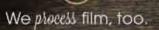
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"Curiosity" by Kristie Rozier of Norman took the First Time Entry Trophy at the annual print competition during the



Kristie Rozier

state convention in September at the Hard Rock Hotel & Casino of the Professional Photographers of Oklahoma.

The print helped her have the high print case for a first timer with a tally of 463 out of 600. In addition to the trophy, the win entitled her to a \$500 scholarship from the Nelson/ Helt Memorial Scholarship Fund to be used at the PPA Affiliate School of her choice.

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From the President's Desk . . .

Oh, What a Night, Year, etc.!

By Shannon Ledford, M. Photog., Cr.

What a year it has been! It has been a pleasure to serve as Professional Photographers of Oklahoma President and I have been overwhelmed with support from our members.

I was pretty nervous coming in to this position with all of the unknowns, but it amazed me how different members would step forward with advice and encouragement.

I am especially thankful for the wisdom of our Past Presidents!

Thank you to everyone who attended PhotoExpo at Hard Rock in September. I thought we had a great line up of speakers and I hope everyone left feeling rejuvenated and on fire!



Prez with Hubby Michael.

Digital Print Judging went very well for our first time and I look forward to that growing every year! It was nice having Jeff Burton here to guide us... thank you Jeff!

I also want to thank our trade show vendors for their support of our show. We appreciate all of our vendors and sponsors!

In Cris Duncan's program, he discussed doing the "hard things" to grow and excel in our



Shannon Ledford

businesses. I know I brought this up at the banquet, but I truly feel it is important to discuss.

PPOK is going to have to continue to try "new things" and "hard things" if we want to grow and strengthen our organization. We can't expect the same routine year after year to keep working for us. It was definitely a risk trying some new things this year, but overall I believe it was received well. We just need to continue on this path and keep going forward!

With Jim Butler coming in as President, I have complete faith that he will get us going even stronger! I have joined with a few others on a New Membership committee to reach out

to photographers and help build this family of ours. There are so many photographers in our state that don't know about us and what we have to offer.

Likewise, there are so many photographers in our state that have so much to offer PPOK!

I hope you will all join me in Stillwater on January 25th for my Past Presidents seminar. I am going for a high energy day packed with learning! We are going to have a series of 1.5-2 hour short seminars throughout the day to keep us motivated! Looking forward to a great day!

Photo by Mandy Womack

Let's do this!



Cr. Photog., F-PPO

ack when I was a youngster my immediate family **D**would literally "farm" me out to one of my uncles and grandmother to spend the summer in rural Missouri.

As a city boy, it was quite a change to be involved in aspects of agriculture.

The good part was all that great food which was raised. The bad part was no running water (if you know what I mean).

There actually were two uncles (my dad's older brothers) who had farms on adjacent property. I stayed with Uncle Frank (the middle brother) but spent a lot of time with the oldest one - Uncle Delmar.

Delmar (neither he nor Frank wanted to be called uncle) had two children – a daughter Dixie Lee who was four years older than I was and a son Donald Delmar who was about six months older.

Part of the reason I liked to go to their farm was that cousin Donald had a massive comic book collection.

Being a typical adolescent, I got into all kinds of mischief and when caught by my grandmother, she would make me wear my "punishment pants" which were shorts.

At that time of my life, I wore long pants and abhorred short ones.

Just the mere threat of having to wear them was usually enough to stop whatever I was doing to upset my grandmother.

Eventually, though, they became a form of bargaining chips for me.

I would say to her "if you will just let me do (whatever), I'll wear my punishment pants for a week."

She would realize that was about as serious as I could get for whatever reason and unless she could see a real danger, would take me up on my offer.

In fact, in kind of got to be a catch phrase which has stayed with me all my life.

Fast forward to my adulthood when I became a professional photographer, engaging especially in weddings.

It was really lean in those days and I took almost any job I could.

I remember interviewing a couple at a pre-wedding consultation and in the back of my head knew they were jerks.

But I was so hungry and needed the money that I decided to wear my punishment pants and hope they would book with me.

