

Friday, May 26, 2023

**To All Financial Journey Partners Clients,**

We love this time of year. In Northern California the weather is beautiful and all the local cities host art & wine festivals and free music concerts throughout the summer. Wherever you live in the U.S., we hope you can enjoy the nice weather and local activities. Members of our team are looking forward to some much-deserved vacation to spend time with family and friends during trips throughout the country.

In May, we hosted a fantastic in-person workshop to help our clients get clear on their goals and define what is important to them. For those that were unable to attend, [the blog this month](#) is a recap of the event, with simple steps you can use to help get clear on your personal goals.

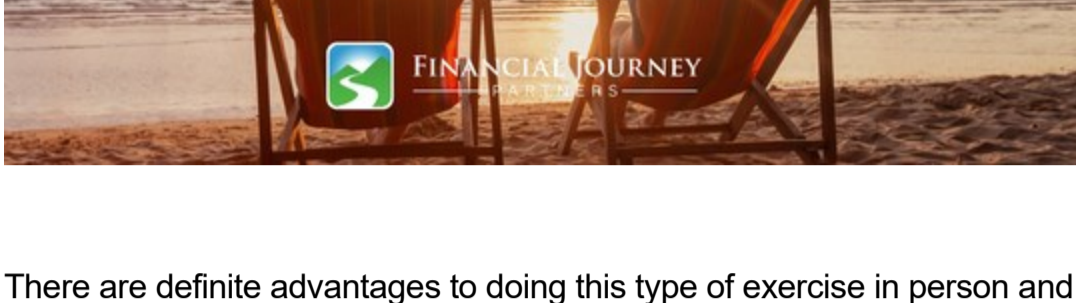
Summertime means the [FJP Photo Contest](#) is back, and it is time for you to send us your best photos! We can't wait to see them. This month, in the, "Enjoying the Journey" section, we encourage you to enjoy your trips and take time to record those precious memories in photos. When we travel, we like to make taking pictures a fun part of the trip. It allows us to relive the experience over and over, with the people who went on the trip, as well as with family and friends. Plus, we hope you share your personal experiences and photos with us so we can also share them with all our clients and get ideas for future travel!

**Topics in this edition of *Insights* include:**

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**Make the Rest of Your Life the Best of Your Life**

On Friday, May 12, we hosted an in-person workshop for our clients. The clients who attended had the opportunity to step back out of the busy world and think about what goals are the most important to them.



There are definite advantages to doing this type of exercise in person and sharing the learnings in a group setting. The people who attended told us they really enjoyed the event, and it was very beneficial to hear what others wanted to do and added some of those ideas to their own list.

In [the blog this month](#), we will share a few steps we used for helping our clients set their goals. You can do this yourself too and share what you uncover with your family, friends, and your Wealth Manager!

Many clients were not able to attend because of conflicts in their schedule, or because they live out of town. So, if you want to work on setting your goals for the future, please let us know if you'd like to attend a future workshop or even do this one-on-one with your Wealth Manager. We encourage you to build your future by determining the goals that are most important to you.

[READ BLOG](#)

**Next Event – Happy Hour on June 1, 2023**

We hope you can join us next Thursday, June 1, for lots of fun at our [FJP Happy Hour](#) from 4 to 6 PM. There will be lots of delicious appetizers, an ice cream sundae bar with fun toppings, and of course, some amazing wines. Our thanks to Laura, from the Winebow group, for coming again this year and providing the wine for our tastings. We hope you'll come relax and enjoy your afternoon with us!



**Have you RSVP'd with Arielle yet?** Come on along and let's get happy and enjoy each other's company for a bit! We've all earned a break and we'd love to spend our time mingling with you! Feel free to bring a friend too – we'd love to meet them and it is always a good time to make new friends. Email Arielle at [arielle@financialjourney.com](mailto:arielle@financialjourney.com) or give her a call at 408-963-2889 to update your RSVP.

For those of you coming, we recommend you park on the first level of the parking garage. Our building is 101, and you'll find the lobby in the middle of the A level, with blue-painted walls outside the doors. Be sure to check in to get your badge before hitting the patio!

[CONTACT ARIELLE to RSVP!](#)

**2023 FJP Photo Contest – Capture the Adventure**

It's that special time of year again and time to enjoy the good weather and go out on your next adventure! Be sure to bring your camera along to capture your journey and send us your best photos to share with everyone in this year's [FJP Photo Contest](#) Memorial Day to Labor Day!



