# EXPOSURES

### Springfield Photographic Society

## Photo challenges

September: Still Life October: Monuments November: Emotion **December: Panorama** January: Trails February: Collections March: Barns April: Funny/Humor May: Dr. Seuss Sculpture Garden

## Meet Sylvia Pzyocha

The work of Sylvia Pzyocha is featured this month in the Member Profile. She is the latest member we're getting to know better in Exposures. Turn to pages 2 and 3 to meet Sylvia.

## Holiday banquet

The SPS holiday banquet will be held at Collegian Court, 89 Park St., Chicopee on Dec. 18. Social hour begins at 5:30 p.m. and the buffet at 6:30. The reservation form is on page 12 and available at club meetings. At the event, members may create a slideshow of favorite images with or without music and no longer than six to seven minutes. Reservations must be turned in to Carol Reed and slideshow flash drives delivered to Kevin Fay by Dec. 11, exhibition night.

# Expert explains how drones offer unique perspective

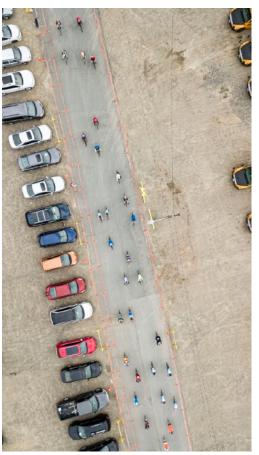
#### **By JIM GILLEN**

Drones "are a new way to look at photography," Joe Turner said.

Turner, a professional photographer speaking at the November program meeting of the Springfield Photographic Society, said drones represent a new way to see and think. "What would it look like from 100 feet?" he asked.

Owner of two registered drones, Turner said drone photography has many uses, for instance, architecture, real estate, construction, community planning, historic venues, artistic enterprises, aerial surveys, numerous types of events such as weddings. Drones are helpful for search and rescue (infrared-equipped drones can spot a dog in heavy woods from a half mile), for delivering medical supplies including organs needed for transplants, storm damage assessment, fire management and crime scene analysis.

And there are plenty of civil applications, Turner said. They are employed to survey bridges, real estate, agriculture and mining, counting bird populations, recording water damage,



Joe Turner's drone photo takes a birds-eye view of bikers racing past a line of parked cars.

advertising, television and movie coverage and package delivery.

Becoming a drone pilot, he said, does not require certification. However, training is necessary along with considerable

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# **SPS MEMBER PROFILE**

# Sylvia Pyzocha

I live in Palmer with my husband John. Our three children Michelle, John, and Michael flew the coop quite some time ago. I am retired

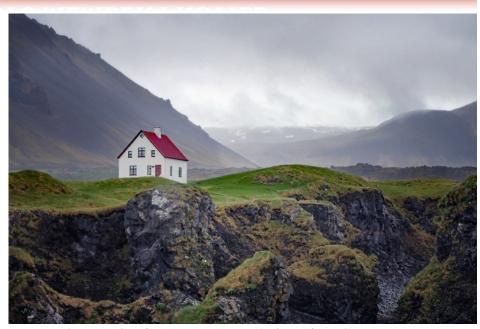
from the U.S. Postal Service. Growing up in Three Rivers on family land with a ski area



out back known as Hemlock Hill provided me with free rein of my family's woods, streams and slopes. A love of the outdoors was established and I kept it up all along. Even decades of walking my route for the USPS kept me out all day, sometimes into the night working in and observing every condition Mother Nature sent my way.

Thanks to my adult children and their gift of a digital point-andshoot camera, I became hooked by the endless possibilities and the joy of exploring them. Shooting anything that captured my attention was a great way to experiment. My love of outdoors, nature and travel merged with the thrill of capturing it all in pixels. The beginnings of new pursuit! Competing in photography

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Among Sylvia Pyzocha's favorite images are, clockwise from above, "Faraway," "Cedar Waxwing," "Heron With Krill" and "Bar Harbor."