They did and didn't disappoint me – jerks throughout the experience.

I decided I would have to be more selective about wearing my punishment pants!

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Scholarship News

By Eldora Horton, Scholarship Chair

Convention is over and now it is time to look towards the future, but....before we do that I let's talk about some high-lights and accomplishments!

Thursday night, the scholarship hosted an auction and party. The evening of fun started with the PPOK members separating out into 5 teams. Each game had a point value attached to 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5th places.

The teams that earned enough points for first place received \$20 cash per member and second place team received \$10 cash. The teams raced against each other creating puzzles, robots and answering questionnaires. The competition was fierce but friendly. A big Thank You to Clem Wehner for MC.

After the games were finished the auction started with Dwaine Horton as the auctioneer. He was able to quickly sell all the items, even some to people that didn't know they had bid. A big THANK YOU to everyone that donated and purchased items!

The auction was a success because of your support. A special Thank you to Debbie Smith (widow of Jon Smith) and Bob & Caroll VanDeventer.

Cary Garrison hosted the Silent print auction again this year with prints being donated by Dwaine Horton, Shannon Ledford and Kimberly Smith.

Members getting to take these images home were Claud Klutts, Anthony Hart and Lisa Butler. Thank you very much for supporting the PPOK scholarship fund.

The Nelson-Helt Scholarship Award was earned by Kristie Rozier. This scholarship is awarded to the High Print Case for First Time entrants. Kristie received a \$525.00 scholarship to any PPA affiliated school along with her First Place Trophy.

!!!Now to the future!!!!

January 25, 2015 PhotoEXPOSURE (Past Presidents) in Stillwater.

All PPOK members get to attend FREE!

March 6-8, 2015 PhotoEXPAND (Spring Seminar) New members that joined PPOK after October 1, 2014 will receive a FREE registration to the seminar held in Norman on March 6-8. Welcome to PPOK.

June 7, 8, 9- 2015 PhotoEXTENSION (Fun in the Sun)

The next event will be held in June at Bellcow Lake in Chandler. Sunday morning the speakers will be "in the woods" instructing on how portraits can be taken in the shade and dappled light situations. We will break for a light lunch and then head to the beach for more learning, this time in bright sun. Throughout the day, there will be various activities planned. I'm not sure what is planned, but I know that water pistols will be involved!

All Fun in the Sun registrants are invited to attend the regular scheduled Metro Professional Photographers Association

(MPPA) meeting on June 8 and Indian National Professional Photographers Association (INPPA) on June 9 FREE.

This will be a fun, informative, family friendly event. We encourage everyone to attend!

Would you like to attend for FREE? FREE registration will start on at a.m. Friday, May 15. DO NOT DELAY, the discount code will expire at 8:59 a.m. on May 16.

Pre-registration will start on May 16.. PPOK individuals -\$20 and couple/families - \$30. Non-PPOK members will be \$30- individuals and \$40 - couple/families. Pre-registration will end on May 31.

From June 1 until June 5, registrations are: PPOK individuals - \$30and couple/families- \$40. Non-PPOK members will be \$40for individuals and \$50for couple/families.

Mark your calendars for August 16 for the Print Competition workshop. This is a great opportunity for you to visit with Master Photographers about your image entries. More details will follow.

The scholarship committee is excited about 2015. Let's all mark our calendars and attend as many events as possible! Looking forward to seeing everyone.

Honorary Life Member Dies

Bob Westmoreland, M. Photog., a lifelong resident of Ponca City and an honorary life member of the Professional Photographers of Oklahoma, died, Nov. 17 at Ponca City Nursing and Rehabilitation Center. He was 88.



A memorial service was held Nov. 24, at Grace Memorial Chapel.

Westmoreland was born Sept. 7, 1926, in Ponca City,was a 1944 graduate of Ponca City High School and attended Oklahoma A&M for a short time. He served in the United States Navy during World War II and was honorably discharge on July 6, 1946. He was married to Wanda Jean Ste-

Bob Westmoreland

venson (who survives him) on May 25, 1962, in Ponca City.

