



# DIGITAL FOCUS

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## Upcoming Meeting

Tuesday, June 13, 2017 at 7PM – We request that members bring 3 images for critique and positive feedback. Please bring the images on a flash drive, so that we can project them.

## President's Letter

*By Raleigh Wolfe*

Hi Everyone,

June is here and Louise and I are currently in Ireland soaking up Irish hospitality and scenery. However, enough of us and on to CRPC business. We had our end of year competition in May. The submissions were of outstanding quality. I'm always pleased and excited to see our fellow photographers participating and to see evidence of your improving skill sets. The awards for image of the year in all categories will be given out at our July picnic.

Our June club meeting will be on June 13 at the regular time of 7 PM. We do not have a formal presentation at that meeting. We have, instead, chosen to have a program in which we are encouraging our members to bring one – three images for critiquing and positive feedback. We have been doing this regularly in our mentoring groups and it has proven to be a very positive undertaking. We are encouraging you to bring your images on a flash drive so that we can plug them into the computer and display them on a projection screen. In this way, everyone can see the image clearly. You may bring any image of your choice. I would suggest, however, that you consider bringing images that in your judgment tell a story within the image. Each individual will be given an opportunity to speak briefly about the image and describe the story he or she believes is told by the image.

There will be a panel of four or five of our photographers who will offer positive feedback on each image. However, any member within the audience may freely offer comment as well. We encourage full participation. Should we have time, we may present an instructional video near the end of the meeting.

The business to be conducted during the meeting is the election of officers for next year. I have previously presented a slate of officers for your consideration and election. However, nominations can be made from the floor. The nominated slate of officers include: Raleigh Wolfe Pres. Amy Metrich VP, Bonny Klootwyk Secretary, and Tom Zmi-grocki Treas. The election will be either by a show of hands or ballot.

I wish everybody a very happy and fulfilling summer filled with family, friends, and good image making.

## Digital Bits & Bytes

### Calibrating Your Monitor

When I started shooting digital images and then printing them in 2003, I noticed that my orange colors would print out brown and it took quite a bit of research into why that was happening before someone online told me to get a calibrator. Once I calibrated my screen and installed paper profiles, my images started printing out correctly. Calibrating an LCD or LED monitor is fairly straight forward with the calibrators on the market today. Don't go overboard with them because you could spend anywhere from \$100 to \$1,500. The best thing to do, is to speak to other photographers and ask them what they are using and the results they are achieving.

There are many sites on the Cloud that explain calibration and some are very technical and over the top. Here is a link for a pretty simple explanation of calibrating your monitor: <https://digital-photography-school.com/why-is-monitor-calibration-important-and-how-to-do-it/>

We will talk about this in more depth at a future CRPC Mentoring Meeting.