# Sylvia Pyzocha

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contests, joining the Springfield Photographic Society, and a lot of persistence have all helped advance my skills and expand my imagination. I also enjoy skiing, geocaching, kayaking, gardening, reading and adventures near and far with loved ones and friends.

"Raccoon," above, and "Hats for Sale," right, are among Sylvia's favorite B&W images. "Green Metallic Bee," below left, and "Swift River Lily" display her skills with wildlife and color.







# Exhibition results – Prints, projected images for November

#### Judges: Tim Donelan, Karen Lemoine, Rosemary Polletta and Larry Sanchez

#### Digital

Artistic			
Sylvia Pyzocha	Twins of the East	28	HA
Fred LeBlanc	Windjammer002	28	HA
Richard Harper	Antelope Canyon, Arizona	27	HA
Rachel Bellenoit	Botanical	27	HA
Darlene Anderson	City Reflections	27	HA
Nancy Bryant	Sunset	27	HA
Kevin Fay	The Vessel	27	HA
Judy Bolio	Globes	26	ΗM
Eileen Donelan	Balls on Strings	25	
Karen Lemoine	Dream Path	25	
Barbara Krawczyk		25	
Amy Dane	Lots of Stuff	25	
Tim Donelan	Canyon Sand	24	
Muriel Lohnes	Colorful Balloons	24	
Jim Theres	Pleasant Form	24	
Jim Gillen	Holding Up the Sky	22	
Al LaFleche	Oyster Pond	22	
Joyce Doty	Quick Turn of Concern(m)	21	
Joyce Doty	Quick Turn of Concern(in)	21	
Black and White			
Barbara Krawczyk	Playing Amongst the Ruins	27	HA
Amy Dane	Stairway at the Hotel Magnolia	27	HA
Fred LeBlanc	Twin Orbs	27	HA
Karen Lemoine	Hydrangea l	26	HM
Eileen Donelan	Stowe Vermont Landscape		ΗM
Joyce Doty	Evening View from the Dock (m)		
Darlene Anderson	A White Rose	25	
Kevin Fay	Stafford Pond	25	
Joyce Doty	Tree and Foreboding Clouds	25	
Richard Harper	Bryce Canyon, Utah	24	
Nancy Bryant	Buddha	24	
Judy Bolio	St. Peter's	24	
Muriel Lohnes	Adobe	23	
Rachel Bellenoit	Shuttered Window	23	
Sylvia Pyzocha	Gotta Go Around	22	
Tim Donelan		22	
Al LaFleche	Happy Halloween	22	
	Rough Rider	22	
Jim Gillen	Sparkling Waters		
Muriel Lohnes	Birch Trees and Branches (m)	21	
Challenge			
Sylvia Pyzocha	The Feeling's Mutual*	28	HA
Richard Harper	Ecstasy vs. Apathy*		HA
Kevin Fay	Pain		HA
Al LaFleche	Pride		HA
Jim Theres	Sad Eyes*		HA
Karen Lemoine			HA
Gail Dinsmore	What You Looking At? Help Me Please (Print)		HA
		41	IIА
Darbara Krawczyk	Gold Star Mom Holds		

Back Tears

I'm Mad as Hell and

I Can't Take it Anymore!

