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Yosemite Today

July 11 - 24, 2007

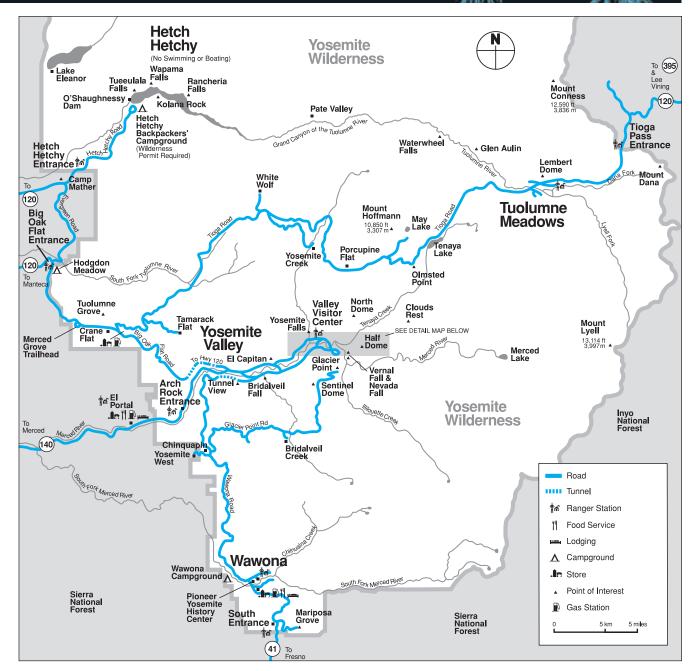
## Yosemite **National Park**

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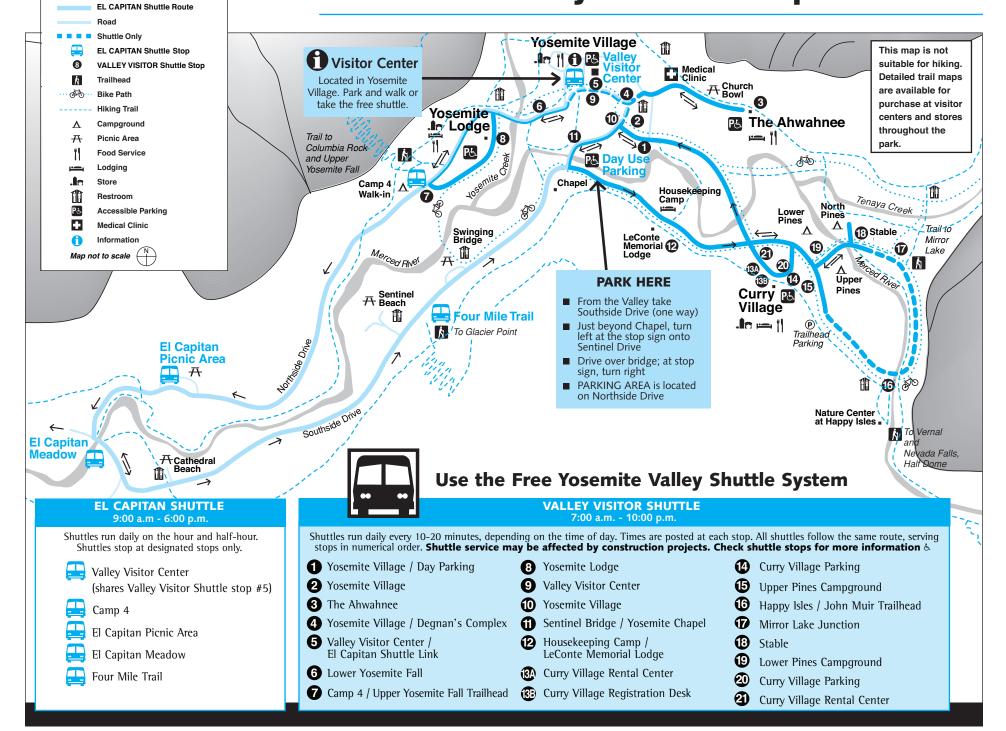
Visit the new Yosemite Park Partners website: www.yosemitepartners.org.

VALLEY VISITOR Shuttle Route

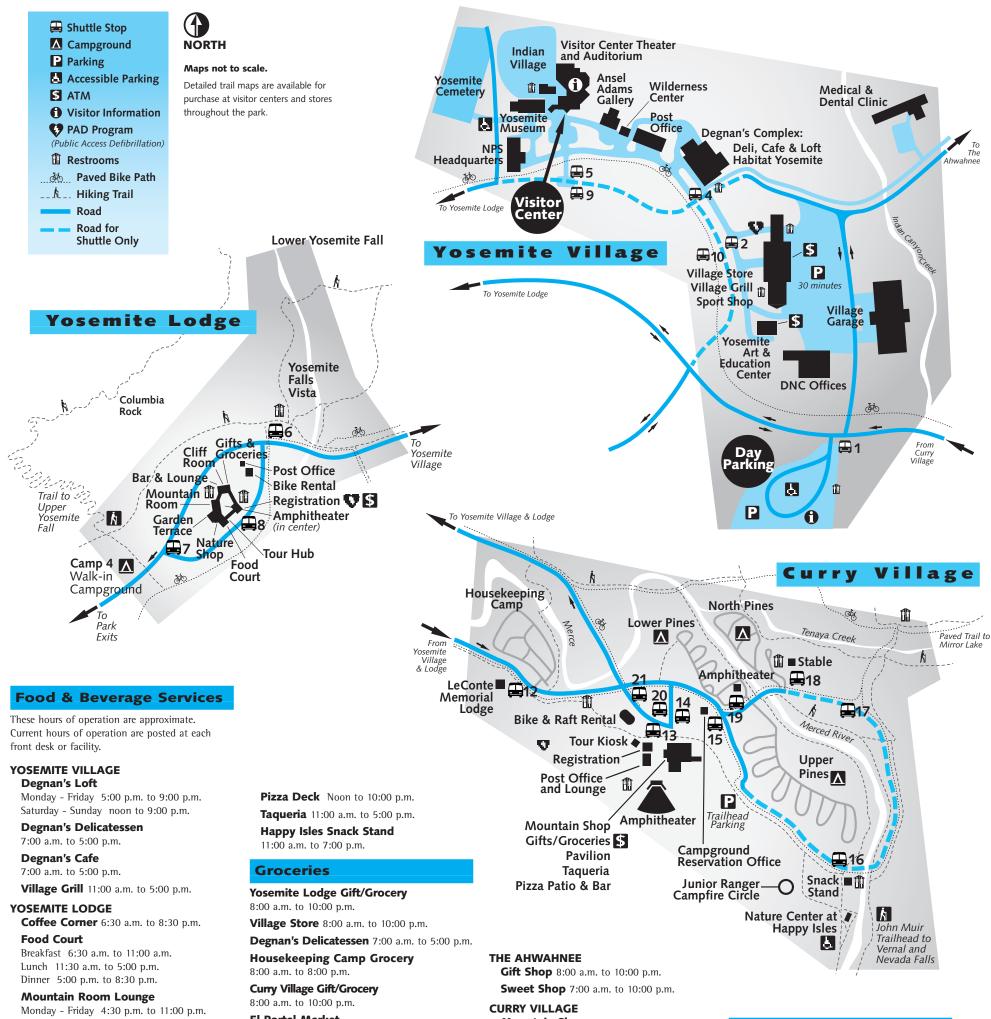


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## Yosemite Valley Shuttle Map



## Yosemite Village, Yosemite Lodge, & Curry Village El Portal (on Highway 140)



Saturday - Sunday noon to 11:00 p.m.

