

Lake County Camera Club (LCCC)
Meeting Minutes
September 26, 2024

ZOOM @ 6:30 p.m.

Officer and Committee Reports

➤ **President– Tony Roma**

Meeting called to order at 6:33 p.m.

Next Meeting Date: October 24, 2024

Roll Call:

Board Members: Jennifer Durot, Gary Edwards, Tony Roma, Jim Ross, ~~Bill Sullivan~~

Committee Members: Susan Baron, Mike Burgquist, Carl Stineman, John Baron

Guests:

Approval of Minutes:

1. August 15, 2024: Jim Ross made a motion, seconded by Gary Edwards, to approve the minutes as presented. All in favor; motion carried.

Unfinished Business

1. Excursion Chair and Program Co-Chair: The excursion chair is vacant. The Board has been scheduling excursions. A program co-chair is needed to help Mary Ellen Rescek. A November program is needed. A suggestion was made to have a critique night for entries from October's competition or images that are being considered for December's competition.
2. Breakfast Coordinator: We need someone to send out reminders and collect RSVPs.
3. CACCA Banquet: Lake County I

➤ **New Business**

1. Birthdays – Add to membership form? Sue Baron said this was not a priority.
2. Programs – November and January: The Board will help Mary Ellen Rescek until a co-chair is found.
3. Excursions – November and December
4. Competition Assistant Software – Carl Stineman said that a few people met with Lee Marin at the church Wednesday afternoon. It was a very helpful and successful session.
5. New Facebook Page – John Baron created a public Facebook page to publicize the organization. Jennifer Durot will send members a link.
<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61565656748328>

➤ **President-Elect – Vacancy**

- **Long Range Planning Coordinator – Vacancy**
- **Competition Chair – Mike Burquist** Mike said he is ready for the upcoming competition.
- **Competition Assistant – Carl Stineman**
- **Judge Procurer – Harold Hauser**
- **CACCA Representative – Linda Kruzic**
- **PSA Representative – Jim Ross**
 - **PSA: Travel – Cristina McGill**
 - **PSA: Photojournalism – Marc Huntley**
 - **PSA: Nature – Sheri Sparks**
 - **PSA: Projected Image – Ron Sheade**
 - **Recent PSA Results**

➤ **Treasurer – Jim Ross**

Month's checking balance \$4174.42
 Income since last report \$510.00
 Expenses since last report \$159.94
 Checking Balance \$ 4604.48
 Savings balance \$ 1116.33
 Cash Box - Other \$ 95.00
 CD 18 - 2003.35
 CD 19 – 3006.03
 Total \$ 10,285.19

There was discussion about creating a budget. The Board discussed this issue a few months earlier. Membership dues do not cover normal operating expenses. Dues income is approximately \$600. The donations to the church for the use of the basement space is about \$880. We purchased new scoring pads.

Jim Ross agreed to provide a monthly list of income and expenses. It was suggested that Tony Roma include this on a slide in his monthly PowerPoint so that members can see where their dues are going. (We received \$9.38 in interest on the CDs!) We will revisit this at the October board meeting. Add it to the agenda.

- **Membership – Sue Baron**

➤ **Secretary – Jennifer Durot**

- **Webmasters – Sue and John Baron**

- **Challenges – Mike Ludtke** No themes. Send in your favorite images taken each month.
- **Payment Center on Website – Sue Baron**
- **Event Communication – Jennifer Durot and Susan Baron**
- **VP of Internal Operations – Bill Sullivan**
 - **Program Co-Chairs – Mary Ellen Rescek and Vacancy**
 - Plans for Programs/Calendar Updates
 - **Facilities Coordinator – Bill Sullivan**
 - **Hospitality Desk Coordinator – Sue Matsunaga**
 - **New Member folder – Sue Baron**
- **VP of External Operations – Gary Edwards** Gary Edwards and his wife bought a home in Tennessee and are no longer local residents. It was with regret that Gary tendered his resignation. The board regretfully accepted Gary Edwards' resignation and thanked him for his longtime service to the club. This position is now vacant.
 - **Excursion Chair – Vacancy**
 - 2024 Excursions/Calendar Updates:
September 29 – Rockford WWII Reenactment
October 26 – Cedarburg, WI
November –
December –
 - **Community Involvement Coordinator – Gary Edwards** This position is now vacant.
 - **Publicity – Vacancy**
- **Past President (and Current President) – Tony Roma**
 - **Continuing Education Coordinator – Jim Ross**
 - **Small-Groups Coordinator – Sue Baron**
 - Small Post-Processing Group at Lake Villa District Library on third Saturday of the month at 11:00 a.m.
- **Upcoming Events – See Calendar for Details**
 - Shutter Café: October 19 and November 16 (3rd Saturday of the month, Hillside Restaurant in Grayslake at 9:00)
 - Small Post-Processing Group, Lake Villa District Library, October 19 and November 16 at 11:00 a.m. (3rd Saturday)
 - September and October Excursions are on Calendar
 - October 26 Cedarburg, WI
 - November 23 Christkindlmarket, Chicago
 - Feedback Corner: Before non-competition meetings at 6:30 p.m. (January, March, May, June, July, August, September, November)