Amy Dane

26 HM

26 HM

Jim Gillen Rosemary Polletta Larry Sanchez Dave Taupier Eileen Donelan Tim Donelan Marie Meder Gwen McNierney Darlene Anderson Judy Bolio Joyce Doty Rosemary Polletta Nancy Bryant Muriel Lohnes Rachel Bellenoit * Secret judges cho	Pure Glee Front Row Tots Tell All! (Print) Anger and Indifference I Love A Girl Named Maria I Love This Lamb Love at First Sight Mariachi Musicians Surprise! It Worked Happy Dog Surprise Wonderment! Evangeline (m) (Print) Enraptured Pueblo Indian Dancer Yummy! bices	26 HM 26 HM 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 24 24 24 24 24 23 23 23
General		
Karen Lemoine	Boy and His Dog	29 HA
Barbara Krawczyk	Low Clouds Over Lake Bled	29 HA
Judy Bolio	Cosmo Raindrops	27 HA
Nancy Bryant	Looking South	27 HA
Rachel Bellenoit	Shagbark Blossom	27 HA
Kevin Fay	Sunset at Sippewissett	27 HA
Joe Kruzel	Corn Field	26 HM
Amy Dane	Only in the Big Apple	26 HM
Jim Gillen	Radical Turn	26 HM
Darlene Anderson	Chelsea Skybridge	25 25
Richard Harper	Horseshoe Bend, Arizona	25 25
Larry Sanchez	Moon and Summit House Pilot's Wave	23 25
Joyce Doty Gwen McNierney	Strutting His Stuff	23 25
Al LaFleche	Young Race Fan	25
Joyce Doty	Saltwater Taffy	20
00,00200	Colorado Style (m)	24
Fred LeBlanc	Bright Lights	24
Tim Donelan	Chapel of the Holy Cross	24
Gail Dinsmore	Excalibur Turrets	24
Jim Theres	Man and His Pipe	24
Frank Rucki	Newport at Night	24
Sylvia Pyzocha	Quabbin Shore	24
Eileen Donelan	View from Bridge of Flowers	24
Muriel Lohnes	Lounging (m)	23
Carol Reed	All That Remains	22
Marie Meder Muriel Lohnes	Falls Bounty Home Sweet Home	22 22
Karl Jurgen	Food Chain	22
Nature	1000 Cham	21
Joyce Doty	Mushroom (m)	28 HA
Gwen McNierney	Edgar Allen Poe	28 HA
Joe Kruzel	Bedded Down	27 HA
Rachel Bellenoit	Frosty Morning	27 HA
Sylvia Pyzocha	Wild Columbine	27 HA
Darlene Anderson	Morning Mist	26 HM
Karen Lemoine	Peaceful Foggy Morning	26 HM
Jim Gillen	Raven's Perch	26 HM

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# **Exhibition results**

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Tim Donelan	Antelope Canyon	25
Larry Sanchez	Egret and Gator	25
Barbara Krawczyk	Landing With Friends	25
Kevin Fay	South Branch Pond	25
Amy Dane	The Danube Delta, Romania	25
Joyce Doty	Fox Grooming	24
Richard Harper	Grand Canyon at Sunrise	24
Jim Theres	Morning Snack	24
Eileen Donelan	Mushrooms on Rock	24
Nancy Bryant	Reflections	24
Frank Rucki	Shelburne Falls Foliage	24
Gail Dinsmore	Autumn Shore	23
Judy Bolio	Takeoff	23
Muriel Lohnes	Wildflowers (m)	21
Al LaFleche	Bear Hole	21
Marie Meder	Surprising Sight	21
Muriel Lohnes	Wildflower	21

#### Prints Artistic

Eileen Donelan	Rattlesnake Slot Canyon	27 HA	
Rosemary Polletta	Under the Sea	27 HA	
Rosemary Polletta	Painted Lupines (m)	26 HM	
Sylvia Pyzocha	Headed for Home	24	
Large Black & White			
Joyce Doty	Ghost Town	27 HA	
Rosemary Polletta	Waterfall In The Rain	27 HA	
Rosemary Polletta	Nature's Beauty (m)	25	
Joyce Doty	First Boiling of Sap (m)	24	
Karen Lemoine	Creeping Creeping	24	

#### Large Color

Kevin Fay	Smokin' in Silverton	28 HA
Joyce Doty	The Way to the Island (m)	27 HA
Rosemary Polletta	Sacred Ground (m)	27 HA
Rosemary Polletta	Fireworks from the West Side	27 HA
Eileen Donelan	Horseshoe Bend	26 HM
Gail Dinsmore	Like Glass	24
Joyce Doty	Early Autumn Reflection	23
Karen Lemoine	Skeleton Gulch	23
Gail Dinsmore	Glow (m)	23

