

Focal Point Meeting held November 18, 2008 at the Arboretum.

Digital sharing began at 5:00 p.m. and the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

New faces: Peter Card, Jake Rennaker and Doug Bennington.
There were 24 in attendance. Doug Livingston led the meeting.
Doug mentioned that he had taken a two week fall seminar trip given by
Rod Plank in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan.

Brenda Pfeffer brought information and brochures about a non-profit
organization called "Now I Lay Me Down to Sleep".
The organization is looking for volunteer photographers who would be
willing to help photograph final moments in the life of infants.
For more information contact Brenda Pfeffer at bkm@brainerd.net.

Roy Abbott, Stan Mikles and Brenda Pfeffer have been working on the Focal Point Website.
Roy brought up again, how much time and effort that Monica Katzenberger had put into our website.
Thank you Monica!

Andrea Baumann said that she will be making calling cards for new visitors to our meetings.

Biff Ulm, Andrea Baumann, Dave Boran and Doug Livingston mentioned that they met for a committee
meeting for the 2009 Picturing Event to be held March 28th, 2009.
It will be a full day event taking place at Franklin Art Center Auditorium with various speakers who will
inform and inspire us.
Biff said that we should start thinking of images that we can submit to Picturing.
Single images or series of images can be submitted. If we submit a series, Biff said that this time the series
(of 3 or more) will need to be strongly connected by color, style, etc.
The deadline for images to be submitted will be March 9th, 2009.

Doug mentioned that we need to keep information on what cameras people in the club use, and what they
like to shoot, etc.

Our monthly assignment was "Emotion" and Roy Abbott presented a slide show of the images that had
been sent to him, rabbott@brainerd.net.

Doug mentioned that we usually plan a winter field trip to Lake Superior. He asked that we think about
this or other location. Anyone interested? Please get back to him with ideas for a plan.

Dave Boran submitted a Sampler of Images which Roy Abbott presented as a slide show for the meeting.
The sampler showed a wide variety of subject matter and striking images for the club to enjoy. Thanks to
both Dave and Roy for this presentation!

Our monthly assignment for December is: Low Light or Night

Meeting will be third Tuesday of the month. Bring potluck snacks for a Christmas party meeting.

Minutes respectfully submitted by, Mary Hendricks.