

City of Ramsey
Agenda
Park and Recreation Commission
Thursday, March 14, 2019
6:30 pm
Council Chambers, 7550 Sunwood Drive NW

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Citizen Input**
- 3. Approve Agenda**
- 4. Approve Minutes**
 1. Approve Park and Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes.
- 5. Commission Business**
 1. Nominate Chair and Vice-Chairperson of the Park and Recreation Commission
 2. Affirm 2018 Photo Contest Winners
 3. Consider Park and Recreation Outdoor Meeting Schedule
- 6. Commission/Staff Input**
- 7. Adjournment**

Park and Recreation Commission

4. 1.

Meeting Date: 03/14/2019

Submitted For: Mark Riverblood, Engineering/Public Works

By: MaryJo Warner, Engineering/Public Works

Information

Title:

Approve Park and Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes.

Purpose/Background:

To review and approve the Park and Recreation Commission meeting minutes for February 14, 2019.

Notification:

Observations/Alternatives:

Funding Source:

n/a

Recommendation:

To approve Park and Recreation Commission meeting minutes for February 14, 2019.

Action:

Motion to approve Park and Recreation Commission meeting minutes for February 14, 2019.

Attachments

Minutes

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**PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION
CITY OF RAMSEY
ANOKA COUNTY
STATE OF MINNESOTA**

The Ramsey Park and Recreation Commission conducted a regular meeting on February 14, 2019, at Ramsey City Council Chambers, 7550 Sunwood Drive NW.

Commission Members Present: Chair Shane Bennett
 Vice Chair Brandon Sis
 Commissioner Jennifer Leistico
 Commissioner Russell Bayer
 Commissioner Jon Trappen

Commission Members Absent: None

Also Present: Parks & Assistant Public Works Superintendent Mark Riverblood

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Bennett called the Park and Recreation Commission meeting to order at 6:35 p.m. He also welcomed Councilmember Musgrove to the Commission meeting.

2. CITIZEN INPUT

None.

3. APPROVE AGENDA

Motion by Commissioner Leistico, seconded by Commissioner Bayer, to approve the Park and Recreation Commission meeting agenda as presented.

Motion carried. Voting Yes: Chair Bennett; Commissioners Leistico, Bayer, Sis, Trappen.
Voting No: None. Absent: None.

4. APPROVE MINUTES

4.01: Approve Park and Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes

- 1) Park and Recreation Commission Regular Meeting Minutes dated November 18, 2018.
- 2) Park and Recreation Commission Regular Meeting Minutes dated January 10, 2019.

Motion by Commissioner Trappen, seconded by Commissioner Sis, to approve the Park and Recreation Commission meeting minutes from November 18, 2018, and January 10, 2019, as presented.

Motion carried. Voting Yes: Chair Bennett; Commissioners Trappen, Sis, Bayer, Leistico. Voting No: None. Absent: None.

5. COMMISSION BUSINESS

5.01: Approve Promotional Magazine for Proposed Parks in The COR

Parks & Assistant Public Works Superintendent Riverblood provided an overview of the proposed promotional magazine. He noted this is an iteration of the park plans that the Commission has been working on for a number of years, and the community has been working on for 15 years, with respect to the downtown area. The magazine is intended to communicate the plans to the public, and also to serve as a reference point for the Capital Improvement Plans each year. It will also be a communication device to investors in The COR, both commercial and residential. He then highlighted each page of the magazine page by page, commenting on the priority of balancing the rural character of the community alongside responsible urban growth. He also highlighted the importance of walkability, street furniture, pedestrian scale buildings, and connect-ability throughout, as well as the larger greenway system that connects the whole community. The parks in The COR are intended to serve residents throughout the community, not just those who live in proximity to downtown.

Parks & Assistant Public Works Superintendent Riverblood continued that the many millions of private dollars invested in The COR are directly related to the significant public investment so far. He discussed how the various iterations evolved into the final design of the Municipal Plaza. He also focused on the prioritization of natural resources. Parking was also discussed, particularly that parking density may increase in future years when it becomes necessary. Surface parking is vacant much of the year, so it is important not to use up valuable land for parking. The impact of Ride Share on parking needs is under consideration as well. He also pointed out the outdoor hearths, which will allow for an extension of the shoulder seasons.

Chair Bennett stated it is great to see the concept drawings all put together in a cohesive document.

Commissioner Leistico asked whether this magazine will be mailed to all residents.

Parks & Assistant Public Works Superintendent Riverblood stated it could be mailed to each address, but it is probably not an effective way to get the message out, due to the high cost of production and mailing. If the Commission approves this as a communication piece, it is important to bring it to the Planning Commission as well as the Economic Development Authority. When the Commissions have recommended it, he would like Council to acknowledge its existence, and then it can be broadcast far and wide throughout the community.

Vice Chair Sis asked if there will be a specific call to action or if it is just an informational piece.

Parks & Assistant Public Works Superintendent Riverblood responded the primary purpose of the magazine is to demonstrate that the City listened to the community and that the park plan reflects what has been heard over the years. This will also illustrate to the community that the CIP is aligned with what has been voiced by residents. This document is much easier and more attractive to read than the CIP.

Commissioner Bayer stated this is a great starting point.

Motion by Commissioner Bayer, seconded by Commissioner Sis, to approve the Promotional Magazine for Proposed Parks in The COR.

Motion carried. Voting Yes: Chair Bennett; Commissioners Bayer, Sis, Leistico, Trappen. Voting No: None. Absent: None.

6. COMMISSION/STAFF INPUT

Park & Assistant Public Works Superintendent Riverblood reported on the photography contest, highlighting the many outstanding submissions. This item will be taken up again at the March Commission meeting.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Commissioner Leistico, seconded by Commissioner Bayer, to adjourn the meeting.

Motion carried. Voting Yes: Chair Bennett; Commissioners Leistico, Bayer, Sis, Trappen. Voting No: None. Absent: None.

The Park and Recreation Commission meeting adjourned at 7:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Riverblood
Parks & Assistant Public Works Superintendent

Drafted by Allison Burr
TimeSaver off Site Secretarial, Inc.

Park and Recreation Commission

5. 1.

