

# Sharp Focus

CENTRAL IOWA CAMERA CLUB

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January 2021!

- I can't wait till my opening caption says, "We Made it"... soon folks!
- **Feb. 2021 meeting closed.** Still based on the current COVID numbers we will not meet. Please keep shooting, keep trying different techniques and settings, keep asking questions. I'm sure there will be a "COVID" photo contest next CICC year. Don't forget when we do meet it's at Iowa State Ext. at 2808 S. 2<sup>nd</sup> St. Marshalltown.
- **Tim McMahan** was going to present a program on **Depth of Field** had the January program not been cancelled. He videoed his program which I emailed to you all. It will also be on CICC website under January. It is VERY good. And Thank You Tim!
- **Thank You** for those that submitted in Dec. Contest on "**Patterns**". Very nice work! Little behind on getting the results out.
- **Remaining contests:** February "My Happy Place", April "Blue" and June is "Travel".
- Program presenter for March is Willard Sharp on "**Extreme Weather Photography**". You can find his work on FB under Willard Sharp, check him out. And you can friend him so as to catch his work.
- **Recruit.** Want to encourage everyone to be thinking about some recruiting of new members. Would be exciting to have some new faces come check us out when we restart. If you have anyone interested tell them we are on pause and to email me to be put on list to get newsletters and educational info.
- **A Little Inspiration!** Would like to take a moment to try and inspire you. Now is the best time to photograph some of Iowa's barns. They really make a show in the snow. Imagine the photo at top of page had it been photographed in summer. The look would not have been the same. So with that said let's see what you can capture in January/February. As you know these grand beauties will not be standing forever. Don't forget to work with your light. I would like to feature some of these in the next newsletter, so send to me please.

**"Success is not final, failure is not fatal: it is COURAGE to continue that counts."** (Winston Churchill) You can do this!

Meetings Canceled  
Covid-19



## Statement of Purpose

The Central Iowa Camera Club exists to promote the understanding and practice of photography in Central Iowa. Membership is open to persons without regard to their photographic knowledge, experience, sex, age, race, or creed.

Meetings are held at Ext. Office building, 2608 S. St. Marshalltown. Iowa 7:00 p.m. The first Thursday of the month - September through June. Programs are planned to be of interest to beginning through advanced photographers and to those who enjoy viewing the photographic art.

## Membership Dues

Student Membership \$10.00  
Single Membership \$30.00  
Family Membership \$40.00

- **My Happy Place**-Feb. Photo Contest. **Have your digital photos in to me by the Feb. 4<sup>th</sup>. A little switch to give Brent a break. This has been a lot of work. Don't forget to size them, title them, your name, and your category adv., int., nov. My Happy Place is anything that makes you happy! ☺**
- **Photo Contest.** The Marshalltown Conservation Board will be offering the yearly Photo contest this year, but only digital. Rules are listed on their website. Photos you submit are expected to be taken in Marshall County and in the past year.

All entries must be emailed to [mccb@marshallcountya.gov](mailto:mccb@marshallcountya.gov)

titled Photo Contest by Sunday, January 31 at midnight. In the body of your email state the category for the photograph(s), your name, address, brief description of the photo (if you have multiples) and phone number. No photos will be accepted in person. Photographs will be judged the week of February 8, for the categories listed below.

Categories: Scenic (Natural Resources), Native Wildlife, Native Plants, Open Nature, and Outdoor Recreation. Winners of each category will receive a \$20 gift certificate. For more information on the categories:

<http://www.co.marshall.ia.us/departments/conservation/photo-contest-2>

The week of February 8 through February 15, all photographs received will be posted on Facebook. The photograph that gets the most likes for Peoples' Choice will win a \$20 gift certificate.

There will be no chili supper, therefore all certificates will be mailed to winners. Wish you all luck!

In the eye of the storm *He* is in control!

**Stay well, stay safe everyone. We can do this!!!**

***"Stay positive, test negative", (Norah O'Donnell)***

**Don't forget your camera and mask when you head out the door.**

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**CLUB CONTESTS  
2020-2021**

October	Open
December	Patterns
February	My Happy Place
April	The Color Blue
June	Travel

**Impact**

*Originality, imagination  
interpretation, subject,  
interest, mood, humor,  
etc.*

**Composition**

*Arrangement of all  
elements within the  
picture area so that the  
subject matter is  
presented as a  
harmonious well balanced  
photograph.*

**Technique**

*Focus, Lighting, color  
rendition, exposure, print  
quality, mounting.*

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