



The City of AUBURN CALIFORNIA



A group of members from the Placer Camera Club attended the Auburn City Council meeting to share in the presentation of the Commendation to the Placer Camera Club.

At the April City Council meeting the Placer Camera Club was presented a Commendation by the Mayor of Auburn Keith Nesbitt

The Commendation was to recognize the Placer Camera Club on its 60th Anniversary. There was a good turn out for the presentation by members of the club.

Mike Schumacher president of the Placer Camera Club accepted the Commendation.



Keith Nesbitt mayor of Auburn presents a Commendation to Placer Camera Club president Mike Schumacher in honor of the club's 60th Anniversary.

City of Auburn Commendation

Placer Camera Club 60th Anniversary

WHEREAS, the Placer Camera Club was founded in Auburn in 1952; and

WHEREAS, the Placer Camera Club is a group of photography enthusiasts that meet once a month at the Auburn Library Beecher Room; and

WHEREAS, the Club's focus is on photography education instead of photography competition. At their meetings they have image evaluations, theme nights, slide show presentations and guest speakers; and

WHEREAS, The Placer Camera Club shares information on places to shoot blooming wildflowers, birds during migration season and amazing autumn colors during fall; and

WHEREAS, Most of the members are digital shooters but they still have film shooters as well. The members run the gamut from beginners to seasoned shooters; and

WHEREAS, Here in Auburn, we have some of the best photographers in the world living in an area with endless photogenic possibilities.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Keith Nesbitt, Mayor of the City of Auburn, on behalf of the City Council would like to commend the Placer Camera Club on their 60th anniversary.

Issued this 23rd day of April, 2012



Keith Nesbitt
Mayor Keith Nesbitt

A copy of the actual Commendation will be available for viewing or downloading in Pdf format at placercameraclub.org.

Photos by Jim Cormier editor.

Photos of the High Hand Nursery shoot back in August 2011 are now on line...

Submitted by Jim Cormier Newsletter Editor



Go to the High Hands website at <http://www.highhand.com/nursery> and take a look at the awesome slide show they put on their website featuring photos from the Placer Camera Club. I think this was a great thing we did doing the shoot there at the High Hands Nursery and providing them a CD with all the photos that were approved for display by our members. Those members who contributed photos were: Barry Walton, Gabrielle Krueger, Werner Krueger, Jeanine Meunier, Jim Cormier, Jack Bachelder, Karen Wyatt, Paul Holland, Sue Barthelow, Bruce Gregory, Jim Bennett, Judy Hooper, Mike Schumacher and Rod Bonser.



How many of you remember the Argus C3
Also called "The Brick"



Jack Bachelder

TRIVIA QUESTION

Submitted by Jack Bachelder



ARGUS C3

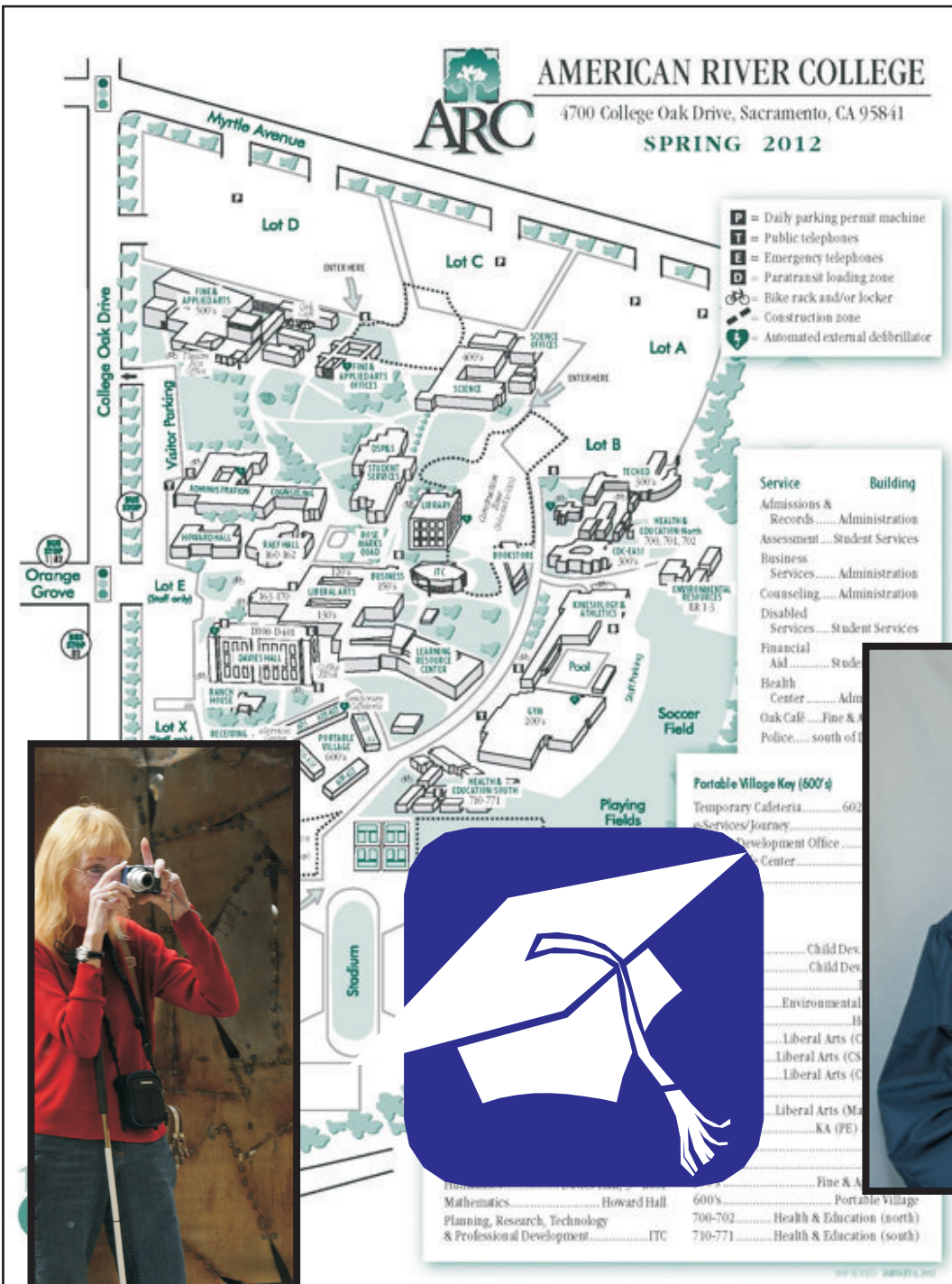
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The Brick

