

Around the state

By Casey Gorman, Delegate Chairman April 2008

BPPA

Congratulations to Gloria and Carl Pearse, the stork will be arriving in October with their first grandchild!

They are happily making preparations for this blessed event!

Charlie Wissmann, our membership chair and Board Director, has recently had his premier one man fine art show in Bradenton. The show was a big success and there are plans to continue these shows as time goes by.

Gay Sharp will be teaching classes in photography in April and June.

Al Gordon was recently a judge for WPPI in Las Vegas.

Our Bay meetings have changed locations, we are now meeting at the Sarasota Hotel and Marina, it is located right on the water overlooking Sarasota Bay. We are enjoying the change and invite you all to visit us at our new home.

An Update on Ben Shulok, Ben is now living with his mom in Sarasota. He has made tremendous strides in his fight. He can now take the special handibus and is trying to relearn how to work on the computer. He is hoping to be able to get back some imaging techniques and his long term goal is to do some work in the photography field. It is a tall order, but his enthusiasm and courage are not to be denied. Please continue to keep Ben in your thoughts and prayers, It has really help so far!

We, at Bay want to take a moment to wish our Executive Director Teri Crownover a speedy recovery from her recent illness. Our prayers are with you, and we also offer our heartfelt thank yous to Theresa Saylor for stepping up so beautifully in this time. We are so lucky to have you guys!!

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PPGMF is planning on having a Family Picnic; Linda Hines will be organizing it.

Phil & Linda Hines will be welcoming a new grandchild in July.

Tony Hopman is a candidate for Master of Photography in Jan. 2009.

Michael & Joni Clark of All Creation Photography were honored in January by the Lake Alfred Chamber of Commerce with the presentation of the President's Award. The President's Award is given for distinguished service to the Chamber. Governor Charlie Crist sent each of them a letter of congratulations, thanking them for their service to the Lake Alfred Chamber of Commerce and the community as well.