The FJP Photo Contest has become something our clients and employees look forward to every year. Send us your best photos and you could become a finalist, or even better, have your photos on the 2024 calendar. As in previous years, we will have photo winners in 3 categories: Nature, Animals, and Other.

**We put the 12 best photos of nature and beautiful landscapes in the FJP annual calendar. If you want to see your photo on next year's calendar, here are a few suggestions:**

- **Capture the view** – Watch for big, beautiful scenic landscapes
- **Consider photos with lots of bright colors** – Wow us with deep blue water or sky, and bright orange and red sunsets
- **Take your photos in landscape mode** – More calendar ready!
- **Take two photos** – One with just scenic nature and the second for your memory book with people in them
- **Look for something unique** – We all want to share something special with you
- **Construct the photo composition to make it pop** – change your angle to get a better perspective – good advice for life too

The winner of the Nature category will receive a canvas of your photo for your home. We will also put your photo on the wall in our conference room with past annual winners.

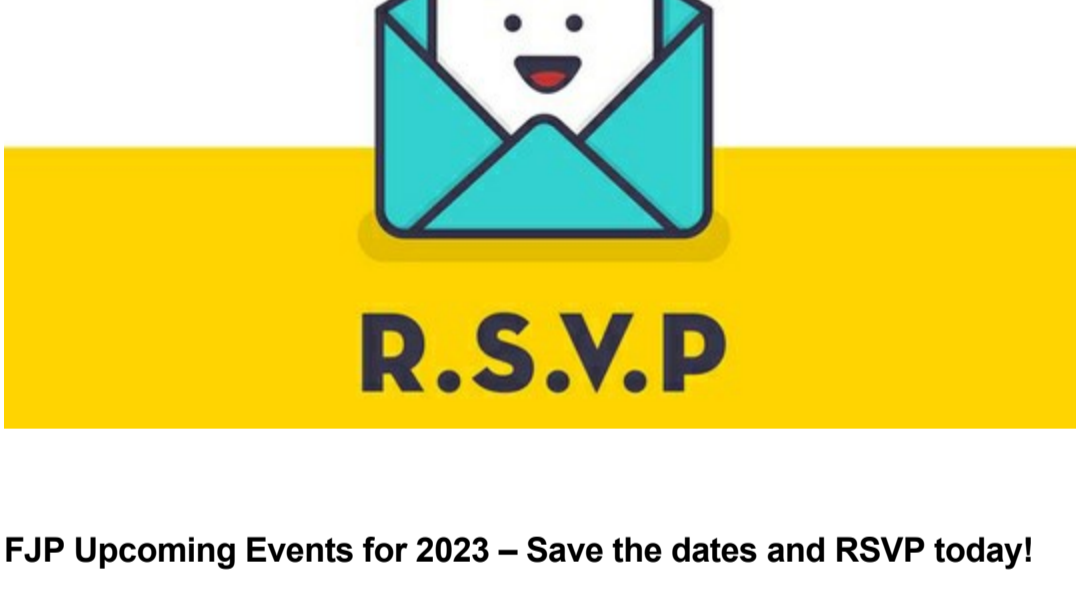
Past winners in the Animals category have been cute and unusual animals but your family's best buddies can also become a finalist. We also have an Other category for those unusual and interesting photos that don't fit in the Nature or Animals categories.

As in past years, the FJP team will pick the 5 finalist pictures in each category and a survey will be sent in September to all our clients to select the winning photo in each category. **The winners will be announced at our Client Appreciation Halloween Party on October 19, 2023!**

[GET CONTEST DETAILS!](#)

**Upcoming FJP Event Schedule**

We have fun and educational [events remaining in 2023!](#) We hope you can join us!



**FJP Upcoming Events for 2023 – Save the dates and RSVP today!**

- **Memorial Day to Labor Day** – FJP Photo Contest (we hope everyone submits photos this year!)
- **June 1, 4 pm – 6 pm** – Happy Hour Event! Let's enjoy the journey together at **Metro Plaza** patio with wine tasting, refreshments and fun!
- **August 3, 5 pm – 6 pm** – Mid-Year Economic Update Webinar, speaker **Scott Manley**
- **October 19, 5 pm – 8 pm** – Client Appreciation Halloween Party (in-person party) at our conference center here at the **Metro Plaza!** (Yes, costumes are encouraged but not required)

**\*\* NOTE: All times are in Pacific Time**

You may have already registered in one of our previous surveys, or online on our website. We'll send you a confirmation closer to the event. If you have not already registered for one of the above events, you can register on our website or email Arielle at [arielle@financialjourney.com](mailto:arielle@financialjourney.com)!