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Placer Camera Club member Pam Bachelder receives her degree.

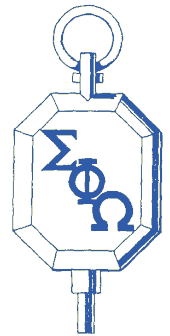
By Jack Bachelder



Honor Societies



Phi Theta Kappa



Sigma Phi Omega

Congratulations Pam!

Most of you know Pam Bachelder, but few realize that she can only see fuzzy shapes having lost much of her vision due to Macular Degeneration.

Despite the difficulties in pursuing a College degree, Pam will graduate with the class of 2012 from American River College May 16th. She will have a degree in Gerontology and acceptance to two honor societies, Phi Theta Kappa and Sigma Phi Omega.

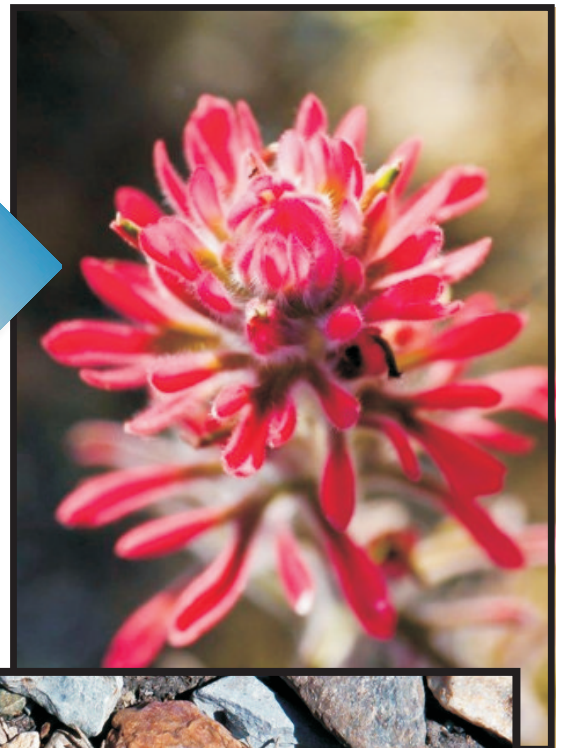
Pam is known on campus as "The straight A student with the White cane" She has been an inspiration to Professors, students and those with disabilities proving that nothing is beyond your dreams.

With Photography, she can only "point and shoot" and hope for the best, but you know what? She occasionally gets a better score from the judges than Jack! So there!!!

The huge black shadow passed over our camp table swiftly. I looked up to see a really large bird about 10 feet above the ground. He circled and made another pass overhead. I could see his yellow eyes looking down at us. I think it was the largest Black Raven I have ever seen, and it looked hungry. I said, oh my god, to Shirley, I wonder if he will try to grab some of our food!

We were camped on a high remote ridge at 8200 feet in Death Valley National Park. It was cold and windy so we were wearing sweaters and warm vests, and trying to eat our dinner. It was May 2, 2012, just a few days ago, and we had come here to Mahogany Flat campground trying to photograph wildlife. A Desert Bighorn if we can. In camp we had seen numerous Black –throated Sparrows; who could believe a sparrow could be so beautiful? So much better than the picture in our bird guide. We were here following the advice and directions of the “Death Valley Photographer’s Guide” by Dan Suzio. The book was published by Nolina Press in 2011 and sells for \$17.95. I wanted to find some not so photographed out of the mainstream spots in Death Valley to photograph wildlife. We wanted to get away from photographing the same old landscapes where everyone goes. Plus, our real interest has always been wildlife. I think we got a really good start with this trip.

