

# Western Pennsylvania LENSSHOOTERS

FEBRUARY 2024 EDITION



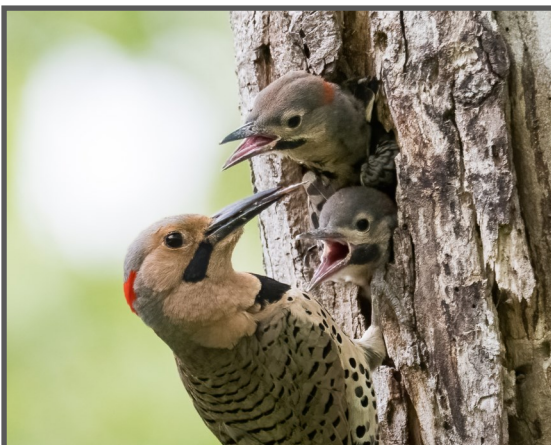
**KAREN STURGEON**

**WILL BE JOINING THE  
LENSSHOOTERS PHOTO CLUB ON  
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14TH AT  
6:30 PM AT THE  
PETERS TOWNSHIP LIBRARY**



Like many of you, my love for photography started at a young age. While in 8th grade, my father gave me a 35mm Minolta. During high school, I learned a lot about photography while taking photos for the yearbook and learning from our yearbook advisor who was a professional photographer. By college, I was photographing weddings and then while working, I often took photographs for my place of employment.

In 2007, I "retired" from my Information Technology job and opened my own photography studio



where I concentrated mostly on Senior Portraits. In 2013, when people started doing their own senior portraits with their I-phones, I switched my focus to wildlife and landscape photography. I opened a few Etsy stores - one focusing on Pittsburgh photos, one on places I've been, and one where I take other people's photographs and create photo ornaments, coasters, and other products.

I use Nikon Equipment and I've made the switch to mirrorless and will never look back! My background in Information Technology has helped me utilize Photoshop and Lightroom like a pro.

I will be showing you some of my favorite wildlife photos and talking about where I plan to go this year. I will also be happy to discuss with you anything about mirrorless cameras and post-processing with Photoshop, Lightroom, and DeNoise-type products.

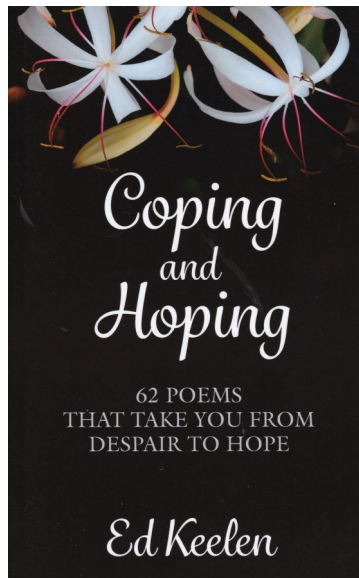


Congratulations to Julie Iverson & David Tauch who tied for the winning photo for the “Holiday Lights” theme for January.

“Roses or Flowers” will be the theme for February. Please send your photo to [dtauch127@gmail.com](mailto:dtauch127@gmail.com) by March 1st.



Happy Valentine's Day



FROM DAVE TAUCH: Early in 2023 my brother-in-law, Ed Keelen, shared with me of his plans to publish a series of poems that he had written that followed his serious health issues. I was honored when he asked if I would be willing to provide him some photographs to use in the book. I immediately said yes and started to go through my library of photos to find some that would mesh with his poems. A year has passed and the book has now been published. It is called “Coping and Hoping”. If anyone is interested, a paperback edition is available for a special price of \$10. Contact me at [dtauch127@gmail.com](mailto:dtauch127@gmail.com) and I will get you a copy.