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MONEP News

Member News

Welcome to Bill Armon, our newest member. We encourage new members to reach out to us if you have any questions. Board and committee members are listed on our website.

An article on the nature photography of MONEP member Bob Charity was featured in *The* Washington Missourian. The Missourian serves Franklin County.

Richard Spener had two images published in the Alaska Wilderness League (AWL) Newsletter. One was of sandhill cranes and another of a long-tailed jaeger, a seabird that spends three quarters of the year at sea. He had another image of snowy owls featured in an AWL email update.

Kate Sprague won an honorable mention for an image in the *Manchester Arts Focus* contest.

Meetings

July 19th Meeting - World Bird Sanctuary Live with Owls

Join us at the July 19th meeting for All About Owls, with Tarvn Leach of the World Bird Sanctuary (WBS). Taryn will bring along a few different education ambassador owls. She will talk about owls in general and will tell the story of each individual ambassador. She will also talk about the World Bird Sanctuary and its mission. There will be a question-and-answer session. Best of all. MONEP members will have the opportunity to photograph the owls, which will be on the glove of WBS staff so we can get within a couple feet of them for our pictures! We hope you will share your owl images in the Image courtesy: Scott Evers Facebook Group or at the August Meeting.



Taryn is a Naturalist at the World Bird Sanctuary and has been in this role for three years. Prior to coming to WBS, she worked for seven years at several facilities in Ohio as a wildlife specialist. She combined her love of caring for birds and other animals and educating the public about them. Her dream goal was to work with cheetahs or raptors and she has been thrilled to bring her passion for birds of prey to adults and children alike through her programs.

August 16th Meeting - To Be Announced

Recent Meeting Recordings

If you missed the June meeting, you can view it on the MONEP YouTube Channel. This recording is for our use only and is not available without a link. We have made the commitment to our presenters that such recordings would be available to MONEP members only. Please do not share the link with anyone outside of MONEP.

June - Dan Zarlenga on Striving for Minimalism

Show & Share

Please note that there will not be Show & Share at the July Meeting as we will use that time to provide the opportunity to photograph the visiting owls. Members are invited to share up to five (5) nature-related images at the August meeting. Images do not have to be recent and you do not have to talk about your images.

Please follow the submission and file naming guidelines below to submit images for Show and Share:

- Resize your images so vertical images are 1,800 pixels high and horizontal images are 1,800 pixels wide.
- Name your images using your last name then first name and the year and month of submission as well as the subject. For example, SmithJane-2022-08-Subject. No spaces please! If you would like your images shown in a particular order, please number them 1-5 after the subject.
- Save your images as .jpg files. Your saved images should be less than 4 MB in size.
- Compress your five resized images into a zip file. (If you don't know how to do this step, just send them as they are)
- Attach the zip file or images to an email addressed to share@monep.org by midnight Saturday, August 13th for the August meeting.

Let us know if you have any questions!

Hallway Exhibit at Powder Valley

Thanks to our members who submitted images for the Hallway Exhibit at Powder Valley for this October. Selections will be made by the July meeting, and members will be notified. Images that are selected will need to be printed by members at a minimum of 11" x 14". They should be mounted and matted in white or off-white mats to a finished size of 16" x 20" before the August meeting. Members will be responsible for these costs as well as for the cost of framing materials. Framing supplies should cost around \$25.

A framing session will take place when it gets closer to the exhibit month and participants will have the opportunity to help frame the exhibit. MONEP will obtain the framing supplies, so the exhibit will have a uniform presentation. Feel free to contact Lori at 314-706-3604 or purkyl8r@aol.com if you have any questions. If you text, email or leave a message for Lori, be sure to identify yourself as being with MONEP. Please leave a detailed message and she will get back to you.

2022 Holiday Show Submissions

Every year we hold a Holiday Show on the second Tuesday in December in place of our monthly meeting. This year, it will be on December 13th at Powder Valley. The highlight of the evening is a program of members' images, selected and put to music by Jerry Miller. We will share more details about the event in the months to come.

We encourage current members to submit 20 of their best nature images, some of which will be included in the show. They do not have to be from the current year, but please try not to include images you have submitted for past Holiday Shows. Image submissions for the 2022 MONEP Holiday Show are due by the September 20th meeting if you are submitting in person, or by September 30th for email submissions. In addition to your twenty nature shots, we would love to have images of our members in action. Submissions can be turned in at the back table at the August and September meetings. You may also submit your images by sending them to share@monep.org by the September 30th deadline. To submit your work, please follow the guidelines for submissions below.

How to Submit Images:

- Bring your images on a disk or flash drive to the August or September meeting.
- Send a .zip file to the club's email address, share@monep.org.
- Mail your images on a disk or flash drive to Jerry Miller, 22 Scarlet Court, St. Charles, MO 63304
- For those of you with a DropBox account send an email to share@monep.org to ask for a link to upload your photos into a folder on DropBox.

If you have problems uploading your images in any of the ways above, feel free to contact Jerry Miller at 314-517-6395 for help. Please do not submit images to Jerry's personal email address.

Format:

All submissions should be digital. Place up to 20 images on a CD-ROM, thumb drive, or in a .zip file in a folder with your name as part of the folder's title (e.g., SmithJohn-2022-Holiday Show).

File Names:

Each individual photo file should also have your name included as part of its title. Use your last name, then first name, the year, and HolidayShow as well as the subject or title. For example: SmithJane-2022-HolidayShow-Heron. In addition, do not leave any spaces within the file name. You can use the dash to delineate breaks. Please keep in mind that we need to have your full name and not just initials somewhere on the submission so we can use the proper spelling of your name and give you credit for your images at the end of the show. Note that no text or watermarks should appear on any images.

Image size:

Resize your images, as you would for Show and Share. Vertical images are 1,800 pixels high and horizontal images are 1,800 pixels wide. The resolution can be between 96 and 300 dpi (dots per inch). The overall size of each image should be less than 4 MB.

Things to bear in mind as you select images to submit:

- We would like a variety of your strongest nature subjects.
- The more images we get, the greater our flexibility in choosing subjects for the show.
- Remember to include images from all seasons.
- You may include images old or new, just not ones you have submitted for the Holiday Show before.
- We cannot use all the images provided, but our goal is to include images from everyone who submits photographs.
- In addition to your 20 images, please submit photos of yourself or other MONEP members in the act of photographing nature. There is no limit to the number of people images that can be submitted.

The mission of the Missouri Nature and Environmental Photographers is to provide a forum for individuals interested in the field of nature photography and the environment, provide education, gather and disseminate information, and promote nature photography as an art form and medium of communication.

Monthly meetings are held on the 3rd Tuesday of the month, except for December. Meetings start at 6:30 pm. Specific dates and meeting locations are posted in the newsletter and on the website. The bi-monthly newsletter is edited by Barbara Addelson and designed by Dug Threewitt.