



# San Diego 2007

## Vacation Highlights

*Thursday, June 21 - San Diego*

### **7:20am EDT**

After missing breakfast with April & Freddie at Reagan National Airport, we boarded our flight to Phoenix, where we transferred planes to head out to San Diego.

### **10:45am PDT**

Our plane arrived early in Phoenix and we had to sit on the plane waiting to be taxied to the gate. We slept our way through most of that uneventful flight. We transferred to another plane towards San Diego and arrived earlier than the planned arrival of 11:37am.

### **12:00am PDT**

Tired, lacking sleep, but excited to be in San Diego, we rented out a *rent-a-wreck* car and headed towards Fil's parents house. We had a little surprise waiting for us in the form of a little cute white ball of fur -- a male maltese called Pylon who had the same cute face as Tian Tian! We did a bit of shopping at Wal-Mart and Ralph's to get some supplies for a barbecue dinner and inadvertently passed out at 8:30pm with the intention of just having a nap and instead sleeping through to the morning the next day.



## *Friday, June 22 - Coronado*

### **7:00am PDT**

After waking up with a start to ants crawling all over me, we had breakfast and began fixing up the house in preparation to leaving for our separate ways. Sam & Michael left for the hospital to visit Sam's uncle. The rest of us headed out to sight-see in the Coronado area.

### **Sacred Heart School**

We had a brief visit of Fil's grade school in the Coronado area, and toured on the beachside. Pylon went a little nuts barking at other dogs.

### **Frye's**

After having a quick lunch, we passed by the famous "Frye's" to do a bit of shopping where we left for our separate ways. Tired after a long shopping experience at Frye's, we headed to UCSD to check into the dorms.

## *Saturday, June 23 - La Jolla*

### **7-30am**

We woke to find breakfast provided by RESNET and met up with Vu who Homer and Michael met at the last RESNET in Chicago.

### **The Cliffs**

We decided to take a walk to the cliffs, where I experienced a bit of a vertigo, but the views were definitely worth the trouble! We had a great time just enjoying the views and taking pictures. We also caught a bit of the wildlife on camera.





### RESNET Opening Dinner

When we returned from the cliffs, Homer and Michael had to get together to prepare their presentations. We all went to dinner and met up with Vu again. Since it was opening night dinner, there was an open bar (yay!), plenty of food, and the night went on a bit chilly, but enjoyably as glass after glass was consumed...



The after-party continued back in the dorms where Homer and Michael tried to complete their presentation and sober up amidst the continuing drinking of Vu.



