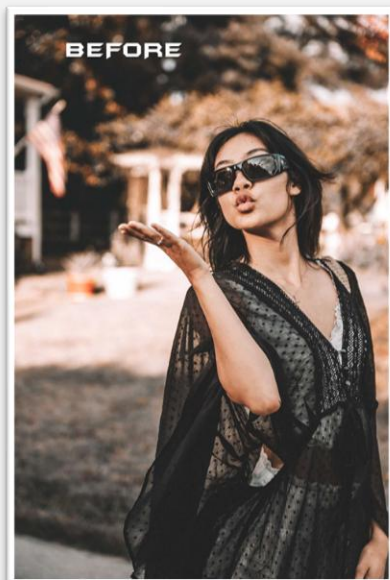
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Members' Gallery [continued]



(Photos by Ken Cox)



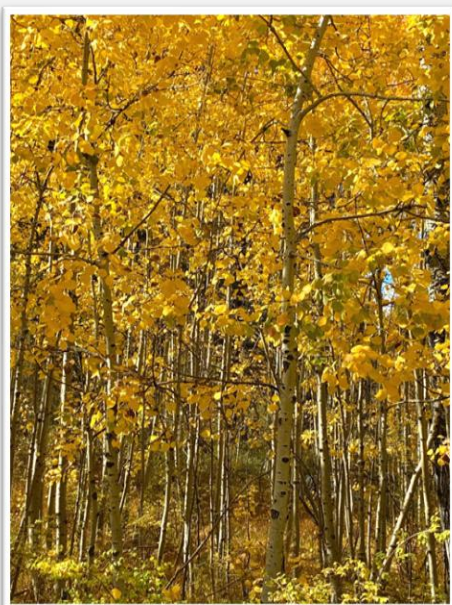
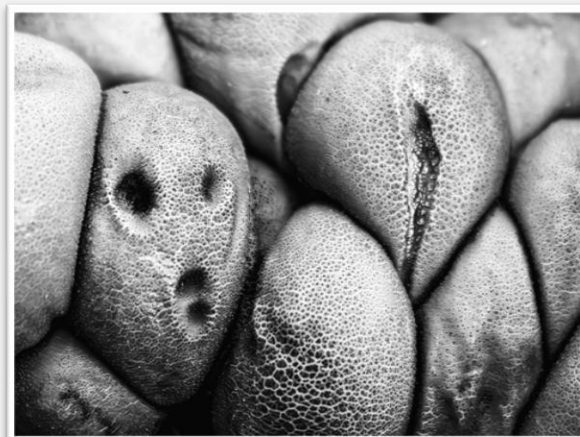
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**Members' Gallery** [continued]

(Photos by Larry Tipton)



(Photos by Marvin Averett)

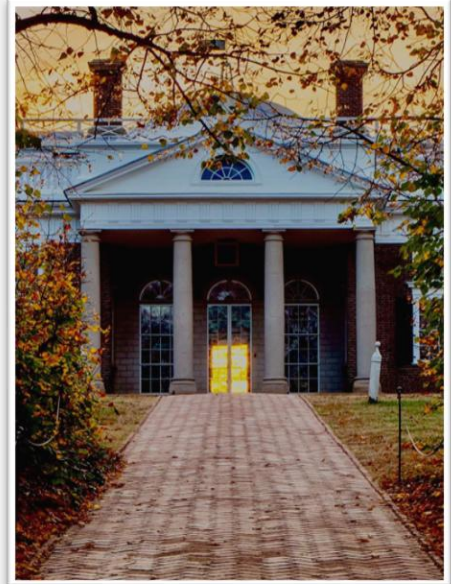




**Members' Gallery** [continued]



(Photos by Amber Smith)

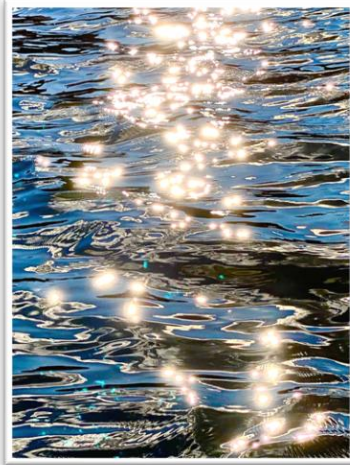


(Photos by Tom Saunders)

**Members' Gallery** [continued]



(Photos by John K. Rooney)



(Photos by Tim Trauger)





## *December Meeting program:*

The December meeting will be a social affair! We will have some light refreshments, our **Miscellaneous Photos** submitted by members, our last **Photo Challenge** of the year and some reminders of many of the images we saw this year.

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A shout out to our art partner. We do enjoy their monthly Friday for the Art shows – which includes our Lasting Impressions. Having the space for our monthly meetings is a major part of the Club's existence



Petersburg Area Art League

PAAL is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization, located in the Old Towne Petersburg Area. Our mission is to *promote and nurture the Arts for all* via our Gallery Spaces and Art Education Center. We offer workshops and classes and participate in Petersburg's *Friday for the Arts!* with monthly exhibition openings every second Friday.

