



# John's Picture Perfect Contest



## Grand Prize Winner for July



"This was taken at the Japanese Gardens in Long Beach. Fifty cents will get you some fish food, and giant koi fish will come out of the water and eat out of your hand; it's kind of unearthly! This was taken when a man accidentally dropped fish food on shore. I didn't think they would come out and get it!"  
**- Robert Garcia, Airports.**

**John's comments:** Unearthly is right! And a little bit disgusting ... but you really captured the bright colors of these koi fish, which is why I like this picture so much. Nice work, Robert!

**WIN FOUR PRIZES**  
**\$25 Target Card**

**NEXT DEADLINE: August 15**  
 Happy Snapping!

**For July, we have three winners!**

Start snapping today, and send us your best results!  
 Four winners will receive a \$25 Target Card.

## Second Place



"I do not remember much about this picture except that it was taken early in the morning sometime around 6 a.m. from the third floor at Piper Tech, using an Olympus UZ 2100. The year and month settings are unknown."

**- Tom Robinson.**

**John's comments:** Well, as they say, Tom, "lighting is everything," and at 6 a.m. there is an abundance of rich early morning light with golden reflections. Thanks, Tom!

## Third Place



"After having major knee surgery April 12, I'd been having a hard time recovering. A friend of mine decided to take me to the Riviera Shores Resort and Spa for the weekend. It is a resort that's right across the street from Doheny State Beach and down the highway from the Dana Point Harbor. We had an oceanfront view, and it was so peaceful to open up the balcony doors in the morning and hear the waves crashing. I had to capture the moment, so from the balcony I took this picture as a reminder that if you surround yourself with good people, good things will happen in your life. And this trip for me was a good thing and something that I really needed. My attitude towards my recovery has improved, and even my therapist has noticed that I'm really giving it my all. I hope I'll be back at work soon."

**- Alicia Marquez, DWP/Club Rep.**

**John's comments:** What makes this photo a winner is the beautiful story behind it. Thanks so much for sharing such an emotional part of your life with us.

### RULES:

- The contest is open to all Club members in good standing. Non-members are welcome to submit, but only Club members are eligible to win the monthly prize.
- If your photograph does not win, you are welcome to re-submit.
- Winners are chosen by Club staff. All decisions will be final.
- You must certify (if asked) that you indeed took the picture. No ringers!
- Photos can be submitted either on paper or digitally. Please don't send both.
- If you want your print photo returned, please write your name, address and phone number on the back of your photo.
- Photos can be of any subject matter: vacation, portraits, families, landscapes, still lifes, pets, etc. Subject matter must be appropriate for *Alive!*
- Paper prints can be mailed to: Picture Perfect Contest, *Alive!*, City Employees Club of Los Angeles, 350 S. Figueroa St., Suite 700, Los Angeles, CA 90071
- Digital photos optimally should be between 100K and 2 megabytes in size and may be e-mailed to: [pictureperfect@cityemployeesclub.com](mailto:pictureperfect@cityemployeesclub.com)
- The contest is all in good fun: The Club cannot be responsible for delays in delivering *Alive!*, or for delays in the transmission of responses.