#### Mountain Room Restaurant

5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Reservations for parties of 8 or more 209/372-1281

**Cone Stand at the Pool** 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., *weather permitting* 

#### THE AHWAHNEE

#### **Dining Room**

Breakfast 7:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Lunch 11:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Dinner 5:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Sunday Brunch 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Appropriate attire is respectfully requested for dinner. Reservations are recommended for dinner and Sunday Brunch. 209/372-1489

#### The Ahwahnee Bar

11:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.

#### CURRY VILLAGE

**Guest Lounge** 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

**Coffee Corner** 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. *with ice cream service* 

Curry Village Bar Noon to 10:00 p.m.

#### **Pavilion Buffet**

Breakfast 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. Dinner 5:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

#### **El Portal Market**

9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

#### Gifts, Books, & Apparel

YOSEMITE VILLAGE The Ansel Adams Gallery 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

#### Yosemite Art & Education Center

8:30 a.m. to noon, 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

#### **Yosemite Bookstore**

9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Inside Valley Visitor Center

#### Yosemite Museum Store

9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

#### Valley Wilderness Center

7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. **Village Store** 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Habitat Yosemite 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

**Sport Shop** 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

#### YOSEMITE LODGE Gift/Grocery

8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Nature Shop 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

NATURE CENTER AT HAPPY ISLES 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. **Mountain Shop** 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. **Gift/Grocery** 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

#### Showers & Laundromat

#### SHOWERS

Curry Village 24 hours

Housekeeping Camp 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

#### LAUNDROMAT Housekeeping Camp 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

#### Recycling

**Village Store Recycling Center** Daily 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

**Curry Village Recycling Center** Daily 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

#### **Post Offices**

Main Post Office - Yosemite Village Monday – Friday 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Saturday 10:00 a.m. to noon

#### **Yosemite Lodge Post Office** Monday – Friday 11:30 a.m. to 2:45 p.m.

El Portal Post Office

Monday – Friday 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., 1:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

### \$ ATM

#### **Yosemite Village**

South of Village Store (Bank of America) Inside Village Store

**Yosemite Lodge** Inside main registration area

**Curry Village** Inside gift/grocery store

#### El Portal

On Highway 140 at the Yosemite View Lodge and the El Portal Market

#### Gas Station (outside Yosemite Valley)

#### El Portal

9:00 a.m. to noon, 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Diesel available.

Pay at the pump 24 hours with credit or debit card.

#### Auto Service, Towing, and Repair (AAA)

#### Village Garage

8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Towing 24 hours. Propane available until 4:00 p.m. 209/372-8320

#### WHERE TO GO

What's Happening In



# Yosemite Today

Experience Your America

## July 11 - 24, 2007

## Yosemite Valley

#### Valley Visitor Center and Bookstore

Open 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. and located in Yosemite Village just west of the main post office (shuttle stops #5 and #9), the visitor center offers information, maps, and books.



#### FILM

#### **Spirit of Yosemite**

This inspiring visitor-orientation film provides a stunning overview of Yosemite's splendor. It is shown every 30 minutes Monday through Saturday 9:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m., and Sunday noon to 6:30 p.m. in the Valley Visitor Center Theater.

#### **Yosemite Museum**

Located in Yosemite Village next to the Valley Visitor Center.

#### FEATURES

**Museum Gallery** Open 10 a.m. to noon and 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

#### Chiura Obata: Art of Yosemite Through October 21

This exhibit explores the work of artist Chiura Obata (1885-1975), who first visited Yosemite in 1927. He produced watercolors that led to a series of prints made by master woodblock artists in Japan. Come see some of the most beautiful and innovative landscapes ever done of Yosemite.

#### Indian Cultural Exhibit

Open 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., the exhibit interprets the cultural history of Yosemite's native Miwok and Paiute people from 1850 to the present. Demonstrations of traditional skills are presented. No food or drink permitted.

#### **Yosemite Museum Store**

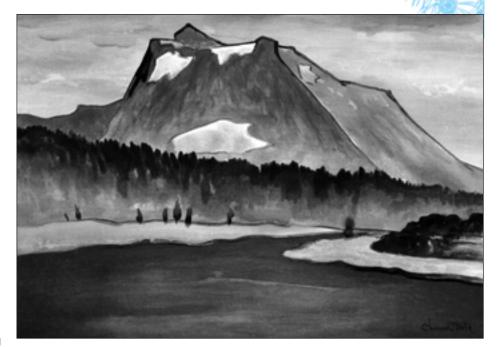
Open 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m, the store offers traditional American Indian arts and crafts, and books on related subjects.

#### The Indian Village of Ahwahnee

Located behind the Yosemite Museum and open during daylight hours, the village offers exhibits on Ahwahneechee life.  $\clubsuit$ 

#### **Yosemite Cemetery**

This historic cemetery is located across the street just west of the Yosemite Museum. People buried here include American Indians and others who played an



#### Chiura Obata: Art of Yosemite Yosemite Museum Gallery (details at left)

important role in the development of what is now Yosemite National Park. *Guide to the Yosemite Cemetery* is available at the Valley Visitor Center.

#### Valley Wilderness Center

Open 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and located in Yosemite Village next to The Ansel Adams Gallery, the center offers Wilderness permits, bear canisters, maps, and guidebooks. Information on pretrip planning, minimum-impact camping, and Yosemite's Wilderness is also available.

#### **Yosemite Theatre - LIVE**

Help celebrate the 25th anniversary of Yosemite Theatre! Shows are presented live onstage in the El Capitan, Tioga Peak, 1930

Valley Visitor Center Theater. Hear tales of John Muir or feisty pioneer Sarah Hawkins, or see renowned climber Ron Kauk, as filmed by Sterling Johnson. Tickets cost \$8 for adults and \$4 for children 12 and under and are sold in advance at any tour desk, or at the door (if available). See schedule above for dates and times.

#### **The Ansel Adams Gallery**

Located in Yosemite Village next to the Valley Visitor Center and open daily from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., the gallery offers the work of Ansel Adams, contemporary photographers, and other fine artists. In addition, handcrafts, books, gifts, digital services, and photography supplies are available. Scheduled activities are listed on the front porch. For more information, call 209/372-4413, or visit *www.anseladams.com*.

#### GALLERY EXHIBIT

## Earth Stories: Beauty and Solace in the Landscape Through August 14

The photography of Jeff Grandy. Combinations of color, form, texture, shadow, and light.

#### Day-Use Parking Information Station

Located in the day-use parking area, and open 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (closed for lunch), the station offers information about Yosemite.

#### LeConte Memorial Lodge

Open Wednesday through Sunday, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., and located at shuttle stop #12. LeConte Memorial Lodge, Yosemite's first public visitor center, is operated by the Sierra Club and features a children's corner, library, and a variety

## **Tuolumne Meadows**

#### Tuolumne Meadows Visitor Center

Open 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Park orientation, trail information, books, maps, and displays. Phone 209/372-0263

#### Parsons Memorial Lodge, McCauley Cabin and Soda Springs

Two trails, both flat and <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>-mile long, lead to this historic area accessible only by walking. (See the map of Tuolumne Meadows area in this paper.) Parsons Memorial Lodge is open from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Soda Springs are small naturally carbonated springs that attract birds and deer. to Tioga Pass. Due to limited trailhead parking, use of the free shuttle is strongly advised. Shuttles travel between Tuolumne Meadows Lodge and Olmsted Point with stops along the Tioga Road, including Tuolumne Campground and the Tuolumne Meadows Visitor Center. The shuttle also makes morning and afternoon runs to Tioga Pass.