#### **Small Black & White**

Joyce Doty	Signal Officer (m)	27 HA
Rosemary Polletta	Making Memories (m)	26 HA
Rosemary Polletta	Orchis (Latin) in Bloom	25 HM
Karen Lemoine	Out for a Swim	25 HM
Kevin Fay	Rising Paper Company	25 HM
Joyce Doty	Was Once a Lovely Home	25 HM

#### **Small Color**

Kevin Fay	Flute Player	27	HA
Joyce Doty	Fallen into Disrepair	26	HA
Joyce Doty	Early Autumn on the Island (m)	25	HM
Sylvia Pyzocha	Dew Drop In	25	HM
Karen Lemoine	Nature Taking Over	25	HM
Gail Dinsmore	It's a Bull Market	24	
Gail Dinsmore	Heading Out (m)	24	



Joe Turner shows one of his two drones which he uses in a multitude of ways in his professional photography. He also teaches first responders how to employ drones for search and rescue, organ delivery and fire management.

# Expert explains how drones offer unique perspective

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practice before taking on big projects. The drone itself has to be registered for a \$5 fee.

A certified pilot himself though, Turner teaches others in the uses and skills needed to fly a drone. He instructs first responders at Roger Williams University in Rhode Island.

And there are limitations to flying a drone. Drones are not allowed above 400 feet or anywhere near airports to avoid interference with planes and helicopters, Turner said.

It's best to have a spotter to keep sight of the drone, he said. Once past about 200 yards a drone can't be seen with the naked eye. Also, it's good practice to inform police when flying a drone to avoid situations such as residents reporting a suspicious drone flying overhead.

As with any photography, the drone operator should scout and carefully plan the shoot to avoid wasting time trying to compose and shoot. Among other aspects, the pilot should watch for lighting, obstacles and anything else given the unique perspective the drone provides.

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# Standout prints from November exhibition

Some colorful prints in last month's exhibition. Clockwise from right, "Horseshoe Bend" by Eileen Donelan, "Early Autumn Reflection" by Joyce Doty, "Like Glass" by Gail Dinsmore and "Under the Sea" by Rosemary Polletta.









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Clockwise from above, "Ghost Town" by Joyce Doty, "Waterfall in the Rain" by Rosemary Polletta, "Help Me Please" by Gail Dinsmore and "Smokin' in Silverton" by Kevin Fay.



# Digital results from November exhibition





# Artistic

Four notable Artistic photos from the November exhibition: Clockwise from above, "City Reflections" by Darlene Anderson, "Botanical" by Rachel Bellenoit, "Sunset" by Nancy Bryant and "Antelope Canyon Arizona" by Richard Harper.





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# Black & White

Black & White entries, clockwise from left: "Twin Orbs" by Fred LeBlanc, "Playing Among the Ruins" by Barbara Krawczyk, "St. Peter's" by Judy Bolio, "A White Rose" by Darlene Anderson, "Adobe" by Muriel Lohnes and "Hydrangea 1" by Karen Lemoine.





#### December 2019

# **Challenge: Emotions**

The Challenge topic for November was Emotions. Taking on the challenge were, clockwise from right, "Pride" by Al Lafleche, "Ecstasy and Apathy" by Richard Harper, "Pain" by Kevin Fay, "Yummy" by Rachel Bellenoit and "Anger and Indifference" by Larry Sanchez.











### SPS count hits 85

The Springfield Photographic Society's membership is topping off at 85 this month.

Joining the club in November was Elinor Shuman of Suffield, CT.

#### **Elliott Erwitt exhibit**

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A photography exhibit of the works of Elliott Erwitt is on display until Jan. 12 at the D'Amour Museum of Fine Arts at the Quadrangle. The exhibit is entitled "The Art of Observation: The Best of Photographer Elliott Erwitt."

