



"Aerial acrobatics performer Sean Tucker (red plane) and legendary aviator Clay Lacy are in the air together over Van Nuys Airport (VNY) after the Runway 16R grand opening ceremonies." – Harold Johnson, Airports

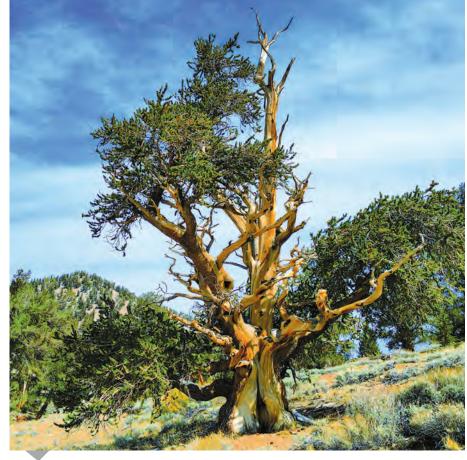
John's comment: "What a contrast, Harold! And, a crisp, clean photo to boot. Nice work!



"Sophie's new friend, a giant mantis that she met during a day hike up in Pleasanton, Calif."

– Mike Aubin, Airports

John's comment: Sophie is one brave kid. My wife won't go within 10 feet of one of those. Great expression on Sophie's face! Thanks, Mike!



"This is one of many amazing multi-millennia-old trees near the newly re-opened visitor center in the Ancient Bristlecone Pine Forest [in Big Pine]."

- Gregory Park, Transportation

John's comment: Amazing is right! These trees live longer than any other living thing on the planet – some are 5,000 years old! And they are right here in California. Thanks, Gregory, for your beautiful picture.

"Here is my daughter, Isabella, and our new four-week-old kitten, Milo."

– Walter Veljacic, DWP John's comment:

It just doesn't get any cuter than that. A Picture Purrrrfect!





"After work today, I ventured over into Zion National Park (I'm working up in Cedar City, Utah). And even though I was threatened with jail and a fine, I got these pictures to share. Guess the park is shut down because the government can't get along with itself. And after I took the pictures of the turkeys and was walking back to my truck, a Ranger told me to get back in my truck and not get out again while in the park, or he would arrest me. He also said that he did not want to see me out of my truck again. I told him then he better look the other way as I was on a State Highway. I believe this is why the government is shut down. All the turkeys are here in Zion and not in DC. Also this is the first snow of the 2013 fall season up here. So the leaves are still in good color."

– Ron Angst, DWP

John's comment: I love the contrast of the gorgeous leaves and crisp snow. A wonderfully warm Christmas season scene!



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 Alivel, or for delays in the transmission of responses.