[UPCOMING EVENTS](#)

**Enjoying the Journey – Remember Your Travels with Photos**

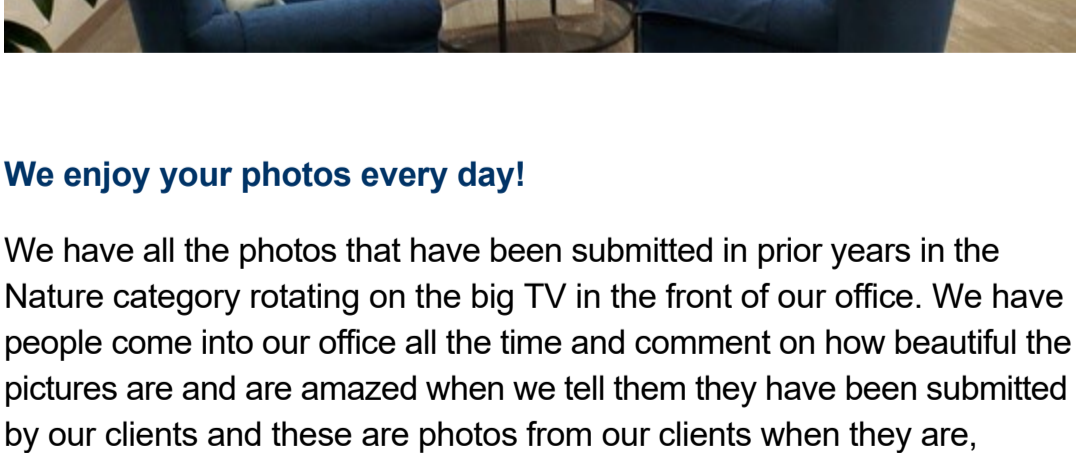
We hope you take time to enjoy the great weather this summer and travel to your local favorite spot or take a longer trip to one of your bucket list destinations. Regardless of where you live in the U.S., there are so many beautiful places to explore in this country. Many of our clients have told us about trips they have planned, with some traveling to Europe this summer.

**Time for you to plan an adventure and make it happen!**

The best part is learning about where you are heading and what you are going to see and who you will visit. There is a great sense of accomplishment when you do it and see the photos too!

**Where are you dreaming of going? Have you made a plan?** Perhaps it is a trip to Napa and a hot-air balloon ride, or maybe a road trip to New Mexico to see Georgia O'Keeffe's art, a Broadway show in New York, taking the kids to Disneyland for first big family vacation, visiting the ballparks and golf courses on your bucket list, or even shopping in Florence, the cafes in Paris, the beach in Hawaii or the Caribbean! **We want to help you see that possibility and encourage you to follow the path to fulfill your plan.**

Regardless of where you're traveling this summer, we hope you take your camera along to capture the memory for yourself and your family. By sending in your photos for the 2023 FJP Photo contest, we can share your photo with everyone that comes to our office and inspire others too!



**We enjoy your photos every day!**

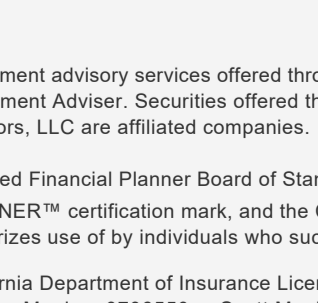
We have all the photos that have been submitted in prior years in the Nature category rotating on the big TV in the front of our office. We have people come into our office all the time and comment on how beautiful the pictures are and are amazed when we tell them they have been submitted by our clients and these are photos from our clients when they are, "Enjoying the Journey". So, look for opportunities to capture beautiful nature and landscape scenes and you can see your photos on the big TV the next time you come to our office.

**We want to help you make smart decisions so you can do the things that are most important to you and enjoy the journey.**

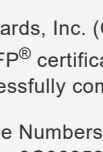
If there is anything we can do to help you, please [give us a call](#).

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