Meeting Date: 03/14/2019

Submitted For: Mark Riverblood, Engineering/Public Works

By: MaryJo Warner, Engineering/Public Works

Information

Title:

Nominate Chair and Vice-Chairperson of the Park and Recreation Commission

Purpose/Background:

Each year, City Council makes appointments to their various subcommittees, with commissions and boards also expected to appoint a Chair and Vice-Chair for their respective entity. The purpose of this case is to establish (or reaffirm) the Commission’s Chair and Vice-Chair for 2019. In terms of process, staff proposes nominations for first the Chair, and then after approval by the majority of voting Commissioners, the Vice-Chair position also administered in the same manner. (It may be pointed out that, in that there is no official protocol for this process, the Commission may perform the nominations and/or the voting by paper 'ballots' forwarded to the Ex Officio as part of this case, if desired.) The Terms of Boards and Commission are from April 1st through March 31st of the respective year(s).

Notification:

Observations/Alternatives:

As a point of information, City Council is schedule to interview resident canidates for Boards and Commissions on March 26th, 2019. (There will be three vacancys/openings on the Park and Recreations Commission at the end of March, 2019.)

Funding Source:

n/a

Recommendation:

Action:

Motion to designate_Chair, and_Vice Chair of the Park and Recreation Commission from April 1, 2019 through March 31, 2020.

Attachments

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Park and Recreation Commission

5. 2.

Meeting Date: 03/14/2019

Submitted For: Mark Riverblood, Engineering/Public Works

By: MaryJo Warner, Engineering/Public Works

Information

Title:

Affirm 2018 Photo Contest Winners

Purpose/Background:

The purpose of this case is to affirm the 2018 Photo contest winners.

Notification:

The 2018 Ramsey Photo Contest was advertised via several venues over the past year.

Observations/Alternatives:

Photos were evaluated based on creativity, quality, composition, and expression of category theme. Category themes are outlined as:

- **Nature of Ramsey:** Viewing landscapes, plants, animals, weather, etc.
- **Parks and Trails:** Enjoying parks and trails in Ramsey, highlighting your favorite outdoor spaces
- **Industry and Commerce of Ramsey:** Displaying diversity of industrial and commercial operations in Ramsey (no submittals for the 2018 contest)
- **Life in Ramsey:** Celebrating the community through events, recreation, arts, culture, sports, and gathering places, etc.

All winners may be announced, and presented their award at the City Council meeting on March 26, 2019.

Funding Source:

Prize money is from the Park and Recreation operations line item within the General Fund Budget.

Recommendation:

Winners were selected by the contest judges for affirmation by the Commissioners—Staff will 'announce' and show the winning photo(s) at the meeting.

Action:

Motion to affirm the 2018 Photo Contest Winners.

Attachments

2018 submittals
proposed Winners!

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CITY OF RAMSEY 2018 PHOTO CONTEST





CATEGORY:

LIFE IN RAMSEY





ENTRY #1
EASY LIVING

Brenda Weis



ENTRY #2
SEE GRANDPA!

Brenda Weis



ENTRY #3
ON THE RUM RIVER
BANKS

Brenda Weis



ENTRY #4
WORDS OF WISDOM FLEW IN

Brenda Weis

CATEGORY:

PARKS &

TRAILS





ENTRY #1
LOOKING INTO
THE DISTANCE

Philip Goncharenko



ENTRY #2
TAKING A
SUNSET
WALK

Philip Goncharenko



ENTRY #3
SUNSET ON
KETTLE
LAKE

Philip Goncharenko



ENTRY #4
MISSISSIPPI
WINTER

Bethany Linderg



ENTRY #5
REFLECTIONS
OF FALL

Wendy Jacobsma



ENTRY #6
WAKING UP
IN RAMSEY

Wendy Jacobsma



ENTRY #7
LOST IN A
FIELD OF
BEAUTY

Wendy Jacobsm



ENTRY #8
SERENITY
WITHIN

Wendy Jacobsma



ENTRY #9
IN BETWEEN
SOLITUDE

Wendy Jacobsma



ENTRY #10
DOWN STREAM

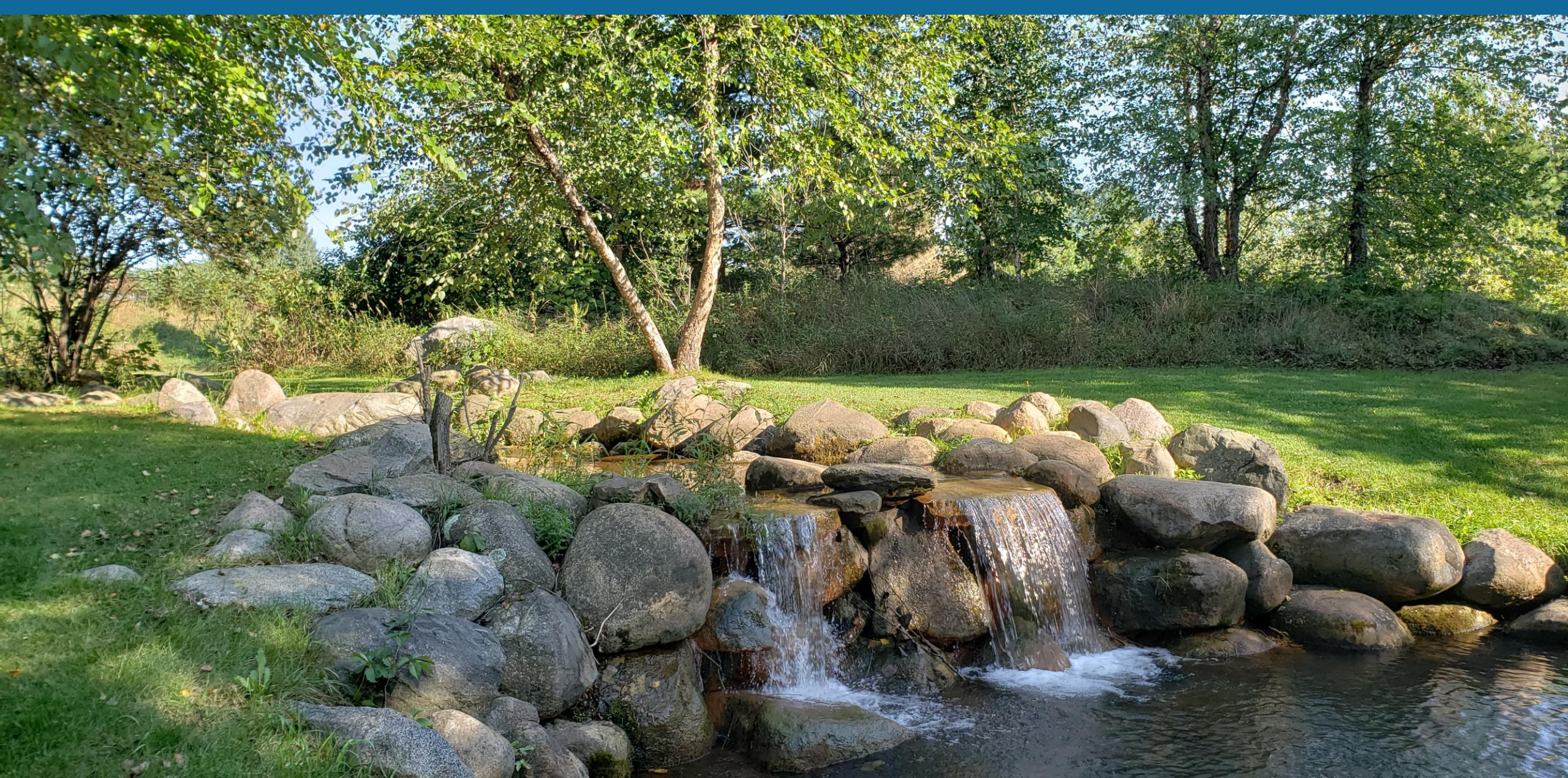
Thomas Hauge



ENTRY #11
BLUE SKY'S OCTOBER
Thomas Hauge



ENTRY #12
COOL DOWN
Thomas Hauge



ENTRY #13
ELMCREST FALLS
Thomas Hauge



ENTRY #14
MORNING STROLL

Susan Martinson



ENTRY #15
DEER FAMILY

Ray Taylor



ENTRY #16
WINTRY MORNING

Michelle Osterhus



ENTRY #17
TRAIL HOME

Clarissa Hilary

10.12.2018



ENTRY #18

ONWARD FOREVER

Clarissa Hilary



ENTRY #19
SNOWY BANKS

Clarissa Hilary

CATEGORY:

NATURE & ANIMALS



ENTRY #1
BE HAPPY AND SMILE

Brenda Sadowski



ENTRY #2
LOTS OF TURTLES ON
THE RUM

Brenda Weis



ENTRY #3
LOTS OF TURTLES ON
THE RUM

Brenda Weis



ENTRY #4
ON THE RUM RIVER
BANKS

Brenda Weis



ENTRY #5
OUR PARKS ARE SO
WORTH IT!

