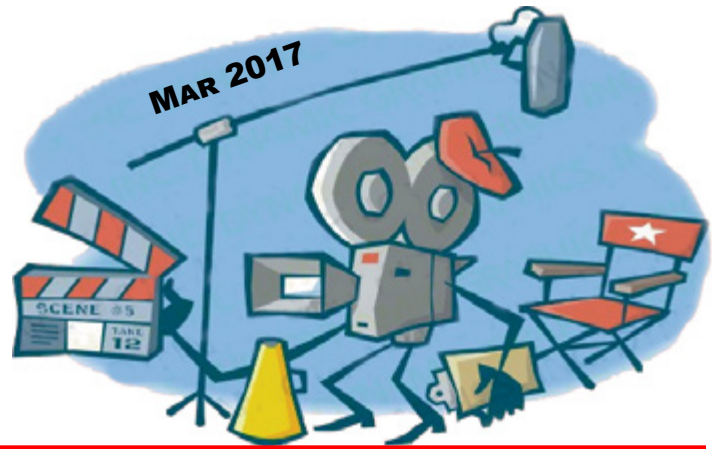




REEL NEWS

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Welcome everyone to another evening of great videos!

The MC for tonight is Miro Kantarsky.
The MCs for the following month is listed below:

March Ray Bayliss

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Miro talked about the idea and project notes that he has made for the project film that the club wants to produce.

We'd like to welcome two new members to our group. Anne Thompson and Gerry Ettienne. It is good to see you coming to the club.

OF SPECIAL NOTE:

The Executive team meets on a regular basis to ensure the purpose of HVFM's existence is looked after in many ways. The current team acknowledges that HVFM is a place of learning and sharing of resources. We will at times invite guest-speakers to share their knowledge in a particular field that may or may not be of interest to all; but we can all take a little of something from everyone who

shares their craft with us.

We must at ALL times respect each guest that we invite as they too are volunteering their time to speak about what works for them or what products they use and are available on the market. Healthy, non-combative discussions are acceptable when asking questions. Combative discussions lead to a feeling of awkwardness for the audience; this is not acceptable. If you strongly disagree with anything a guest-speaker or what an HVFM members brings forth; take it up with them at break time.

Resources are also made available to us with our own members dedicating and volunteering their time prior to, during and after the official meeting ends, where they share their knowledge of film production. Amateur classes have resumed at the back of the room, starting at 7pm run by Jon Soyka.

We, the Executives, have determined that HVFM is not an extension of someone's living room; this is not a place to bring unedited home-styled movies of which

**Meetings held the 1st Thursday every month at the
Royal Canadian Legion Hall – 12 King St. E., Stoney Creek
Videomaking Basics – 7:00 p.m., • Regular Meeting – 7:30 p.m.**

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no creative thought or creative editing has been put forth and/or was intended

for personal viewing only. Bring to the club a production for other's enjoyment.

We appreciate your cooperation and look forward to an exciting 2017.

For those who might have missed the video Frame 394 at the last club meeting, or would like to see it again, the link is

www.cbc.ca/shortdocs/shorts/frame-394

It was screened several times at the Toronto Hot Docs Film Festival in

2016 and is on the Short List in the Documentary Short Subject Category for the 2017 Oscars!

To make sure the link is accurate, please type it into your computer and make sure it works. It may need a little adjustment!

The video does work on a regular computer but there may NOT be any picture on iPhones.

Evelyn Rosa received her belated raffle gift.

Chickens, Crawfish & Gators by Jon Soyka (9 min 53 sec.)

This video was part of the 2005 filming of the Coeur de Mardis Gras. The video was taped at Jefferson Davis in Hathaway. As preparation for the Grande Marais Mardis Gras, a group of men and boys and horses were dressing up and putting on face paint and costumes. The women are not permitted to join in the proceedings as has been tradition for many years.

These proceedings have been a where the men and boys dress in costume, go from farm to farm politely begging for donations. At first, only a couple of the men go up to check out the farm and if the owner is amiable, then the rest of the men come up to the farm. In exchange, the men and boys sing as entertainment for the farmer.



