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#### **December 7**

7:30 pm – 8:30 pm <u>Mentor Night – 10 Minute Kickoff on</u> <u>Scouting a Location</u> <sub>Virtual</sub>

### **December 14**

6:30 pm – 8:00 pm <u>Holiday Party with Curls Competition</u>

RSVP & Potluck Signup at Flagpole Photographers Camera Club: Holiday Party (signupgenius.com) RSVP Deadline is Sunday, Dec 10th. Newtown Senior Center and first 30 minutes online

Arrive 30 minutes early for the social time. Meetings are free to everyone.

### Light the Night Celebration At Chane & Rhonda Cullens Sunday December 3, 6:30 pm

Hope you can join us this Sunday, December 3, at 6:30 for our "Light the Night Celebration"! We'll have some goodies and hot chocolate in our garage before heading to the street for Christmas Carols and the count down to the flip of the switch! This is an outdoor event so dress for the weather. 9 Founders Lane, Sandy Hook, CT



### **Flagpole Photographers News**

# Flagpole Excels at the New England Digital Competition!

On Saturday, November 18, 2023, the New England Camera Club Council (NECCC) Interclub Digital Competition, hosted by the Greater Lynn Photographic Association, took place. Members from Flagpole Photographers Camera Club participating in the event included Robyn Abrams, Michelle Babyak, Chane Cullens, Rhonda Cullens, Darrell Harrington, Sandy Schill, and Katie Slawitschek. Monochrome - 1st Place Class B Nature - 2nd Place ...



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### Newtown & Beyond Reception Well Received



On Sunday, November 12, 2023, the 13th annual opening reception for the "Newtown & Beyond" photo exhibit took place and was very well attended. The exhibit will be on display from November 1 to December 28. You can visit the exhibit with 315 photos from Newtown's Flagpole Photographers Camera Club whenever the Newtown Municipal Center is open. For additional details, ...

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## 2023 November Competition Results, All Photos & Video

- 1. Results
- 2. All Photos with Photographer and Title
- 3. Video Recording of the Judges

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## Flagpole Dominates at the New England Print Competition!



On Saturday, November 4, 2023, the New England Camera Club Council (NECCC) Individual Print Competition, hosted by the Greater Lynn Photographic Association, took place. Members from Flagpole Photographers Camera Club participated in the event, including Robyn Abrams, Michelle Babyak, Adam Bowditch, Chane Cullens, Rhonda Cullens, Sandy Schill, and Katie Slawitschek. Each photographer submitted one Monochrome Print and one Color Print, ...

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### Newtown & Beyond Exhibit Setup Finished

We were lucky to have a crew of 8 folks put together the 2023 Newtown & Beyond Exhibit. Big thanks to Rhonda, Sandy, Sue, Michelle (and her neighbor), Toni, Kerry, and Chane. It was a bustling morning, getting 315 photos up on the walls of Newtown's Municipal Center and setting up tables and sign-up sheets for photo buyers. The exhibit ...



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## Compositional Balance vs the Rule of Thirds

I used to follow thirds blindly, placing all my subjects and horizons on or near the onethird lines. Don't get me wrong—it can be very useful in creating strong compositions. The problem arises when we follow any rule blindly without giving any thought to other compositions.

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