

# **SANP NOVEMBER 2012 NEWSLETTER**

## **NOVEMBER MONTHLY MEETING**

**Date: Tuesday, November 27, 2012**

Time: Social time 6:30pm/Meeting 7:00pm

Location: Goins Auditorium, Pellissippi State Technical Community College

Our presenter this month is SANP charter member Ken Jenkins. For those of you who might be relatively new to SANP, Ken was extremely instrumental in the formation and development of SANP in the early 1990's. After many years of photographing wildlife and scenes in nature, Ken accepted a project a few years ago that has paralleled his outdoor interests and even complimented his efforts to see and record new areas and their wildlife. An offer to develop a portfolio of cowboy and horses of North America has opened a new door to seeing and refining images of the Old West and the lifestyle of the cowboy. From Texas to Montana, South Dakota to Oklahoma, Ken has spent extended periods of time on well-established ranches recording everything from cow camps and brandings to tack rooms and character of cowboy portraits.

His presentation to SANP is original in content and will hopefully inspire a new look at the Old West in color, black and white, and hand-colored images. The intent might possibly be to say "no matter how long you have photographed, there is always a new area that can excite and refresh your eye and make you better at everything else you do." Ken's appreciation for SANP and his admiration for SANP members assure that this will be a fun and open conversation from an "old hand at loving his trade."

## **BIO**

Ken Jenkins is a charter member of SANP and resides in Gatlinburg. For the past 35 years he has earned 100% of his income as a professional nature photographer. His galleries in Gatlinburg, Beneath the Smoke and Heaven's Eyes have been in existence for 30 and 12 years respectively. He spends his year photographing for corporate clients, speaking using his photography to illustrate his messages, operating the whole-sale end of the business, and printing and supervising the operation of the retail stores.

Ken's approach to photography has always been a bit different, with the philosophy that he must never "lose the wonder" and that there is opportunity to help and encourage others in recording the natural world. Recently, he wrote an article concerning the joy of being an individual in photography and the danger of getting caught in the trap of unhealthy competition.

## **MEMBERSHIP DUES**

Membership Dues for 2012-2013 were due May 1. You can renew your membership at the November 27 meeting or by mail. A membership form can be downloaded from the

SANP website ([www.sanp.net](http://www.sanp.net)). Remember, your dues must be paid in full by 12/31/2012 to be eligible to enter the 2013 Salon.

### **2013 SANP SALON**

The SANP Board decided that the “special” category for the 2013 salon is “Americana.” The guidelines for this category are: Subjects that are related to the history, geography, folklore, or cultural heritage of the United States.

### **2013 SALON RULES & REGISTRATION**

View the 2013 Salon Rules, <http://www.sanp.net/pdf/2013SalonRules.pdf>, and the Registration Form, <http://www.sanp.net/pdf/2013SalonEntryForms.pdf>. Please read the rules carefully. They are the same as 2012, but please make sure you follow the submission guidelines correctly. Submissions for digital entries are now via email.

### **2013 SALON VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Our annual SANP Salon is scheduled for February 23, 2013. Currently we are searching for a chairperson. If you are interested in serving as coordinator, please contact Kendall Chiles. We also need other members to volunteer for other duties required for the judging and the event itself.

For several years now the same members (for the most part) have been involved with bringing this event to fruition. They have done an excellent job, and there is a good template already in place for the logistics of the process. I would ask each member to consider helping with this event.

If you are willing to help, please contact Kendall Chiles at 865-363-1525 or [kchiles@knology.net](mailto:kchiles@knology.net).

### **IJAMS NATURE CENTER DIGITAL PHOTO CONTEST**

Ijams Nature Center's annual digital photography contest, open only to members of Southern Appalachian Nature Photographers, is designed to showcase the visual splendor of the natural world at Ijams Nature Center.

Winning entries will be featured on the Ijams website. Overall first, second and third place winners will receive a copy of an annual photo book containing all the winning entries and special commendations that will be also be available in the Ijams Gift Shop and used for promotional purposes. *Photography must be taken at Ijams Nature Center.*

*Entry Fee:* Free

*Application Deadline:* December 1, 2012

*Categories:*

Birds

Trees and Wildflowers

General Wildlife (excluding birds)

Landscapes and structures  
Digital manipulation

*Awards:* First, Second, Third Overall and in each category.

*Judging:* Judging is anonymous. No artist names will be used during the selection process to guarantee impartiality.

*Contest Rules:*

Entrants must be a current member of Southern Appalachian Nature Photographers. All submissions must be emailed to by the stated deadline along with name, address, telephone, photo caption and a digital photograph (JPEG only) between 1MB and 3MB file size.

All photographs must be original and created by the submitting photographer.

A maximum of four (4) photographs is allowed per photographer.

The judge's decisions are final.

Ijams Nature Center reserves the right to use submitted images in any way for promotional purpose.

Questions? For further information regarding this contest, please call 577-4717 ext. 118 or email [pjames@ijams.org](mailto:pjames@ijams.org) or [www.ijams.org](http://www.ijams.org).

**WILDERNESS WILDLIFE WEEK**

The 23<sup>rd</sup> annual Wilderness Wildlife Week in Pigeon Forge is scheduled for January 12–19, 2013. This is a great FREE event for any outdoor enthusiast. WWW offers many presentations, workshops, hikes, etc. by over 100 “experts” in their related fields dealing with outdoor pursuits and/or the Smokies. WWW is headquartered at the Music Road Hotel. Several SANP members are involved in this event each year, and there are other photography related presentations by other “experts.” If you have never been to WWW, you will not believe what you have been missing. For more information call the Pigeon Forge Department of Tourism Special Events Office at 865-429-7350, or check out their website at: [www.mypigeonforge.com](http://www.mypigeonforge.com).

**FUTURE MEETINGS**

January 29, 2013	Kris Light
February 23, 2013	SANP Salon

---- REMEMBER NO MONTHLY MEETING IN DECEMBER ----

**SANP OFFICERS & BOARD MEMBERS**

Kendall Chiles	President	865-363-1525	<a href="mailto:kchiles@knology.net">kchiles@knology.net</a>
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Elected Board Members

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