



Photo by Ian Cheah

PHOTO CLUB

Meeting Minutes 2025

Minutes November 2025

President's Report & Announcements:

Susan Barcomb (President) welcomed new members Rick Kastenbaum, Neil Nesheim, Janis Henderson, and Susanne Tsang to the meeting.

Treasurer Report - Dale Popkin

The current bank balance is \$606.32. **Dues for 2026 are \$10 and due December 31, 2025, and can be placed in the Photo mailbox near the Activities desk in Anthem Center.**

Secretary Report-Sharon Zoellner

There are currently 62 members in the club.

Club Business

- The SCA Club Fair will be held Saturday, December 6 from 9 am to Noon in the Delaware Room at Anthem Center. This is an opportunity to explore the many SCA sanctioned clubs for residents of Sun City. The Photo Club will have a table at the booth and encourage members to stop by to say hello. This is also a good time to pay 2026 club dues.
- The club holiday party will be held December 18th beginning at 1:00 pm in the Penn Room at Independence Center. **AN RSVP IS REQUIRED TO ATTEND THE PARTY.** If you have not responded for your party attendance you can send your response to scaphotoclub2023@gmail.com **no later than December 3rd**. It is important to have an accurate accounting of attendees so that the appropriate amount of food can be purchased.
- The Cameras, Coffee, and Conversations is being renamed to Cameras and Chat. This meeting takes place the Wednesday after the generally meeting (**NO CHAT NOVEMBER 26, 2025**)
- Several photo outings were discussed.
 - The Sahara West Library is showcasing Women in Photography through February 8th, 2026. Susan Barcomb is organizing a trip to the library on Tuesday, November 25th. Meet at the Bocce Court parking lot at Anthem Center at 9:00 to carpool to the library.
 - The Wetlands Nature Park has a photo exhibit until January 23, 2026, in the gift shop. Members of the Nevada Camera Club have photographs on display.
 - Two other events were mentioned and include the World Kite Festival November 28-29 being held in Summerlin [Home | Kite Festival](#) and the Water Lantern Festival [Water Lantern Festival](#) on December 6 from 2-8 pm at Sunset Park.
 - Susan shared photos that were taken at a recent outing at the National Horse Jumping competition at South Point Casino.
 - **If there is anyone interested in serving in a coordinator role to set up outings, let Susan know at susanbarcomb91@gmail.com**

Michael Janis provided a review of his photographing people workshop he presented at Cameras and Chat in October.

Time to Grow—Ken Root presented helpful tips for shooting photos at the beach. His presentation will be posted on the club website at scaphotoclub.com

Time to Shine – Ken Root presented photos that were submitted by the following members- Chuck Berg, Nicholas Nizich, Neil Nesheim, Cindy Rhodes, Tim Benoit, Ian Cheah, Janis Henderson, Ken Root, Michelle McCarthy, Loretta Janis, Jeff Collin, John Marshall, and Susan Barcomb

Monthly Theme (People Watching)- photos captured between September 18th and October 12th were submitted by the following members: Keith Gitzlaff, Michelle McCarthy, Susan Barcomb, Cindy Rhodes, Mary Ann Unger, Dale Popkin, and Carolyn Jordan.

The Monthly Theme for the January 15th meeting will be *Lifestyles.*”

Monthly Theme photo submissions for the January meeting must be captured between November 20th and January 11th.

Be sure to title your photos and include *Time to Shine* or *Monthly Theme* in the subject line so the photos can be easily identified. Be sure you are submitting photos that have not been presented in the past.

Upcoming Meeting Dates, Times, Locations:

- a. **Cameras and Chat** —CANCELLED FOR **Wednesday, November 26, 2025**
- b. **Holiday Party—December 18, 2025, beginning at 1:00 pm in the Penn Room at Independence Center. RSVP to scaphotoclub2023@gmail.com if you have not already completed the form that was sent to all members earlier.**
- c. **Next General Meeting—Thursday, January 15, 2026**—1:00 to 3:00 in the Penn Room at Independence Center. Guest Speaker will be Doreen Lawrence from the Nevada Camera Club.

