

Artist of the Month—Ralph Bischoff



I was born in Holyoke Massachusetts in 1942. Got married in 1962 to my wife Nancy, also of Holyoke, who passed several years ago. I joined the Army in 1965 and was selected to teach CW Radar “Continuous Wave Radar” wave guide theory and maintenance at Redstone Arsenal in Huntsville Alabama during my tour in the Army. Upon leaving the Army I was offered a position at Raytheon Corp, the maker of the radar system, and also offered a position at UTC.



I went to work for Pratt & Whitney in East Hartford, CT. where I worked in the experimental instrumentation Group for 37 years until I retired in 2002.

I moved to Homosassa, FL and renewed my interest in photography at the urging of my wife. I became involved with the Homosassa State Park, helping with the monthly displays and provided articles to the local newspaper. In conjunction with the park, I provided photos for the Florida State Park’s website. Although I enjoyed photographing nature wildlife and scenery. I specifically liked macro photography, the challenge it presents and the beauty found on the world of the small.



I met a wonderful woman who lived in The Villages, sold my home in Homosassa and now share a home in the Village of Sunset Point here in The Villages since 2018. I

joined the VAL soon after and marvel at the multitude of artistic talent in various media the group presents.



I still actively pursue photography but have found additional hobbies such as pool and golf to keep me socially active.

