

# FOCUS

## The f:67 Camera Club

Let's meet another camera club, this time in Washington State. Bremerton sits on the Kitsap Peninsula of Washington and the Puget Sound Naval Shipyard (PNCS) located there plays a major role in the life of the city and has for many years. It was in 1949 that the workers of shop 67 at PNCS started "Shop 67 Camera Club," but shortly it was officially changed to f:67 Camera Club and it has remained that since.

A purpose was set by the f:67 Camera Club—to promote the art and science of photography in its various elements and branches, and to increase the pleasures derived from photography through joint efforts, mutual projects and group instructions. In 1999 when the club celebrated its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of photography in Kitsap County with a banquet at the Silverdale-on-the Bay Resort Hotel, they were recognized by the chairwoman of the Kitsap County Commissioners, Governor Gary Locke of the State of Washington and President William Clinton of the United States. Well known among camera clubs in the area, f:67 Camera Club is a member of the Northwest Council of Camera Clubs. In 2001, President Albert Sieg, FPSA, EPSA, recognized the group as a 50-year member of the Photographic Society of America (PSA).

The club's name will often be seen on the pages of the *PSA Journal's* news columns, for f:67 Camera Club actively supports and takes part in division interclub competitions. A strong advocate of the principal of learning through competition, the club has introduction sessions for new members in how to prepare images, what makes a winning competition, etc. Club PSA representative is John M. Davis, Jr., PPSA. Other members who have been or are active in PSA are C.W. (Bill) Biedel,

FPSA, EPSA; Margaret Biedel, APSA; Erik Edman, APSA; Steve Fisher, APSA; and Jim Martin, APSA.

F:67 Camera Club publishes *Short Exposures* news letter, annually gives a club service appreciation award at the Annual Show at club year end as well as many awards for photography, enjoys field trips and teaches its members to be better photographers. Hats off to this Pacific Northwest group!

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