

## SEPTEMBER 17, 2009 MGCC MEETING

The Middle Georgia Camera Club meeting was held on September 17, 2009 at 7:30pm at Northminster Presbyterian Church with President Diana Sullivan presiding. One guest was welcomed.

Our Club still **needs more volunteers** for the Georgia National Fair Beginner Judging on **Saturday Oct. 3**. The judging will be held in the Miller-Murphy-Howard Building, Georgia National Fairgrounds in Perry, GA. The judging begins at 9am with the instructions to the judges. Picture handlers and staff to put on corners need to be there at 8:45. Comment writers need to be there by 9:45. Lunch will be provided.

The GNF Advanced and Open Division judging will be on **Saturday, September 26<sup>th</sup>**. **We need picture handlers and staff to put on corners. You will need to be at the Fairgrounds by 8:45.**

**MGCC needs your help in staffing these events. Please contact Sandra Brown ([MomSandraB@aol.com](mailto:MomSandraB@aol.com)) or Larry Brown ([larryphoto@cox.net](mailto:larryphoto@cox.net)) to volunteer.**

The ShutterBugs Camera Club will hold a show and fundraiser on Sept. 25 from 5 to 8pm at Francar's.

Rick Freeberg, Field Trip Coordinator, reminded the members that the next field trip will be to Providence Canyon on October 17<sup>th</sup> (website: [www.gastateparks.org](http://www.gastateparks.org)). Rick will send out an email with details. Plan to bring a picnic lunch.

Binks Solomon, Macon Arts Liaison, stated that Upcoming Events in Middle Georgia will be sent out soon. She suggested that members visit [www.layersmagazine.com](http://www.layersmagazine.com). This is a no cost creative imaging site.

There is a photo opportunity this weekend September 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> at the Ocmulgee National Monument. (Photo Tip: to eliminate background distractions, shoot from the ground up. The Indians will pose for pictures.)

William Haun, PSA Digital Representative, presented ribbons to the winners of the 2<sup>nd</sup> cyclic digital competition. William recommended three gadgets he has found helpful. All these items are sold at Amazon.com (1) lens wipe -\$5, (2) rain sleeve-flash (a plastic rain cover for your camera and lens) 2 for \$8, and (3) rocket-air (an air blower that dusts off particles and prevents backflow from the air tube.

Jerry Beasley made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 3rd meeting. The motion was seconded and approved by the membership present.

On October 2<sup>nd</sup> (First Friday Event), Jerry Beasley will be the featured artist at Joycine's on Cotton Avenue. The reception will be from 6 to 9pm. Please drop by and look at Jerry's Photography.

Diana Flynn, 1<sup>st</sup> VP, announced that Marti Jeffers will be our guest speaker at the November 5<sup>th</sup> meeting.. Marti works with Craig Tanner of “The Mindful Eye”. Visit their website at [www.TMELive.com](http://www.TMELive.com) and check out their daily critique for good tips.

Rick presented a slide show of the members’ images from the Atlanta Botanical Gardens field trip. The Gardens are a good place to do macro photography.

Images from a PSA International Salon were also presented, courtesy of Alan Thiese.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:45pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Brown