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## Awards breakfast postponed

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At our April 17 meeting, a decision was made to postpone our annual awards breakfast. Previously, it was announced that the breakfast would be held on April 26 at 9 a.m. at the Jim's Restaurant on 281 North near Thousand Oaks.

There are a few reasons for this postponement.

First, some members were concerned because the 26th is at the end of Fiesta week. Looking online at the Fiesta schedule, I see that there are a lot of Fiesta activities that day, including the Fiesta Flambeau parade. I don't care much for large crowds and pay little attention to Fiesta activities. However, I don't want to disrupt other members' enjoyment of the week's activities.

Second, Points Secretary Neil Williams has not had time to start figuring out the awards. For those who don't know, Neil is an accountant and he has been busy with tax time. We need to give him some time to recover from that before making him look at more numbers.

Finally, it came to my attention last night that our year-end digital images have not yet been judged. In a discussion at our March Board meeting, we determined that the category chairmen needed to arrange year-end judging. This was not communicated to Lance Meyer. I guess this is my fault. So, the prints and slides have been judged, but the digital images have not been judged.

Even if this had been communicated to Lance, I believe he would not have had enough time to have the images judged. Lance has been working on trying to resolve members' biggest complaint: the difficulties we've had with receiving digital entries. Lance, Jacq and I have been having an e-mail discussion about this. Our hope is to implement a web-based entry system. For those who don't know, GSACC has been having digital competitions for just a couple of years. In the short amount of time that we've had digital competitions, Gulf States has re-organized their digital categories, so we re-organized our categories to match. As digital is still relatively new to us, dealing with digital material and issues tends to take more time.

Additionally, we've started discussing what we'll need to do for the next PSA salon. There are still CDs to be created and mailed for the salon that we just finished. Lance is working on those. Lance and his family moved a few weeks ago, so that (along with work) has also kept him busy.

At the moment, I do not know when we'll be able to schedule the year-end judging for our digital images. When everything is ready, we will either re-schedule the breakfast or plan to do an awards potluck instead of an educational session.

