

Cobb Photographic Society



October 2024



September Monthly Competition Theme: *Backlighting*

(Cover) Winner- Monochrome

Ladybug

Melissa Moody

(Above) Winner- Color

Family Sunset Walk

Pat Fahey



Winner- Novice
Intuitive Ginger
Joyce Harrison

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Upcoming Activities and Events

October 2024

Mon, 30 Sep, 3 PM. Competition. Deadline for Digital Images, Theme: *Solitude*. Using the updated CPS entry form [here](#), email the form and photos to cpsdigital2023@gmail.com for the Oct digital competition. **Club members only.**

(Pending) Late October. NG3C Shootout. NG3C Laptop Setup/Configuration Workshop. The NG3C Shootout is one of the best-liked activities we do every year but we need to do a bit of advance preparation/configuration with our laptops so that we're ready to go on the competition day. **Participating club members.**

Mon, 7 Oct, 7 PM. Competition. Monthly Competition Evening, Digital Images Theme: *Solitude*. Come and join us at Sewell Mill Library/Cultural Center, 2051 Lower Roswell Road, Marietta, After the meeting, we'll head out for social time. **All are welcome.**



Thu, 10 Oct, 6 PM. Exhibit. Opening reception with refreshments. Our last exhibit of the year will be at the Sewell Mill Library and is a chance for us to display our printed works. Light refreshments, interesting photographs, and good conversation await. **All are welcome.**

Thu, 10 Oct- 16 Nov. Exhibit. Month-long club exhibit at Sewell Mill Library. Our last exhibit of the year will be at the Sewell Mill Library and is a chance for us to display our printed works. Be sure to vote for your favorite photo! Our Exhibit Chair, **Mark Chandler**, will announce the winner later in the month. **All are welcome.**



Sat, 12 Oct, Noon. Field Trip. Chalktoberfest. Where else can you go to see “chalk art” reveal itself as you watch. The morning begins in earnest with the artists sketching out their work and by the end of the day, you’ll see about 75% of the chalk art completed. The remaining 25% finish up Sunday morning. Meeting at noon, strike out on your own and we’ll meet for lunch between 2 PM- 3 PM. RSVP/sign up [here](#). **Club members and family/friends welcome.**

Sat, 19 Oct, 8 AM. NGPC-CPS Field Trip. Train Chase. CPS members are invited to join North GA Photo Club (NGPC) members at Tennessee Valley Railroad Museum, 4115 Cromwell Rd, Chattanooga, TN 37421. More information and sign-up information [here](#). Club member. **Club members and family/friends welcome.**

Mon, 21 Oct, 7 PM. Continuing Education. Monthly Presentation Evening. Join our evening’s Zoom-only educational presentation [here](#). **All are welcome.**

Tue, 22 Oct, 7 PM. New Members. CPS Welcome/New Member Zoom Orientation. **Dee Dee Bonesteel**, our club’s Welcome Chair, welcomes our newest members to learn about our club resources and review the process of competing in our monthly competitions. Q&A time is included. The Zoom meeting URL will be emailed to all new members a couple of days before the Zoom session. **New members only.**

Mon, 28 Oct, 3 PM. Competition. Deadline for Digital Images, Theme: High Speed. Using the updated CPS entry form [here](#), email the form and photos to cpsdigital2023@gmail.com. **Club members only.**

Future Activities and Events

Sat, 2 Nov. Field Trip and NC3C Shootout. Fall Colors and NG3C Site Recon at Berry College. More information soon. RSVP/Sign up [here](#). **Club members as well as family and friends to enjoy the overall event and fall-time area.**

Mon, 4 Nov, 7 PM. Competition. *Monthly Competition Evening, Theme: High Speed*, Join us in-person at [Sewell Mill Library/Cultural Center](#) or Zoom [here](#). After the meeting, we'll head out for social time. **All are welcome.**

Sat, 9 Nov. NC3C Shootout. *NG3C Shootout at Berry College*. Join us as CPS competes with up to ten other northern Georgia/Tennessee camera clubs. More information soon. **Club members for the NG3C Shootout competition but family/friends to enjoy the overall event and fall-time area.**

18-19 Nov. Exhibit. *Pick up artwork from Sewell Mill Library*. **Club members with exhibit artwork.**