Bob was a man of two major careers during his lifetime, music and photography. Both of these careers had an influence on Ponca City's history.

His musical career started with a mistaken instrument. When he was nine years old, his father told him to pick out an instrument he wanted to play and he would buy it for him.

Bob saw a trumpet player at a school program and decided on the spot he would play the trumpet.

See Westmoreland, Page 17

New Leaders for the Coming Year Named

Although there are times when he irritates the crap out of you, there is no doubt about the possible contributions that Gary Box, Cr. Photog. will make in his new position as secretary on the board of directors.

In the editor's opinion if there was a MENSA for business and organization, he would be the CEO.



Gary Box

Box, elevated to the executive board position at the state convention, had been serving in a term expiring in 2015.

Filing his vacancy is Tecumseh photographer Melissa Jeffcoat, owner of Melissa Jean Photography, LLC.

Other executive officers ascended following a transitional board meeting Nov. 24.

They were Shannon Ledford of Tulsa from president to immediate past president, James Butler of

Tulsa from first vice president to president, Kimberly Smith of Muskogee from second vice president to first vice president and Eldora Horton of Thomas from secretary to second vice president.

Elected to the board of directors for a term expiring in 2017 were Elise Breeding, CPP of Piedmont and owner of Elise Breeding Photography; Leslie Hoyt, M. Photog., CPP of Tulsa and owner of Leslie Hoyt Photography; Kelly Raji of Thomas where she is employed by Dwaine Horton; Chris Urias of Guymon, owner of Urias Photography and past president Caroll Van Deventer, M. Artist of Cleveland and coowner of Vanguard Photography.

Box, with wife Pam, are owners of Box Portrait Gallery on Route 66 in Sapulpa, Okla. – a suburb of Tulsa. He has been in business there for 24 years.

Prior to owning his own business (and before he was married) he said he was "a hired gun and worked for several Tulsa studios as an freelance associate including Ervin Photography, Johnny Gonzales Photography an anyone else that would hire me to do a job."

"I also worked at Camera Gallery (a retail photography equipment and lab facility) in Tulsa for a couple of years."

He served as president of PPOzarks, and the Indian Nations Professional Photographers Association.

He also is a member of WPPI, SYNC, SPA, NAPP and the Sapulpa Chamber of Commerce. He also is a past president of Sapulpa Lions Club.

Both he and Pam have presented programs at the state and regional level and Gary has taught at many PPA affiliated schools of photography. In fact, Gary heads up what he calls "The University of Box" – a week-long seminar held several times a year on a variety of subjects.

Gary also has written photography instructional manuals. Following her graduation from high school and college, Breeding went to work for her father – past PPO president Rick Carr.

"The priceless years spent working with my Dad have allowed me to pursue a career of my own," she noted.

In the photography industry for more than15 years, she earned a bachelor's degree in Photographic Arts from the University of Central Oklahoma and a National Certification from the Professional Photographers of America.

This is Breeding's second stint on the board of directors, having been appointed in 2012.

Hoyt's interest in photography started in high school when she was an editor of the school yearbook. She worked with a lot of photographers then and spent some time in darkrooms – her first real introduction to the ins and outs of photography and the process intrigued her.

Although her life path meandered through a 15-year career in the software industry, it ultimately led back to photography and her boutique studio here in Tulsa.

She is one of a handful of Certified Professional Photographers in Tulsa and is active in numerous professional associations and teach at various industry functions.

Hoyt's images have been featured in several print competitions and she has been the recipient of various awards for her photographs including being named Photographer of the Year at the most recent PPO convention.

Her commercial work has also appeared on several local magazine covers and websites, as well as on ABC's "Extreme Makeover: Home Edition."

Native Oklahoman Raji has been employed by (Dwaine and Eldora) Horton's Studios in Thomas for 15 years engaged in the photography of Family, Children, Seniors, Weddings, Commercial and Schools with emphasis on the first two.

