2013 "Photo of the Month" Competition Winners The Photographers Guild – Goshen, Indiana

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The photo was taken this summer aboard the great lakes schooner "Friends Good Will". She is moored at South Haven, MI. This single masted ship was built in the early 1800's and was used to transport cargo on the Great Lakes. During the War of 1812 the ship was used by the American forces, captured and used by the British and then recaptured by the USA in 1813.

Canon 7D; Canon EF 100-400 lens at 200mm; Hand held at Iso 500; F6.3; 1/160 sec. Raw file developed with Photoshop and Silver Efex Pro II.

Photo by Jeff Longenbaugh

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Jaguar in the Grass" Model 1952 by Danny Graber **Photo of the Month October 2013**

This car was parked alongside a Canadian highway. Everything in the surrounding setting had been neglected as well as this dear relic of a car. The coordinating colors of the car and the weed grabbed my attention, not to mention that this life-like Jaguar looked like it was crouched in hiding, waiting to pounce on its next victim – maybe another passing car! Nikon D800, 24-70mm lens at 70mm, handheld, ISO 200, f/8, 1/640.



Photo by Don Hershberger **Photo of the Month September 2013**

MILKWEED – The photo was taken at the 2013 Summer Weekend of Photography at Hope College in Holland Michigan. This is a yearly event put on by the SouthWestern Michigan Council of Camera Clubs, SWMCCC for short. The Milkweed was set up in a lighting arrangement like a tunnel shaped tent lit by a flood fitted with a fairly bright CFL bulb positioned at about 2 o'clock. The black backdrop was velvet if I remember correctly. The camera/lens settings: Nikon D5000 with 18-200mm VR zoom set a 135 mm (200mm 35 mm equiv) set at f20 and 1/3 sec. shutter and iso 200 mounted on tripod. Distance was not recorded but was about 3 to 4 feet. Focus was manual using magnified live view. Three or four other exposures were taken. The final picture also had a lower stalk of milkweed to the right of the main one. It wasn't as visually interesting as the main one with seeds showing. Considering that the main stem was the main attraction and sufficient to stand alone, I blacked out the lesser stalk and cropped the width considerably. The final print was made on an Epson 1400 printer with Claria high definition ink on Epson Ultra Premium Photo Paper Luster.



Photo by Jeff Longenbaugh

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GRAND CANYON – The image was captured just after sunset on the south rim of the Grand Canyon. A clearing thunderstorm (which had sent us racing for vehicles a short time earlier due to CLOSE lightning) allowed for great light on the canyon and the sky. I was attending a photo workshop led by Gary Hart and Don Smith. These two instructors lead excellent workshops in great locations. Both have websites full of information and inspiration. Metadata: Canon 7D camera; Canon 24-105 F/4L lens; Manfrotto tripod and head; ISO 200; F18; 3 sec.



Photo by Tyler Hartford
Elderly Monk at the Church of St. George,
Lalibelah, Ethiopia
photographed during his travels.
Photo of the Month, May 2013



Photo by Ron McAllister taken in southern Indiana on the way home from the Guild trip to Turkey Run **Photo of the month, June 2013**



An arched corridor at Ancilla College, photographed by Ron McAllister **Photo of the Month, March 2013**



The second full blooming of an orchid plant, photographed by Don Hershberger

Photo of the Month, April 2013



A Red-bellied Woodpecker photographed through window with 300mm lens **Photo of the Month, January 2013** by Danny Graber



A doorway in Eppingen Germany photographed on a recent trip. **Photo of the Month February 2013** by Tyler Hartford