Meeting Minutes

October 16, 2025

President's Report & Announcements:

Susan Barcomb (President) welcomed new member Donna Smith to the meeting.

Election—Diane O’Leary presented the election ballot for approval. By a show of hands 20 members voted to approve the following officers for the year 2026:

President: Susan Barcomb

Vice President: Ian Cheah

Treasurer: Dale Popkin

Secretary: Sharon Zoellner

Vice President—Mary Ann Unger

Mary Ann requested holiday photos that could be used in the December Spirit magazine. **She needs submissions by October 24, 2025**

Treasurer Report - Dale Popkin

The current bank balance is approximately \$694.

Secretary Report-Sharon Zoellner

There are currently 59 members in the club.

Time to Shine - photos were submitted by the following members- Nicholas Nizich, Jeff Collin, Michael Janis, Ken Root, Cindy Rhodes, John Marshall, Linda Gettier, Al Gettier, Ian Cheah, Donna Smith, Chuck Berg

Monthly Theme (Abandonment and Decay)- photos captured between September 18th and October 12th were submitted by the following members: Susan Barcomb, Linda Gettier, Al Gettier, Cindy Rhodes, John Marshall, Mary Ann Unger, and Carolyn Jordan.

The Monthly Theme for the November 20th meeting will be "*People Watching.*"

Monthly Theme photo submissions for the November meeting must be captured between October 16th and November 16th.

Be sure to title your photos and include *Time to Shine or Monthly Theme* in the subject line so the photos can be easily identified. Be sure you are submitting photos that have not been presented in the past.

Time to Grow—Ian Cheah

The Time to Grow feature is focusing on teaching tips from members each month. This month Ian presented tips for photographing the Milky Way. His presentation is attached to the email with this document.

Utilizing the videos on photo critiquing may be used in the future to continue to provide educational information.

Photo Outings

Boulder City Outing—Susan Barcomb

Susan presented photos that were taken at the recent Boulder City outing. A pdf of those submissions are attached to the email with this document.

Discussion was held about possibilities for future outings. Places mentioned include: Nelson's landing (south on highway 93); Night shooting down highway 11; Sloan Mountain Trail by the detention basin steps looking away from the city lights; National Rodeo Finals in December at Southpoint Casino (see also email about events week of October 20); Peter Lick Gallery for viewing photography; West Charleston Library for Nevada Camera Club display; Rodeo at Horseman Park (November 20th); Seven Magic Mountain 2 paved roads lead back to some dark spaces.

Helpful apps for sky watching: Planit Pro, Star Walk. There is also a site for tracking Space X launches.

Speakers/Workshops

Michael Janis will be presenting a workshop on Photographing people on **Wednesday, October 22 in the Knoz Room at Anthem Center at 10:00 am. BE SURE TO BRING YOUR CAMERA AS THIS WILL BE A HANDS ON EVENT!**

Donna Smith will be presenting in the future on the topic of painterly or intentional camera movement photography.

George Aiello and JoAnn Aiello will be presenting on the use of AI in the photo editing process. This presentation is tentative scheduled for **February 19th, 2026.**

Holiday Party—Dale Popkin, chairperson

The second annual Holiday Party will be held in place of the December 18th general meeting. **There will be an RSVP form coming out on November 1st.** It is important to reply so that Dale and her committee can plan for the meal accordingly.

Upcoming Meeting Dates, Times, Locations:

- a. **Cameras, Coffee, and Chat** —**Wednesday, October 22, 2025**-10:00am in the Knox area of Anthem Center, located near the Delaware Room hallway. Michael Janis will be sharing his expertise on photographing people. **BRING YOUR CAMERA!**
- b. **Next General Meeting**—**Thursday, November 20, 2025**—1:00 to 3:00 in the Penn Room at Independence Center

September 18, 2025

President's Report & Announcements:

Susan Barcomb (President) welcomed 3 new members to the meeting. She also recognized Patricia Ling's return after some health issues and reported that Ian Cheah is returning after some health issues, as well.