Brenda Weis



ENTRY #6
YELLOW WINTER
Clarissa Hilary



ENTRY #7
THE LONELY SPIDER
Clarissa Hilary



ENTRY #8
WHITE SPECKLES
Clarissa Hilary



ENTRY #9
RAYS OF SUNSHINE
Clarissa Hilary



ENTRY #10
PEEKING THROUGH
Clarissa Hilary



ENTRY #11
POLLINATOR AT WORK
Wendy Jacobsma



ENTRY #12
HUMMINGBIRD MOTH

DANCE
Wendy Jacobsma



ENTRY #13
BEING WATCHED
Wendy Jacobsma



ENTRY #14
SURPRISE PHOTO

ATTACK
Wendy Jacobsma



ENTRY #15
DAINTY WHISKERED
GIRL
Wendy Jacobsma



ENTRY #16
ORANGE BRILLIANCE

Wendy Jacobsma



ENTRY #17
BITTERN ON THE
LOOKOUT
Wendy Jacobsma



ENTRY #18
SETTLING IN FOR THE
NIGHT

Wendy Jacobsma



ENTRY #19

TAKE OFF

Wendy Jacobsma



ENTRY #20
GARDEN FRIENDS

Jacquelyn Christenson



ENTRY #21
WILDLIFE IN
RAMSEY

Jacquelyn Christenson



ENTRY #22
SQUIRREL IN
SPRING

Jenna Marti



ENTRY #23
COLLECTORS
Jenna Martin

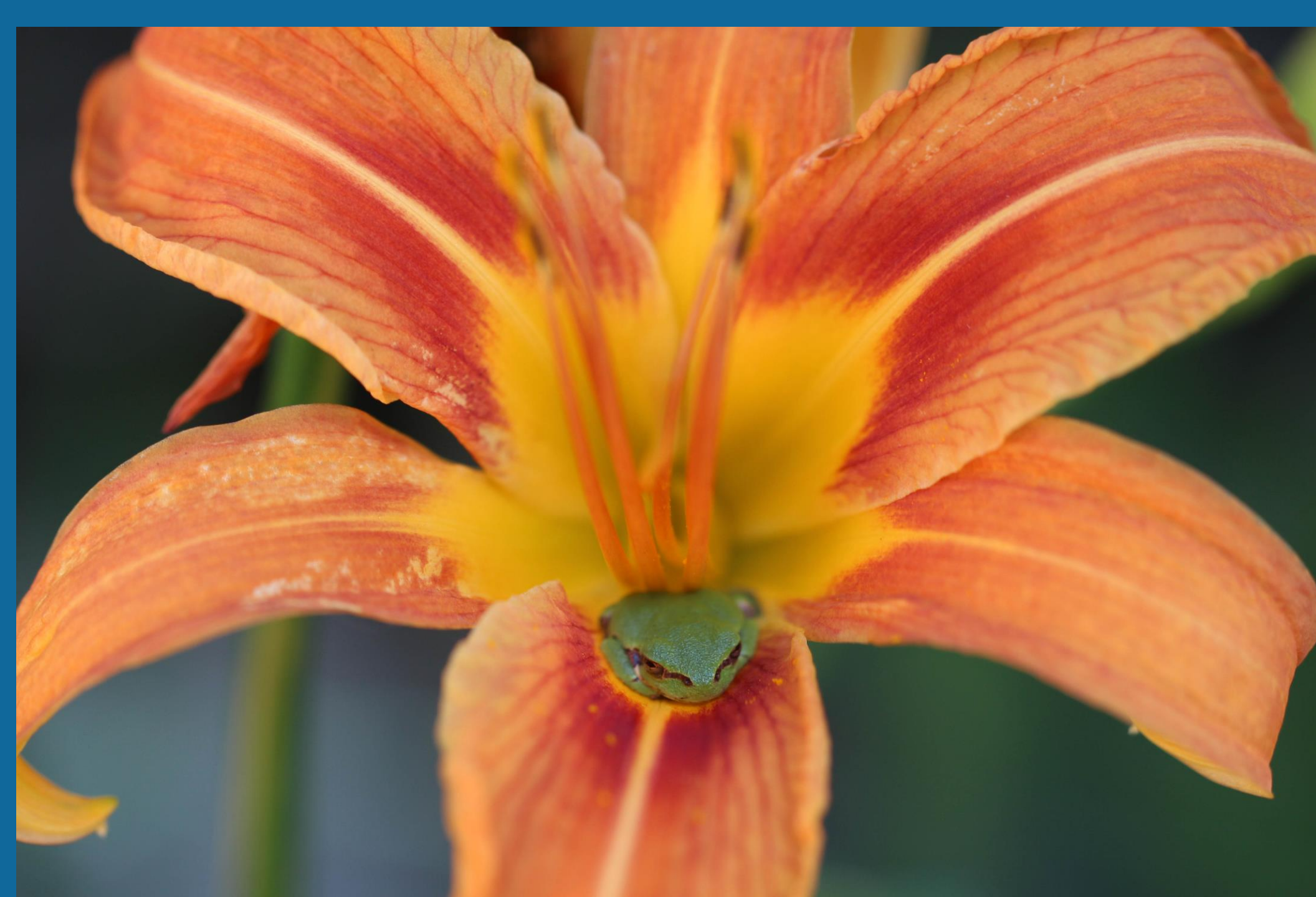


ENTRY #24
PANSY
Jenna Martin



ENTRY #25
FIREFLIES ON THE
4TH OF JULY
Jenna Marti

ENTRY #26
FROG IN LILY
Jenna Martin





ENTRY #27
TIME TO EAT
Jenna Martin





ENTRY #28
READY TO BLOOM
Jenna Martin



ENTRY #29
SUMMER FLOWER
Jenna Martin



ENTRY #30
WHO ARE YOU
LOOKING AT?

Jenna Martin



ENTRY #31
THE SPRING MELT

Jenna Martin



ENTRY #32
SPRING IS COMING

Jenna Martin





ENTRY #33
LIGHTNING STRIKE

Justin Quar



ENTRY #34
LIGHTNING STRIKE

Justin Quam



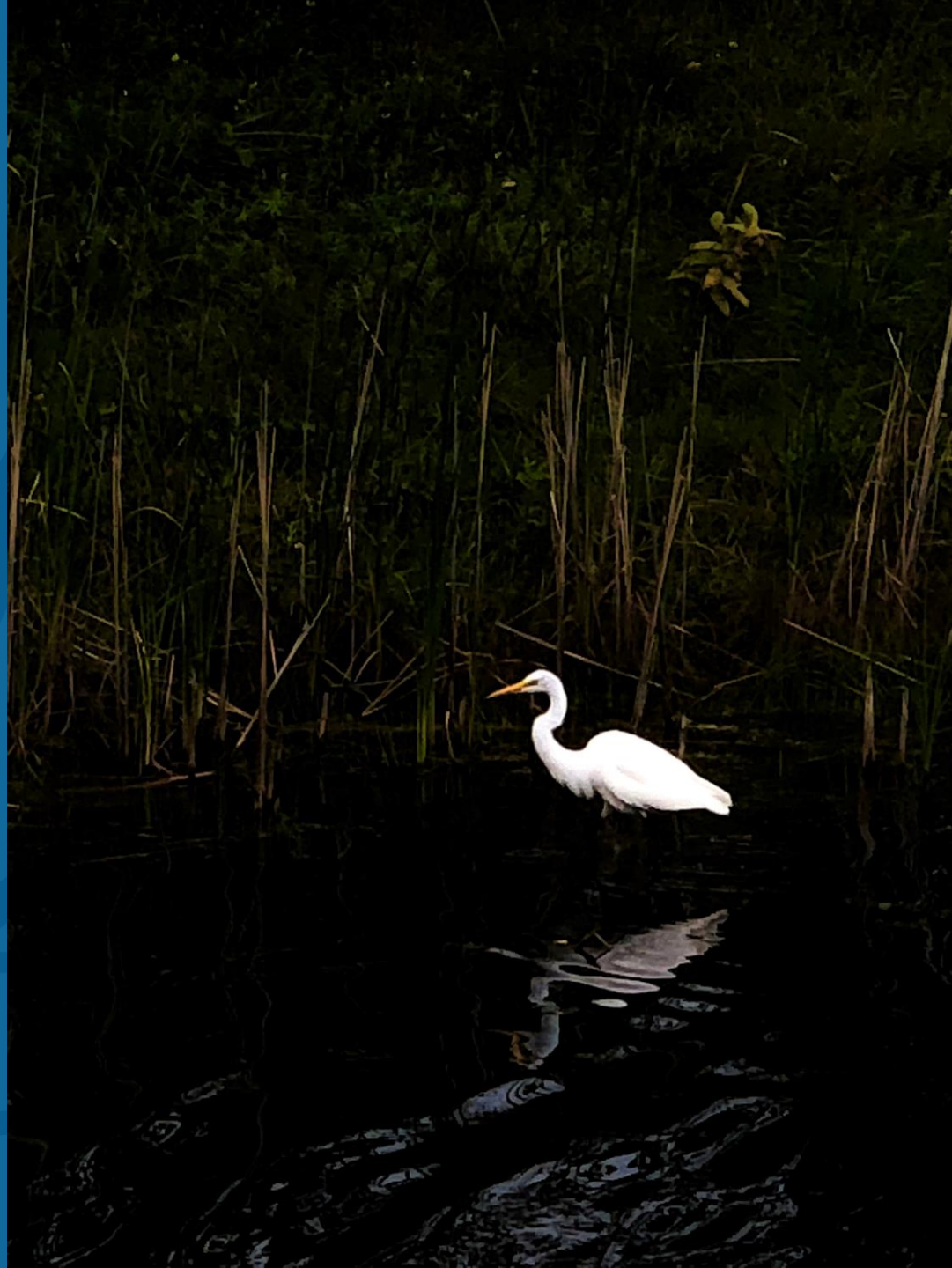
ENTRY #35
FROST BITE

Michelle Osterhus



ENTRY #36
SANDHILL CRANE IN
RAMSEY PRAIRIE

Philip Goncharenko



ENTRY #37
GREAT EGRET

WADING

Philip Goncharenko



ENTRY #38
BEE ENJOYING
LAVENDER

Philip Goncharenko



ENTRY #39
SANDHILL CRANE COUPLE

TAKING A STROLL

Philip Goncharenko



ENTRY #40
A SHY GREAT EGRET

Philip Goncharenko



ENTRY #41
PASSIONATE SUNRISE
Philip Goncharenko



ENTRY #42
NEW TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD!

