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## UPCOMING EVENTS

**2011 CALENDAR TIME**  
*consider your  
submissions NOW !!*  
(See Story)

**OCTOBER 20** - The  
annual fold, mutilate,  
staple, **stuff**, and sort  
meeting. (See story)

**November 3** - TBA

**November 17** - Election  
of officers. Slide show  
on India by Dave Gilbert  
(2 part)

**December 1** - TBA

**December 15** -  
Christmas dinner;  
installation of new  
officers; Dogs Thru the  
Seasons slide show

[After the summer picnic, the Photo Club received a nice card from Doris Woempner. I have attached to this email a copy of the front of the card. Below is what she wrote.]

**To the Wallowa Valley Photo Club,**

Just a big thank you for all you do, not just for yourselves but reaching out to the community with projects and for educating yourselves in the art of photography. The Club is pretty much world known through the calendar and the web.

**IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN** - October is that time of year

when the club sends out the retail sales flyers and all hands are needed to get them ready to mail. Regardless of what "Upcoming Events" says, we no longer have to fold, stuff, or mutilate, but we do have to sort. This is a time when there is time to catch up on what everyone has been doing and listen to new ideas and suggestions. Come join us in the computer lab.



## 2011 Calendar Photo Submission

The target date for submitting photos for the 2011 calendar is being moved forward to allow time for member processing prior to sending the final versions to Joan. The intent is that the club will have a better calendar through greater involvement of the original photographers. Here is the schedule.

\* Tuesday, December 1, large and small photos are due.

\* During the month of December, a committee will select large photos for the 2011 calendar.

\* In January, there will be a workshop or two on converting photos to CMYK in preparation for publication in the 2011 calendar, and members will be able, if they wish, to prep their own calendar photos, or, at the least, offer input as to how the final CMYK versions should look.

\* In late January, the final CMYK versions of the large calendar photos will be reviewed by a committee and sent to Joan.

Now is not too early to start identifying the photos you would like to submit. Photos shot in RAW are encouraged, but high-quality JPEGs are also welcome. Photos from any digital camera are eligible, though lower megapixel images may not work as large camera photos. If in doubt, submit your photo, and it will be evaluated. Slides [and prints?] are also welcome, and assistance with scanning is available.

Early submissions (prior to December 1) are welcome and may be left for Harold during business hours at the County Planning Office. Directions for submissions are on page 3.

Keep up the good work and as Hedgecoe would say "you're catching a moment in time" to share with ...

Thanks again -- the BBQ was great to see and meet most of you. I'll try and come when I can to your meetings.

Take care, Doris Woempner

For those of you who do not know her, Doris was the founder of the Club.

## Photo Software on the Cheap

Photography is an expensive hobby. First there is the camera. Then there is either film and film processing or a computer plus photo software. If your camera is digital, you can't avoid the computer, but -- and this is the good news -- all the software you need costs \$0.00. Below is my list of high-quality no-cost software that will cover all your photography needs, for both PCs and Macs. If there is enough interest, it may be possible to arrange workshops on downloading and using these programs.

### 1. Photo organization, RAW workflow, basic editing:

Picasa (substitutes for Adobe Lightroom)

New to digital? Make this your first choice for organization and editing.

<http://picasa.google.com/>

<http://picasa.google.com/mac/>

### 2. Advanced photo editing:

Gimp (substitutes for Adobe Photoshop)

For those who want to go beyond the basics.

Now supports color management!

<http://www.gimp.org/>

### 3. Photo album and slide show:

Jalbum (substitutes for Lightroom)

[http://download.cnet.com/JAlbum/](http://download.cnet.com/JAlbum/3000-10247_4-10074363.html)

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<http://jalbum.net/>

### 4. Panorama stitching,

Perspective and lens distortion correction,

High dynamic range (HDR) imaging

Hugin (substitutes for Photoshop)

Panorama stitching allows more control than Photoshop

<http://hugin.sourceforge.net/>

## DIGITAL PHOTO ALBUMS

What can you do with a digital photo album? It is probably the best way to share your photos. After you make an album from a collection of photos, burn it on a CD to send to relatives and friends. You can also pass the album on a CD to Harold for inclusion in the Photo Club's online photo gallery (and then let people know about the Photo Club web page, so they can look up your photos).

At the October workshop, Adele showed how to use Adobe Lightroom and its options to create digital photo albums, and David B presented a free photo album creator, Jalbum, that runs on both PCs and Macs. Here is a summary of what these offer.