Service begins at Tuolumne Meadows Lodge at 7:00 a.m. Shuttles arrive at approximately 30minute intervals between 8:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. The last shuttle leaves Olmsted Point at 6:00 p.m. Schedules are subject to change. Please check route maps at the Tuolumne Lodge, at shuttle stop #3. The center offers trail information, Wilderness permits, bear canister rental, maps, and guidebooks.

#### **Just for Kids**

Programs for children include Junior Rangers, a 2-hour, ranger-led program for children (ages 7-12), and a *Campfire for Kids* on Wednesday night.

#### **Ranger Walks**

Join a ranger to explore new areas and learn about geology, birds, flowers, history, the Tuolumne River, and more. These walks range

especially at sunrise and sunset.

#### Free Olmsted Point/ Tuolumne/Tioga Pass Shuttle

Free shuttle service is available during the summer along the Tioga Road from Olmsted Point Meadows Visitor Center or shuttle stops for details.

#### Tuolumne Meadows Wilderness Center

Open 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Located just south of Tioga Road, along the road to Tuolumne



Cloud's Rest

Photo by Gregory Nespor

from 1 to 8 hours, and all but the long walks are fairly easy.

Longer hikes are offered each week to lakes, domes, peaks, or passes. Wear sturdy shoes, and bring water, lunch, and raingear.

On Fridays, end your day with a Music Walk. This easy evening stroll will inspire and delight.

#### **Evening Activities**

Come to the Dana Campfire Circle in Tuolumne Meadows Campground and take part in a tradition! Join a ranger for campfire, songs, storytelling, and answers to some of your questions about Yosemite. Program topics vary, and are posted at the campground, Tuolumne Meadows Lodge, and Tuolumne Meadows Visitor Center.

A campfire for children is scheduled Wednesday at the Conness Circle in the "C" loop of the campground. End your day with a *Star Program* or *Night Prowl*. Bring a pad to sit on for the *Star Program* and dress warmly. Sign up for the *Night Prowl* at the Tuolumne Meadows Visitor Center. of environmental education and evening programs. For more information, call 209/372-4542.

#### Nature Center at Happy Isles

Open 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Designed for nature-exploring families, this center offers natural history exhibits, interactive displays, field guides, and maps. Nearby are short trails through the area's forest, river, and fen environments. Evidence of the huge 1996 rockfall from the Glacier Point cliff is visible above. The center is a short walk from shuttle stop #16. &

#### WHAT TO DO

#### Programs printed in color are especially for children and their families.

#### NPS = National Park Service

- DNC = DNC Parks & Resorts at Yosemite, Inc.
- AAG = The Ansel Adams Gallery
- AAC = American Alpine Club
- SC = Sierra Club
- YA = Yosemite Association YMS = Yosemite
- Mountaineering School
- YF = Yosemite Fund
- **\$** = Programs offered for a fee



Indicates facilities accessible to visitors in wheelchairs. Short, steep inclines may be encountered.



A sign language interpreter may be available for deaf and hard-ofhearing visitors. Contact 209/372-4726

**Assisitive Listening** 

Inquire at a visitor

Devices are available

upon advanced request.

(TTY) to request an interpreter. Advance notice of 14 days is requested.



#### JOIN THE HABITAT PROTECTORS OF YOSEMITE

center.

Wednesday, July 11 Saturday, July 21 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Yosemite Valley Visitor Center

Join NPS restoration efforts. Get your hands dirty and be a part of preserving one of America's natural wonders. Volunteers will work on restoration projects and learn about efforts and help restore the Valley.

All volunteers must wear long pants and closed-toe boots. Long sleeves, water, snacks, and sunblock are recommended.

Groups larger than ten are required to pre-register.

To learn more, please contact Veronica Johnson at 209/379-1304 or Veronica\_Johnson@nps.gov.

#### Free Art Classes

The Yosemite Art & Education Center offers free classes Monday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult. Be prepared for a short walk to the painting site, and bring something to sit on. Bring your own supplies, or buy them at the center, located near the Village Store. Please register in advance.

July 9 – 14 **Patricia Devitt** Acrylic July 16 – 21

Roy E. Gould Pastels July 23 – 28 Jan Schafir Watercolor

## Scheduled Events

#### SUNDAY

8:00am Coffee with a Ranger

10:00am JUNIOR RANGER WALK

2:00pm ARTS AND CRAFTS

3:30pm Ranger Stroll – Bears

4:00pm Cliffs and Climbers Hike

Amphitheater (DNC) &

8:00pm LeConte Memorial Lodge

1 hr. Shuttle stop #12 (SC)

(YA)

(YMS) \$

6:45pm WEE WILD ONES

1/2 hr. Lower Pines Camp Amphitheater (NPS) &

31/2 hrs. Curry Village Mountaineering School

1 hr. Lower Pines Camp Amphitheater (NPS)

1 hr. For kids 9-12. Limited space. Advance

sign up at Yosemite Art and Education Center

1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> hrs. Lower Pines Camp Amphitheater (NPS)

21/2 hrs. Ahwahnee. Tickets at any tour desk

45 min. For kids 6 & under. Curry Village

July 15: Hetch Hetchy: Soul of Yosemite

July 22: TREES! Musical & Slide Program

9:00am EXPLORE YOSEMITE FAMILY PROGRAM

3 hrs. Curry Village Amphitheater

Tickets at any tour desk (DNC) \$

Tickets at any tour desk (YMS) \$

1:00pm Ranger Stroll – Merced Meanders

3:00pm **STORYTIME** ½ hr. Ahwahnee Lawn (DNC)

11/2 hrs. shuttle stop #11 (NPS)

9:30am Discovery Hike – Vernal Falls Bridge

#### 8:00am **Coffee with a Ranger** ½ hr. Lower Pines Camp Amphitheater (NPS) &

9:00am Meet Yosemite—Life and Death in Yosemite 6 hrs. Yosemite Art and Education Center (YA) \$ Bike to Hike Tour 2½ hrs. Curry Village bike stand

Tickets at any tour desk (YMS) \$ 10:00am **JUNIOR RANGER WALK** 1 hr. Lower Pines Camp Amphitheater (NPS)

 
 Art Class 4 hrs. Details at left (YA)

 1:00pm
 Ranger Stroll – Yosemite's First People 1½ hrs. Front of Yosemite Museum (NPS) &

3:30pm Ranger Stroll – Bears 1½ hrs. Lower Pines Camp Amphitheater (NPS) Discovery Hike – West End of Yosemite Valley

3½ hrs. Yosemite Lodge Amphitheater Tickets at any tour desk (YMS) \$
5:30pm Twilight Stroll – Mirror Lake (July 16 only)

1½ hrs. Mirror Lake shuttle stop #17 (YF)
5:30pm Twilight Stroll – Yosemite Falls (July 23 only) 1½ hrs. Lower Yosemite Fall shuttle stop #6 (YF)

6:45pm WEE WILD ONES 45 min. For kids 6 and under. Curry Village Amphitheater (DNC) & 7:30pm OLD-FASHIONED CAMPFIRE &

SING-ALONG1<sup>1/2</sup> hrs. Near Curry Village Tickets at any tour desk (DNC) \$

8:00pm Yosemite Theatre – LIVE: Sarah Hawkins Contemplates a 4th Marriage, Stories of a Pioneer Woman 1½ hrs. Visitor Center Theater. Tickets at any

tour desk or at door (DNC) \$ 8:30pm Ranger Program

1 hr. Lower Pines Camp Amphitheater (NPS) & Evening Program 1 hr. Yosemite Lodge Amphitheater. (YF) &