Ray Taylor



ENTRY #43
SNOW GLOBE

Ruth Becker



ENTRY #44
SNOWY CREEK
Ruth Becker





ENTRY #45
SUNSET SILHOUETTE

Ruth Becker





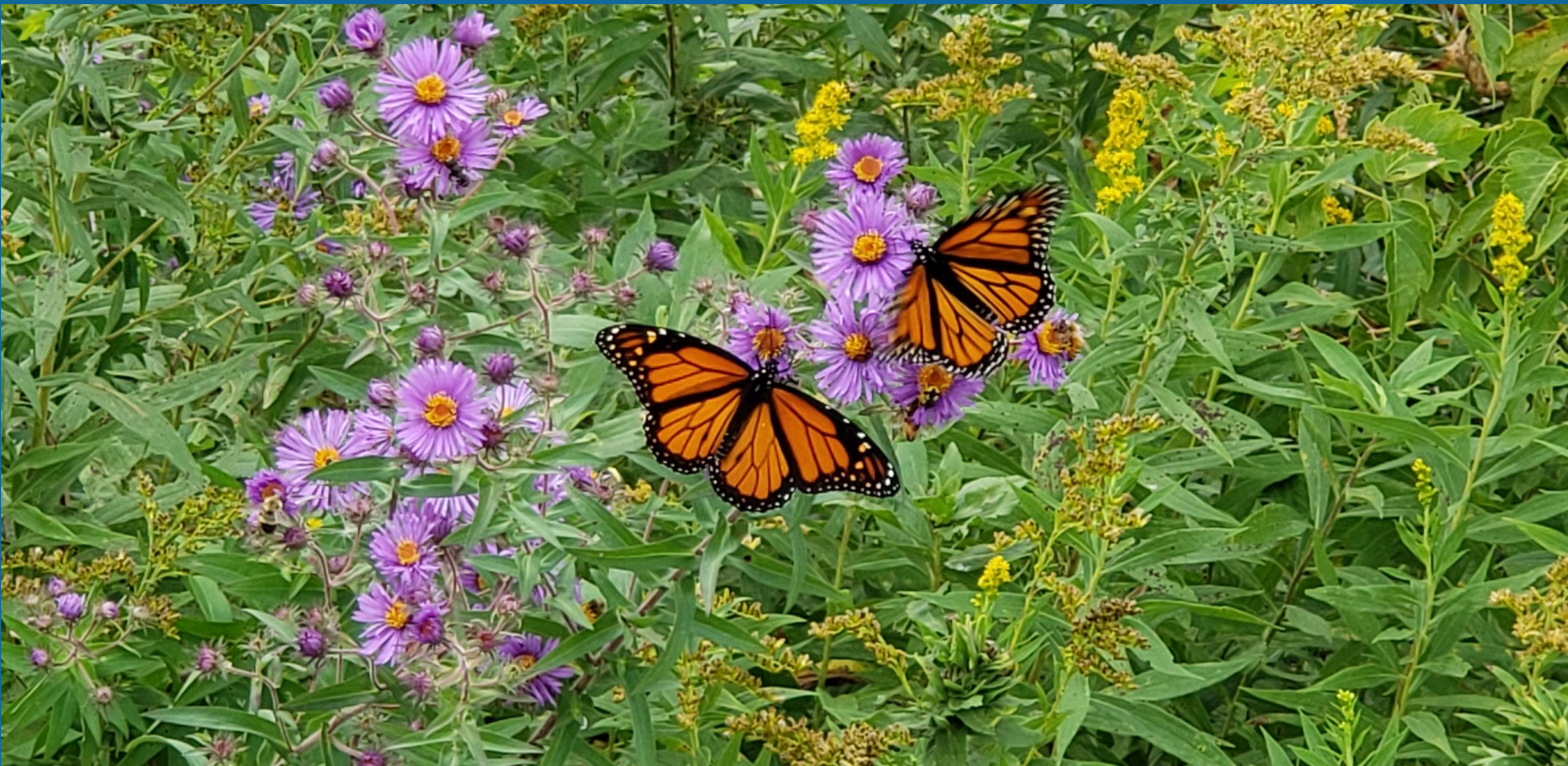
ENTRY #46
BLOOMING SEDUM

Ruth Becker



ENTRY #47
EVENING REFLECTION

Ruth Becker



ENTRY #48
MONARCHS AT ELMCREST

Thomas Hauge



ENTRY #49

HANG IN THERE!