Sat, 23 Nov. Field Trip. *Sloss Furnace and (optional) Barber MotorSports Museum*. RSVP/sign up [here](#). **Club members only.**

November. Social. *Club Lunch*. More information in October. **All are welcome.**

November. Learning Workshop. *Capstone session: Light Painting*. **Club members only.**

Fall. Mentoring. *Afternoon at either Marietta Square area or [Swift-Cantrell Park](#)*. RSVP/Sign up info in June. **Club members only.**

Sun, 8 Dec, 7 PM. Social. *Annual Social, Dinner, and 2024 Award Presentations*. Join us at the Marietta Fish Market. **Club members, invited guests, and family members.**

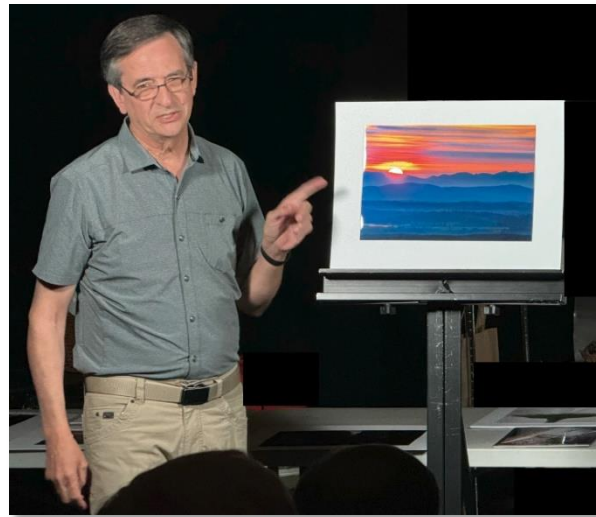
Notes from Around Our Club

Competition Evening- *Backlight.*



Jeff Milsteen, a long-time friend of the club, judged our **Prints-only** competition, with the print competition's "White Glove Men" (**Rick Olson** and **Charlie Stannard**) deftly keeping the easel filled with prints for Jeff's critique.

Jeff's critiques were sure to help each member sharpen their presentation skills.



Presentation Evening- Intentional Camera Movement (ICM).

Stephanie Johnson, a new presenter to CPS, became passionate about ICM in 2017, and since then, she focused her journey that improved her techniques which yielded interesting and emotionally lifting photos... through pushing herself to "do the work".

Says Stephanie, "It's about 'painting' images with your camera... while having fun."



They Say It's Your...

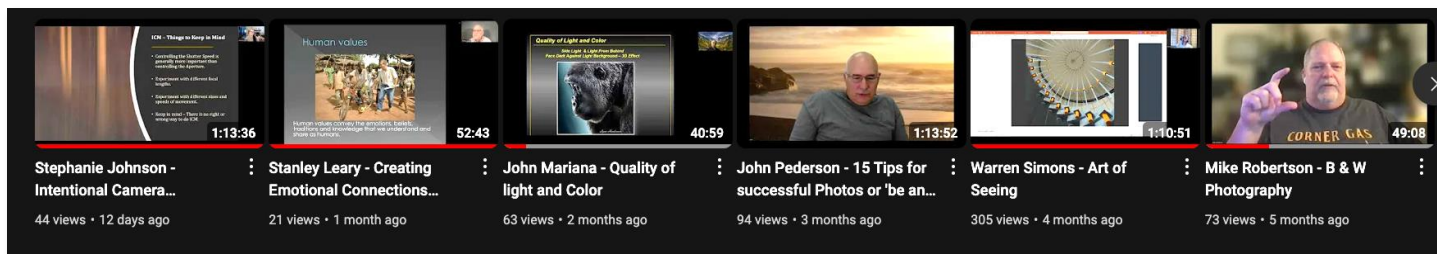
Birthday!

- Hamite Arif, 4 October
- Margaret Waage, 7 October
- Jared Collins, 19 October
- Krystal Finch, 20 October
- Jim Moran, 26 October
- Loretta Galasso, 31 October

2024 Competition Standings- Overall and Division.

Overall: **Paul Shimek**
Novice Division: **Joyce Harrison**
Standard Division: Monochrome: **Paul Shimek**
Standard Division: Color: **Paul Shimek**

Monthly CPS YouTube Presentations.



