

Meeting Minutes  
Greater New Braunfels Photograph Club  
February 09

The Greater New Braunfels Photograph Club convened for its regular monthly meeting on Monday on February 09 at 6:00 PM at the New Braunfels Library Westside and via Zoom. The meeting was called to order by Frank.

Frank welcomed everyone to the meeting. For the benefit of the new members and guests he mentioned who the club sponsors are.

Approval of the Minutes:  
January 2026 minutes were approved unanimously.

Events for Photographers:

- Frank mentioned parts of Big Bend are closed currently due to drought, so to be aware of this for planning purposes.
- February 19th, GSACC Swap Meet at 6:30PM at Lion's Field
- February 19-22 - Port Aransas Whooping Crane Festival
- March 6 - Art Haus
- April 10-12 - Poteet Strawberry Festival
- April 11- Thru the Chute. It is required to have a ticket to attend this time, but tickets sold out fast.
- April 12 - Heritage Village Folk Fest
- April 17-19 - Port Aransas Sandfest
- April 18 - NB Historic Homes Tour
- May 3 - Saengerfest

Other events mention-

- Battle of Goliad Reenactment in March
- San Antonio Rodeo

Things of Interest To Photographers

- Frank talked about Super Bowl photographer equipment and systems and how things have changed over the years.
- Winter Olympics - Someone dropped their camera and it went rolling down the course.
- Frank talked about settings on your camera that allow your sensor to be protected when you change the lens.
- Frank's Calendar - Frank showed the group a calendar he had created using his photos. He used Shutterfly to produce it.

Next Month's Meeting will be held in the same location - New Braunfels Library Westside Branch

If members are interested in shooting the ballet or symphony - See Frank. Dates are:

- Giselle - Feb 27 and 28
- Baroque Spectacle - Feb 22

#### Christmas Party Group Discussion

- Frank brought up the cost for renting the same space we did in 2025 or if we want to consider going elsewhere for 2026. Nothing was really agreed upon so Frank asked the group to keep it in mind.

#### Fotoseptiembre

- Install is August 31st, starting at 8AM
- Artist Reception is Sunday September 20 - 1-4PM
- Take Down is Monday, October 5th, Starting at 8AM
- Theme is "My Favorite Photo"
- Size limitation 16X20
- Ed suggested that June we need to know who is participating and how many photos they want to submit.

#### PSA Competition

- We had plenty of submissions for the 2nd round, which means not all photos will be able to be submitted. There is a limit of 24 photos, 6 from each category allowed, and no more than 1 photo per photographer.
- 3rd Round Deadline - April 6
  - Color Submissions -
    - Nectar's Delight - Suzanne
    - Is It - Ed
    - Twin Stems in Motion - Jackies
    - Yellow Stone - Horst
    - Northern Mocking Bird on Holly Yaupon - Barbara
    - Angry Bird - Charlana
  - Monochrome Submissions -
    - Tootling Along - Charlana
    - Rusted Silver Streak - Suzanne
    - United Steelworker's Building - Jerry
    - Sphere Dots - Ed
    - Night is Falling - Chris
    - Ballet at the Brauntex New Braunfels - Horst
  - Nature Submissions -
    - Red Shouldered Hawk - James
    - Reflection of Fall - Jerry
    - Portrait of a Macaque - Jackies
    - The Old Bear - Chris
    - Bottom's Up - Barbara
    - Standing on the Edge - Horst

- Travel Submissions -
  - Golden Gate San Francisco - Horst
  - The Passage - Mia
  - Allen Lambert Galleria - Jerry
  - Morning Calm on the Pier- Charlana
  - Manarola Italy - Craig
  - Reflections at Mendenhall Glacier - Chris
  
- Youth Photography Contest
  - Judging is in progress now.
  - Install is on March 9th. Victor said he wants a few people to help with this. Possible 12.
  - Award Ceremony Held on March 21st, 2026
  
- MLK Day Walks
  - Frank showcased some of the photos our members took during the MLK Day Walk on January 19th
- Frank also showcased two Facebook Accounts he found that had great photography posted.
  - Rigel Jackson Portraits - does short videos on posing techniques.
  - Jazz Photographers
  
- Photo Review - Silhouettes and Shadows
  - First Place: "End of the Trail" by Edward Zukowski
  - Second Place: "I can almost touch the sky" by Christiane Menelas
  
- The group reviewed the monochrome and color photos afterwards.

The assignment for March is "Motion Blur". Some example images for ideas were shown before we reviewed February's submissions.

Miscellaneous items:

The meeting was adjourned at 7:24 pm. 20 members in attendance, no visitors, no new members at the meeting and 1 member present on Zoom.

The next general meeting will be February 9th. Images are due February 1st. The meeting will be held at New Braunfels Public Library Westside Branch again.

Respectfully submitted,

Shelby Caesar  
GNBPC Secretary 2026