Thomas Hauge



ENTRY #50

Thomas Hauge



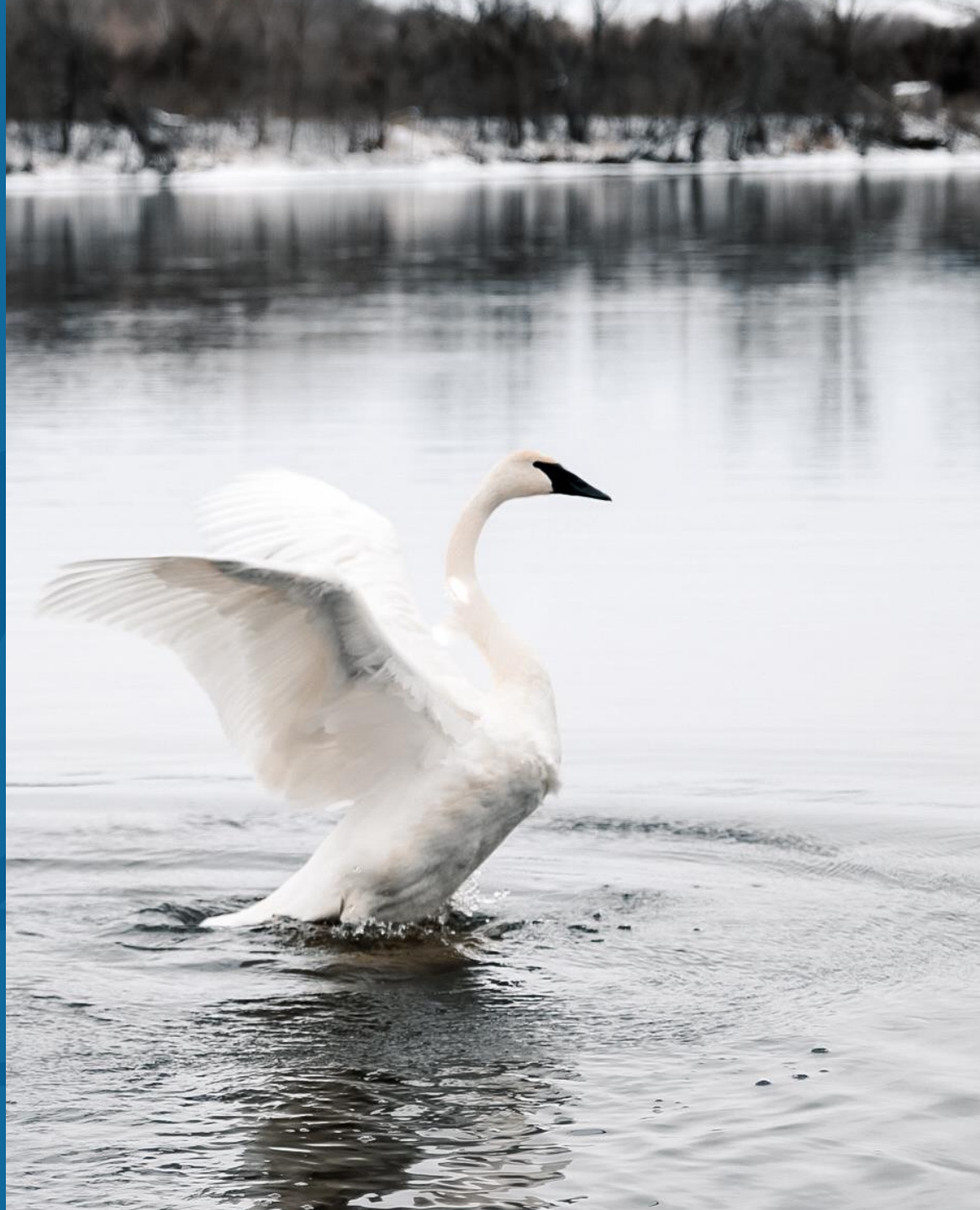
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FLICKER OF