Evening Program 1 hr. Curry Village Amphitheater. (DNC) & 9:00pm STARRY SKIES OVER YOSEMITE

1-1½ hrs. Tickets at any tour desk. (DNC) &

6:00pm Evening Stroll with a Ranger 1 hr. Wawona Hotel fountain (NPS)

8:00pm **Campfire Ranger Talk** 1 hr. Wawona Campground Amphitheater (NPS) &

9:00pm **STARRY SKIES OVER WAWONA** 1-1½ hrs. Wawona Hotel Tickets/info at any tour desk (DNC) \$

> \* Nature Walks in the Mariposa Grove made possible by

7:00am **Photographing Tuolumne** 2-3 hrs. Sign up at Tuolumne Meadows

#### TUESDAY

- 7:00am Meet Yosemite Birds 4 hrs. Yosemite Art and Education Center (YA) \$
- 8:00am **Coffee with a Ranger** 1/2 hr. Lower Pines Camp Amphitheater (NPS) &

9:00am **Photography Walk** 2 hrs. Limited space. Reservations required Sign up/meet at The Ansel Adams Gallery Conditions permitting (AAG)

#### EXPLORE YOSEMITE FAMILY PROGRAM

3 hrs. Curry Village Amphitheater Tickets at any tour desk (DNC) \$

9:30am Adventure Hike – Vernal/Nevada Falls 6 hrs. Curry Village Mountaineering School Tickets at any tour desk (YMS) \$ 10:00am JUNIOR RANGER WALK

1 hr. Lower Pines Camp Amphitheater (NPS) Art Class 4 hrs. Details at left (YA)

1:00pm Ranger Stroll – Trees 1½ hrs. Ahwahnee shuttle stop #3 (NPS)

3:30pm Ranger Stroll – Bears 1½ hrs. Lower Pines Camp Amphitheater (NPS)

5:30pm Summer Twilight Stroll 1 hr. Ahwahnee back lawn (DNC)

6:45pm WEE WILD ONES 45 min. Stories and activities for kids 6 and under. Yosemite Lodge Amphitheater (DNC) &

8:00pm **Yosemite Theatre – LIVE: Conversation With a Tramp** 1½ hrs. Visitor Center Theater. Tickets at any tour desk or at door (DNC) \$

8:30pm Ranger Program 1 hr. Lower Pines Camp Amphitheater (NPS) &

> **Evening Program** 1 hr. Yosemite Lodge Amphitheater (DNC) &

**Evening Program** 1 hr. Curry Village Amphitheater (DNC) &

9:00pm **STARRY SKIES OVER YOSEMITE** 1-1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> hrs. Tickets/info at any tour desk DNC) \$

5:30pm Vintage Music of Yosemite 4 hrs. Live music with pianist/singer Tom Bopp. Wawona Hotel lounge (DNC)

8:00pm Evening Ranger Program 1 hr. Meeting Room, next door to the office of The Redwoods in Yosemite on Chilnualna Falls Rd (NPS) &

> Campfire Ranger Talk 1 hr. Wawona Campground Amphitheater (NPS) &

3:00pm Hike to the Giants (July 17 only) 2 hrs. Tuolumne Grove parking lot (YF)
8:00pm Campfire Program 1 hr. Crane Flat Campground Amphitheater (NPS)

10:00am Ranger Hike – Lembert Dome and Dog Lake 5 hrs. Moderately strenuous 5 miles Dog Lake parking area shuttle stop #2

Yosemite Valley

1½ hr. Happy Isles shuttle stop #16 Join actor Lee Stetson as Muir around a campfire. Tickets at any tour desk. (DNC) \$
8:30pm Ranger Program

**Yosemite Theatre – LIVE:** 

**Campfire Chat with John Muir** 

1 hr. Lower Pines Camp Amphitheater (NPS) & **Film – Ansel Adams** 1 hr. Yosemite Lodge Amphitheater (AAG) &

Evening Program

1 hr. Curry Village Amphitheater (DNC) & 9:00pm **STARRY SKIES OVER YOSEMITE** 1-1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> hrs. Tickets at any tour desk (DNC) \$

9:00am **Discovery Stroll with a Ranger** 1 hr. Wawona Campground Amphitheater

(NPS) 10:00am Nature Walk in the Mariposa Grove\*

1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> hrs. Lower Grove trailhead (NPS) 10:00am - 1:00pm / 2:00pm - 5:00pm **"Wet-Plate" Photography Demo** (July 15 only) See page 6 for details (NPS) &

10:00am - 1:00pm / 2:00pm - 5:00pm Blacksmith Demo (July 22 only) Pioneer Yosemite History Center (NPS) &

10:00am - Noon / 2:00pm - 4:00pm Horse-Drawn Stage Rides See page 6 for details (NPS) \$

1:00pm A Glimpse of the Wawona Miwuk Indians (July 22 only) 1 hr. Pioneer Yosemite History Center (NPS) &

2:00pm Nature Walk in the Mariposa Grove\* 11/2 hrs. Lower Grove trailhead (NPS)

8:00pm **Campfire Ranger Talk** 1 hr. Wawona Campground Amphitheater (NPS) ය.

9:00am **Ranger Walk – Bears** 2 hrs. Crane Flat Campground Amphitheater (NPS) 2:00pm **Ranger Talk – Sequoias** 

5 hrs. Sign up at visitor center (YA) \$

1 hr. Tuolumne Grove Parking Lot (NPS)
 9:00am Flower Watching (July 22 only)

