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Pandas International's 10th Anniversary Celebration



Now Accepting Reservations for
Pandas International's
Black and White Extravaganza
on February 20, 2010
at The Wildlife Experience
10035 S. Peoria Street
Parker, CO 80134

Wander through the many treasures found in our Silent Auction
Pick your lucky number and get a great bottle of wine in our Wine Garden
Delight in the talent of the Lion Dancers, Tai Ji Sword Performers and more!
And enjoy a fabulous Asian dinner followed by Keynote speaker,
Ron Swaisgood, Co-Head of the Panda Conservation Unit, San Diego Zoo.

Cocktails and hors d'oeuvres will be served starting at 5:30 p.m.
with dinner seating at 7:00 p.m.

The attire is casual, only the pandas need to be in Black and White.

The bar is CASH. There is no ATM on site.

Credit cards, checks and cash will be happily accepted for auction items.

All proceeds from this event will benefit Pandas International and the
Bamboo Reforestation Project

Have more questions?

Contact us at info@pandasinternational.org or call 303-933-2365.

Big News from the National Zoo is Tai Shan's Return to China

Dedication to Tai Shan from a true fan

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"Panda-monium" in Washington Over Zoo Darling's Departure

Media Star Tai Shan Scheduled to Return to
Panda Sanctuary in China

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our silent auction. **Contact us** if
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Other News from Washington, DC

National Zoo hopes for another panda pregnancy

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Two pandas at the National Zoo attempted to mate before zoo officials determined they had not been successful and artificially inseminated the female, Mei Xiang.

[Watch the video >>](#)

Also headed to China on the Panda Express by FedEx



Zoo Atlanta's panda, Mei Lan, to depart for China Feb. 4

January 26, 2010
By Jamie Gumbrecht

We all knew it was coming, but it appears the countdown can start: Zoo Atlanta's first panda

cub is moving back to China next month. The Washington Post reported today that when the National Zoo's four-year-old panda, Tai Shan, departs Washington on Feb. 4 to go back to China he will be with Mei Lan.

Zoo Atlanta has not yet confirmed the last day she will be on view or plans for a farewell celebration. Only the zoo's MySpace page confirmed the Feb. 4 panda plane-pool. A press release Tuesday afternoon said the zoos plan to make a joint announcement about the panda departures later this week.



Mei Lan, whose name means "Atlanta Beauty," was the first panda born in captivity at Zoo Atlanta. The decade long panda loan with China was recently extended for five years, so Mei Lan's parents, mom Lun Lun, dad Yang Yang and boy sibling Xi Lan, will remain in Atlanta.

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Short on funds, Zoo Atlanta pandas still likely to stay

December 4, 2009
By Jamie Gumbrecht

About \$240,000 short of the fund-raising goal in the panda-promoting **Give So They Stay** campaign, **Zoo Atlanta** president and CEO Dennis Kelly said it's unlikely that the zoo's famous pandas are going anywhere.

The Zoo is making one last push with a fund-raising **membership offer of \$99 for two adults and up to four children**, who don't have to live in the same household.

They're a delight to watch, and a troubled population that Zoo Atlanta has helped. I just hope the rest of the places we go to have fun in Atlanta will emerge so well from this rough period, too.

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Panda fans line up to meet Yun Zi

By John Wilkens, UNION-TRIBE STAFF WRITER
Thursday, January 7, 2010

SAN DIEGO — Dozens of people lined up this morning for the first public viewing of Yun Zi, the newest baby panda at the San Diego Zoo.

By 9:15 a.m., the line was 60 people deep. Panda narrator Kay Ferguson encouraged visitors to spend a few moments at



the front railing and then get back in line. She called that "doing the panda loop."

The unveiling was special, too, for Ronald Swaisgood, who helps run the panda program at the zoo. "We finally get to share with the public what we've been enjoying for five months," he said.

Public viewings are key to building awareness of endangered animals like the panda, he said. "People conserve what they love, and they love what they understand," Swaisgood said.

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[For those needing a lift, take a look at this Flickr member's fabulous shots of Bai Yun and her growing cub, Yun Zi >>](#)

Pandas move into stunning new home

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When Adelaide's giant pandas go on show for the first time, the view will be simply stunning.

Pandas Wang Wang and Funi will still be in quarantine, restricted to the vast indoor areas of their \$8 million, purpose-built exhibit. But they will be visible behind a floor-to-ceiling wall of glass.

Zoos South Australia chief executive Dr. Chris West said he wanted to give the public an idea of what to expect for the first couple of weeks, after next Sunday's official opening by the Governor-General. "It's not like they'll be catching a glimpse of a panda through a porthole," he said.



Here's the first glimpse of Wang Wang lounging around in his day room. It's quite a sight, expected to attract up to 5000 visitors a day to the Adelaide Zoo. Panda keeper Chris Fulton said Wang Wang and Funi were getting used to their "spacious and luxurious" day rooms.

"Generally, they just tend to look like pretty contented animals," he said.

"They just seem really happy and relaxed, which is really cool. It's a pleasure to work with them." Book PandaTix online at www.adelaidezoo.com.au or by phone on 1300 399 849 (phone bookings attract a \$4 administrative fee).

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China plans fifth panda breeding centre

By Agence France-Presse

China plans to open a fifth breeding centre for giant pandas in an effort to boost the population of the notoriously sex-shy species, state media reported on Wednesday.

Four young adult pandas are due to arrive at a zoo in the central city of Changsha on May 1 from a breeding base in southwestern Sichuan province, which was hit by a devastating quake in 2008, the official Xinhua news agency said.