You can review our club's presentation videos from the last 3+ years [here](#).

Competition Theme Descriptions (Almost Updated Through 2025).

Hats off to our Competition Chair, **Laura Prescott**, for working to add an addition with examples for our 2025 themes. It should be completed in October.

CPS Website Portfolio Showcase: Lori Mitchum.

Lori Mitchum is an example of our new members who join the club and quickly make their photographic abilities known through their photographs.

Enjoy Lori's photos on her portfolio page [here](#).

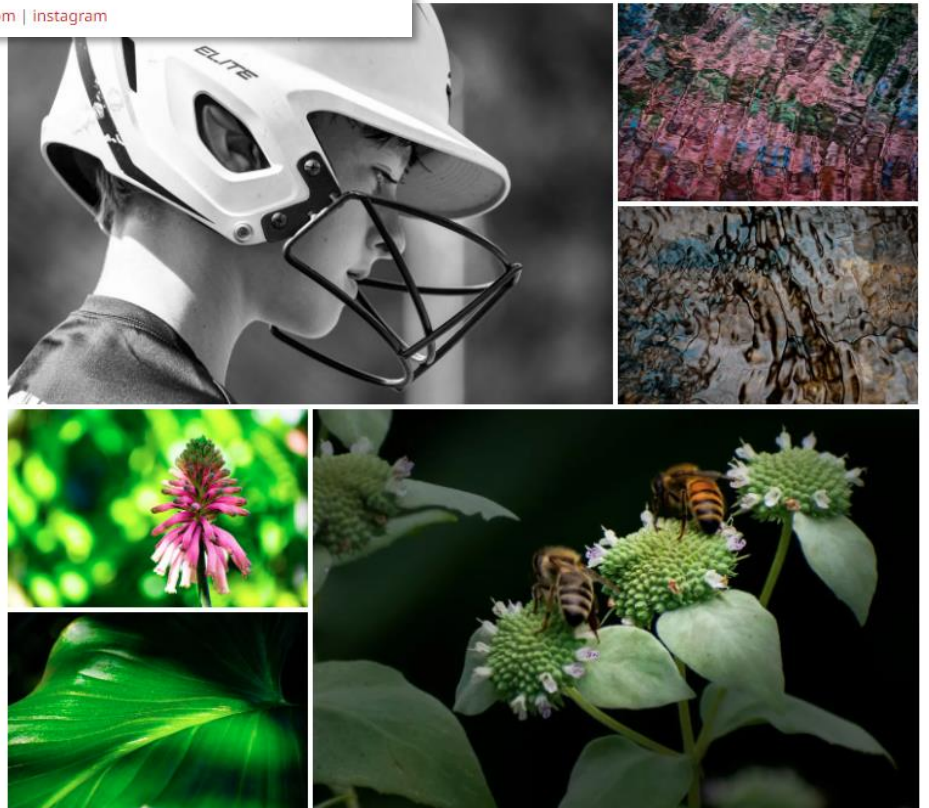


After spending ten years photographing my daughters playing fast pitch softball, I realized that I missed photography after they quit playing. As a new empty nester looking for a hobby that no longer

centered around my children, I began focusing on nature photography, and consciously making deliberate time to go out and take pictures.

Since then, my love for photography has blossomed, and I've become especially fond of uncovering captivating perspectives and revealing hidden details that often go unnoticed. I find joy in showcasing the extraordinary in the ordinary, challenging viewers to see the world a little differently. As life comes full circle, as of last year I'm also spending spring and fall Saturdays taking pictures of my grandsons playing baseball - back on the fields again!

website: lorimitchum.com | [instagram](#)



Contact **Mark Chandler**, our Social Media Chair, to **add your own portfolio page** at mchan18078@aol.com.

It's super easy: Your photo +10-20 photos + a bio is all it takes; Mark does all the layout work for you!

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CPS 2024-2025 Monthly Competition Schedule (2 of 2).

**July and September Competition evenings are always pushed back a week due to the 4th of July and Labor Day holidays.

*** The month of November is not open for a general competition. Club members who placed 2nd through Honorable Mention compete for a wild-card first place in the *Best of the Year* competition in our Novice, Standard: Color, and Standard: Monochrome divisions. Winners are announced at our December Christmas party.