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Wawona Mariposa Grove

> Crane Flat

Special Events <b>PARSONS MEMORIAL</b> DODDE These inspiring programs begin at 2:00 p.m. and last approximately 1 hour, unless noted otherwise. Allow 30 minutes walking time to Parsons Memorial Lodge from either Lembert Dome parking area or the Tuolume Meadows Visitor Center. Admission is free. SUNDAY, JULY 15 Shaping a Vision for the Wild and Scenic Tuolumne River Slides, talk, and discussion with Kristina	Tuolumne Meadows	<ul> <li>10:00am Ranger Walk – Domes and Meadows 2 hrs. Pothole Dome shuttle stop #8 Road Marker T-29 (NPS)</li> <li>2:00pm Ranger Walk – Lake Exploration (July 15 only) 2 hrs. Pothole Dome shuttle stop #8 Road marker T-29 (NPS)</li> <li>Parsons Summer Series Program Details at left</li> <li>8:00pm Campfire 1 hr. Dana Circle in Tuolumne Meadows Campground (NPS)</li> </ul>	Visitor Center 209/372-0263 (NPS) 9:00am FAMILY NATURE ADVENTURE WITH THE BUG AUTHOR 5 hrs. Sign up at visitor center (YA) \$ 2:00pm Ranger Walk—Indians in the High Country 2 hrs. Lembert Dome parking area (NPS) 8:00pm Campfire 1 hr. Dana Circle in Tuolumne Meadows Campground (NPS)	<ul> <li>5 miles. Dog Lake parking area, shuttle stop #2 Bring lunch, water, and raingear (NPS)</li> <li>Botanical Walk with Cathy Rose 2 hrs. Dana Gardens. Park just outside Tioga Pass Entrance Station on north side of road (NPS)</li> <li>12:00pm Half Dome the Mountain, Olmsted the Man (July 17 only) 1 hr. Olmsted Point (YF)</li> <li>1:30pm Half Dome the Mountain, Olmsted the Man (July 17 only) 1 hr. Olmsted Point (YF)</li> <li>2:00pm JUNIOR RANGERS 2 hrs. Ages 7-12 Tuolumne Meadows Campground Reservation Office (NPS)</li> <li>8:00pm Campfire1 hr. Dana Circle in Tuolumne Meadows Campground (NPS)</li> </ul>
Rylands, NPS Tuolumne Planning Project Manager SATURDAY, JULY 21 A Brush with Nature: Illustrating the Sierra Slide presentation by John Muir Laws, naturalist, educator, and artist SUNDAY, JULY 22 We added water —	Glacier Point	10:00am <b>Ranger Walk – Explore Bridalveil Creek</b> 2 hrs. Meet at phone booth at Bridalveil Campground (NPS) 2:00pm <b>Ranger Walk – Cliffs and Domes</b> 2 hrs. Taft Point/Sentinel Dome parking area on Glacier Point Road (NPS) 8:00pm <b>Campfire</b> 1 hr. Bridalveil Creek Campground, loop C (NPS) &	9:30am All-day Ranger Hike to Dewey Point 6-7 hrs. 8 miles. Moderately Strenuous McGurk Trailhead next to Bridalveil Campground. Bring water and lunch (NPS) 7:45pm Sunset Ranger Talk ½ hr. Glacier Point railing, overlooking the Valley (NPS) &	<ul> <li>10:00am Ranger Wildflower Walk to McGurk Meadow <ul> <li>2 hrs. Meet at phone booth at Bridalveil Campground (NPS)</li> </ul> </li> <li>2:00pm Ranger Walk - Cliffs and Domes <ul> <li>2 hrs. Taft Point/Sentinel Dome parking area on Glacier Point Road (NPS)</li> </ul> </li> <li>8:00pm Campfire 1 hr. Bridalveil Creek Campground loop C (NPS) &amp;</li> </ul>
have they returned? Restoration of the Riparian Breeding Bird Community at Mono Lake Slide presentation by Sacha Heath, Eastern Sierra Program Director, PRBO Conservation Science	White Wolf	9:00am <b>Ranger Walk – Bears</b> 2 hrs. White Wolf Lodge (NPS)		1:00pm Hike to Luken's Lake 2 hrs. White Wolf Lodge (NPS) 8:00pm Campfire Program 1 hr. White Wolf Campground Amphitheater (NPS)

#### WEDNESDAY

Camp Amphitheater (NPS) &

9:00am Habitat Restoration Volunteer

Program (July 11 only)

Yosemite

8:00am Coffee with a Ranger 1/2 hr. Lower Pines

Meet Yosemite - Disaster in

**EXPLORE YOSEMITE FAMILY** 

9:30pm Discovery Hike – Vernal Falls Bridge

Tickets at any tour desk (YMS) \$

Art Class 4 hrs. Details at left (YA)

1:00pm Ranger Stroll – Wild about Wildlife

4:00pm Cliffs and Climbers Hike 21/2 hrs.

5:30pm Twilight Stroll – Yosemite Falls

11/2 hrs. Lower Yosemite Fall (YF)

6:45pm WEE WILD ONES 45 min. For kids 6 and

10:00am JUNIOR RANGER WALK

3:30pm Ranger Stroll – Bears

**PROGRAM** 3 hrs. Curry Village

4 hrs. Valley Visitor Center. Details at left (NPS)

6 hrs. Yosemite Art and Education Center (YA) \$

Amphitheater. Tickets at any tour desk (DNC) \$

31/2 hrs. Curry Village Mountaineering School

1 hr. Lower Pines Camp Amphitheater (NPS)

11/2 hrs. Front of Valley Visitor Center (NPS) &

11/2 hrs. Lower Pines Camp Amphitheater (NPS)

Ahwahnee. Tickets at any tour desk (YMS) \$

#### THURSDAY

Camp Amphitheater (NPS) &

8:00am Coffee with a Ranger 1/2 hr. Lower Pines

MEET YOSEMITE - FAMILIES IN

by an adult. Yosemite Art and Education

**NATURE** 6 hrs. For kids 7-13, accompanied

#### FRIDAY

8:00am Coffee with a Ranger hr. Lower Pines Camp Amphitheater (NPS) &

9:00am EXPLORE YOSEMITE FAMILY ROGRAM 3 hrs. Curry Village Amphitheater Tickets at any tour desk (DNC) \$

9:30am Adventure Hike - Secrets of the Valley 6 hrs. Ahwahnee. Tickets at any tour desk (YMS) \$

10:00am JUNIOR RANGER WALK 1 hr. Lower Pines Camp Amphitheater (NPS) Art Class 4 hrs. Details at left (YA)

10:30am KIDS STORYTELLING July 13: THE STORY OF LITTLE

TYCOONEY 1 hr. July 20: LET'S GET TALKIN' 45 min. LeConte Memorial Lodge (SC)

1:00pm Ranger Stroll – Geology 11/2 hrs. Front of Valley Visitor Center (NPS) & 3:30pm Ranger Stroll – Bears

11/2 hrs. Lower Pines Camp Amphitheater (NPS) 5:30pm Summer Twilight Stroll

1 hr. Ahwahnee back lawn (DNC) 6:45pm WEE WILD ONES

45 min. Stories and activities for kids 6 and under. Curry Village Amphitheater (DNC) &

7:00pm LeConte Memorial Lodge (July 20 only) 2 hrs. shuttle stop #12 (SC)

8:00pm KIDS STORYTELLING-THE STORY OF LITTLE TYCOONEY (July 13 only) 1 hr. LeConte Memorial Lodge (SC)

8:30pm Ranger Program 1 hr. Lower Pines Camp Amphitheater (NPS) & **Evening Program** 

1 hr. Yosemite Lodge Amphitheater (DNC) & **Evening Program** 

1 hr. Curry Village Amphitheater (DNC) & 9:00pm STARRY SKIES OVER YOSEMITE

1-1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> hrs. Tickets at any tour desk (DNC) \$

9:30am Wawona History Walk 1-11/2 hrs. Wawona Hotel fountain (NPS)

10:00am - Noon / 2:00pm - 4:00pm Horse-Drawn Stage Rides See page 6 for details (NPS) \$

10:00am - 1:00pm / 2:00pm - 5:00pm "Wet-Plate" Photography Demo (July 13 only) See page 6 for details (NPS) &

10:00am - 1:00pm / 2:00pm - 5:00pm Blacksmith Demo (July 20 only) Pioneer Yosemite History Center (NPS) ය.

2:00pm Nature Walk in the Mariposa Grove\* 11/2 hrs. Lower Grove trailhead (NPS)

5:30pm Vintage Music of Yosemite 4 hrs. Live music with pianist/singer Tom Bopp. Wawona Hotel lounge (DNC)

8:00pm Campfire Ranger Talk 1 hr. Wawona Campground Amphitheater (NPS) &

8:00pm Campfire Program 1 hr. Crane Flat Campground Amphitheater (NPS)

9:00am Listening to the Earth (July 20 only) 7:30am Flying with the Birds (July 21 only) 5 hrs. Sign up at visitor center (YA) \$

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8:00am Coffee with a Ranger 1/2 hr. Lower Pines Camp Amphitheater (NPS) ය

9:00am Habitat Restoration Volunteer Program (July 21 only) 4 hrs. Valley Visitor Center. Details at left (NPS)

> Photography Walk 2 hrs. Limited space. Reservations required Sign up/meet at The Ansel Adams Gallery Conditions permitting (AAG)

10:00am JUNIOR RANGER WALK 1 hr. Lower Pines Camp Amphitheater (NPS) Art Class 4 hrs. Details at left (YA)

10:30am KIDS STORYTELLING - LET'S GET TALKIN' (July 21 only)

45 min. LeConte Memorial Lodge (SC) Botany Walk (July 21 only) 2 hrs.

