Preparing Documents for the MISGAGRAM

Articles to be submitted for publication in the MISGAGRAM should be prepared as separate documents and attached to email for transmitting to the MISGAGRAM editor. Preferred formats are *.DOC, *.RTF, or *.TXT.

Any reasonable format is acceptable. However, try not to use empty paragraphs for inter-paragraph spacing, or multiple tabs or spaces instead of tab-sets for aligning columns. Use of Tables is OK and may help with columnar arrangements.

Please use underlining and italics sparingly and only for emphasis or titles; not as a general font choice. Times New Roman and Arial are preferred font choices, but others can be handled if not too wild or varied.

Quality of pictures for the MISGAGRAM-Web is a priority. If you embed pictures with your articles, please also attach original, uncropped, full-resolution photos, with undistorted aspect ratio (unless pertinent to the purpose). Formats may be JPEG, TIFF, or PNG.

Submitted pictures must be in focus. For pictures of several people, they should all be about the same distance from the camera. Your camera should be set for lowest ISO, High Resolution (LARGE), and High Quality compression (FINE or SUPERFINE). For pictures of people, faces are more important than bodies (in most cases), and if the eyes aren't sharp, the picture is not sharp. Nevertheless, if in doubt, go ahead and submit your pictures – we'll try to use them.

The reason for this "paranoia" on quality of photos is this. Pictures on the printed page must of necessity be small in appearance so that several pictures may appear on the same page. However, when this "printed" page appears on the computer screen, it is subject to enlargement by zooming. If the embedded picture has sufficient resolution, it can be zoomed by 300-400% and still be sharp and clear and it is much easier to see detail in the picture. Actual printed pages are not "zoomable," so poor quality is not so detectable.

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Zoom these pictures of Bev Hogate:

| 75 ppi | 150 ppi | 300 ppi |