

# February Meeting of the Jefferson County Photo Club

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The Jefferson County Photo Club met on Tuesday, February 14, 2017. Below are the items that were discussed:

- We discussed the situation of Kelly and Melanie wanting to step down as co-presidents. We have only received one person who is interested in serving as the President, which is Eric Whinton. Since no one else expressed interest, Eric will take over these duties, with the help of Melanie and Kelly. Kelly will continue as Secretary and Ellen Hardesty will continue as Treasurer. If there is anyone who would like to serve as a co-president with Eric, please speak up now.
- We also discussed about what direction does the club want to go? Do we want to continue as is? Are there any ideas the club has that we can cover? How can we get more involvement? Some ideas discussed where: Watching short instructional videos and discussing what we saw; Scheduling photographers to take us in the field, like a wildlife photographer to take us out to photo wildlife, etc.; Do we want to continue to use Facebook, WordPress, Flickr, email, etc., as our main ways of communicating (more on this to follow in a separate email from Eric); Do we want to try to schedule organized Field Trips?
- Another discussion that came from the last bullet was What are the interests of the club members? Technique, types of photography, assignments? For those present, having assignments was well received and we think our first assignment should be "Signs of Spring." This can be whatever your interpretation of what you think Signs of Spring would be. Take your photos and bring your best to March meeting for discussion/critique.
- Another suggestion was to contact the local newspapers for input to their monthly calendar of events. This may gain us more coverage of our club and could solicit to get new members.

Other items that were discussed, since this was an open forum, were:

- Jim Bowman brought a book to share with everyone. It was titled "Understanding Photography" by Sean McHugh. He ordered this direct from Cambridge and looked to be very good information.

- Rip and Alice has pieces that were selected for the 2017 Cumberland Valley Artists and Photographers Exhibition. Rip has 2 pieces selected and Alice had 1. For more information, please see their website: <http://wcmfa.org/news/cumberland-valley-artists-and-photographers-award-winners/>.
- Someone mentioned that there is an Amazon movie by Harry Benson called Shoot First. The movie lasts about 1 1/2 hrs, but has some good information.

The meeting adjourned around 8:30 PM.