Limited to 15. LeConte Memorial Lodge (SC) 1:00pm Ranger Stroll – Ahwahneechee

Stories and Games 11/2 hrs. Front of Yosemite Museum (NPS) &

3:00pm Fine Print Viewing 1 hr. Very limited space. Advance sign up at The Ansel Adams Gallery (AAG)

3:30pm Ranger Stroll – Bears 11/2 hrs. Lower Pines Camp Amphitheater (NPS)

6:45pm WEE WILD ONES (July 14 only) 45 min. For kids 6 & under Yosemite Lodge Amphitheater (DNC) &

7:30pm OLD-FASHIONED CAMPFIRE & SING-ALONG 11/2 hrs. Near Curry Village Tickets at any tour desk (DNC) \$

8:00pm LeConte Memorial Lodge July 14: Yosemite Search & Rescue July 21: Flowering Plants of Yosemite 1 hr. shuttle stop #12 (SC)

8:30pm Ranger Program 1 hr. Lower Pines Camp Amphitheater (NPS) & **Rock Climbing Program** 

1 hr. Yosemite Lodge Amphitheater (AAC) & **Evening Program** 

1 hr. Curry Village Amphitheater (DNC) & 9:00pm STARRY SKIES OVER YOSEMITE

(July 14 only) 1-11/2 hrs. Tickets at any tour desk (DNC) \$

9:30am **Explore Yosemite with a Ranger** 2 hrs. Meet at Meeting Room, next door to the office of The Redwoods in Yosemite on Chilnualna Falls Rd. (NPS) 10:00am - Noon / 2:00pm - 4:00pm Horse-Drawn Stage Rides See page 6 for details (NPS) \$ 10:00am - 1:00pm / 2:00pm - 5:00pm **"Wet-Plate" Photography Demo** (July 14 only) See page 6 for details (NPS) & 10:00am - 1:00pm / 2:00pm - 5:00pm Blacksmith Demo (July 21 only) Pioneer Yosemite History Center (NPS) &

1:00pm A Glimpse of the Wawona Miwuk Indians (July 21 only) 1 hr. Pioneer Yosemite History Center (NPS) &

2:00pm Nature Walk in the Mariposa Grove\* 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> hrs. Lower Grove trailhead (NPS) 5:30pm Vintage Music of Yosemite

4 hrs. Live music with Tom Bopp. Wawona Hotel lounge (DNC) 8:00pm **Campfire Ranger Talk** 1 hr. Wawona Campground Amphitheater (NPS) &

8:00pm Campfire Program 1 hr. Crane Flat Campground Amphitheater (NPS)

4 hrs. Sign up at visitor center (YA) \$

Tickets at any tour desk (DNC) \$ 8:00pm Yosemite Theatre – LIVE: **Conversation With a Tramp** 11/2 hrs. Visitor Center Theater 8:30pm Ranger Program **Evening Program Evening Program** 1 hr. Curry Village Amphitheater (DNC) & 9:00pm STARRY SKIES OVER YOSEMITE 1-1½ hrs. Tickets at any tour desk (DNC)  $\$ 10:00am - Noon / 2:00pm - 4:00pm Horse-Drawn Stage Rides See page 6 for details (NPS) \$ 10:00am - 1:00pm / 2:00pm - 5:00pm "Wet-Plate" Photography Demo 10:00am - 1:00pm / 2:00pm - 5:00pm **Blacksmith Demo** (July 19 only) Pioneer Yosemite History Center (NPS) & 5:30pm Vintage Music of Yosemite 8:00pm Campfire Ranger Talk (NPS) &

1 hr. Crane Flat Campground Amphitheater (NPS)

7:30am Ranger Walk - Birds

under. Curry Village Amphitheater (DNC) & 7:30pm OLD-FASHIONED CAMPFIRE & SING-ALONG 11/2 hrs. Near Curry Village Tickets at any tour desk (DNC) \$

8:00pm Yosemite Theatre – LIVE: Sarah Hawkins Contemplates a 4th Marriage, Stories of a Pioneer Woman 1½ hrs. Visitor Center Theater Tickets at any tour desk or at door (DNC) \$

8:30pm Ranger Program 1 hr. Lower Pines Camp Amphitheater (NPS) & **Evening Program** 1 hr. Yosemite Lodge Amphitheater (YF) &

**Evening Program** 1 hr. Curry Village Amphitheater (DNC) & 9:00pm STARRY SKIES OVER YOSEMITE

1-1½ hrs. Tickets at any tour desk (DNC)  $\$ 

2:00pm - 4:00pm Horse-Drawn Stage Rides See page 6 for details (NPS) \$

2:00pm - 5:00pm "Wet-Plate" Photography Demo (July 11 only) See page 6 for details (NPS) &

2:00pm - 5:00pm **Blacksmith Demo** (July 18 only) Pioneer Yosemite History

1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> hrs. Lower Grove trailhead (NPS)

4 hrs. Live music with pianist/singer Tom Bopp. Wawona Hotel lounge (DNC)

1 hr. Wawona Campground Amphitheater (NPS) &

5:30pm Vintage Music of Yosemite

8:00pm Campfire Ranger Talk

2:00pm Nature Walk in the Mariposa Grove\*

Center (NPS) &

9:00am Ranger Talk - Bears

2<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> hrs. Lembert Dome parking area

### Center (YA) \$

9:00am Photography Walk 2 hrs. Limited space. Reservations required. Sign up/meet at The Ansel Adams Gallery. Conditions permitting (AAG) Bike to Hike Tour 21/2 hrs. Curry Village

bike stand. Tickets at any tour desk (YMS) \$ 10:00am JUNIOR RANGER WALK

1 hr. Lower Pines Camp Amphitheater (NPS)

Art Class 4 hrs. Details at left (YA) 10:30am PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP FOR KIDS (July 12 only) 1 hr. Limited to 10 LeConte Memorial Lodge (SC)

1:00pm Ranger Stroll – Yosemite's Legacy 11/2 hrs. Front of Valley Visitor Center (NPS) &

3:00pm STORYTIME 1/2 hr. Ahwahnee Lawn (DNC) 3:30pm Ranger Stroll – Bears

11/2 hrs. Lower Pines Camp Amphitheater (NPS) **Discovery Hike – Yosemite Falls** 

31/2 hrs. Yosemite Lodge Amphitheater Tickets at any tour desk (YMS) \$

5:30pm Summer Twilight Stroll 1 hr. Ahwahnee back lawn (DNC)

7:30pm OLD-FASHIONED CAMPFIRE & SING-ALONG 11/2 hrs. Near Curry Village

Tickets at any tour desk or at door (DNC) \$

1 hr. Lower Pines Camp Amphitheater (NPS) &

1 hr. Yosemite Lodge Amphitheater (DNC) &

(July 12 only) See page 6 for details (NPS) &

4 hrs. Live music with pianist/singer Tom Bopp. Wawona Hotel lounge (DNC)

1 hr. Wawona Campground Amphitheater

9:00am Hetch Hetchy Walk (July 19 only)

9:30am Hike to the Giants (July 19 only)

10:00am Ranger Walk - History

2 hrs. O'Shaughnessy Dam (NPS)

2 hrs. Tuolumne Grove Parking Lot (YF)