During college she worked as a graphic artist for Horton Studios through their transition to digital. It was a natural progression to have Dwaine Horton mentor her as a photographer.

A member of PPO for 10 years, she has been a member of the Professional Photographers of America for six.

The studio is comprised of approximately 3,600 square feet with a dedicated sales and workroom. Over 2,000 square feet of the building is used for photography including an upstairs loft area with two large natural light windows.

She uses Canon 5D Mark II and 5D Mark III cameras and utalizes off-camera flash Elinchrom Ranger Quadra for

outdoor and event sessions and Photogenic for indoor studio flash along with natural light.

Urias, from Guymon, has lived in the Oklahoma Panhandle most of his life, where he has come to appreciate the wideopen skies, the beautiful sunsets and the clear, starry nights.

Urias, who graduated with a BA in English, came into photography by way of print journalism - working for both the Guymon Daily Herald and the Southwest Daily Times in Liberal, Kan. for seven years. Using his college degree, Urias then taught high school English for five years before taking the plunge as a full-time photographer in 2004.

In 2008, Chris Urias Photography left its in-home studio and to be located in a 2,500 square foot building in Guymon's historic downtown, where he specializes in seniors, fam¬ilies, weddings and sports, covering both the Oklahoma and Texas Panhandles and South-west Kansas.

He has been a long time member of both the Professional Photographers of Oklahoma and the Professional Photographers of America, winning several awards at the state level.

He is a current member of Guymon Rotary and served as its President in 2006. He is also active on Guymon's Main Street Program, having served as its board chairmen in 2012, and is currently involved on the Design Committee.

Urias has been a long-time supporter of Guymon Kid's Inc., both as a sponsor and a baseball coach.

VanDeventer brings a lot of great experience to the board, having already gone through "the chairs" serving at the helm of PPO in 2005-06.

Caroll along with husband Bob and daughter Celia Moore are at the forefront of the print competition committees for both PPO and the Southwest Professional Photographers Association.

Caroll began in photography in 1964 when she and husband Bob worked for Jerry's in Pawnee. She began coloring black and white photographs and later got into direct print enhancement and finally into negative retouching.

She was awarded two degrees - the Specialist degree from PPA and another from the America Photography Artist Guild. Her specialist degree was earned with the same requirements as a Master of Photography degree - 13 print merits and 12 achievement merits.

She and Bob left Pawnee in 1981 and opened their present operation - Vanguard Photography in Cleveland.

Questioned why the name "Vanguard" was chosen, Caroll said it was because "no one seemed to be able to pronounce VanDeventer."

"We looked through the dictionary at words beginning with 'van' and came to 'vanguard.' The word meant being first in line and going forward. That suited us and the name stuck," she said. "Now, of course, a lot of people call us Mr. and Mrs.

Vanguard," she said.

Bob was PPO president in 1979-80 and Celia in 2011-12 – only the second family in PPO history to have three members serve in this capacity.

New Board - Members of the PPO Board of Directors for the 2017 term are (l-r) Elise Breedingof Piedmont, Kelly Raji of Thomas, Melissa Jeffcoat of Tecumseh, Chris Urias of Guymon and Leslie Hoyt of Tulsa. Not pictured is Caroll VanDeventer of Cleveland.

Did You Know?

The first person who invented negative was Fox Talbot. This event occurred in 1839.

In the same year Hippolyte Bayard presented the first positive print to the world.

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Oh, What a Night for Past President Glenn Cope

Cope, M. Pho-

tog., Cr., CPP,

API, EA-ASP,

F-PPO became

the newest PPO

member of the

exclusive club to receive the cov-

eted award from

the Professional Photographers of

The late PPA

President Louis

Garcia of East-

chester, NY cre-

ated the National

Award in 1958,

"for all the hard

America.

It's not every evening that your wife has to dodge falling entree covers at a Professional Photographers of Oklahoma banquet.

However, it also isn't every evening you receive the prestigious national award at the aforementioned dinner.