BEAUTY
Wendy Jacobsma



ENTRY #52
SPREAD MY WINGS

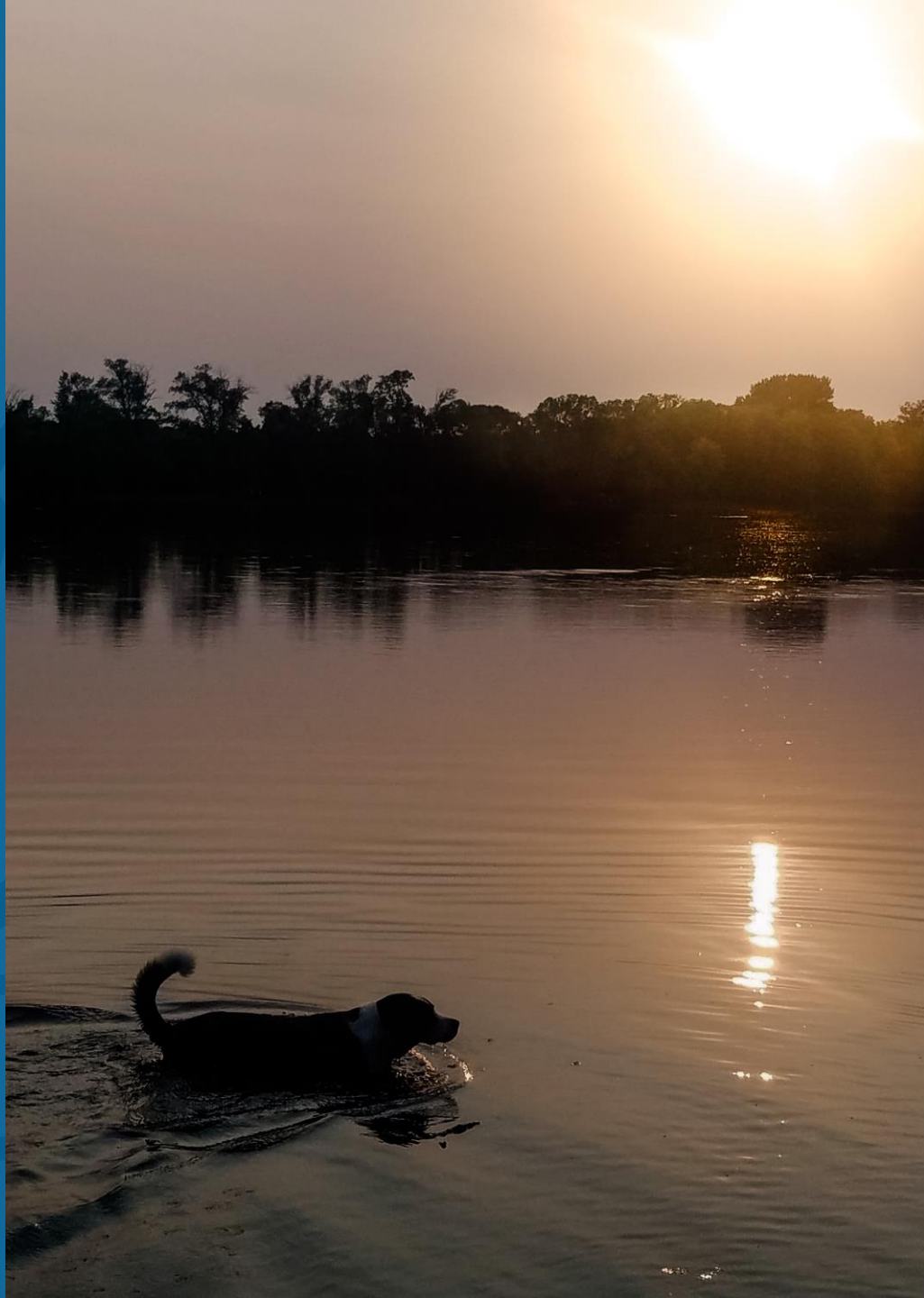
Jenifer Shoemaker



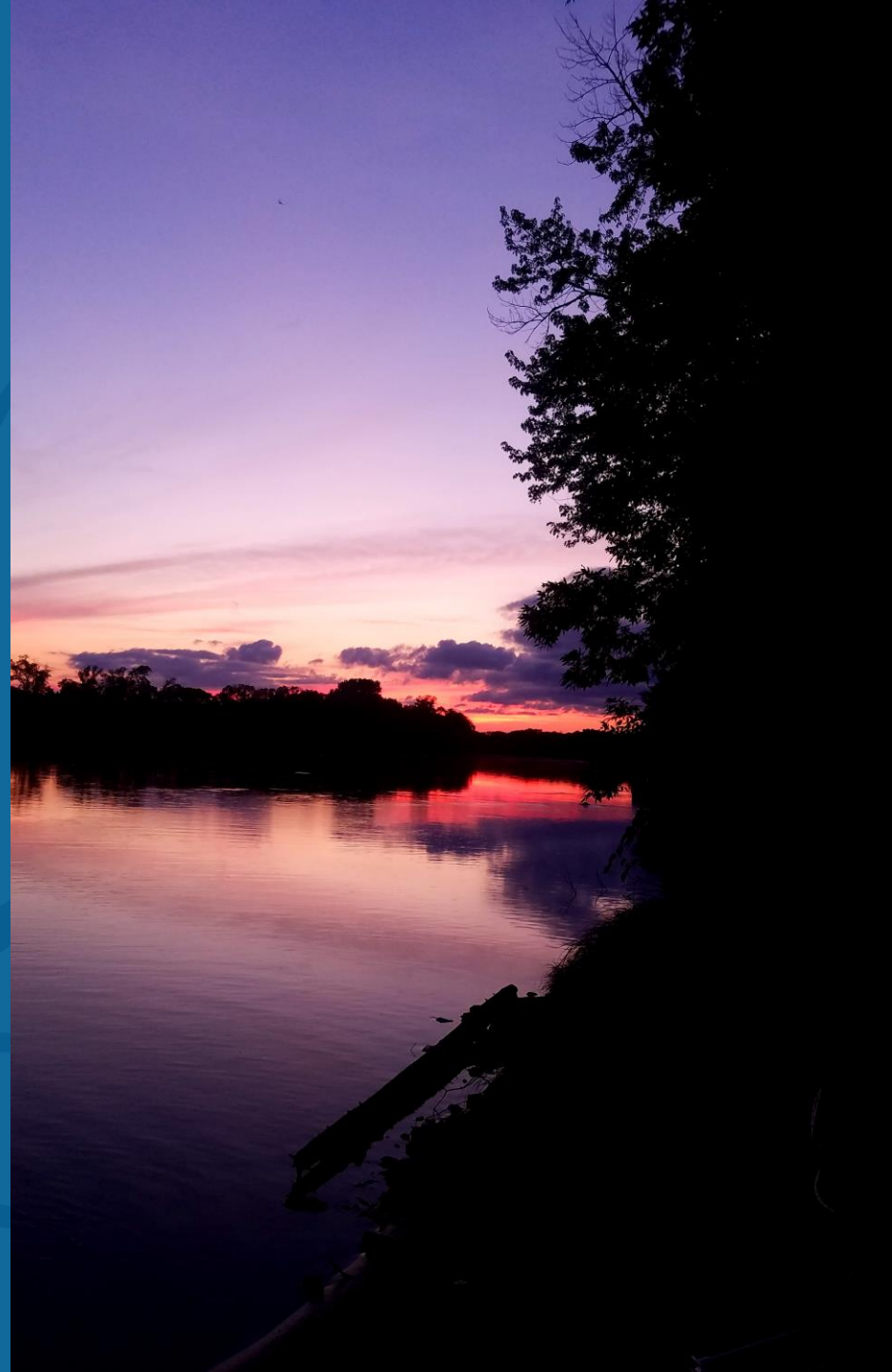
ENTRY #53
TESTING MY WINGS
Jennifer Shoemaker



ENTRY #54
WINTER BEAUTY
Jennifer Shoemake



ENTRY #55
A RIVER DOGS LIFE
Jennifer Shoemaker



ENTRY #56
NATURES STUNNING

BEAUTY
Jennifer Shoemaker

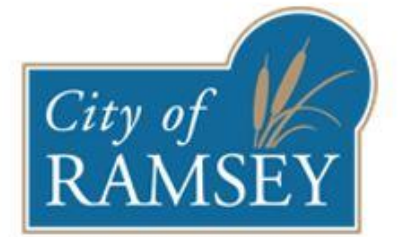
ENTRY #57
WINTERS WARMS
Jennifer Shoemaker





ENTRY #58
END OF THE
STORM

Jennifer Shoemaker



CITY OF RAMSEY 2018 PHOTO CONTEST WINNERS

ABOUT THE PHOTO CONTEST

- **Entries**

- 81 entries
- 15 local photographers

- **Categories**

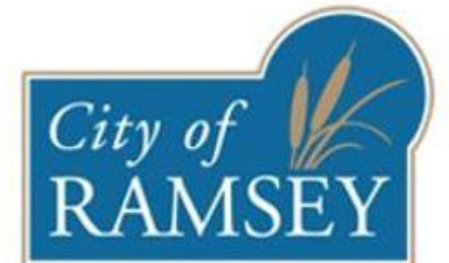
- Life in Ramsey, Parks & Trails, Nature & Animals, Industry & Commerce
- No entries in Industry & Commerce in 2018

- **Rules**

- Entrants must live, work or attend school in Ramsey; must be submitted by the photographer; No major enhancements allowed; Must be taken in Ramsey in the last three years; Must be appropriate; Photos may be reproduced by the City for City publications, marketing and/or advertising

- **Judging**

- Based on creativity, quality, composition and expression of category theme

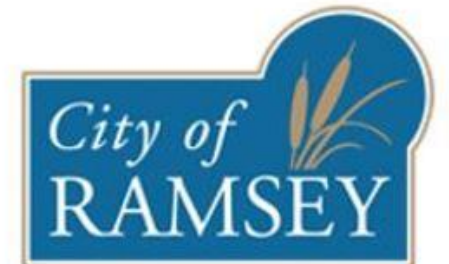


LIFE IN RAMSEY



Second Place: "On the Rum River Banks" By Brenda Weis

First Place: "Easy Living" By Brenda Weis



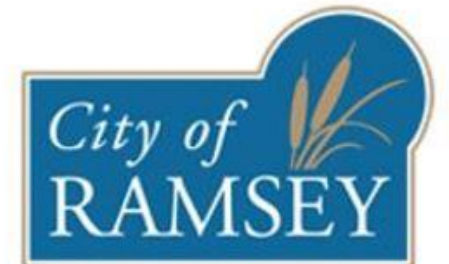
PARKS & TRAILS



1st Place: "Serenity Within" By Wendy Jacobsma



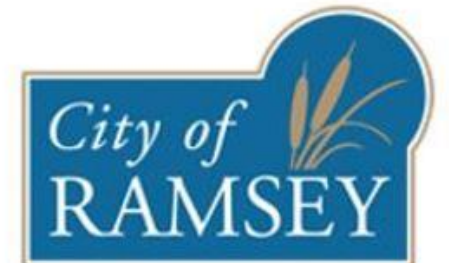
2nd Place: "Sunset on Kettle Lake" By Philip Goncharenko



