



August 2008

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"Love is like wildflowers; it's often found in the most unlikely places." Unknown

These beautiful yellow wildflowers are Plains Coreopsis. They were growing along a highway in the harsh and dry Western Texas. Unlikely indeed. We were there in June, but no one told us how hot it is in West Texas in June. Each day it went over 100 degrees. And don't tell me about the "dry heat". It is as hard to understand why someone would stay here as it is to understand why someone would live in Wisconsin.

"Never yet was a springtime, when the buds forgot to bloom." Margaret Elizabeth Sangster

But it rained the week before we arrived. Apparently it doesn't take much rain to get things growing in the desert. Those seeds are just waiting for a chance to get started. And then it was a group effort. They were so profuse, as far as the eye could see, in some areas.

"What is a weed? A weed is a plant whose virtues have not yet been discovered." Ralph Waldo Emerson

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The Haddonfield NJ Craft & Fine Art Festival we did in July was a huge success for us. It was also the first time we used our new "walls". They really dress up the booth and show off the hanging framed prints. It seems to be a good upgrade for us.

We will be at Stone Harbor NJ on August 2 & 3. This show is huge, with over 300 artists. It takes two days to setup, but the greatest thing is that it is close to the beach. Chris is really looking forward to that. This link is from last year's show, it will give you a feel of what to expect, a map of where it is located, where to park and more,
<http://www.capemaycountyherald.com/article/7414-45th-annual-stone-harbor-arts-and-crafts-show> .

I always hope that I can relax and enjoy the summer season, but it seems to be the busiest time of year. Vacations, family picnics, gardening and a good book are all fun and relaxing. We all need some slow-down and kick-back time to recharge our batteries.
Enjoy the blessings God has given you.

The Creator's Fingerprints

Doug Haas Nature Photography

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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