

# FMCS

## 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

### Landscape & Nature Photo Contest





# Photo Contest Details

- Program will be detailed to members starting in October, 2009. The contest will be posted on our website as well as monthly newsletter articles. The rules are as follows:
  - Contest will run from October, 2009 until June, 2011.
  - Limit two photos submitted per member.
  - **Must be 18 years of age to enter contest.**
  - Member must have rights to photo.
  - Completed entry form for *each* photo.
  - Do not write on the photo.
  - Printed photos may be submitted. Original photos will *not* be returned. Photos must be quality studio prints as photos printed on home printers or copy machines are not high enough quality to be used in print publications.
  - Digital photos may be submitted by email to [mnelson@fmcs.coop](mailto:mnelson@fmcs.coop) or submitted on a CD. Digital files should be at least 300 dpi and at least 12" x 9" or larger. Do not send scanned photos. These are not high enough quality to be used in print publications.



A decorative film strip with various nature photographs, including a monarch butterfly, a red barn, green leaves with red berries, yellow flowers, and a white bench, curves across the top and bottom of the slide. Three white squares are positioned in the top-left and bottom-right corners of the slide.

# Photo Contest Criteria

- Photos must reflect rural southern Minnesota or northern Iowa.
- Photos including people, must have emphasis on landscape or nature (not person).
- Photos will be judged by FMCS employees.



# Photo Tips

- Be sure your photo is clear and sharp. Very few fuzzy photos can be made sharp enough for print.
  - Look at your photo with a critical eye. Ask yourself if it would be of interest to a wide variety of people.
  - Make sure that the background of the photo does not detract from the subject of the photo.
  - Study photos in newspapers and magazines and analyze what makes them appealing.
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# Contest Entry Form

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Photographer name (name to be printed in calendar)

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Member name and account no.

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Address

City

State

Zip

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Home phone

Cell Phone

E-mail address

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Describe your entry

Limit 2 entries per person. Send a completed form with each entry. Copy or photocopy form for additional entries. Mail to "FMCS 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Photo Contest", PO Box 611, Albert Lea, MN 56007 Deadline: June 30, 2011. FMCS members, directors, employees and their family members are eligible.