It truly will be a night to remember for Dr. Glenn M. Cope and his wife Barbara.



National Award plaque presented to Cope by PPA president Susan Michal.

work by others to further the profession while asking nothing in return."

Garcia decided these individuals should be recognized for their exceptional contributions and created the distinguished national award.

Each year, PPA makes the award available to its state, re-



2013 National Award recipient Nelda Helt affixes award pin to Cope aided PPA president Susan Michal. gional, national and international affiliates.

The National Award is given to individuals who go beyond what is expected of them.

The plaque reads "for service to professional photography."

"What it means is 'thank you' for your time, your talent and your loyalty to professional photography," said past PPA President and SWPPA National Award recipient Marvel Nelson.

"This year's recipient has played a major role in furthering the cause of professional photography," said PPA president Susan Michal, tendering the award to Cope.

Also aiding in the presentation was Nelda Helt, last year's recipients.

The honoree developed his interest in photography with "Brownie" cameras. After deciding he was pretty good, he bought a 35mm SLR from Bill Weaks, of course, that meant that he had to have a darkroom.

Since you can't be a REAL photographer without keeping an eye on upgrades, he soon went back to Weaks and bought a Mamiya RB67 to shoot weddings and teams.

After working for a photography studio for a short time, he opened his own business and

added photographing seniors and schools to his studio of-

ferings. After a few years, he sold the studio and took an education break. A few degrees

later, he

move to

Okla-



Cope and PPO president Shannon Ledford hoist the traveling plaque.

homa and in addition to opening a studio he started teaching photography in the classroom

Cope began his career at the college by teaching part time for about five years and then continued for 20 years of full time teaching of photography, humanities and English.

He became associated with certification by teaching prep classes, serving Oklahoma as our PPA Liaison and serving as chair of the PPA Certification Commission.

In addition to representing Oklahoma at the National level, he also served our state association in many ways which included being President in 2004-05, being on the board of directors for many years and served as the Director of PPO School (which he helped organize) for 13 years.

An Approved Photography instructor, he is past president of the International Association of Panoramic Photographers and is an American Society of Photographers Educational Associate.

Member Images Gallery I



"Family Outcast" by Cary Garrison of Edmond

"Bell and I" by Larry Foster of Purcell





"Reload" by Lisa Butler of Tulsa

"Brown Eyed Girl" by Rhonda Smith of Edmond





"Man of Steel by Gary Box of Sapulpa



"Watcha Mean Adopted" by Melissa Jeffcoat of Tecumseh

"Waiting for her Matador" by Andrea Murphy of Tulsa



"Down the Rabbit Hole" by Mickey Staudt of Guthrie



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"Standing Watch" by Joey Johnson of Sand Springs

Member Images Gallery II



"He's Safe with Me" by Elise Breeding of Piedmont

"In My Father's Hands" by Mandy Lundy of Fort Gibson



"Grandpa Did Have a V8!" by Rick Cotter of Jones

"I'll Be Your Huckleberry" by Mandy Womack of Lawton





"No Approval Needed" by Tracy Provence of Chelsea

"Half Dead, To Live Or Die" by Leslie Vines of Noble



"Mama's Pearls" by Kathy Sue Roberts of Bixby



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PPO PRINT COMPETITION

President's Trophy General Exhibit



Highest Total **Points** (506)Photographer of Photographer of the Year Mandy Lundy Fort Gibson

President's Trophy Master Exhibit

Highest Total **Points** (524)the Year Leslie Hoyt Tulsa



Past President's Trophy

General Exhibit Best of Show "Resurrection" By Gary Box Sapulpa





Director's Trophy Master Exhibit Best of Show "Fishin'Buddies' By Kimberly Smith Muskogee

First Time Entrant Trophy "Curiosity" By Kristie Rozier of Norman





First Time Entrant **High Print** Case (463)Kristie Rozier of Norman

Congratulations to all who entered print competition. See you next year!!