Prints-only - Three themes a year are set aside for **Prints-only** monthly competitions. There is no Zoom session during the three Prints-only competitions; we encourage you to come to Sewell Mill Library/Cultural Center and view our members' print craftsmanship.

You can download a copy of the *CPS 2024-2025 Monthly Competition Themes* [here](#).

Wanted: Photographers to Give Back to the Community.



Margaret Waage, club member and co-editor of this magazine, is working behind the scenes to allow CPS members a chance to give back to the community through their photographic talents.

How? Margaret is working with senior organizations and independent living homes for us to photograph seniors.

We'll set up the studio and you will take the photographs.

It's a win-win for all. Stay tuned for more information! Photo by **Pat Fahey**.

Have You Signed Up Yet?

NG3C NORTH GEORGIA CAMERA CLUB COUNCIL

2024 NG3C Shootout!

Saturday, Nov. 9, 2024
Berry College
Rome, Georgia

The North Georgia Camera Club Council (NG3C) cordially invites your photography club to participate in the Fourteenth NG3C Shootout on the beautiful campus of Berry College in Rome, GA.

NG3C was formed to promote photography clubs and as such the Shootout is a club-centered event. All Shootout participants are required to be members of a NG3C member club in good standing.



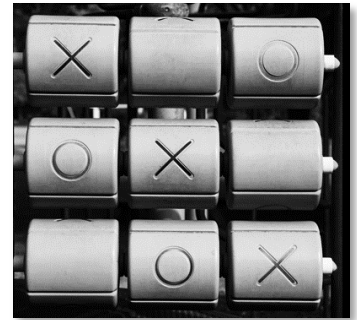
Dallas Neon, Mark Chandler

Diagonal Category



Its Clouds Reflection, Jeff Westland

Landscape Category



TicTacToe, Jeff Westland

Diagonal Category

This is an exciting day of friendly competition and a chance to meet other photographers from other photo clubs in northern Georgia and Tennessee.

Each participating member is given the same 4-5 themes and goes to the nearby area, including towns (boundaries to take photos are covered during the 9 November morning briefing). We process our images and submit them to our club judges for screening, internal judging, and submission to the NG3C judges. Winners are announced that afternoon.

Want to sign up? Email our NG3C Chair, **Mark Chandler** at mchan18078@aol.com to join other club members for a fun and informative day!

Field Trip: *Guardians of the Jukebox* and Downtown Duluth

This was a field trip threatened by storms that forecasted downpours all day and night. Making the best of an almost-wet situation, **Pat Fahey** not only photographed the band but also captured shots of renovated Duluth downtown stores. **Note:** Some photos edited/modified by *Topaz's Studio 2*.



Downtown Duluth

A collage of three photos showcasing downtown Duluth. The top photo shows a storefront with a sign that reads "FRESH ASIAN FLAVORS". The middle photo shows a storefront with a sign that reads "STEAKS WOOD BURNING HEARTH". The bottom photo shows the interior of a restaurant with a sign that reads "GOOD WORD Brewing".

Standard- Color Competition Winners



Second Place
Batibou Beach
Paul Shimek



Third Place
Morning on the Canal
Phyllis Westland



Honorable Mention
James
Melissa Moody



Honorable Mention
Layers of Light
Jeff Westland



Honorable Mention
Mushroom Rock #2
Paul Shimek

Standard- Monochrome Competition Winners



Second Place
Kristen
Melissa Moody



Third Place
Up the Alley
Phyllis Westland



Honorable Mention
Row Your Boat
Paul Shimek



Honorable Mention
Into the Light
Angie Nasrallah

Novice Competition Winners



Second Place
Sunset at the Port
Anand Saokar



Honorable Mention
Rosedrops
Joyce Harrison



Third Place
Lamppost and the Port
Anand Saokar

Member-2-Member's Classifieds and Websites

Email faheyatlanta@gmail.com if you have photographic items for sale or events that you or your business would like to advertise in our next magazine. Advertising your business website is OK as well.

Private Tutoring with Club Member, David Batley.