The photographic work of Rick Bold of will remain on display in the Anthem Center for another few weeks as part of our memorial to him. Mary Ann Unger is writing an article for the November issue of Spirit Magazine. Susan circulated a condolence card to be sent to Rick's wife, Diane.

Susan asked for members who would help with getting the photos into the display cabinet in the Anthem Center.

Election update—Susan reported that Vice President Mary Ann Unger will be stepping down as vice president at the end of the year. **Ian Cheah has volunteered to fill this role.** The election will be held at the October 16th general meeting. Diane O'Leary will serve as election chair since Ian is submitting his name for an officer position. **All nominations are due to Diane O'Leary by October 2, 2025. Diane's email is dianecoleary@gmail.com**

Treasurer Report - Dale Popkin

The current bank balance is \$674.55 and there are currently 58 members in the club

Time to Shine - photos were submitted by the following members- Nizich, Nicholas, Jeff Collin, Michael Janis, Ken Root, Susan Barcomb, Patricia Ling, Cindy Rhodes, John Marshall, Timothy Benoit, Linda Gettier, Carolyn Stern, and Dale Popkin

Monthly Theme (Opening)- photos captured between July 15 and September 14 were submitted by the Susan Barcomb, Dale Popkin, Carolyn Jordan, Keith Gitzlaff, John Marshall, and Diane O'Leary

The Monthly Theme for the October 16th meeting will be *"Abandonment and Decay."*

Monthly Theme photo submissions for the October meeting must be captured between September 18th and October 12th.

Be sure to title your photos and include *Time to Shine* or *Monthly Theme* in the subject line so the photos can be easily identified. Be sure you are submitting photos that have not been presented in the past.

Summer 2025 Photo Challenge-Mary Ann Unger presented the slides Dale Popkin, David Oscarson, Carolyn Stern, David Lee, Nicholas Nizich, Rich Kastenbaum, Diane O'Leary, Timothy Benoit, John Marshall, and Susan Barcomb.

Washington Post Photo Winners- Cindy Rhodes shared some photos that were part of the Washington Post Photo Contest. The article will be sent to members of the club.

Photo Outings / Speakers/Workshops

- Susan welcomed guests from the Nevada Camera Club: Clayton Fox - President, Ken Lawrence - Vice-President and Doreen Lawrence – 2024 Photographer of the Year.
 - Their website is nevadacc.org
 - They meet twice monthly. October 4, 2025, 7pm: Tiffany Weems will host Women in Focus at St. Andrews Lutheran Church near Sun City Summerlin off Del Web Blvd.
 - Each month they have a photo competition - one month it will be a digital photo competition where the photos are judged during a zoom meeting, the next month it is a printed/matted photo competition. Each type of competition has 14 categories. They use a 27-point scoring system to assess the submissions and award Red, Blue and White Ribbons. Recordings of the judging from past Zoom meeting electronic competitions are available on their website and on YouTube.
 - They have just established a new Facebook group which Ken Lawrence moderates. Our members are welcome to apply to become members of this Facebook group.
 - Members of the SCA Photo Club are welcome to show up as guests at one of their meetings.
 - This club also has a gallery showing their work at the West Charleston Library from now through November 9. Susan suggested this might be included in a future field trip for our club.

Upcoming Meeting Dates, Times, Locations:

- c. **Cameras, Coffee, and Chat** —**Wednesday, September 24, 2025**-10:00am in the Knox area of Anthem Center, located near the Delaware Room hallway.
- d. **The next outing is to Boulder City on September 25, 2025.** Susan expects to focus on the downtown areas, particularly their statues. Those interested are to meet at the Bocce courts at 9 am. Please let Susan know if you plan to attend. She can be contacted at susanbarcomb91@gmail.com
- e. **Next General Meeting**—**Thursday, October 16, 2025**—1:00 to 3:00 in the Penn Room at Independence Center

May 20, 2025

President's Report & Announcements:

Susan Barcomb (President) welcomed 18 members to the meeting. Four (4) new members have joined since the last meeting. They are Alan Rivlin, Charles Frazier, Kyra Thibodeau, Michelle McCarthy.

