

FocalPOINT

Minutes of Meeting of May 19, 2009

Doug Livingston called the May 19, 2009 meeting of FocalPOINT to order at 6:30 p.m. at the Northland Arboretum.

Guests Carol and Ron Wedin were introduced, as well as members Stan and Shirley Bormann and Mike Morris.

Roy Abbott gave instructions on saving images and submitting them to him for the club's monthly assignments. Most important is that they should not be more than 1024 pixels wide and not more than 768 pixels high. Quality should be at 10. Images should be labeled with your name first followed by the title. He also discussed our website gallery and invited members to send their images to him, stating 9 images is a good number, and not more than 12. They should not be more than 480 pixels wide.

Lisa Haste described her image called "Inside Out" shown on the screen at the beginning of the meeting as one she entered in the 2009 AAFCM Student ADDY Awards Competition at Central Lakes College. The image placed Gold at the local event, Silver at the district, and is now in competition at the national event. Congratulations, Lisa!

Mike Duval asked for donated landscape photos to be given as awards in October for lakescaping and shore line restoration. See the DNR website for information on sites for shooting photos. Check with Mike for further information.

Brenda Pfeffer said a photographer is needed to take photos of a high school senior scholarship winner for the Brainerd Dispatch. The deadline is June 1.

Ingrid Anderson had posters for distribution of the Nisswa-Stamman, a Scandinavian festival of music and dance, to be held at the Nisswa Pioneer Village on June 12 and 13, 2009.

Doug Livingston asked about interest in a field trip later in the week. It was felt sometime after Memorial Weekend would work better.

Lorraine Northagen had yearbooks for distribution to anyone who has not received one yet. She also thanked Sandy Holm for providing treats and beverages for the meeting tonight and stated that Ron Stark is scheduled for treats at the June meeting.

The assignment for June photos is Historical Landmarks. Stan Bormann will show his Sampler of a recent trip to Africa.

Monica Katzenberger spoke on a one-day Photoshop seminar she is planning to give sometime in the fall to members and requested feedback for this.

Roy Abbott showed the May "Spring" assignment images, as well as the critique photos. Gary Harris received the Best of Show award for his photo that he entered in the Central Lake College photo contest.

Doug Bennington showed us his Sampler of great photos he has taken.

Business cards for FocalPOINT made by Jim Kingsley were available.

Respectfully submitted,

Deanie Nelson, Secretary
Typed by Lorraine Northagen