

Up Close with Jennifer Newton

This edition of *Weekender* gets *Up Close* with black and white photographer Jennifer Newton.

The photographer comes from a long line of artists and is the great-granddaughter of renowned architect and ship builder Capt. Royal Bodden Sr.

From the age of five Jennifer flirted with the idea of being a professional photographer. Her father, Mr. Dick Jefferson, an amateur photographer would take her out on weekend jaunts taking pictures of Miami.

After graduating from Triple C High School Jennifer worked with the *Nor'wester* and the *Sun* where she was employed as a black and white film technician.

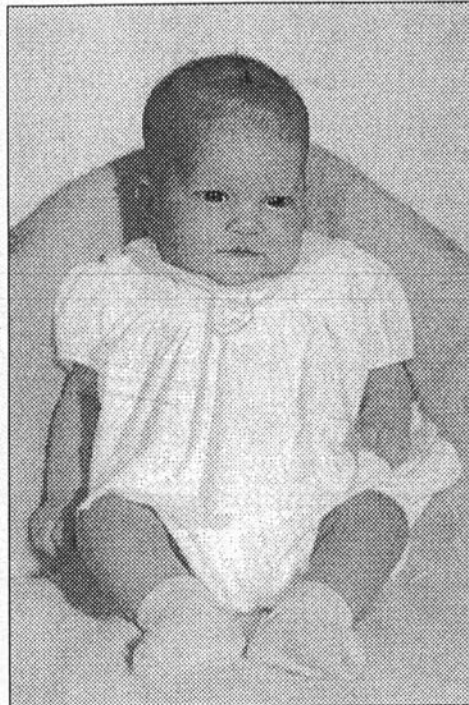
Four years ago Jennifer was rebitten by the photography bug. She opened up Spotted Dog studio, the only place dedicated on Grand Cayman to black and white photography – the medium in which she can “best express herself.”

The move has been rewarding, both professionally and personally.

“For art to succeed and grow, we need to have more backing and support. There is so much talent that’s going to waste in the youth today because we don’t have an outlet for them. Talent is more than just being good at sports,” she added.

Happiest childhood memory?

Photographing with my father.



Six-week-old Jennifer Newton.

only thing that I love to do other than photography.

Which political figure, past or present, do you most admire?

Madeline Albright - she’s a tough lady.

Favourite book?

“*The Kid*” by Dan Savage.

Favourite film?

Star Wars (the original).

Favourite expression?

“Whatz up?”

Who would you most like to meet?

Clyde Butcher - An amazing photographer.

What makes you angry?

M a n ’ s inhumanity to man and other creatures.

What makes you happy?

Photographing.

What is the human quality you most admire?

Honesty.

What human quality do you least admire?

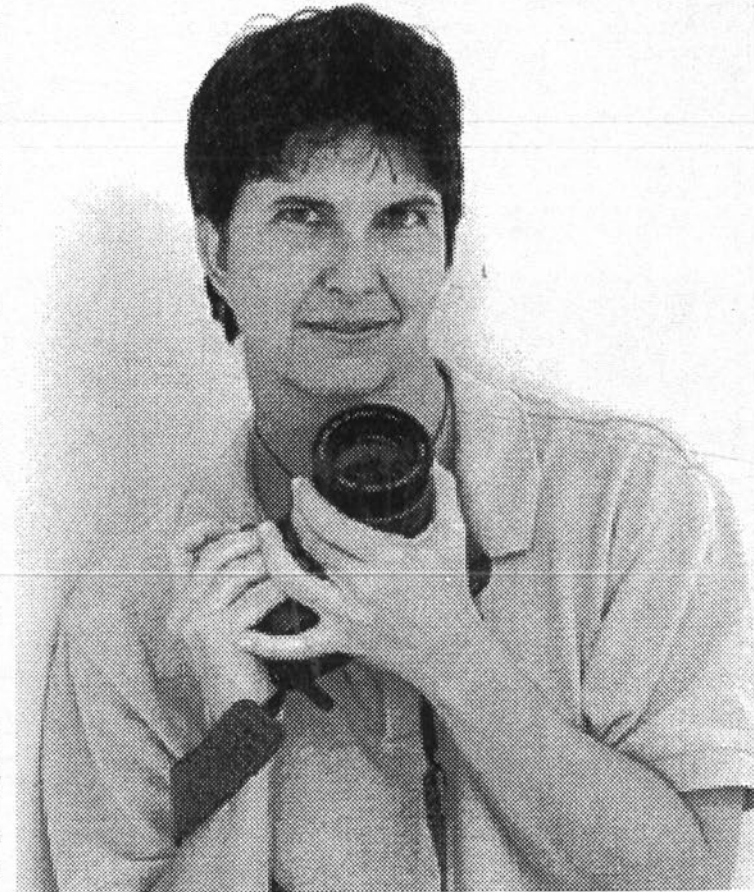
Dishonesty.

What has been your most embarrassing moment?

T o o embarrassing to tell!!

What is your most treasured possession?

Family and friends aren’t possessions, so I guess my Nikon camera!



Jennifer Newton caught off guard with her best friend – her camera.

Who was your childhood hero?

Spiderman and my mom. But in a head-to-head race, my mom would win.

Who is your all-time sporting hero?

All rally car drivers. Because it is the

Favourite television programme?

Crossfire - James vs. Tucker. The commentary is excellent and informative.

Favourite food/drink?

Pizza

What is your greatest fear?

Not being true to myself.

What has been the high point of your life to date?

My solo exhibit sponsored by the National Gallery at the Grand Old House (thanks to Leslie Bigelman, director of the National Gallery).

How would you like to be remembered?

As having done something to make the world a little better.