Susan led a discussion about the Time to Grow segment that was recently added to our meetings. There were many ideas noted such as sharing a photo where the photographer seeks input on how to improve in their own skills, learning more about post-processing, holding a workshop where all attendees photograph the same object and then submitting them for ideas for improvement. Susan will be meeting with Lorrie Gomes, the Time to Grow coordinator, to continue the discussion and present ideas soon.

Election update—Susan reported that Vice President Mary Ann Unger will be stepping down as vice president at the end of the year. **She invited everyone to consider volunteering to fill this role.** The election will be held at the October general meeting.

Treasurer Report - Dale Popkin

The current bank balance is \$707.59

Secretary Report—Sharon Zoellner reported that the club membership is 57

May 15th Meeting Photography Presentations:

Time to Grow- (A New Approach) Choosing Your Subject

Lorrie Gomes presented photos submitted by Diane O'Leary, Dale Popkin, Susan Barcomb, Linda Gettier, and Lorrie Gomes

The *Time to Grow* will be on hold pending further discussions.

Time to Shine -

Ken Root presented photos submitted by the following members- Nicholas Nizich, Cindy Rhodes, Jeff Collin, Michael Janis, Ken Root, Susan Barcomb, and Dale Popkin

Monthly Theme (Places of Worship)- Carolyn Jordan presented members' photos captured between March 20-April 5th. Photos were submitted by the following members- Susan Barcomb, Chuck Berg, Jeff Collin, Don Hill, Dale Popkin, Cindy Rhodes, Carolyn Jordan, and Diane O'Leary

The Monthly Theme for the May 15th meeting will be "*Black and White.*"

Time to Grow and *Monthly Theme* photo submissions for the June meeting must be captured between May 15 – June 15.

Be sure to title your photos and include *Time to Shine or Monthly Theme*, in the subject line so the photos can be easily identified. Be sure you are submitting photos that have not been presented in the past.

Photo Outings / Speakers/Workshops

Susan shared photos from those who attended the two outings this past month. Redstone photos were shared by Susan Barcomb, Bob Slaughter, Carolyn Jordan, John Marshall, Diane O'Leary, and Susan Barcomb.

Tule Springs photos were submitted by Nick Nizich, Dale Popkin, Linda Gettier, John Marshall, and Susan Barcomb

Homework for all members: Please send ideas for outings to Susan Barcomb at susanbarcomb91@gmail.com by Monday, May 26th so plans can be made for the fall and next winter. Your submission should include the name of the location and a good month to visit. Susan would also like to form a small committee to review the suggestions and plan outings.

Upcoming Meeting Dates, Times, Locations:

- a. **Cameras, Coffee, and Chat** —Wednesday, May 21, 2025-10:00am in the Knox area of Anthem Center, located near the Delaware Room hallway.

- b. **The Art of Seeing Photography: A Mindful Approach presentation by George Aiello and JoAnn Aiello— May 22, 2025, at 1 pm in the Penn Room at Independence Center**
- c. **Next General Meeting—Thursday, June 19, 2025—1:00 to 3:00 in the Penn Room at Independence Center**

Meeting Minutes April 17, 2025

President's Report & Announcements:

Susan Barcomb (President) welcomed 18 members to the meeting. Two (2) new members introduced: Miriam Holt and Janet Pinto.

The SCA May Club Fair is scheduled for Saturday, May 3rd 9 AM- 12 noon. Table # 25.

Ian is doing well with his cancer treatment/recovery at the Mayo Clinic in Phoenix. He may be back for the May meeting.

Treasurer Report - Dale Popkin

The current bank balance is \$ 671.92 with 53 members.

Secretary Report- Sharon on travel. Cindy Rhodes is taking notes.

April 17th Meeting Photography Presentations:

Time to Grow- (A New Approach) Choosing Your Subject

Lorrie Gomes presented photos submitted by Ian Cheah, Diane O'Leary, Nicholas Nizich, Mary Ann Unger, Cindy Rhodes, Susan Barcomb

The *Time to Grow* monthly topic will continue to be based on understanding and implementing the fundamentals of Photography. For May the topic will be "*Explore / Learn your Photographic Equipment.*" Submit up to 4 photos.