2 hrs. Tuolumne Meadows Campground

<ul> <li>10:00am Ranger Walk – Geology 2 hrs. Pothole Dome shuttle stop #8 Road marker T-29 (NPS)</li> <li>1:30pm Ranger Walk – Along the River 2 hrs. Tuolumne Meadows Campground Reservation Office (NPS)</li> <li>7:00pm CAMPFIRE FOR KIDS 1 hr. Conness Circle, Loop C in Tuolumne Meadows Campground (NPS)</li> <li>8:00pm Campfire 1 hr. Dana Circle in Tuolumne Meadows Campground (NPS)</li> <li>9:30pm Ranger Talk – Stars 1 hr. Tuolumne Meadows Campground Reservation Office Dress warmly and bring pad to sit on (NPS)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Reservation Office (NPS)</li> <li>2:00pm JUNIOR RANGERS <ul> <li>2 hrs. Ages 7-12 Tuolumne Meadows Campground Reservation Office (NPS)</li> </ul> </li> <li>8:00pm Campfire <ul> <li>1 hr. Dana Circle in Tuolumne Meadows Campground (NPS)</li> </ul> </li> <li>9:15pm Ranger Walk – Night Prowl <ul> <li>1¼ hrs. Sign up at Tuolumne Meadows Visitor Center 209/372-0263 (NPS)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>10:00am Ranger Walk – Bears and Other Wildlife 1½ hrs. Tuolumme Meadows Campground Reservation Office (NPS)</li> <li>2:00pm Ranger Walk – Wildflowers 2 hrs. Lembert Dome parking area (NPS)</li> <li>6:30pm Ranger Walk – Music for Parks 1¼ hrs. Lembert Dome Parking area (NPS)</li> <li>8:00pm Campfire 1 hr. Dana Circle in Tuolumne Meadows Campground (NPS)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>9:15am Ranger Hike - Mono Pass (July 14 only) 6-8 hrs. 10 miles. Moderate Mono Pass trailhead. Bring lunch, water, and raingear (NPS)</li> <li>10:00am Ranger Walk - Bennettville Exploration 2 hrs. Moderate. Junction Campground bridge, off Saddlebag Road, east of Tioga Pass Entrance Station (NPS)</li> <li>JUNIOR RANGERS 2 hrs. Ages 7-12 Tuolume Meadows Campground Reservation Office (NPS)</li> <li>2:00pm Parsons Summer Series Program (July 21 only) Details at left</li> <li>8:00pm Campfire 1 hr. Dana Circle in Tuolumne Meadows Campground (NPS)</li> <li>9:30pm Ranger Talk - Stars 1 hr. Tuolumne Meadows Campground Reservation Office Dress warmly and bring pad to sit on (NPS)</li> </ul>
10:00am <b>Ranger Walk – Explore Bridalveil</b> Creek 2 hrs. Meet at phone booth at Bridalveil Campground (NPS) 7:45pm <b>Sunset Ranger Talk</b> 1/2 hr. Glacier Point railing, overlooking the Valley (NPS) &	10:00am Ranger Wildflower Walk to McGurk Meadow 2 hrs. Meet at phone booth at Bridalveil Campground (NPS) 2:00pm Ranger Walk – Cliffs and Domes 2 hrs. Taft Point/Sentinel Dome parking area on Glacier Point Road (NPS) 8:00pm Campfire 1 hr. Bridalveil Creek Campground, loop C (NPS) &	<ul> <li>10:00am Ranger Walk – Find a Secret Meadow or a Ghost Forest <ol> <li>2 hrs. Meet at phone booth at Bridalveil Campground (NPS)</li> </ol> </li> <li>7:45pm Sunset Ranger Talk <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> hr. Glacier Point railing, overlooking the Valley (NPS) &amp;</li> <li>8:30pm Stars Over Yosemite Astronomy program with telescope-viewing Glacier Point Amphitheater Cancel if overcast (NPS)</li></ul>	2:00pm Ranger Walk – Cliffs and Domes 2 hrs. Taft Point/Sentinel Dome parking area on Glacier Point Rd. (NPS) 7:45pm Sunset Ranger Talk ½ hr. Glacier Point railing (NPS) & 8:00pm Campfire 1 hr. Bridalveil Creek Campground, loop C (NPS) & 8:30pm Stars Over Yosemite Glacier Point Amphitheater. Cancel if overcast (NPS)
9:00am <b>Ranger Walk – Bears</b> 1 hr. White Wolf Lodge (NPS)		<ul> <li>1:00pm Hike to Luken's Lake (July 20 only) 2 hrs. White Wolf Lodge (NPS)</li> <li>8:00pm Campfire Program 1 hr. White Wolf Campground Amphitheater (NPS)</li> </ul>	9:00am Ranger Walk – Bears 2 hrs. White Wolf Lodge (NPS) 3:00pm JUNIOR RANGERS 1½ hrs. White Wolf Lodge (NPS) 7:30pm Twilight Walk 1½ hrs. White Wolf Lodge (NPS) 8:30pm Astronomy (July 21 only) 1 hr. Bring a

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**Glacier Point** 

#### **Ranger Walks**

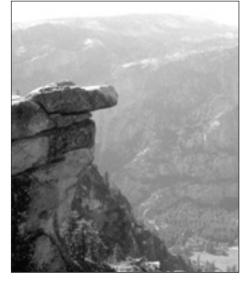
Join a ranger for a walk to discover Yosemite's unique, tucked-away places. See a pioneer cabin near a beautiful meadow, explore the red fir forest, or hike to a seldom-seen waterfall. See Scheduled Events pages for dates and times.

#### **Evening Programs**

Meet a ranger to enjoy the lengthening shadows in Yosemite Valley and the alpenglow on the Sierra high country, or come for the sunset and stay for the moonrise. Stargazing programs are offered as well.

See Scheduled Events pages for dates and times.

Illustration by Lawrence Ormsby



**Overhanging Rock at Glacier Point** Photo by D. Guidi



Take a stage ride in Wawona.

Photo by John Hawksworth

#### **Evening Programs**

Join pianist/singer Tom Bopp in the Wawona Hotel lobby from 5:30pm to 9:30pm., Tuesday through Saturday, as he performs songs and stories from Yosemite's past. Once or twice a week, he will present an hour-long interpretive program on the vintage songs of Yosemite or the history of Wawona with slide or music accompaniment. Check with Tom at the piano for dates and times.

#### Wawona Information Station at Hill's Studio

Open 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., the station offers information about park activities, Wilderness permits, trail information, books, bear canister rentals, and maps. Located on the grounds of the Wawona Hotel, Hill's Studio was the gallery and art studio of famous 19th-century landscape painter, Thomas Hill. Walk from the hotel or park at the Wawona Store parking area and follow the path up the hill. For more information call 209/375-9531.

#### **Evening Programs**

## Wawona & Mariposa Grove

#### Pioneer Yosemite History Center

Go back to a time of horse-drawn wagons, a covered bridge, and log cabins. A visit to the Pioneer Yosemite History Center explores Yosemite's history and explains how Yosemite was the inspiration for national parks across America and around the world. The center is always open, and interpretive signs and brochures are available.

#### Live Demonstrations

See Scheduled Events pages for dates and times.

#### Experience Horse-Drawn Travel

Travel into history by taking a 10-minute horsedrawn stage ride. Tickets may be purchased at the Stage Office in the Pioneer Yosemite History Center. \$3/adults and \$2/child (ages 3-12).

#### Blacksmith Shop

Smell the burning coal, hear the ring of the hammer on the anvil, and watch a demonstration of the ancient art of blacksmithing.

