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PHOTO JOURNALISM NARRATION

My photo journalism experience began in 1954 when my father, who had been a professional photographer, encouraged me to get involved in photography. He gave me a Leica camera, a set of telephoto and closeup lenses, and a fully equipped darkroom. He also trained me in the Zone System of exposure control promoted by Ansel Adams (exposure control by choice, not chance).

In 1957, while still in high school, I was hired by Convair (now General Dynamics) into their "Future Engineers" program. As a shop steward for the International Association of Machinists my photography skills served well to document picketing and other union events. Of course, the employer did not approve and levied a suspension for picketing. Later they blacklisted me until I brought an NLRB action against them.

"The Red Book", is an annual publication by Alpha Phi Omega, a public service fraternity at San Diego State College. The book contained local area business advertising and the names and addresses of all the students. Luckily, when editing, I could type 70 words a minute. And, I spoke Spanish.

I also chaired the *Ugly Man Contest*, a fraternity fund raiser, and photographed the contestants who did their best to look their worst. Every known rule of human portraiture was intentionally violated.

For a couple of years I produced a monthly newsletter for a Masonic Lodge. A front page is reproduced below. If you wish, I can show you a complete copy of one of the issues.

I'm regularly asked by businesses to design business cards, letterheads, and other collateral materials. I also compose critical letters and articles for publication. I've written and edited many legal papers, including one for the Ohio Supreme Court (see acknowledgment at www.1215.org/x/ohiosct.htm). Other examples of my work can be seen in my portfolio.

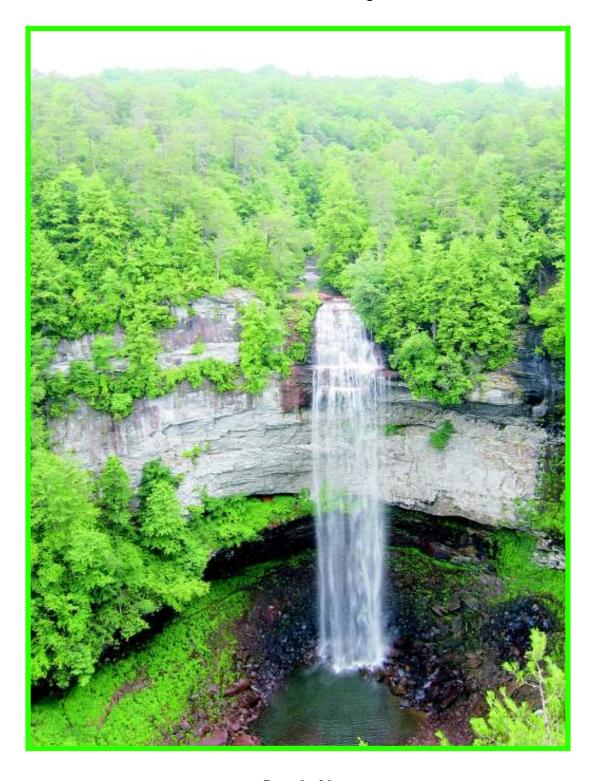
On the following pages there are examples of my photography.

Newsletter cover page



Fall Creek Falls Spencer, Tennessee

The falls are 271 feet high



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Tennessee Castle (a silo)

Taxi Latino in Georgia



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China Shipping in Florida



Two cars

Racing to Amerika

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ACP swapmeet Santa Ana, California

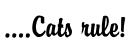
Not all disputes are settled at the bargaining table.

With age and experience one tends to accumulate a few scars.





Like it or not...





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Go away.

This is a private phone call.





Concentration

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The Story of this Photo

Cubans celebrate Christmas on the 24th of December. They begin festivities in midafternoon, have dinner in the evening, and at the stroke of midnight open the presents.

This particular Christmas the guests were divided as to whether or not to cheat and open the presents fifteen minutes early. All agreed the "Little Angel" would cast the deciding vote.

While the two sides loudly urged their preferences, the "Evil One" attempted to directly influence the decision. But, tradition prevailed, and everyone had to wait until midnight.



Tradition or Temptation?

I was the family photographer. When I saw this photo opportunity forming, I leaped six feet through the air and snapped the picture as I dropped into position. Every Christmas the family brings out this photo to reminisce about that memorable moment.