With a career spanning six decades, Erwitt is responsible for some of the most iconic images of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. His work was featured in the Museum of Modern Art exhibition "Family of Man."

Although Elliott Erwitt captured public figures like Marilyn Monroe, Jackie Kennedy and Barack and Michelle Obama, he is also known for his ability to reveal the extraordinary in the everyday. Clever framing, insightful visual parallels and the ability to capture pivotal moments characterize what Erwitt called the "art of observation."

Today, Erwitt is the author of nearly 30 photographic books on subjects ranging from architecture to dogs.

The exhibition, featuring more than 90 gelatin silver prints, provides an overview of Erwitt's career, which paralleled important photographic innovations and historical moments of the last century.



## General

A good variety of subjects in last month's General category. From top to bottom, "Corn Field" by Joe Kruzel, "Only in the Big Apple" by Amy Dane and "Cosmo Raindrops" by Judy Bolio.







## Nature

Lots of mornings and birds among last month's Nature entries. Clockwise from above, "'Edgar Allen Poe" by Gwen McNierney, "Peaceful, Foggy Morning" by Karen Lemoine, "Frosty Morning" by Rachel Bellenoit and " Morning Mist" by Darlene Anderson.



	APPLICATION FOR	HOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP 2019-2020 P3rd Year
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FAMILY NAMES (family	/ membership)	<u>Membership Fees</u>
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CITY, STATE, ZIP		Individual \$35.00 Family \$50.00
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Signature	Printed Name	In Case of Emergency (Provide a name and phone number)

Please make your check payable to *Springfield Photographic Society* Mail to SPS Treasurer *Carol Reed, 395 Porter Lake Dr. #306, Longmeadow, MA 01106* (or bring them to the next meeting)

## SPRINGFIELD PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY RESERVATION FOR 2019-2020 HOLIDAY BANQUET

Collegian Court Restaurant 89 Park Street, Chicopee, MA 01013 Wednesday, December 18, 2019 Cocktails (cash bar) at 5:30 p.m., Dinner at 6:30

#### <u>Menu</u>

Fruit, cheese and crackers during cocktail hour.

Buffet of two main dish selections as well as Italian meatballs and pasta, sautéed vegetables, roasted potatoes, kapusta, garden salad, rolls and butter. Coffee, tea, and iced tea. Cookie and brownie assortment for dessert.

#### \$30.00 per person

Make checks payable to Springfield Photographic Society

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Number attending: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$30.00

I plan to show a collection of "My Favorite Images" Topic:

Barbara Krawczyk

Mail to SPS Treasurer Carol Reed, 395 Porter Lake Dr. – Apt. 306, Longmeadow, MA 01106

Reservation deadline: December 11, 2019

## **SPS Officers and Directors**

#### **Elected positions**

President	Kevin Fay
Vice President (Prints)	Karen Lemoine
Vice President (Projected I	mages) Larry Sanchez
Treasurer	Carol Reed
Secretary	Carol Reed
Directors	Tim Donelan, Joyce Doty,
	Denis Duquette, Jim Gillen,
Dee N	acewicz, Guenther Schubert

#### **Appointed positions**

Judge Coordinator/Exhibition Standards

Loomis Gallery Curator	Rosemary Polletta
Membership Chair	Carol Reed
NECCC Representative	Richard Harper
Newsletter Editor	Jim Gillen
Social Media	Nick DeCondio
Trip Coordinator	Open
Website Manager	Charlie Strong

# **EXPOSURES**

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Exposures is the monthly newsletter of the Springfield Photographic Society. SPS is affiliated with the Photographic Society of America and the New England Camera Club Council. Society meetings are held at Loomis Lakeside at Reed's Landing, 807 Wilbraham Road, Springfield, at 7 p.m. on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month, September through May. The SPS website is https://springfield-ps.com. President Kevin Fay can be reached at kevin.fay44@gmail.com







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