David Batley, a recognized club member and instructor, is available for his popular "What Button Do I Push Now?" with private tutoring.

Don't be frustrated. Learn the most important stuff about your camera. Sessions are usually about 2 or 2 and 1/2 hours and the fee is \$99.

Contact David at 4043146359 or by email: dbphotodesign@comcast.net.

October Equipment for Sale, Paul Shimek.



Says **Paul**: "Hey, everybody, I am retiring in December so that I can travel the world full-time.

I'm downsizing to a backpack for my mirrorless camera equipment, and I'm selling all my other possessions. If you would like to buy my remaining photography equipment, which has served me well, please see the list on the following three pages. Although I've listed used market prices, I will accept the best reasonable offer.

I've taken good care of these cameras, lenses, and accessories, and they are all in their original boxes.

Interested? Please feel free to call me at 7704241913, text 7709246661, or email me at paul@paulshimek.com."

DESCRIPTION MAKE/MODEL PRICE (updated 1 Oct 2024)

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|---|---------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> DSLR body Canon 6D Mark II (includes battery, charger, BG-E21 Battery Grip, in original box) | \$700.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> DSLR body Canon 5D Mark II (includes battery, charger, and 6 SanDisk CF cards 16 & 32GB) | \$300.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> DSLR body Canon 50D (includes 4 batteries, 3 chargers, 6 SanDisk 8GB CF cards, and G-E2 Battery Grip) | \$175.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> SLR bodies (3) Canon A2 35mm film cameras | \$ 50.00 each |

<input type="checkbox"/> Lens Canon EF 16-35mm f/2.8 L II	\$700.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Lens Canon EF 28-70mm f/2.8 L	\$200.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Macro Lens Canon EF 50mm Compact Macro f/2.5	\$150.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Lens Canon EF 70-200mm f/2.8 L	\$750.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Lens Canon EF 100-400mm f/4.5-5.6 L IS	\$800.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Lens Canon EF 300mm f/4 L IS	\$400.00

Timer/Remote Canon TC-80N3 for EOS Digital Cameras (includes battery; New condition; Never Used) \$ 50.00

Flash Canon Macro Twin Lite MT-24EX (for use with Canon MP-E 65mm, EF 50 f/2.5, & 100 f/2.8 Macro Lenses) \$350.00

Flash Flashpoint Zoom Li-on TTL Speedlight for Canon \$ 50.00

Filter Nikon 52mm Close-Up Lens Screw-In Filter, No. 4-T \$ 20.00

Filter Canon 77mm Close-Up Lens 500D Screw-In Filter \$ 80.00

Filter Hoya 82mm HD Circular Polarizer with 77mm-82mm step-up ring \$ 20.00

Teleconverter Canon 1.4X EF Extender (for L Series Lenses) \$ 95.00

Teleconverter Canon 2X EF Extender (for L Series Lenses) \$150.00

Tripod Gitzo GT-2542 Mountaineer Series 2 Carbon Fiber \$700.00

Tripod Gitzo GT-2541 Mountaineer Series 6X Carbon Fiber \$400.00

Tripod Gitzo G80 Limited Edition (with ball head) \$200.00

Tripod Bogen 3001 (Chrome, 21-55 inches) \$ 50.00

Tripod JOBY GorillaPod \$ 10.00

Tripod Hama Star 61 (Aluminum; 3D Tilting Head, Quick Release; includes carrying case) \$ 30.00

Tripod Head Manfrotto MH804-3WUS 3-way, pan-and-tilt \$ 50.00

Tripod Head Bogen 3030 3-way, pan-and-tilt \$35.00

Photo Vest PhoTOGS Vest (Large-size, khaki -color; lots of pockets; like-new condition) \$ 50.00

Diffuser Lastolite by Manfrotto TriGrip 30-inch Collapsible 2-Stop Diffuser (translucent; triangular; new condition) \$ 50.00

Diffuser Westcott Light Tent (60-inch diameter, 48 inches tall; collapsible hoop base folds to 20" diameter for storage) \$ 75.00

Light Boxes (2) Logan Futura Tru-View 18"x 12½" \$ 20.00 each

Projector Epson PowerLite 81p Digital Projector (165 Lamp Hours; includes case, manual, remote controller, & XGA cable; excellent working condition) \$150.00