- Learn functions of buttons /dials on our camera (mobile and DSLR)

- Become familiar with the menus and features

- Explore post processing programs / apps

- Read your manuals

- Watch You-Tube videos on your specific cameras

If you have further questions about this segment of the meeting, contact Lorrie Gomes at gwoman@mail.com

Time to Shine -

Ken Root presented photos submitted by nine (9) members- John Marshall, Diane O'Leary, Nicholas Nizich, Cindy Rhodes, Jeff Collin, Lorrie Gomes, Michael Janis, Susan Barcomb, Ken Root

Monthly Theme (Places of Worship)- Carolyn Jordan presented members' photos captured between March 20-April 5th. Photos were submitted by four (4) members- Susan Barcomb, Omega Edwards, Cindy Rhodes, Dale Popkin

The Monthly Theme for the May 15th meeting will be "*Rust.*" Based on each member's interpretation of what "rust" means (iron oxide chemical reaction, color, etc.)

Time to Grow and *Monthly Theme* photo submissions for May meeting must be captured between April 17 - May 11.

Be sure to title your photos and include *Time to Shine*, *Monthly Theme*, or *Time to Grow* in the subject line so the photos can be easily identified. Be sure you are submitting photos that have not been presented in the past.

Upcoming May Anthem Center Display Photographers (Photos reviewed at the April 17th meeting):

Monthly Theme: "Places of Worship" - Dale Popkin

Time to Shine – John Marshall, Diane O’Leary, Jeff Collin, Lorrie Gomes, Michael Janis

Photo Outings / Speakers/Workshops

1. Photos from the Red Stone Outing will be presented at the May meeting.
2. Potential outing 21-12 April: Nevada Camera Club (Susan Barcomb is a member) is based in Summerlin. They have a yearly *Print Photography* competition and the winners are displayed in the _____ Courthouse. Susan suggested a trip to the Courthouse to view the various winning prints followed by urban/street photography in the area and possibly lunch. The Print Competition show began April 8th. Susan will coordinate with Sharon to send out an email with the details and date.
3. Dr. Johnson Rose Garden 5330 Somerset Hills Ave, Las Vegas, NV - small 2-acre park features a Rose Garden, Splash Pad, Covered Play Structure, Gazebos, Restrooms, very small parking lot (recommended by Dale Popkin for individual visits)
4. Floyd Lamb Regional Park in Tule Springs - About 30 minutes NW of Las Vegas. North side of park has 4 ponds with waterfowl, lots of greenery, etc. South side of park features the Floyd Lamb historic ranch (active 1940-50s). The Tule Springs Park also contains the National Fossil Beds Monument - which may require some hiking to reach.
5. The wedding venue called "The Grove" has gardens, almond trees, gazebos, and other photographic settings. It is located Near Grand Teton Drive in Las Vegas and could be combined with a trip to Gilchrist Farms/Nature Sanctuary.

Upcoming Meeting Dates, Times, Locations:

- a. **Cameras, Coffee and Chat - Wednesday, April 23 and Wednesday May 21 - Knox Area of Anthem Center**
- b. **Next general meeting: Thursday, May 15th - 1-3 PM in Penn Room, Independence Center**
- c. ***The Art of Seeing Photography: A Mindful Approach* presentation by George Aiello and JoAnn Aiello: May 22, 2025 at 1 PM in the Penn Room, Independence Center**

Meeting Minutes

March 20, 2025

Welcome and Introductions—Susan Barcomb, President welcomed 17 members and two guests to the meeting that began at 1:00 pm in the Penn Room at Independence Center.

Susan also asked if anyone was interested in participating in an outing to the strip on Sunday, March 23rd. Four people are planning to attend. Photographing the Lou Ruvo Center for Brain Research and the World Market Center will be the focus of the outing.

The Bellagio has an Art and Jazz show on the 2nd floor showcasing post WWII art. The conservatory spring display is open.