### Sunday, June 24 - La Jolla

#### Museum of Contemporary Art

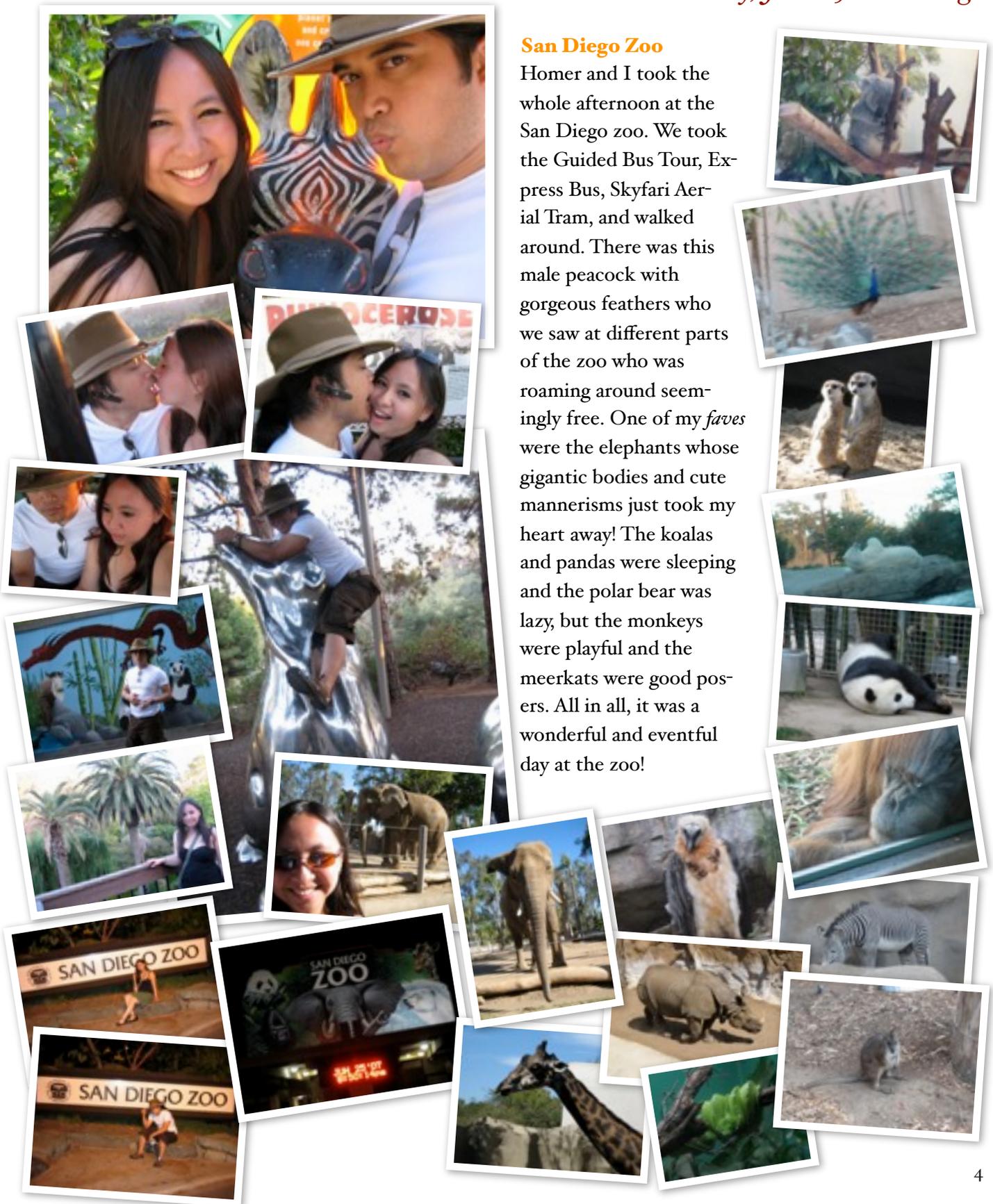
Sam and I decided to go to the Museum of Contemporary Art in La Jolla while Homer and Michael did their presentation at RESNET. The museum was located on a site overlooking the Pacific Ocean and had breathtaking coastal views. The museum itself was small with a little collection of photographs, but the collection was still impressive in imagination as well as in scope. We walked around the bay area following the coastline and taking pictures. It was a relaxing time. We then decided to have lunch at "Cody's" restaurant and pampered ourselves with chocolate cake à la mode galore! It was a wonderful girls' day out!



Monday, June 25 - San Diego

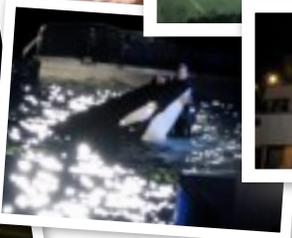
### San Diego Zoo

Homer and I took the whole afternoon at the San Diego zoo. We took the Guided Bus Tour, Express Bus, Skyfari Aerial Tram, and walked around. There was this male peacock with gorgeous feathers who we saw at different parts of the zoo who was roaming around seemingly free. One of my *faves* were the elephants whose gigantic bodies and cute mannerisms just took my heart away! The koalas and pandas were sleeping and the polar bear was lazy, but the monkeys were playful and the meerkats were good posers. All in all, it was a wonderful and eventful day at the zoo!



*Tuesday, June 26 - San Diego*  
**Sea World - RESNET Closing Dinner**

The highlight of today was enjoying some time at Sea World for the RESNET closing dinner. Vu and Jay accompanied Homer and I as we toured around and caught the two last shows of the night: *Sea Lions Tonight* and *Shamu Rocks*. Both were entertaining, although I felt more of the excitement from the first show than the second one because of the supposed Filipino comedic host. Nevertheless, the second show was enjoyable due to the wondrous jumps of *Shamu* the killer whale. After the shows we toured a couple of aquariums and caught the last set of fireworks from far away. We had a great but sadly short time at Sea World.



*Wednesday, June 27 - Washington, DC*

**Leaving San Diego**

All-in-all, it was well worth the effort put into this mini-vacation. I had a great time relaxing and de-stressing in this new environment where the weather is always clear and sunny everyday.

Cheers to San Diego and other forthcoming future adventures! And of course, many big thanks to my Homey for all of his effort into making this vacation such a success!