Wildrose Canyon, on the west side of the park, has a little of everything- wildflowers (not so much this year) birds, reptiles, mammals, historic sites, and spectacular views. As the sun set that night I saw a huge rack on a big buck deer, a doe following along behind, walk down the nearby ridge of 9880 foot Bennett Peak. Our goal of seeing some Deseret Bighorn Sheep was not to happen this trip.



Report from the East Side
By Jim L White

One of the nice things about going to Death Valley in the very early spring is your chance to photograph the eastern Sierra Nevada Mountains while they are clad in heavy snow. Not so this year.

Right now, south of Mammoth Mountain, in general you will see snow only in the steep mountain canyons, and then only a small white line. Having spent most of my life ski-touring this high country in the early spring I could not believe what I saw this year. Forget trying to photograph the mountains south of Tom's Place. Mammoth Mountain does have some snow but north of June Lake the next best snowy mountains would be the Sawtooth Mountains east of Bridgeport. Matterhorn Peak and Twin Peaks look great.

Traveling north the next best would be Tioga Pass. The highway thru Yosemite via Tioga Pass is now open. I was shocked at how shallow the snow was in the meadows just east of the Park entrance. You could not ski thru the upper meadow just below the Park entrance. Nine cars were parked at the Saddle Bag road and almost all were hiking up the road over shallow and firm snow to the lake which is at 10,000 feet. Most lakes along the Tioga road have some open water. We did enjoy photographing the ice and flowing water under the ice along this road.

The best spring snow we saw was at Carson Pass. Red Lake Peak and Stevens Peak in Hope Valley are still covered in snow. The Mormon Emigrant Trail had two feet of snow at the gate just off highway 88 and was closed. We used the Omo Ranch shortcut to Placerville. By the way, the wildflowers along the upper part of this route were the best we have seen in the Sierra. If you do not know this shortcut to Placerville, dial in Placerville on your auto GPS. When it tries to tell you to go to Myers, drive towards Jackson and it should correct your route via the Omo Ranch route.



PCC members share Wild flowers photos.

From various e-mails to the group.



Copyright Karen Wyatt



Copyright Patrick Jewel



Copyright Mike Schumacher



PCC Members Websites

We are starting a list of Placer Camera Club member websites. I am gathering a list of member websites and will email the list out as soon as it is ready. When the list is complete we will link to member websites from the Placer Camera Club website. If you would like your website or blog to be included send the website to me at radioman@sebastiancorp.net If you can, put a link from your website to the Placer Camera Club website. This is what I have so far:

Jim Cormier	http://www.squareonegraphics.com/
Jim Bennett	http://www.youtube.com/user/lookydude
Bill Stenwick	http://bill-stenwick.smugmug.com/
Sande Parker	http://windsongphotographytoday.com
David Keyes	http://davekeyesphotography.com
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Walt Carnahan	http://www.sierrafoothillsaudubon.com/
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Ron Parker	http://www.photographybyronparker.com/
Rod Bonser	http://tinyurl.com/rods-photo-sets
Sue Barthelow	http://www.suebarthelow.com/
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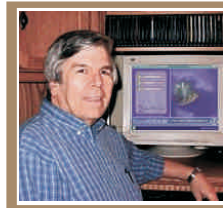
**It's your camera. Learn how to use it.
Join the Placer Camera Club and
attend the monthly meetings.**

**There are members from all skill levels
who are willing to help you with your
photography questions.**



Join Today!

From Your Editor.



Placer Camera Club Members...
Things are coming along nicely with
my transition to PCC Newsletter editor.

If you have any suggestions on how I
can improve the newsletter feel free to
pass them on to me by e-mail or
phone.

I have been receiving lots of positive feedback on the
newsletter so far so that's a good indication that you are
all happy with the PCC newsletter.

Jim Cormier
PCC Newsletter Editor.



Sew on Placer Camera Club Logo Patches

If you haven't purchased your very own **Placer Camera Club Patches** they are still available for just **\$5.00** each. You can call **Jim Cormier at 530-637-4700** or send him a check made out to Square One Graphics and he will mail your patches out to you. The patches are a great way of identifying where you are from when you are out in public on a shoot.

Get yours today while they last. Only 12 left.

I did some checking on 8-inch patches for the back of a jacket.
The costs are: 5 pieces \$33.25 each OR 10 pieces \$21.35 each.
Is anyone interested? Call or e-mail me.

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Huey Monitor Calibration

The club has a Huey Monitor Calibration System
for use by the members.

TO CHECK IT OUT

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Members who contributed articles
and photographs for this months
Placer Color newsletter.

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