During the April general meeting there will be a discussion about using cell phones for travel photography. Tips for other cameras may also be shared.

May Club Fair is scheduled for Saturday, May 3rd, 9:00 am to noon. The Photo Club will be at table #25. Susan invited members to stop by and give those staffing the table a quick break.

Treasurer Report—Dale Popkin—bank balance is \$663.60

Secretary Report—Sharon Zoellner—we have 51 members.

There is also a need for someone to take notes at the April, May, and June meetings. Sharon will visit with the notetaker to create the minutes after each meeting. Cindy Rhodes has volunteered to assist at the April meeting. If you can help in May or June, please let Sharon know at scaphotoclub2023@gmail.com.

March Anthem Center Display Photographers—Michael Janis, Mary Ann Unger, Jan Rohde, Cindy Rhodes, and Nick Nizich

Time to Grow—A New Approach—Lorrie Gomes presented photos submitted by Ian Cheah, Rick Bold, Diane O’Leary, Susan Barcomb, and Lorrie Gomes, which focused on lighting.

For the April meeting we’ll think about the people, places and things we choose to photograph.

- What is an interesting subject?
- Why are we drawn to certain subjects and not others?
- What can we do to make a subject more interesting?
- What makes a subject have a desired impact on the viewer?
- How do we tell the story of a subject?
- **Photos may be captured between March 16th and April 5th,2025**

Time to Shine—Ken Root presented submitted photos by Nicholas Nizich, Cindy Rhodes, Jeff Collin, Ken Root, Michael Janis, Susan Barcomb, and Rick Bold

Monthly Theme—Carolyn Jordan presented photos submitted by Susan Barcomb, Rick Bold, and Carolyn Jordan on the theme “Balance”

The Theme for April is “Places of Worship” (photos may be captured between March 16th and April 5th,2025)
Please be sure to submit your photos to Ken Root, Carolyn Jordan, and/or Lorrie Gomes no later than April 5th, 2025. NOTE: This is a week earlier than typical. Be sure to title your photos and include TTS, MT, or TTG in the subject line so that the photos can be more easily located. Also be sure you are submitting photos that have not been submitted in the past. 😊

Photo Outings/Speakers/ Workshops

The Amazon Distribution Center Outing was attended by Rick Bold, Chuck Berg, and Sharon Zoellner. While the tour was interesting, it was not possible to take photos.

Upcoming Workshops/Outing—The following ideas were shared for possible photo outings:

Red Stone which is located off the North Shore Drive in the Lake Mead National Recreation area. The idea would be to arrive in time to take advantage of the afternoon “Golden Hour” to capture the shots with the evening light. There is a ¾ mile walkway, bathrooms, and picnic tables. Ken Root volunteered to lead a longer hike for those who may want to get further back into the area.

Lou Ruvo Center for Brain Research
World Market Center
Las Vegas Strip
Bellagio Flowers

Ken Root shared that the BLM horse roundup has removed a large portion of the herds that were in the Good Springs area. He suggested there may be some horses, and possibly some herds of elk near the Creech Airforce Base.

Next Meeting dates, times, locations

- f. **Cameras, Coffee, and Chat** — **Wednesday, March 26th, 2025**--10:00am in the Knox area of Anthem Center, located near the Delaware room hallway.
- g. **Next General Meeting**—**Thursday, April 17th, 2025**-1:00 to 3:00 in the Penn Room at Independence Center. A topic for discussion will be using cell phones for travel photography.
- h. George and JoAnn Aiello will present information on “How to See” when shooting photos at the May General Meeting

Meeting Minutes

February 20, 2025

President Susan Barcomb welcomed 20 members to the meeting

Treasurer Report—**Dale Popkin** was not able to attend but a reminder for getting dues paid by March 1st was shared. The club’s bank balance as of February 20, 2025, was \$633.60 with 86 members in the club. This number will be revised after the March 1st deadline for 2025 dues submission has passed.