Oklahoma CPP Trophy Leslie Hoyt of Tulsa (524 Points)



Kodak Gallery Award

"Whirlwind Wedding" By Andrea Murphy Tulsa



Peoples Choice Plaque

Favorite image by vote of the registered attendees



"Bashful" By Leslie Hoyt of Tulsa

Oklahoma ASP Elite Award

"Bashful" by Leslie Hoyt of Tulsa (100 Points)



Fuji Masterpiece

"Fishin' Buddies" By Kimberly Smith Muskogee

"Ready or Not" By Kimberly Smith Muskogee



Classic Portraiture Plaque

"Our Secret Garden" By Kimberly Smith Muskogee



General Exhibit Trophies

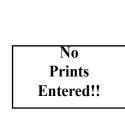


MEN'S PORTRAIT Mandy Lundy

WOMEN'S PORTRAIT CHILD'S PORTRAIT Mary Waters Kristie Rozier

GROUP PORTRAIT Andrea Murphy

WEDDING Andrea Murphy



COMMERCIAL



UNCLASSIFIED 1 **UNCLASSIFIED 2** Melissa Jeffcoat Master Exhibit Trophies

Gary Box

No **Prints Entered!!**

EVENT ALBUM



ARTIST Mickey Staudt



MEN'S PORTRAIT Leslie Hoyt



No **Prints Entered!!**

WOMEN'S PORTRAIT CHILD'S PORTRAIT Kimberly Smith Leslie Hoyt

GROUP PORTRAIT Kimberly Smith

WEDDING



Leslie Hoyt

Kimberly Smith

Kimberly Smith

Judges' Choice Ribbons

Gabriel Alonso for "Bashful" by Leslie Hoyt of Tulsa

Cris Duncan for "In My Father's Hands" by Mandy Lundy of Fort Gibson

Stephen Ledford for "Letting Go" by Melissa Jeffcoat of Tecumseh Sandra Pearce for "Drop It" by Joey Johnson of Sand Springs

> **Cindy Romaguera for** "Cream" by Leslie Hoyt of Tulsa

Ralph Romaguera for "Ready or Not" by Kimberly Smith of Muskogee

Richard Sturdevant for "Fishin' Buddies" by Kimberly Smith of Muskogee

Fellowship Awards

Associate Fellowship to Marla Wingfield of Oklahoma City



Associate Fellowship to Bonnie Brown of Tulsa



Associate Fellowship to Valarie Clayton of Frederick



Associate Fellowship to Mary Waters of Perry



Fellowship to Michael Scalf Sr. of Blanchard







Grand Fellowship to Kimberly Smith of Muskogee





Grand Fellowship Bar to Dwaine Horton of Thomas

Distinguished Print Ribbons - General Exhibit

Men's Portrait "Fifty Shades of Grey" by Rhonda Smith of Edmond "Portrait of an Artist" by Mandy Lundy of Fort Gibson Women's Portrait "Rachal" by Joey Johnson of Sand Springs "Can't Cage My Heart" by Leslie Vines of Noble **Child's Portrait** "On Bread Alone" by Mary Waters of Perry "Mama's Pearls" by Kathy Sue Roberts of Broken Arrow "All American Boy" by Rhonda Smith of Edmond **Group Portrait** "He's Safe With Me" by Elise Breeding of Piedmont "Story Time" by Rhonda Smith of Edmond "The Runaways" by Mary Waters of Perry

Wedding

"Whirlwind Wedding" by Andrea Murphy of Tulsa "Waiting in the Wings" by Andrea Murphy of Tulsa "Waiting for Her Matador" by Andrea Murphy of Tulsa **Unclassified 1** "Mercy Seat" by Mandy Lundy of Fort Gibson "Montana Gold" by Mandy Lundy of Fort Gibson "Misty Morning in Yellowstone" by Mandy Lundy of Fort Gibson **Unclassified 2** "Standind Watch" by Joey Johnson of Sand Springs "Drop It" by Joey Johnson of Sand Springs "Watcha Mean Adopted" by Melissa Jeffcoat of Tecumseh

