

Through My Electronic Viewfinder

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Sorry! I just couldn't resist the title change. Perhaps it's fitting since this column is all about change. Our last program of the summer examined the foliage changes that occur in Westchester every fall. The changes are inevitable but usually unpredictable. As we begin a new season at WPS we too are experiencing changes of our own.

With this issue, our newsletter, *In Focus*, is now being distributed exclusively online with, of course, special provisions being made for the few club members not having Internet access. In addition to the significant printing and distribution cost savings, the online newsletter allows us to incorporate color photographs and live hyperlinks in the text. By accepting paid advertisements in the newsletter, we are hoping to turn the newsletter from a historical financial liability into a future profitable asset.

You will notice some changes in our competitions for this season. Our categories will remain the same but I have revised our Guidelines for Digital Projector Submissions to incorporate changes in our file naming format as well as changes in our image resizing requirements. These changes were dictated by a new software package that we will be using to speed up our competitions.

You many also have noticed that we have had a change in management at the club. To lower his stress levels, Jerry Hoffman has left the Board and has resigned his positions as President and Board Chairman. We all thank him for his dedicated service to the club and were surprised and sorry to see him leave the Board. As required by our Bylaws, the Board will appoint a new Director to serve out his remaining term until the next annual elections in April.

As the Executive VP, the Board has moved me up to take over as the new President and Board Chairman. These are both jobs that I have spent the last twenty five years on the Board avoiding. However, times change and we must change with the times. I will continue doing the jobs I enjoy: Webmaster and Scorekeeper.

There is nothing as constant as change so let's see if we can all make the best of these changes.

Dick Budnik