February 2025 Anthem Center Display Photographers were —John Marshall, Ken Root, Lorrie Gomes, Susan Barcomb, Carolyn Jordan, and Bob Slaughter

Time to Shine—**Ken Root** prepared the submitted photos from Nick Nizich, Mary Ann Unger, Cindy Rhodes, Greg Albertson, Jan Rohde, Jeff Colin, Michael Janis, Robert Slaughter, and Ken Root.

Be sure to send your March photos to Ken Root at kennethwr@gmail.com **by Sunday, March 16th**.

Monthly Theme—**Carolyn Jordan** prepared the submitted photos with the Statue Theme from Nick Nizich, Carolyn Jordan, Sharon Zoellner, Cindy Rhodes, Diane O’Leary, Dale Popkin, Susan Barcomb, Keith Gitzlaff, Jan Rohde, and John Marshall.

Theme for March is “BALANCE.” **Be sure to submit photos taken between February 20, 2025, and March 16 2025 no later than March 16** to Carolyn Jordan at cg_Jordan@yahoo.com

Cindy Rhodes informed the group that the City of Boulder has many statues throughout the city. A map of locations can be found on the website. [Walking Guide to Downtown Boulder City Sculptures | Boulder City: Home of Hoover Dam & Lake Mead](#) –

Time to Grow— Lorrie Gomes has revised the Time to Grow segment of the meeting to focus on the aspects of taking a good photo.

Starting this month, our Time to Grow is changing. Instead of evaluating members’ past photos, we’ll start discovering how we can use fundamental aspects of photography to improve our results.

We’ll do this by focusing on one key aspect of photography each month. Members are challenged to explore and experiment with the element and submit up to four photos for review at the next meeting.

We hope this new approach will encourage members, from experienced to novice, to stretch their skills by learning through practice.

- This month’s challenge is to study light and see how it affects your photographs.

- Understanding light can change the impact of your photos and their ability to tell your story.
- Try using different kinds of light - natural, studio, artificial, soft, hard, back/front/side light, HiKey, LowKey, golden hour, etc.
- Maybe select an item and move it into different lighting conditions to see how they affect the final photograph.
- Experiment. Be creative.
- *Most important question to ask before clicking the shutter is*

- **How can I use light to elevate this photograph to be more than a “snapshot”?**

Be sure to submit photos taken between February 20, 2025, and March 16, 2025, no later than March 16 to Lorrie Gomes at gwoman@mail.com ,

Lorrie Gomes and Carolyn Jordan will work to coordinate the themes for Time to Grow and Monthly Theme submissions.

There was discussion regarding the number of photos to submit for the three photo submission segments. The group agreed to stay with 4 photos per member per segment for now.

Michael Janis informed the group that Bluesky.com is a site where photos can be posted for free.

Outing Discussion—Photos were shared by the folks who went to Red Rock on January 28th.

Amazon Distribution Center outing is scheduled for Tuesday, February 25th. Sign up information was sent in an email sent January 21st.

Rick Bold reported that the beginning photography workshop went well.

Susan Barcomb conducted a workshop on the cell phone application Snapseed. Snapseed is an application that permits post processing tasks on cell phone photos.

Anyone interested in arranging/coordinating a photo outing please contact Rick Bold at rbold1@aol.com.

A brief discussion was held regarding the color saturation on the video screen. Susan Barcomb will contact the technology department to see if the monitor can be recalibrated to ensure more realistic colors when showing photos.

Next Meeting dates, times, locations

- Amazon Distribution Center Outing—Tuesday, February 25th, 2025. Information was sent in an email on January 21st. Contact Rick Bold rbold1@aol.com if you plan to attend.**
- Cameras, Coffee, and Chat —Wednesday, February 26th, 2025**, at 10:00am in the Knox area of Anthem Center, located near the Delaware room hallway.
- Next General Meeting—March 20th, 2025**, meeting beginning at 1:00 pm in the Penn Room at Independence Center.

Meeting Minutes

January 16, 2025

President Susan Barcomb welcomed 13 members to the meeting and gave a special welcome to a couple of members who had not attended in a while.

Treasurer Report—Dale Popkin The club's bank Balance as of January 16, 2025 was \$604.88 with 86 members in the club.