Distinguished Print Ribbons - Artist - General

"Take No Prisoners" by Mickey Staudt of Guthrie

Honorable Mention - General Exhibit

Child's Portrait

"Bella in Blue" by Mary Waters of Perry **Unclassified 1** "Hi, I'm Juicy by Richard Cotter of Jones "O Give Me a Home" by Mandy Lundy of Fort Gibson "Shadows of the Forgotten" by Andrea Murphy of Tulsa Unclassified 2 "Long Hard Winter" by Melissa Jeffcoat of Tishimingo "Saving Maddex" by Joey Johnson of Sand Springs "Half Dead, To Live or Die" by Leslie Vines of Noble

Distinguished Print Ribbons - Masters Exhibit

Men's Portrait "Chalk Up Another Win" by Dawn Muncy of Enid "Are You Ready for This" by Dawn Muncy of Enid "Reload" by Lisa Butler of Tulsa Women's Portrait "Dark Beauty" by Dawn Muncy of Enid "Can't Catch Me" by Dawn Muncy of Enid **Child's Portait** "Shy Guy" by Leslie Hoyt of Tulsa "Patiently She Waits" by Kimberly Smith of Muskogee "Flower Girl" by Leslie Hoyt of Tulsa

Group Portait

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"Storm Across the Valley" by Dwaine Horton of Thomas

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Child's Portait "Rose Garden" by Lisa Butler of Tulsa

Unclassified 1 "First Winter Snow" by Dwaine Horton of Thomas

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Not really knowing the name of the instrument he told his father he wanted to play the clarinet.

His father bought him a clarinet. When Bob told his father that was not the instrument he wanted to play. His dad said "I bought this and you are going to play it."And play it he did, for many years and in a number of locations, from the both the east and west coasts.

When he wasn't old enough to drive, someone would drop him off at Ponca City's Club Lido where he played clarinet with a grown up band. Musical training in the Ponca City Public Schools and Oklahoma State University led to his being accepted in 1945 as the youngest member of the "Meet Your Navy" orchestra at Great Lakes Naval Training Station near Chicago.

At Great Lakes, Bob was exposed to some of the best musical talents of that era. A number of the string players were from the Chicago Symphony and wind instrument players from the name bands of the time. One of his first playing assignments was with a group whose drummer, "Moe Purtill," entered the Navy from the Glenn Miller band. Other musicians came from the Tommy Dorsey, Jimmy Dorsey, Benny Goodman, Artie Shaw and Les Brown bands.

At the end of World War II, Bob moved directly into the professional music world. He joined a group from Great Lakes and they played major entertainment centers in Chicago, New York, Pittsburgh, Philadelphia, Miami Beach, Los Angeles, Reno and Las Vegas. During this time Bob worked with big name performers including George Goebel, Liberace, Jerry Lewis, Dean Martin and others.

He returned to his hometown of Ponca City in 1954 and moved into two new spheres of activity — music teaching and professional photography. For more than 20 years Bob's students were the outstanding woodwind players in the music program of Ponca City Schools. Photography had been a childhood interest along with music and this background was put to good use handling commercial photography for Photo Supply Company.

Musical performance was not forgotten, as Bob joined the Herb Jimmerson Orchestra for many years was the outstanding musical group working in North Central Oklahoma and Southern Kansas. In addition to playing flute, clarinet, alto sax and tenor sax, Westmoreland scored the entire music library used by the regional orchestra.

The Herb Jimmerson group, which was well known in this area, also appeared on a weekly show over Channel 5 television which was in Enid at that time. For 17 consecutive years the band played for the Ponca City Country Club New Year's Eve Dance. The last band Bob played with not too many years ago was the Blue Notes.

In 1961, Bob became associated with Continental Oil and as a result he was exposed to a wide variety of process camera and industrial types of photography. His combined field of music, photography and teaching resulted in his being selected by the Ponca City Board of Education to inaugurate a complete audiovisual program for Ponca City Schools in 1968.

