



## July 2006

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 Canada Day
2	3	4 Independence Day	5	6	7	8
9	10	11 Full Moon	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31 New Moon					

In Southeast Pennsylvania, July begins the hot and humid time of the year (if it hadn't already started). But it is also the time when those colorful summer blooms pop out.

My son Pete and I went out for a picture taking field trip to nearby Ridley Creek State Park, near Media PA. We found one field that had not been mowed, and had many wild flowers and butterflies hidden in the weeds. The weeds were high and scratchy, but this bold bloom was down below a tree, keeping cool and out of the sun. I am not sure what the flower is. But try to stay cool, like this simple flower.

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We just got back from a vacation trip along the California Costal Highway, Route 1. There we so many new sights, flora, weather, people, food and customs that it boggles the mind. And I had to dip my camera shutter in water occasionally, to keep it from overheating. It was 104° in the mountains and 60° at the beach, which is backwards at home. And the shore line was almost always covered in a thick fog. We could only see one sunset, and it was half foggy. But we continue to be amazed at nature's diversity. There will be many new pictures on the web site in a few weeks. I assume they will be on a page of their own. Check it out.

We have only added a few things on the web site. I am finally done the project that had me working a lot of overtime and a crazy schedule. After we upload the California trip pictures, we will get back to updating the web site. We have tried to make the site a little easier to use, easier to find pages, more intuitive. The "Kids" page (cool games) and the "Da Vinci Code" page continue to be the most popular on the site. Please continue to offer comments/questions, let us know what you like and dislike.

We will be featuring items on the "Interesting Links" pages. This month we have chosen the "Outdoor Recreational Activities" page, because the summer is the time to be outdoors. This includes things about camping, hiking, hunting, fishing, birding and more. The more you know, the more you can enjoy these activities. Even if you are not the rugged outdoors type, you can learn how to enjoy things in your backyard, on a picnic or at the park.

A great article about photographing fireworks.

<http://www1.photoalley.com/?cmd=StaticView&staticPage=/etc/articles/tips/digital-fireworks.html>

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Nature is so incredibly diverse, interweaving soft textures with rough elements, adding a splash of color amid dull backgrounds, bold designs among camouflage and secrecy. The variety of shapes and patterns seem limitless. And it all coexists and fits together seamlessly. Often inspiring, mysterious beyond rational explanation, we look to nature to understand our place in the universe, to realize we are part of an incredible, intelligent design.

But much of this beauty goes unseen and unappreciated. My wife Chris and I are always looking for those special images which most people just walk past. It is not necessary to visit exotic far off places. Many stunning images are right in our backyard. We especially marvel over the tiny or insignificant; fungi, centipedes, or fallen autumn leaves. Using our macro lens, close up photos of the ordinary shows detail that is dramatic or vibrant. Then looking across the large panoramic overlooks we drink in the immensity of our surroundings. And we are always looking for the unusual, odd and often fantastic scenes. We love to be artistically moody or abstract, offering prints which are beautiful and interesting.

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