



## October 2015 Newsletter



Brad Nelson

### **General Meeting and Digital Photography SIG**

***Thursday, Oct. 1, 2015, at 7:00pm , Jim Sandham, SIG Leader  
Cypress Creek Christian Church - Activity Room - Forum Building***

6:30 PM:

- Membership sign-in, pay dues, and greet visitors.
- Spend time with other members and share your questions and answers (refreshments will not be provided at this time)

7:00 PM to 7:15 PM:

- General Meeting Announcements

7:15 PM to 9:00 PM:

- Digital Photography SIG

One of our own members, **Carlos Hernandez**, has agreed to do yet another one of his fine and informative presentations. His previous presentation was in June of 2014 and his topic was "Hummingbirds Photography in Costa Rica." I'm pretty sure I'm right when I say that none of us have travelled more than Carlos in recent years. And I know I'm sure when I say that if he isn't here, he must be someplace else, and he isn't here a lot! He's one of the most active and creative photographers I know.

In October he's bringing us a new presentation entitled "**A Guide to Travel Photography.**" Need I say more? Who better to present this topic? I hope to see you there on **Thur. Oct. 1. 2015 no later than 7:00PM.** Jim Sandham



David Gustine



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## **Graphics SIG**

Thursday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>, 7-9 p.m. Volunteer Leader

The September meeting had several informative segments presented by members share their creativity and skills. Brad Nelson brought his telescope and demonstrated his method for digitelescoping the moon. Bill Franklin revealed more of his photo editing using Topaz to enhance recent images of Alaska. David Gustine shared hummingbird images and the types of light metering. David also demonstrated editing of videos, using transition variations, and publishing in Pro

Show Gold. Come to the October meeting to learn and possibly contribute information. These meetings are turning out to be very educational and interesting.



## **Technology SIG**

Tuesday, October 27, 7-9 p.m., Sam Sanderson, Leader

At the Technology SIG we have discussions on a wide variety of subjects pertaining to all technology new and old and of course many topics surrounding all versions of the Microsoft Windows operating systems. The primary subject matter will be driven by the specific questions or request from the attendees.

No subject is off limits; we cover it all. Come and join us. The topics are always interesting. It is amazing all of the technology know-how that exists within our club members.

This SIG is becoming more popular with members as Sam leads the group to solve problems, learn current information, answer questions, and shares the latest technology. You will be amazed at how much fun we have at this meeting. Attend the SIG and discover a vast amount of new information.

Leader: [Sam Sanderson](#)

The group discussed and reviewed features of Windows 10 during the September meeting. If you are interested in upgrading the new version, attend the Technology meeting in October or contribute your experience if you have already upgraded the system.

Ben Anthony and David Gustine have shared the following helpful information:

If you haven't upgraded your laptop to Win10, MSFT will install it for you (FREE) at their store in The Woodlands Mall. If you have already installed it, the store will give your machine a FREE tune-up so everything is properly aligned! They also have both individually tutored sessions and group presentations at the store – all FREE. The Win10 online tutorials are near worthless, ( imho), especially compared to the live workshops, etc at their store. And there does not appear to be a waiting line – when I was there today there were 8 techs standing around; I was the ONLY customer when I arrived (noon) and when I left an hour later.

David Gustine experience: Sept 3, 15

If you do not know this when you upgrade to Windows 10 you do not have to reinstall your software programs. The program(s) that protect your computer I am not sure. Now, if you are willing to buy their protection plan for \$149 a year, you do not ever have to think about that again because you can take your computer back and they will fix it. What that means using Microsoft protection software you will save yourself \$30-\$50 you spent on buying other protection software. When you buy the protection plan it is for all your computers that have Window 10 installed. I am not sure how many years Microsoft will offer this type of plan. I know of no other store that can match this. If you have data on your backup or an external hard drive and they have to install a new hard disk under this plan, you only pay for the hard disk and they put all your data back on your computer plus OS & software. PC Part and Service charge \$1 a GB to transfer data from external hard drive to your computer.

