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NATURALISTS' CAMERA CLUB OF TOLEDO

OVER FIFTY YEARS
OF MAKING THE PHOTOGRAPHER A BETTER NATURALIST
AND THE NATURALIST A BETTER PHOTOGRAPHER

February, 2017

DATE and TIME: **Sunday, February 12, 2:00 p.m.**
LOCATION: Small classroom, National Center for Nature Photography at Secor Metropark.
HOST: Bring a snack to share.
ASSIGNMENT: Any nature or travel photographs you wish to share.

PROGRAM: **Hocking Hills, Big Pine Creek Pillar and Conkle's Hollow** by Frank Patz.

Our "Go To" guy, Mr. Frank Patz, will dive into his exhaustive archives for a slide presentation on Hocking Hills State Park, Big Pine Creek Pillar and Conkle's Hollow State Nature Preserve, all located in the southeastern part of Ohio. **Please note that this will be in the small classroom off the gallery at the NCNP, not the Secor Room.**

NEXT MEETING: **Program:** TBD.
Date and Time: March 12, 2017 at 2:00 p.m.
Location: Secor Room, National Center for Nature Photography at Secor Metropark.
Host: Please bring a snack to share.
Assignment: Any photos depicting nature you wish to share.

Plans are not yet finalized for the March meeting. If you have ideas for, wishes for, or material for future programs, please let Bob Miller know so we can accommodate your ideas and get them on the schedule. We're here to please our members and listen to your input on things you want to see at our meetings.

METROPARK SERIES BRINGS THE WORLD TO YOU THIS WINTER

Since January 7th of this year, the Toledo Metroparks has been presenting a Saturday afternoon travel series that takes you all around the world to various locales and for various adventure experiences, and all for free! Sponsored by the Maumee Valley Adventurers and Toledo Metroparks, the annual Travel Circle Series presents local wanderers sharing photos and stories from their worldly travels. Each week's program begins at 2:15 p.m. at either Wildwood Preserve or Oak Openings Preserve Metroparks. An optional 1 p.m. walk or cross-country ski precedes each presentation. The remaining programs and locations are listed here:

February 4 ~ **Walking Historic Boston** by Tom Garey @ Buehner Center, Oak Openings (Mallard Lake Area)
February 11 ~ **Waterway of the Russian Tsars and Beyond** by Tom and Nancy Verner @ Ward Pavilion, Wildwood

February 18 ~ **Cruising Croatia, Italy and Athens** by Judy Paffenberger @ Lodge, Oak Openings

February 25 ~ **Family Tenting Across America** by Sheri Rodgers @ Ward Pavilion, Wildwood

March 4 ~ **Teardropping Across the Sierra and Rocky Mountains** by Tom Grover @ Lodge, Oak Openings

March 11 ~ **Iceland and Faroe Islands** by Richard and Christine Weisfelder @ Ward Pavilion, Wildwood

March 18 ~ **Picturesque Gibraltar and Portugal** by Barbara Laird @ Lodge, Oak Openings

March 25 ~ **Cuba: Emerging from a Time Warp** by Ron Randall @ Ward Pavilion, Wildwood

In addition, there is a free Adult Winter Learning Series program titled, **Adventures from the Appalachian Trail**, being presented at the Buehner Center at Oak Openings Preserve on February 5, 2017 at 2 p.m. For this particular program you will have to make a reservation with the Metroparks through their website.

2017 NCCT DUES

This is your annual, friendly reminder that dues for the 2017 calendar year are now due. Fees remain at the very reasonable rate of only \$10/yr for all comers: Families, Individuals, long-lost cousins, we don't care. Drag 'em in. We'll welcome them all. You can bring your payment to one of the NCCT meetings, or mail them directly to our treasurer, Don Godfrey, 2535 Scottwood Ave, Toledo, OH, 43610. Please make checks payable to: Naturalists' Camera Club of Toledo.

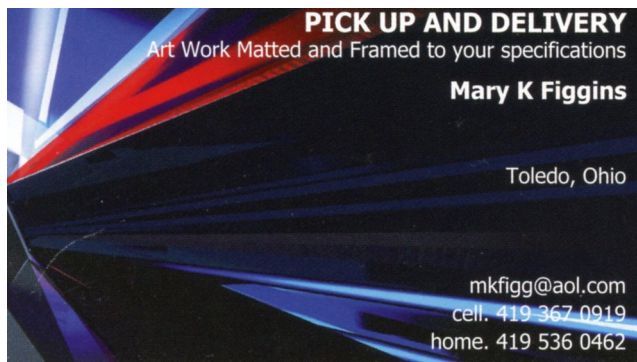
ANNUAL NCCT OFFICERS VOTING

By a voice vote taken at our January meeting, all existing club leadership positions were re-affirmed for the 2017 election year. We still have several open positions available for any club members who feel they could make a difference by donating some of their time and talent to the NCCT. Please let Bob Miller know if you can help us out in any of these positions. (See footer at the bottom of this newsletter for the open positions.)

NATIONAL PARKS SENIOR LIFETIME PASS ABOUT TO SKYROCKET

The lifetime pass to all National Parks in the U.S. for people over 62 is set to jump dramatically sometime this year. Since 1994, the cost has been held at \$10, if purchased in person at one of the National Parks, or, \$20 if purchased by mail. The rate for the lifetime pass is set to leap to \$80 later this year, so, if this is something you've been putting off, now is the time to act. Visit this link for a PDF form to order by mail:

https://store.usgs.gov/pass/senior_pass_application.pdf



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