PARKS & TRAILS – RUNNER UP



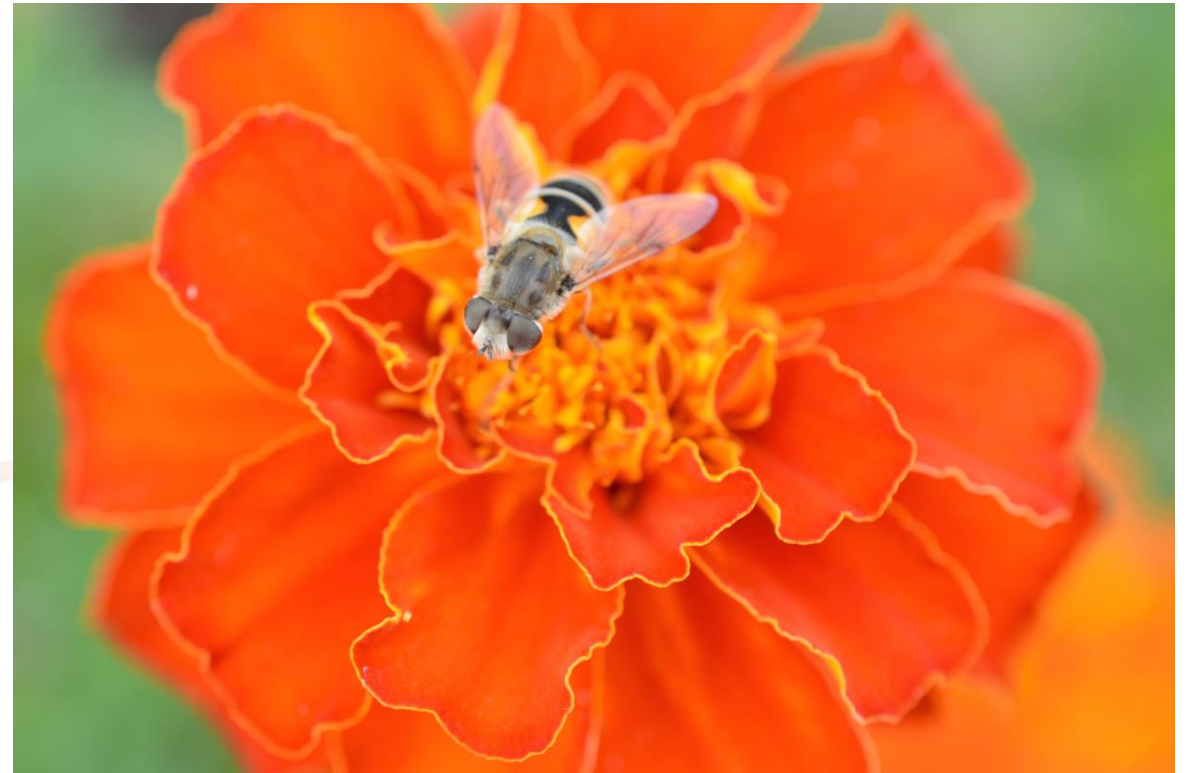
“Deer Family” By Ray Taylor



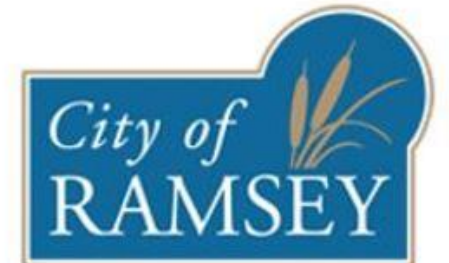
NATURE & ANIMALS



1st Place: "Frost Bite" By Michelle Osterhus

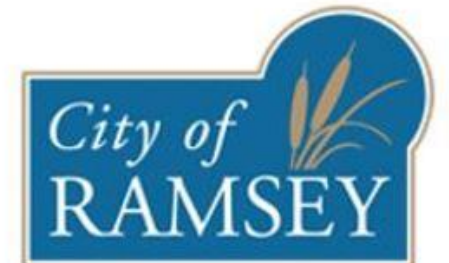


2nd Place: "Orange Brilliance" By Wendy Jacobsma



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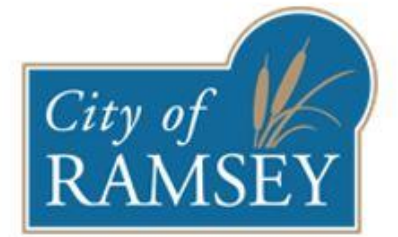
“Lightning Strike” By Justin Quam



Grand Prize Winning Photograph



“Spread My Wings”
By Jennifer Shoemaker



CITY OF RAMSEY 2018 PHOTO CONTEST WINNERS

Thank you to our talented resident photographers!

Park and Recreation Commission

5. 3.

Meeting Date: 03/14/2019

Submitted For: Mark Riverblood, Engineering/Public Works

By: MaryJo Warner, Engineering/Public Works

Information

Title:

Consider Park and Recreation Outdoor Meeting Schedule

Purpose/Background:

For many years, the Park and Recreation Commission has held regular meetings outdoors in the months of May through September (weather permitting). This provided the Commission an opportunity to inspect and comment on parks and projects as a group, and it afforded residents' access to the Commission on a neighborhood level. On the occasions of inclement weather, the Commission would hold the regular meetings at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall. The purpose of this case is to confirm the Commission's desire for outdoor meetings in 2019 and, if so, approve the locations proposed below (or different, based upon discussion).

The following is the proposed schedule—if the Commission agrees to continue meeting in parks for the summer.

May: Ford Brook Park

June: Elmcrest Park

July: Pearson Park

August: The Draw

September: Rivers' Bend Park

Upon approval of the locations above, their locations will be published on the web site.

Notification:

Observations/Alternatives:

Funding Source:

None required.

Recommendation:

Determine whether outdoor meetings are desired for 2019—and if so the locations

Action:

Motion to approve the outdoor meeting locations, based upon discussion.

Attachments

No file(s) attached.

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