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Upcoming Meeting

Tuesday, February 13, 2018 at 7PM – **Mylynda Cane** will present “**The Softer Side: Techniques for Using Focus in your Photography**”. She will share ideas for creatively using focus in your photography.

President's Letter

By Raleigh Wolfe

Welcome to a very snowy February. We've had it pretty easy until now, so I guess it is our turn to dig out. I must say it makes for a beautiful landscape with the pristine snow falling all around our house, patio and evergreens. I have not, however, managed to get out to make any snowy landscape images. Perhaps I can remedy that over the weekend.

February is going to be a very active month for CRPC. We begin the month with Mylynda Cane's presentation on the beauty of soft focus image making. She is quite skillful, knowledgeable and makes beautiful images utilizing her considerable talents. Remember the meeting date is February 13, 2018, and our meeting time is 7:00 PM at the Fairmeadows Community Church on the corner of White Oak and Fran-Lin Parkway in Munster.

Dave's mentoring group will meet on Tuesday, February 20th, in the library of the church. The subject matter is “Corrosion and Rust” as an abstract image. He also requested that we bring images of our snowy winter scenes. He requested that people bring no more than four images of either the rust and corrosion as an abstraction or a wintry scene. The meeting time is 7:00 PM.

Our February competition meeting will be on February 27, 2018. I always encourage our members to participate in the friendly competition among our club members as it is an excellent way to improve our skill sets.

The March meeting will have Jim Rettker as the featured speaker. His subject will be fall landscape photography in the upper Peninsula of Michigan along the Lake Michigan and Lake Superior shores. He, too, is an excellent photographer.

We are six weeks away from our annual clinic. Our board and other club volunteers are working very hard to make this year a big success. I strongly encourage club members to register early for the clinic as it will help us make the day even better. Additionally, I encourage all club members to

actively market the clinic by contacting friends and other photographic enthusiasts and inviting them to attend. Our speaker is going to be outstanding, the venue is beautiful, and the day will be full of fun as well as giving all an opportunity to learn more about how to improve their photographic skills. Moreover, by attending the clinic you are not only giving yourself and your friends the opportunity to learn more about the art of photography, but you will be supporting our club in a very active way. I remind everyone that the clinic is our sole fundraising activity each year and we rely on the funds generated by the clinic to support our various programs and to provide funds for field trips and needed equipment. It is also the way we support our annual picnic and Christmas dinner as well as the monthly goodies that are provided for our members at each monthly program meeting. Please consider supporting us by buying a ticket.

I want to wish everybody a very happy Valentine's Day. Remember to give those you love a very special hug on that day. It's quite okay and, in fact, I recommend doing it every day of the year. This day is very special to Louise and I as it is not only Valentine's Day, but our anniversary as well. This year we will have been married 21 wonderful years.

Last, but not least I once again encourage everyone to attend our clinic on March 24, 2018, and bring a friend. It will be a day well spent for all those who attend. I look forward to seeing everyone at our upcoming meetings and at the clinic as well.

See you soon,

Food Photography Field Trip

On Sunday, April 29, CRPC will be going to Mrs. Dornberg's Culinary Experience for a culinary excursion to learn how to light and photograph food. Space is limited to 12 members.

Cheryl Dornberg will teach you about food presentation and Dave Dornberg will teach you how to light and make your images mouth watering. More information will be sent out in the near future, so stay tuned!