- **Next Meeting: November 7th**
- **BIRTHDAYS:**
 - November 7 – Michael Burgquist
 - November 24 – Jennifer Durot
 - November 30 – John Williams
 - December

Other:

Excursion Ideas:

- 1. Starved Rock State Park (Oglesby, IL)**
 - Scenic canyons, waterfalls, and hiking trails, especially stunning during fall.
- 2. Anderson Japanese Gardens (Rockford, IL)**
 - A serene, 12-acre Japanese garden with koi ponds, waterfalls, and beautiful seasonal plants.
- 3. Illinois Railway Museum (Union, IL)**
 - A vast collection of historic railway equipment, great for capturing vintage transportation.
- 4. Morton Arboretum (Lisle, IL)**
- 5. Devil's Lake State Park (Baraboo, WI)**
 - Dramatic quartzite bluffs and stunning lake views, ideal for landscape and nature photography.
- 6. Door County**
 - Picturesque towns, lighthouses, and beautiful shoreline along Lake Michigan.
- 7. Olbrich Botanical Gardens (Madison, WI)**
 - 16 acres of outdoor gardens, including a Thai pavilion and tropical conservatory.
- 8. Madison Capitol Building at Night**
- 9. Geneva Lake Shore Path (Lake Geneva, WI)**
 - A scenic walk with views of historic estates, the lake, and beautiful gardens.
- 10. Milwaukee Art Museum (Milwaukee, WI)**
 - Iconic architecture, including the Quadracci Pavilion with its stunning wing-like brise soleil.
- 11. Sailing Races/Regattas on Lake Michigan**
- 12. Old World Wisconsin**
- 13. Michigan City Lighthouses and Ice on Lakefront in Winter**
- 14. Indiana Dunes National Park**
- 15. Pabst Mansion – Wisconsin**
- 16. Milwaukee Domes (no tripods)**
- 17. Houses on Lakefront at South End of Kenosha**
- 18. Kenosha Lighthouses and Waterfront**
- 19. American Family Field with the train tracks in front**
- 20. Reenactment in Hainesville**
- 21. Schlitz Audubon Nature Center**
- 22. Shalom Wildlife Zoo**
- 23. Lion's Den Gorge Nature Preserve**
- 24. Fall Colors in Cedarburg, Wisconsin**
- 25. Snowy Owls in Upper Peninsula**
- 26. Chicago Air Show (August 10-11)**
- 27. Apple River and Galena (waterfall and riverfront along Rock River)**
- 28. Chicago Botanic Garden**

- 29. Marseilles, Illinois
- 30. Mideast Conflicts War Memorial, Grundy County
- 31. Chicago Riverwalk and Buildings at Night
- 32. Milwaukee Riverwalk and Buildings at Night
- 33. Harleyfest
- 34. EEA AirVenture Oshkosh 2024

https://www.eaa.org/airventure/eea-airventure-tickets?utm_source=google_paid&utm_medium=paid_search&utm_campaign=av_tickets_2024&utm_term=familie_sv1&utm_content=link&gad_source=1&gclid=CjwKCAjwyo60BhBiEiwAHmVLJc0zLyrAVuooeFV2AOZx-EIoXwmH-C1vaxx_eroYdAhk3VQ1-HTQVRoC6Z8QAvD_BwE

Adjourn: Jennifer Durot made a motion, seconded by Jim Ross, to adjourn at 7:42 p.m. All in favor; motion carried.

Information for Possible December Excursion: <https://www.lpzoo.org/event/zoolights/>



ZooLights Presented by ComEd and Invesco QQQ

November 15, 2024–January 5, 2025

ZooLights tickets are \$7–10 depending on the day. Most weekdays are \$7 and weekends and premium nights are \$10. Members receive a discount on all ZooLights nights when logged in to their account.

ZooLights is free on Mondays. Tickets are required and will become available one week before each date at 11 a.m.

Celebrate both the new and the nostalgic with 30 years of ZooLights!

Join us in a milestone year for Chicagoland’s favorite holiday tradition, back with new artistic, interactive displays and programming! ZooLights will feature more than 3 million lights, including hundreds of luminous LED displays and festive seasonal experiences.

Check out the thrilling holiday light tunnel or ride the 65-foot Ferris wheel—with incredible views of the skyline and all the twinkling lights. Indulge in hot chocolate or roast s’mores on an open fire. On select nights, sing alongside carolers or be amazed by professional ice carvers. New this year, bask in the holiday spirit in the light lounge. Follow us on [Facebook](#) or [Instagram](#) to stay up to date on all the announcements for this year!