

Photography Club of Sun City
General Meeting
February 3, 2026

President Julia Parrish called the meeting to order at 6:59pm.

Julia Parrish reported on the following:

Membership – We have a total of 449 members after the purge. We've had 16 new members since January.

There is a February 23 Orientation class that all new members should attend. It gives a lot of information about the club and what we do.

Website – Cindy Fiano is the photographer of the month. All the Creative Vision winners are on the site, and the Black and White photo entries are also all there.

We need volunteers for Earth Day and Discover the Low Country. We are only as good as our support. Please see Julia if interested.

Treasurer's Report – Everitt Denning. We have \$1,220 Income, \$1,254 Expenses, \$18,295 bank balance which includes donations from Creative Vision.

He also reported that the Sony Group is changing to more of a tech group. He will be sending a survey to the members.

First Saturday has 3 new people joining.

Education – Cindy Fiano reporting in Ward's absence. Classes for the next session will be starting the last week in March. Although there were a few glitches with the last registration all went well. 1/3 of all seats filled in the first 10 minutes, and half in the first hours. To date classes are 80% filled, and 11 have wait lists. She is continuing to send out the Sunday email with the current week's classes that are still open. In the next week they will be contacting instructors for the next session. On 3/16 the Class List will go out, registration will open on 3/23 at 2PM, and the classes will be from 3/30-6/30.

Trips- Doug Scott advised that there were 21 people on the Florida trip that included 5 new members. We had one launch and Bob Yakely got a great photo. All trips are suitable for both camera and cell phone. The upcoming trip are:

2/28 Battle at Broxton Bridge
3/3-4 St. Augustine and the Alligator Farm
3/30 Angel Oak Tree and Magnolia Plantation
4/7 Bonaventure Cemetery
5/7 Beidler Audubon Forest
5/14 Swan Lake and Iris Gardens
TBD Gold Course Nature Tour

Creative Vision- John Burrack. This year there were 73 pairs. He discussed some of the history of Creative Vision. He spoke about the history and the pairings. He then gave out the ribbons.

Keri Ricci then introduced our speaker, Patrick Stewart. He is a black & white photographer who is also a fine art printer. He works primarily with landscapes. He gave a slideshow that included some of his Tidelands show. He explained his process and what he is trying to convey. He invited all to attend a show he is doing with the work of Jack Leigh at Laney Contemporary beginning on April 30. He then had a Q&A session.

Competition – Everyone should familiarize themselves with the rules as they have changed for 2026. The winners were announced and Parker gave comments.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:24 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen Scott

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Secretary