



John's Picture Perfect Contest

John Hawkins,
Club CEO

WIN A
\$25 TARGET
GIFT CARD



"A slow parade started at night, and one of the features was ladies, on stilts, covered in winter leaves [the entry was called 'Frost.']. It was weird to say the least. Only in Vegas."

- Dominique Daito, LAPD

John's comment: Dominique, when I opened this on my computer it went to full screen, and wow! I almost fell off my chair! Brilliant shot, simply brilliant!



"Happy Holidays, Mr. Hawkins, and to everyone at our beloved City Employees Club!"

- Greg Park

John's comment: Thanks Greg, and thanks for an iconic Southern California photo. Christmas lights on a surfboard with a beautiful sunset... it just doesn't get more California than that!

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RUNNER-UP: KAREN KISHITA



"This was taken at a family friend's Christmas party in their living room. I thought the dimmed lights, shiny wood flooring, elegant draperies and the bright festive atmosphere in the background patio highlighted the beauty and grandeur of this Christmas tree."

- Glenn Abellanosa

John's comment: If this isn't a Christmas "Picture Perfect," then I don't know what is! I keep picturing myself relaxing on one of the couches, just staring at the lights ... and doing absolutely nothing. I love it!



"The bride, the groom, the 'best dog' and the 'groom dog.' Yes I went to a dog wedding, and the greatest part was they donated all their gifts to a local pet food bank."

- Karen Kishita

John's comment: Well, I just had to put this in, too - I've never heard of a dog wedding, but there's always a first for everything! Thanks Karen for lightening the day.

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.