A grant from the National Endowment for The Humanities gave Bob the opportunity to assemble an audio/visual of Ponca City. In that same era, Bob did a photography book of the interior of the Marland Mansion.

He is survived by his wife, Wanda, of the home; two sons, Don Westmoreland, of California and Jeffrey Stevenson, of Washington State and one granddaughter, Noelle Stevenson. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Memorial contributions may be made to Ponca City Art Association, 819 East Central, Ponca City, OK 74601 or to the charity of choice.

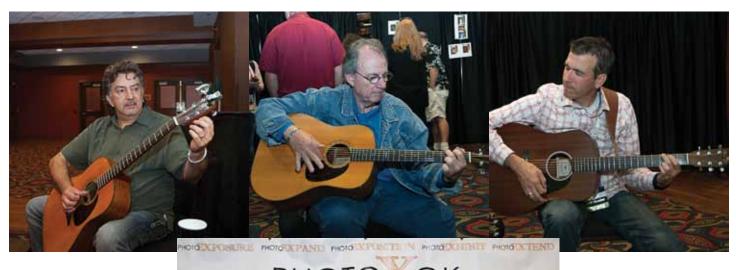
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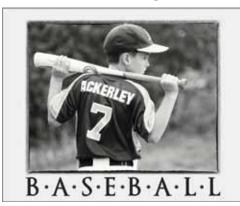
an amazing program on newborn photography.

Gary Box, Cr. Photog. will then follow with workflow that works! Pam Box, M. Photog. will then share her amazing sales process!

Ledford has owned and operated Shannon Kaye Portrait Design since 1998. Her studio is located in a renovated barn on a 20 acre ranch in Jenks.

"My husband Michael and I have four amazing kiddos...Han-

nah, Hayley, Hayden and Hudson...that keep us crazy busy with school activities and sports," she said.



Hannah is a competitive swimmer on the Jenks High School swim team.

Hayley is a competitive soccer player on Tulsa Soccer Clubs Premier League team and

also plays for Jenks Freshman basketball team.

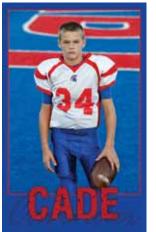
Hayden and Hudson are both involved in a karate program

with their dad and play for Metro Tulsa Soccer Club during the spring.

With such a sports-minded family, it is easy to see why she is involved in sports photography.

Over the past four years, she has been experimenting with new ways to change up youth sports photography in her area.

"Youth sports is such a huge portion of people's lives and I want to be a part of that with them!" she said.



In her program "A new edge on Sports." she will share some fun and new ways to approach sports photography and take you through the process from start to finish!

Also included will be tips and ideas on how to increase

your averages and offer unique products that the customers will buy!

Horan is known as the baby whisperer - the newborn baby photographer in the Tulsa and as lead photographer at the studio expertly poses each newborn into curled up poses with her creative eye and attention to detail.



Brenda Horan

"When my daughter Isabella was born, I fell in love with her baby portraits and decided to turn an interest into a full-time passion," she said.



After studying at the Art Institute in Houston and working for a studio, she launched her own business in Annapolis, Md. and created a niche market for photographing my favorite subject –

little ones! Nearly 14 years later and every portrait is unique and personal piece of art.

As a self proclaimed antique junkie, my studio guarantees each client a one-of-a-kind session.

Her studio is filled with lots of fun stuff - colorful backgrounds, props, vintage clothing and princess dresses, knitted hats, cocoons, flower pins and headbands, tutu's, ties, and all sorts of antiques - everything to make this experience into a story for her clients.

Ever feel like you are chained to Photoshop? Feel like you are fighting color all the time?

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to save steps, increase efficiency and go home sooner! He



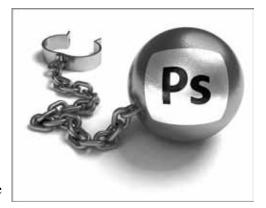
will walk us through Lightroom and Photoshop and show us shortcuts we might not even know exist! Also included will be how to build actions, presets, workflow overview



Gary and Pan Box

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