



An Alive! Photo Feature

Me + My Pet

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Here at the Club, we love animals. So do our Club Members!
 We're publishing this fun new feature, with our Club Members showing off their animal companions. Thanks for sending them in over the last few months, and look for another "My Pet and Me" in the future.



Here's **Carmen Steward, Fire and Police Pensions, Club Rep,** and Princess, her Chihuahua. "I spoil her immensely!"

"Here's my boyfriend, Alex; my dog, Sparkie; and me. Sparkie is a Maltese. He is two and we have been friends for eight months."

- **Julie Briones, City Attorney**



"River is our new addition to the family. He is a seven-month-old apple-head Chihuahua. He loves to sleep a lot!"

- **Roger Cuevas, Airports**



"We've had Dulce, our little Chihuahua, for five years. She is a very sweet little girl who loves to cuddle in our laps! Lili is our eight-year-old Greyhound mix who we've had since she was eight weeks old and love dearly! Both of our dogs (and four cats, not shown!) are all rescues and make our home complete with love and happiness! We hope more people adopt from rescue organizations. Who says you can't buy love?"

- **Jean Sarfaty, LAPD, Club Rep**



"Meet my dog, Kenjie. He's two-and-a-half years old. He's a schnauzer-terrier mix (not 100 percent sure). I adopted Kenjie when he was six months old, and we have been best friend for two years now."

- **Henry V. Sisomvang, Public Works/Engineering**



"This is my Lab mix, Molly. She is about 12, and I adopted her 11 years ago from the East Valley Shelter of Animal Services."

- **Marilyn Moore, LAPD, Retired**



Here's **Jim Booth, Retired,** with Seemore. "My wife rescued him 14 years ago. He is a big cat."

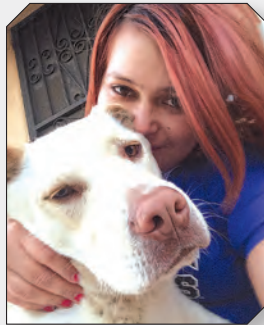
"My pet is named Shamu, a Chihuahua, four years old, and with our family since one month old."

- **Estrella Arindaeng, DWP**



"My pet's name is Sammy. He's a one-year-old Labrador retriever mix, rescued from LA Animal Shelter in South LA. We have been best buddies for 10 months. I also have pet insurance through the City Employees Club."

- **Leslie Chavez, LAPD**



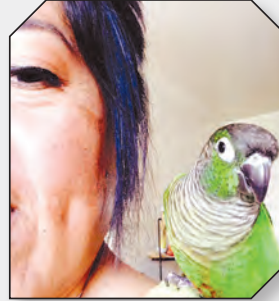
"This is my fur baby, Max, and me. He is a Yorkshire terrier. I have had him since 2009, and we spend a lot of time together since retiring."

- **Linda Richardson, Retired**



"This is Chloe and me. She's an opossum we had as a pet. We got her when she was a bitty baby. She thinks I'm her mom, and has never bitten me. She is so sweet!"

- **Lori Griner, Transportation**



"Here's my pet, Kingston. He is a green-cheek conure (parrot). We have been friends for eight years."

- **Julie Briones, City Attorney**



"This is Tyson. He's an English bulldog, and he has been my boy for the last four-and-a-half years. I can't imagine my life without him. He's the best!"

- **Larry Gates, LAPD Communications**



Here's **Ismail Nanabawa,** "with my friend, Gudu, since 1996."



Here are the two cats of **Robert Larios, the Club's Vice President of Operations.** "This is Cannoli (left), the younger sister of Tiramisu (right). Cannoli is a British short hair and has energy that will light up a city. Tiramisu is a full-blooded sister of Cannoli from a different litter. Tiramisu is aristocratically laid-back and loving."



"My best buddy was found in the local Animal Shelter Aug. 7, and thank God he was there for only four days, almost six months after my wife passed away. His name is Hotrod and he's going on 8. He is a Rottweiler, weighs goes about 90 to 95 pounds and thinks he is a lap dog. I am so lucky that I found him when I did."

- **Donald E. Pleins, Retired, Public Works**



"This is Atticus, and he is a Labrador retriever. He has been part of our family since September 2006."

- **Bill Herriott, DWP**



Here's nine-year-old Paxton, a Jack Russell terrier, at Dodger Stadium's Bark in the Park. "He has been a part of the family for five years."

- **Jessie Simon, LAPD**



"Here is a selfie of Sophie, one of our cocker spaniels, and me. Sophie is special little girl. She is partially blind, frail and a senior rescue from a Valley shelter, yet she is full of life, gaining weight and enjoying a new lease on life. She also likes my lap to rest on after a long day of napping. My wife and I have had her in our lives for 10 months."

- **Ralph Morones, Airports**



Here's Bruno, a German shepherd, 7, adopted from a co-worker by **Vernon Tabirara, Public Works;** **Christine Tabirara, Building and Safety;** and Dylan.

"This is a picture of our kitten, Tabby, and me. We had her only for two months because sadly she passed away. But we will remember her for a lifetime."

- **John Sousa**



"Honey is my frequent flyer to Indianapolis, St. Louis, Miami and Oakland."

- **Allene Buchanan, LAPD, Retired**

"I am retired, in the good times with my adopted collie of 11 years and beach-walking partner, Broughty Ferry. Broughty is named for a village on the east coast of Scotland, where I've often visited."

- **Allene Buchanan, LAPD, Retired**



Don't have your special pet yet? It's easy and affordable to adopt, but please do it responsibly. LA Animal Services has six shelter locations! For more information on Animal Services' offerings, go to: www.laanimalservices.com