I took my Windows 8 laptop in Thursday morning at 10 am and they started my upgrade to Window10. They said check back in hour and I did so and it had not upgraded and they said check back in a couple of hours. So my wife and I went out for lunch and we were going to ride the boat in the canal but the boats do not run Monday Thru Thursday in Sept. We went back and they said we are sorry but your machine has a problem and I decided to leave it with them and go home and pick it up when they had solved the problem. When I was at the Graphic SIG meeting that night I received an e-mail saying they had solved the problem and Window 10 was installed. I called the next morning and made an appointment to pick my computer up.

When I arrived at 10 am there was a tech there to give me instructions on Window10 and the computer worked great. If you came to Technology SIG a few days ago you know I had a computer problem with a window appearing telling me there was a problem. They fixed that problem. My laptop when running the Corel VideoStudio in the screen capture mode would only capture video after the Microsoft Center install Windows 10 VideoStudio capture both video & audio.





## **Genealogy SIG**

Thursday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>, 7-9 p.m., Lee Smith, Leader

***TOPIC: To be announced***

***PRESENTER:***

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Check out our [Genealogy](#) web pages for additional research help and current information about Genealogy SIG happenings - [www.1960pcug.org/gensig](http://www.1960pcug.org/gensig)

Meeting maps: [http://www.1960pcug.org/map\\_to\\_cccc.htm](http://www.1960pcug.org/map_to_cccc.htm)

### **October Board Meeting**

Tuesday, October 20th, 7 p.m. All members are invited to participate in Board Meetings. We welcome your attendance to discuss future plans and incentives for member recruitment. We would like to see our club grow. Guests are welcome to attend any SIG. So bring a friend, neighbor, or family member to see how much we have to offer.



Craig Loomis



Jim Kelly

## Photography Articles for October

Jim Sandham has selected more informative photography articles for your reading pleasure.

“Learning to See in Black and White”

<http://tinyurl.com/qajg82w>

“Building Stories”

<http://tinyurl.com/nkwlgej>

“Landscapes With Feeling”

<http://tinyurl.com/pwaldx9>

“Do More With Wide-Angle”

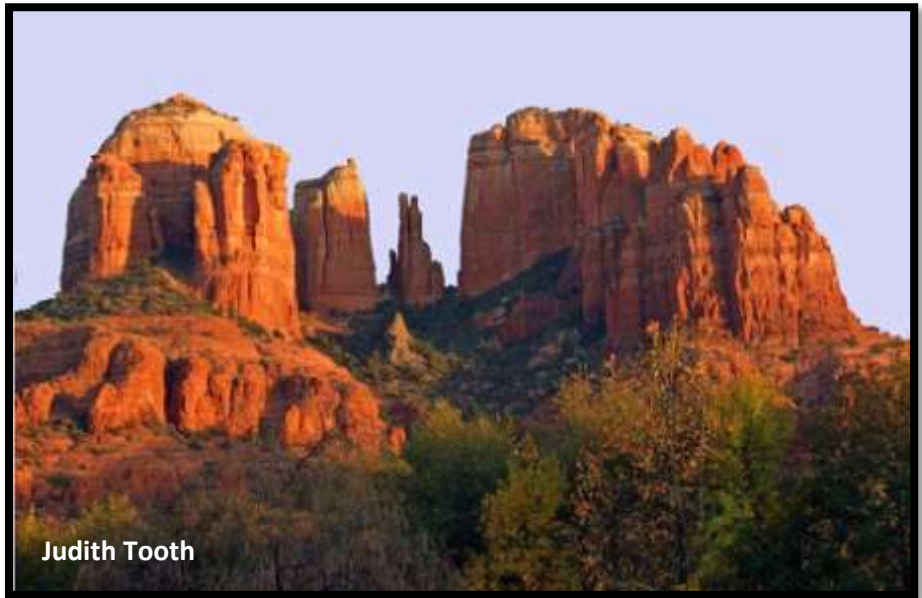
<http://tinyurl.com/oed7t3n>

“How to Photograph Waterfalls”

[http://www.tamron-usa.com/enews/archives/2015/sep15\\_heaton.php](http://www.tamron-usa.com/enews/archives/2015/sep15_heaton.php)



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