1. Lightroom: Organizes photos and can select photos to include in a web album. Albums can be based on either simpler HTML (the language of web pages) or fancier Adobe Flash technology, which supports slide shows. In either case, there are many options for customizing the album. An early version of Lightroom is available on the Club's iMac for use by members.

2. Jalbum: Load a folder with photos, and then drag the photos from the folder to Jalbum and select options to make a photo album. If you drag folders of photos to Jalbum, it makes a separate photo album for each folder. The software is based on Java and supports slide shows. Installs on both PCs and Macs. Read a review and download the program (14MB) from [http://download.cnet.com/JAlbum/3000-10247\\_4-10074363.html](http://download.cnet.com/JAlbum/3000-10247_4-10074363.html) or ask David to send you a CD. Upon download, installation, or first run of Jalbum, you may be asked to register. Registration is optional and may be bypassed, and Jalbum does not nag you if you do not register. If you like the software and use it a lot, Jalbum accepts voluntary contributions at <http://jalbum.net/>

Examples: Wendy Anderson's album at <http://www.wallowavalleyphotoclub.com/galleries.htm>

is a Lightroom HTML album. For an example of an album made by Jalbum, see

<http://www.oregondave.org/>

Support: If you have a collection (or two, or three, ...) of photos and you want to make digital photo albums, contact either Adele or David, and we will find a way to make it happen

## CALENDAR SUBMISSIONS

1. File names should adhere to the following format:

AaBbbbbbbbbbbbbbCccDdd.Eee

Where:

Aa is Lg or Sm for large or small submission. The photographer makes this decision. Lg pics can be used as small submissions, but Sm cannot be use for Lg submissions

Bbbbbbbbbbbb is a descriptive brief name for the pict.

Ccc is the season, like fall winter spring or summer, should be abbreviated, i.e., fal, win, spr, sum.

Ddd is the photographers initials

Eee is the file type, either tif or jpg for Sm submissions or tif only for Lg submissions

2. The photographer should submit one finished image of each scene. Please do not submit multiple versions of the same scene. You decide how you want your picture to look.

3. File size. Large digital images should be taken in raw mode and converted to tif by the photographer. Preferably use an 8 megapixel camera. However, a 6 megapixel may be used. File size should end up about 20 meg. Again, the photographer is responsible for the quality of the final image.

Small images are less critical and can even be shot with smaller point and shoot type digital cameras.

In both cases refer to the size of the images in the calendar and then give yourself some room for cropping. Images need to be the equivalent of 300 dpi at the sizes needed for the calendar.

**Remember the basics and use a tripod. Again, the photographer is responsible for the final result.**

4. Contact sheets. High quality contact sheets are required. No more than four (4) Lg or eight (8) Sm images per page. Include filenames.

5. Limit should a total of 30 images per photographer.



**Sweatshirts and T-shirts** - There has been interest in the club reordering sweatshirts and T-shirts. Prior newsletters gave information on both and showed pictures. Now comes crunch time. Please fill out the coupon and e-mail it to Frances Buckles [fpbimage@eoni.com](mailto:fpbimage@eoni.com) or call 432-5040.

I am interested in a T-shirt  1/4 zip sweatshirt  sweatshirt with lake picture

Cost for a T-shirt will be about \$10, for a 1/4 zip sweatshirt \$25, and a sweatshirt with lake picture \$20.

## **FOR YOUR INFORMATION -**

- 1.** Dick Blick is having a sale. It's worth looking at - mats and frames. Check out [offers@dickblick.com](mailto:offers@dickblick.com) or [www.dickblick.com](http://www.dickblick.com).
- 2.** There is a workshop (65343) on matting and framing in Portland on November 14-15. On the 14th, Workshop #1 is Mat Cutting Made Easy (9:00-12:30); #2 The Picture Framing Process - Step-by-Step (1:30-5:00). On the 15th (Sunday), #3 Intermediate Mat Cutting (9:00-2:30); and #4 is a Seminar How to Start a Picture Framing Business (3:00-5:00). The cost for all four classes is \$299; any 3 classes \$250; any 2 classes \$175; and any one class \$89. Registration can be by calling 1-800-246-4726, or online at [www.faming4yourself.com](http://www.faming4yourself.com). There are also classes in Seattle on November 7-8 and in Sacramento on December 5-6.



Bandon Lighthouse