

Focus

PSA Camera Clubs and Community Service

This month the *Journal's* occasional article entitled **Focus**, that features a member or member-club, turns to the Loveland Photographic Society (LPS), which serves the area of Northeastern Colorado, including Fort Collins, Greeley and Loveland. With over 130 members, it is one of the largest photography groups in the state.

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Award-winning LPS newsletter editor, **Bill Meikle**, attributes "the dynamic growth of LPS to the Society's Board of Directors, which has created a new atmosphere that better meets the needs of the community and its members. The open and friendly attitude of the Board encourages a flexible approach as to how it operates. There are links throughout the population to the businesses, people and the arts community and also a reaching out to experts in the field of photography. LPS works with the local *Chamber of Commerce*, and is well enough known that when the local visitor centre wanted to display photography during July they came to LPS for assistance and the club put on an excellent display of the best work of its members." The Society is also a member of the *Downtown Loveland Association* and helps to promote downtown Loveland while giving LPS members photojournalistic experience. LPS recently gave a \$500 scholarship to a high school student and brought George Lepp into town for a free presentation to the public. A print auction was held to raise money, where LPS members donated the prints.

The Loveland Photographic Society, which was formed in 1956, meets year round in the Pulliam

Community Building. Dues are a very reasonable \$20 per year. The club holds one outing per month to different locations, conducts outside workshops, and has a guest speaker each month on a wide range of topics; recently it was on underwater photography.

For more information visit the LPS Website at <http://www.lps.cc/>. ■



Model fashion shoot



Union Pacific rail yard



Songbird workshop, Pawnee Grasslands