After 60 years of marriage Harold finally decided to introduce his wife Mary.



At first glance we thought Nestor & Evelyn wanted to be alone.



Nope...he's just programming her phone.

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Then we saw what was called the chicken run in Eunice. The chickens will end up in the gumbo, but for now, the chickens will be let loose for the men and boys to try to catch them. We also enjoyed the lively music from the Fred Charlie and the Acadian Cajuns band.

Dance of the Flyers by Harold Cosgrove (5 min)

Situated in Puerto Viarta, the air is filled with festive Mexican music and the plaza with colorful dancing couples. Also within the plaza are multitudes of tourists wandering and shopping in the streets. The Dance of the Flyers involves 5 male dancers who climb 60 foot tall poles. They tie themselves to the poles and work their way down.

Story from the History by Miro Kantarsky (10 min 48 sec)

This video is the filmographer's thoughts on the Vietnam War. The video shows a lovely drive through the countryside even though there is fog in the air. The driver now stands by the car looking at the lake then proceeds to a monument nearby.

The video now reveals memories of bombers flying over the island of Vietnam. He also spoke with a deserter from the Vietnam War.

There was footage of the invasion of Czechoslovakian armies and battlefield tanks. Miro gives us his thoughts on the time.

We then visit Charleston to see the planes and ships on display and see helicopters taking off. Miro was enhancing his video with army video simulations like the game Vietnam's Air War.

COFFEE BREAK:

The coffee break brought a lot of interesting conversation, great snacks and good coffee and tea.

The 50/50 draw tonight was won by Ben Leonetti



Harold cannot get the mic up his nose no matter how hard he tries



John Cook asks everyone to please be quiet as he has a headache this big!



Jon Soyka's next film idea, "Four men and an extra pair of glasses."

A Little Christmas Miracle by Miro Kantarsky (2 min 50 sec)

In this video, we see Miro watching a TV ad for a new Jeep. We see exterior shots of Christmas decorations so we know it is close to Christmas. Now he looks out his window and can't believe what he sees – it's the same Jeep that he saw on the TV ad and it's in his driveway!

He rushes outside and eagerly jumps in the Jeep and takes it out on the road for a drive. He is enjoying his ride but then he realizes that it is only a dream and he wakes up.

Black Bear Skirmish by Alex Szatmary (4 min 30 sec)

Filmed in Northern Ontario we see Alex traveling by foot through the woods of a massive forest.

We see four small black bears playing with some trash barrels and other things in the immediate area. As they start squabbling over the barrel, we happen to notice a gun barrel appear in the video and it is pointed at the bears.

Frame 394 by Daniel Vosehart

The next video was presented to the club by Fred Briggs. It is not one of our usual videos. This video is about a police related shooting down in Charleston, North Carolina where a policeman shot a colored man eight times because the policeman assumed that the man had taken the policeman's taser. The film was shot by an amateur but edited and enhanced by a professional.

The video took us through the review and discovery of important information that was missed by the police, and hence the newspapers, which led to unwarranted vilification of the first the black man and then the policeman involved in the case. A long video but interesting.

VERY IMPORTANT

Just a reminder that all video lengths must be kept to no more than 12 minutes. If the video is longer, then a portion shall be shown and the rest of it will be shown at the next

meeting. There may be exceptions but that will be decided at the time. Please do not try to "sneak" in one that is longer than 12 minutes unless special permission is given. Otherwise, only half will be shown and the other half will be shown next meeting. We need to be able to show as many videos from the members as possible and keep the subjects fresh and new. It would not be fair to keep showing videos with the same subject content repeatedly.

To reiterate again the theme for next year's awards is "a free ride".

Come on everyone let's get out there and make some great videos and keep our title as the Video Capital of Canada!



Nestor Rosa is making sure no one sits beside him.... including Evelyn



Brenda Bayliss congratulates Ben Leonetti on winning the 50/50 draw



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