

OUR PHILOSOPHY OF PHOTOS:

**An *Event* is defined as an occasion in time.
Most of us take pictures for specific occasions.
The photos should be organized, easy to find,
easy to work with and easy to share.**



BEFORE WE FOUND *PHOTO COLLECTOR*:

Our photos were in various places on the computer hard drive. These photos were from paper photos or slides that were scanned, the digital camera and disks from family.

We spent time in organizing them so that folders and individual photos had descriptive names and a specific place on the hard drive.

1. As Events folders

**Examples: Arizona Trip 1983
Justins Baptism Dec 1999
Nina's Funeral June 1999
Christmas 2001**

2. As Families and Individuals in Folders in Chronological Order.

**Exampes: Douglas's Family Pictures folder
Doug
Family
Shannon
Shannon 1987-1989
Shannon 1990-1993 etc.**

As we did more photos, they were put into the computer folders that they belonged in.

AFTER WE FOUND *PHOTO COLLECTOR*:

We put the digital camera photos in a temporary file on the hard drive as we delete them from the camera.

Then we import them into a new photo collection and name it as an event. (We can also delete them during an import so that only one copy of each photo remains on the hard drive. Photo Collector keeps all of it's photos in a data base on the hard drive.) We then add the captions, characteristics, any information we want in the description text box, edit the photos and add hotspots and sound (optional). We do the work **ONCE and then make as many Gift CD's as we need. Our photos are shared faster and easier.**

The recipient of the Gift CD can watch a slide show of the photo collection, look at info on each photo, print photos and export photos to their hard drive for other projects.

We can scan pictures (and certificates) right into the photo collections we want them in. Photos can be rearranged within the photo collection. They can be moved or copied from one photo collection to another.

Most importantly - we can now **FIND any photo we are looking for **MORE** easily by using the Photo Collector database search capabilities.**