Underwater Housing DiveVolk SeaTouch 4 Max Touchscreen Housing for Smartphone (plus neoprene case; Expansion clamp, Red/Magenta 67mm filters, and Dome Lens for split shots, protective cover; Brand New; Never Used) \$250.00

Underwater Camera Olympus Tough TG-6 (Red) Waterproof to 50 feet; 12 MP; supports RAW and SD cards; includes charger, extra battery, neoprene case; New; Never Used \$300.00

Underwater Housing SeaFrogs 195ft/60m for Olympus TG-5/6 camera; (includes 67mm Red Filter and Neoprene Case; New; Never Used) \$150.00

Underwater Lens Backscatter M52 Wide Angle Air Lens 81° for TG-6 camera underwater housing; (Brand New) \$125.00

Underwater Lens Backscatter M52 Underwater 0.50X Wide Angle Conversion Wet Lens 120° for TG-6 camera underwater housing (includes hard case: Brand New; Never used. \$300.00

Judge's Featured Website: Jeff Milsteen.



Jeff Milsteen and CPS have a shared love of helping others learn the craft. The club membership enjoys Jeff's occasional presentations that are both educational and "everyday-helpful".

A valued presenter and judge, Jeff is gracious to share his photographic tips and observations. He presents his visual presentation topics in an impressive manner that marries well with his subject knowledge.

When you first visit Jeff's Flickr website, the first thing you'll notice is his love of landscapes, animals, and cityscapes. His technical abilities match well with his critical eye to compose, capture, and edit photos to a very high standard.

View Jeff's website [here](#). Photos are Jeff's.

Presenter's Featured Website: Stephanie Johnson.



Stephanie Johnson, with a solid photography background, marches on a different, surreal, and captivating path with Intentional Camera Movement (ICM). Founder of the ICM Magazine, the magazine shares monthly visual trips and details on how to improve your techniques... with your own creativity.

You can visit Stephanie's *ICM Photography Magazine* [here](#) as well as sign up for the newsletter mailing list [here](#).

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Articles, Photo News, Tips & Tricks, & Featured Website

Upcoming Virtual Photoshop Summit (11-15 Nov).



Sign up [here](#) for the week-long online summit hosted by Dave Cross, a noted photographer and Photoshop instructor (Dave was one of Scott Kelby's Photoshop instructors for years).

Attendance can be paid or free (limited access to courses for three days). A pretty good deal, for

Photoshop users wanting to stay on top of the latest updates and techniques.

To restate: You can pay for forever access OR attend free for three days.

Course schedule is [here](#).

CPS 2024 and 2025 Competition Themes- Print and Photo Options.

Here's the scenario: you're at Athens attending one of Georgia's football weekends and see a lot of interesting photos BUT you can't remember the competition themes to potentially use while in Athens. The first two are for printing (2 on one page); the last one: Photo is great to download/email to your phone so you always have the photo or printed pages with you.

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We've created three documents for you:

- One-page **Word** document with two shots on one page of the *2024-2025 Competition Schedule*. Great to print out. Download [here](#).
- One-page **pdf** document with two shots on one page of the *2024-2025 Competition Schedule*. Great to print out. Download [here](#).
- **Photo** of the *2024-2025 Competition Schedule* you can save on/send to your phone so you'll have the document on your phone. Download [here](#).

FYI: There is a permanent link on the CPS *Competition* web page (same as the **Photo** link above) to download a photo of this document. The link is [here](#).

Featured Website: 2024's *The Ocean Photographer of the Year*.

This month's featured website again looks to our greatest natural asset: the ocean. Looking at the winning photos makes me appreciate the beyond-believable variety of life in the sea.

The *Winners Gallery* is [here](#). Another winning category is the *Ocean Portfolio Award* [here](#). At the bottom of each winning photo is a group of other photos by the winners- *very nice!*



Photo credits: **Rafael Fernandez Caballero**, Baja California Sur, Mexico;

Did you enjoy our club's monthly magazine?

Our club is a great community to expand your photo skills and make new friendships with other photographers.

Come join us!



<http://www.cobbphotosociety.com/membership>

50 YEARS

1974 - 2024

CPS editors: Pat Fahey and Margaret Waage