



"My daughter, Sophie, makes friends with a kelp bass at the Long Beach Aquarium."

- Mike Aubin, Airports

John's comments: Mike, this could be a photo that's used in a movie poster. It's intriguingly calm yet powerful. Nice work!



"A beautiful moment between my godsister's daughter, Jizelle, and her new best friend, Murusa. Murusa is a rescued dog recently adopted by Jizelle's grandparents."

- Marilou Romney, LAPD



John's comments: I just can't help but smile every time I see this picture. Now I'm laughing! I love it, a pure Picture Perfect!



- "In our playing with bubbles, I was able to capture this photo."
- Anna Burton, Emergency Management

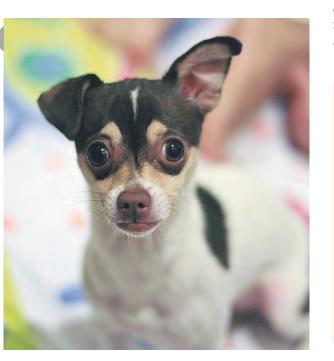
John's comments: It's amazing how much fun blowing bubbles can be, even for we adults! Great shot Anna; you captured the moment perfectly!

"Squirrel! Actually, I didn't have a furr-tailed rodent in the house to get this dog's attention. About 10 minutes of snapshot patience and a dangling neon light stick attached to the hot shoe of the Canon 7D did the trick. Woof!"

– Dominique Daito, LAPD

John's comments:

This is the same look my German shepherd has when we say "squirrel," too!! Great shot, Dominique!



"Here are a few pics from a recent stop at Avila Beach. My kids were enjoying the sunset and the solitude of the moment. They are few and far between, but it is nice to slow down."

– John Otoshi, DWP

John's comments: For me this is a very surreal shot – I think it's your kids in flannel shirts on the beach and their pose that make this so intriguing. A perfect moment to capture! Nice work, John!

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, 120 West 2nd Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012
- When you send digital photos through the Internet, **please send the full, original digital file yourself**, rather than using digital photo software like Kodak EasyShare, Kodak Gallery, Flickr, etc. These programs send very low-resolution images, and they don't look good in print.
- We want you to look your best, so send us the original digital file, please! Thanks!
- Digital photos optimally should be between 100K and 2 megabytes in size and may be e-mailed to: 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.