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NW China Province set up two more nature reserves for giant pandas

Xinhua

Northwest China's Shaanxi Province has set up two more national level nature reserves to protect the habitat for a rare giant panda species unique to the Qinling Mountain Range, environment authorities said Monday.

The new reserves bring the province's total to six in the Qinling Mountains, said Li Xiaolian, deputy chief of the provincial environment protection department.

One of the new reserves, the Sangyuan Nature Reserve, covered 13,806 hectares in Liuba County of Hanzhong City, in the heartland of the Qinling Mountains, Li told a press conference Monday.

"Its forest coverage is 99.4 percent and it has a rich resource of bamboo, including arrow bamboo — the giant pandas' favorite food," said Li.

Pandas were first spotted in the Qinling Mountains in 1964, a century after the bears were reported in Sichuan, home to most of China's pandas.

Compared with their peers in Sichuan, Qinling pandas are smaller in population -- approximately 300 compared with more than 1,300 other pandas living elsewhere in China.

These pandas also have smaller skeletal frames, larger side teeth and traces of brown instead of the typical black-and-white on other pandas.

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Shanghai Expo giant pandas meet with public

Xinhua, January 21, 2010

Ten giant panda cubs, which will be on display at this year's Shanghai World Expo at local zoos, made their public debut at the Shanghai



Zoo on Wednesday.



The pandas, six females and four males, had perfectly adapted to their new home since their arrival from southwest China's Sichuan Province on Jan. 5, said Chen Lihua, director of the zoo's feeding department.

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HK park raises fund for Giant Pandas in quake-hit Sichuan

January 10, 2010

Hong Kong Ocean Park celebrated its 15th annual "Ocean Park Conservation Day" with charity night events Saturday, aiming to raise 2 million HK dollars for relief efforts in rebuilding the giant panda base in earthquake-hit southwest China's Sichuan Province.

"Ocean Park Conservation Day" is a key fund-raising event for conservation, research and educational projects of Asian wildlife. In accordance with the theme this year "Conserve Our Nature, Rebuild the Panda Habitat," the organizer will donate all the ticket money of the night's event to the "Giant Panda Base Rebuilding Fund" to sustain efforts in rebuilding the panda nature reserves in Sichuan as well as Shaanxi and Gansu.

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News from the Center

Dear all,

Good news for you all, the milk formula arrived at 11:00 last night. Thank you all, with great support from Sherry, Nikki, Thank you sooo much and also thanks goes to Dr. Li for his focus and help.



Of course, Thanks for Pandas International, this milk will help us and the pandas a lot!



Happy New Year!

News from A Member

Dear Pandas International,

My daughter, Reese, loves animals. She told me this year she wanted to raise money to help the pandas instead of receiving gifts for her 8th birthday. We didn't know where to start, but we wanted to find an organization devoted to pandas. We searched online and found Pandas International. We ordered a birthday party kit and Reese asked for donations instead of gifts for herself. Reese's birthday is actually on December 25th (yes, Christmas Day!), but we held the party on December 5th.

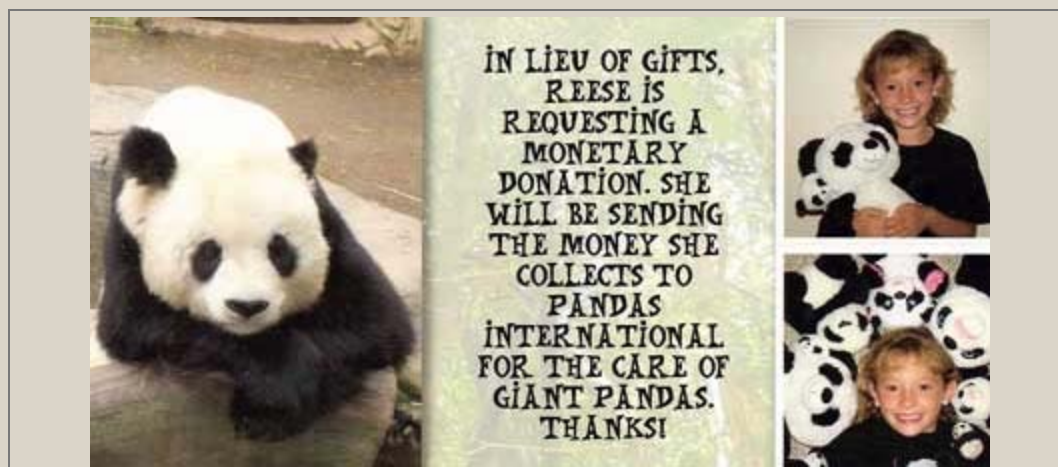


Thanks to our generous family and friends, Reese raised \$600 at her party. Many people told Reese that she could keep part of the money for herself if she liked. However, Reese insisted all of the money go to the pandas. Therefore, Reese is pleased to send you the enclosed check to help the pandas. I have included a few pictures of Reese for the party.

I am so proud of Reese and we hope this money helps the pandas! Happy 2010!

Sincerely,
Stacey (Reese's mom)

Everyone here at Pandas International would like to send a heartfelt thank you to Reese, an amazing young girl and a true Panda Protector! We are very proud, too.



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Pennies 4 Pandas is our new web based, child focused fundraising program to:

- Raise money to replant the bamboo destroyed in 2008 earthquake
- Teach children the rewards and value of philanthropic efforts
- Raise awareness of the pandas' plight
- Get community and school support
- Help Chinese farmers find employment making them more committed to the project. This will make the whole program more sustainable
- Make more people aware of the efforts of Pandas International

Please visit our website at www.pennies4pandas.org and consider joining us >>



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