January 2025 Anthem Center Display Photographers were — Nicholas Nizich, Ian Cheah, Lori Gomes, Rick Bold, Ken Root, and Cindy Rhodes

December Holiday Party--Susan thanked members who assisted with the Holiday party. 28 members attended. Michael Janis complimented the planning committee and many members said that all had fun and enjoyed the festivities.

Time to Shine—Ken Root prepared the submitted photos from Mary Ann Unger, Chuck Berg, Nicholas Nizich, Cindy Rhodes, Carolyn Jordan, John Marshall, Rick Bold, Susan Barcomb, Michael Janis, and Ken Root. Susan Barcomb shared the slides.

Be sure to send your February photos to Ken Root at kennethwr@gmail.com **by Sunday, February 16th**.

Monthly Theme—Carolyn Jordan prepared the submitted photos with the Mood Theme from Susan Barcomb, Dale Popkin, Cindy Rhodes, Nicholas Nizich, Mary Ann Unger, Carolyn Jordan, Lorrie Gomes, Bob Slaughter, Keith Gitzlaff. . Susan Barcomb shared the slides.

Theme for February is "STATUES." **Be sure to submit photos taken between January 16, 2025 and February 16 2025** to Carolyn Jordan at cg_Jordan@yahoo.com

Beginning in March – The number of Submissions for Time to Shine and Monthly Theme may be changed to less than 4 photos per person since we are currently getting 60-80 photos to view/discuss. More discussion on this change will be continued at the February 20th general meeting.

Time to Grow— Beginning in Feb, the Time to Grow portion will be modified and incorporated into the review / discussion of the Time to Shine and Monthly Theme photos submitted. Attendees will be asked to discuss/mention classic elements of good photography (rule of thirds, composition, color, leading lines, lighting, subject focus, etc.) when reviewing/discussing photos displayed on screen.

Group discussion will also include how to improve "good" photos with a focus on actual taking of photos and post processing options. An email outlining the proposed discussion/meeting format changes is forthcoming. Some of the changes being incorporated are the result of discussions with and surveys submitted by new members – many of whom are interested in more info on cell phone photos and less advanced camera techniques.

The discussion topic at the February 20th general meeting will be basic elements of photography.

Outing Discussion—Rick Bold will be conducting an outing to Red Rock Park on January 28th. Currently 8 people have expressed interest. Four (4) vehicles meet at 9:15 in Anthem Parking Lot near Bocce Courts. Vehicle reservations need to be made for park entry between 10-11 AM. There is a \$2 reservation fee per vehicle and an entrance cost \$20/vehicle or free if any member in vehicle has US Park Pass. Rick will contact Park for more information and coordination. **If you are interested in joining this outing, please contact Rick Bold at rbold1@aol.com**

Additional opportunities for outings include:

Amazon Distribution Center in North LV - Open Tues & Fri for tours; digital cameras only at designated locations, cell phone cameras anywhere

Susan Barcomb may host/coordinate a "food" photography session

Grapevine canyon – petroglyphs – picnic areas, but no chairs/benches

Anyone interested in arranging/coordinating a photo outing please contact Rick Bold at rbold1@aol.com.

Upcoming Workshops—Susan Barcomb shared information about two upcoming workshops.

*Beginning Photography Basics--January 23rd 1:00-2:00 pm in the Penn Room will be presented by Rick Bold.

*Photo Editing for Beginners—February 19th 12:00-1:00 pm in the Penn Room will be presented by Susan Barcomb

Next Meeting dates, times, locations

- a. **Next General Meeting—February 20th** meeting beginning at 1:00 pm in the Penn Room at Independence Center.
- b. **Cameras, Coffee, and Chat —Wednesday, January 22nd, 2025**, at 10:00am in the Knox area of Anthem Center, located near the Delaware room hallway.
- c. **Basic Photography Workshop—January 23rd, 2025** beginning at 1:00 pm in the Penn Room at Independence Center
- d. **Photo Editing for Beginners—February 19th, 2025** beginning at 12:00 pm in the Penn Room at Independence Center