

John's **Picture Perfect** Contest



John Hawkins, Club CEO



An El Porto sunset, snapped by Gregory Park, Transportation. John's comment: An amazing shot, Greg - completely amazing! Looks like it was taken right off the cover of Surfer magazine. Thanks for sharing!

"I took this picture with my iPhone last week of my cat Libby lying in the sun. I couldn't believe the detail my cell phone picked up in her face."

- Julie Browne, **LAPD**

John's comment: Wow, the iPhone is just getting more and more amazing. This is a completely amazing shot; thank you, Julie!





"Here's a photo of my six-year-old Chihuahua, Chichi, and my kitty, Coco, who I found wet and dirty a block away from my apartment when she was probably three weeks old. Both get along very well. Although Chichi is the oldest, she always copies what Coco does."

- Rogelio Cuevas, Airports

John's comment: I love it when dogs and cats are friends! I need a cat friend for my German shepherd. Nice photo, Rogelio!

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
- · 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.



"My daughter, Bree Ana, took a picture with the bunny rabbit. After she'd taken the formal picture sitting on the rabbit's lap, she refused to leave. Instead, she wanted to sit next to him. I took this picture with my cell phone, and it ended up being a better photo than the one I purchased."

- Marviana Jones, Personnel

John's comment: What a brilliant photo! Sometimes it's the unintended photos that turn out to be the best! Thanks for sharing, Marviana.



"I caught this little guy sleeping in a pretty odd spot, and I thought it would make a cool pic for the photo contest."

- Carlos Rodgriguez, Harbor

John's comment: Cats are so... adaptable! They'll sleep just about anywhere. Great shot, Carlos!

RUNNERS-UP:

Luis Aguilar; Jose Espiritu; Larry Patrich; Arvin Lopez.



"This photo was taken digitally with my Nikon D200. I processed them using a method called HDR (high dynamic range). The pictures may look like paintings or drawings, but they are actual photos; that's the beauty of this type of photography."

- Rudy Gonzalez, LAPD

John's comment: Rudy, I love how this turned out. It's a real eclectic mix of color and black and white. Thanks!