#### Old-Fashioned "Wet-Plate" Photography Demonstration

See the equipment and chat with a photographer who uses the same type of materials and chemicals used by photographers 150 years ago. Artist's Cabin, Pioneer Yosemite History Center, July 11 though 15.

#### **Mariposa Grove**

Located at Yosemite's southern end, the Mariposa Grove is the park's largest stand of giant sequoias, with about 500 trees. A few of these giants are visible in the parking area. Information about access for disabled people is available at the tram boarding area.

#### **Getting to Mariposa Grove**

Allow 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> hours driving time to reach the grove from Yosemite Valley. Cars are prohibited beyond the grove parking lot. The access road to the grove may close intermittently due to limited parking.

## FREE MARIPOSA GROVE & WAWONA SHUTTLE

A shuttle stops at the Wawona Store, South Entrance, and Mariposa Grove. Visitors may park at the Wawona Store to board the bus. Shuttles operate beginning at 9:00 a.m, and the last shuttle leaves the grove at 6:00 p.m., or after the last tour. Please use this free bus service to help reduce congestion and parking delays.

#### FREE SHUTTLE SERVICE BETWEEN WAWONA AND YOSEMITE VALLEY

Bus departs daily from the Wawona Hotel at 8:30am and from the Wawona Store at 8:35am. It departs from Yosemite Lodge for return trip at 3:30pm.

## Walking through the Grove

Trails into the grove extend uphill from the trailhead at the far end of the parking area. Interpretive signs between the trailhead and the California Tree provide a self-guiding tour. Written translations are available at the trailhead in Spanish, German, French, and Japanese. *Dogs are not permitted anywhere in the Grove.* 

#### **DISTANCE & ELEVATION**

DESTINATION	DISTANCE FROM TRAILHEAD	ELEVATION GAIN
Grizzly Giant	0.8 mile /1.3km	400ft / 122m
Grove Museum	2.1 miles /3.5km	800ft / 292m
Fallen Tunnel Tre	e 2.5 miles /4.0km	1,000ft / 305m
Wawona Point	3.0 miles /4.8km	1,200ft / 438m

#### **Mariposa Grove Museum**

Open 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Located in the upper part of the Mariposa Grove, the museum offers information, displays on giant sequoias, and a small bookstore.

Share in a park tradition by joining a ranger for an hour of stories, legends, and fun. Topics vary each night. See Scheduled Events pages for dates, times, and locations. Trailers are prohibited on the Mariposa Grove Road. Private vehicles longer than 23 feet may not use this road during the hours of shuttle operation (9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.).

## Big Oak Flat & Sequoia Groves

#### **Big Oak Flat Information Station**

Open 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The station offers general park information, books, and maps. It also provides Wilderness permits, bear canister rentals, and backpacking information.

#### **Merced Grove**

Yosemite's quietest stand of sequoias is the Merced Grove, a group of about 20 trees accessible only on foot. It's a four-mile round-trip hike (about three hours) into the grove from Big Oak Flat Road (Highway 120 West). Located  $3^{1}/_{2}$  miles north of Crane Flat and  $4^{1}/_{2}$  miles south of the Big Oak Flat Entrance, the trailhead is marked by a road sign and post labeled B-10.

#### **Tuolumne Grove**

This cluster of about 25 sequoias is near Crane Flat at the intersection of Big Oak Flat and Tioga roads. The former route of the Big Oak Flat Road leads downhill from Crane Flat into the grove. Now closed to cars, this path drops 500 feet (150 meters) in one mile. The trip is moderately strenuous on the uphill return. Within the Tuolumne Grove there is an easy, half-mile, self-guiding nature trail.

Indicates facilities accessible to visitors in wheelchairs. Short, steep inclines may be encountered.

## Yosemite Today

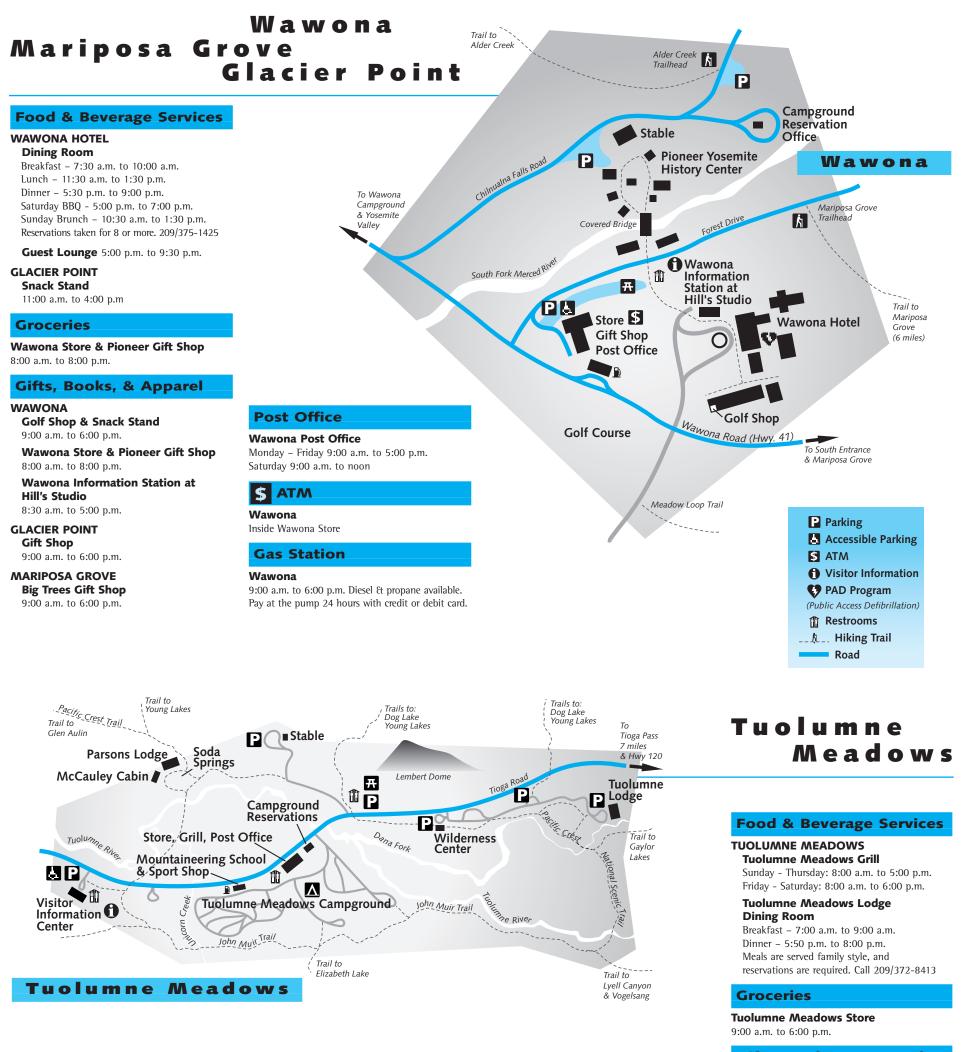
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#### WHAT TO DO



#### Gifts, Books, & Apparel

**Mountaineering School and Sport Shop** 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

**Tuolumne Meadows Bookstore** 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Inside the Tuolumne Meadows Visitor Center

## White Wolf Crane Flat

Groceries

8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

**Gas Station** 

White Wolf Camp Store

9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Diesel available.

Pay at the pump 24 hours with credit or debit card.

**Crane Flat** 

**Crane Flat** 

 Tuolumne Meadows Store

 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

**Tuolumne Meadows Wilderness Center** 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

#### **Post Office**

**Tuolumne Meadows Post Office** Monday – Friday: 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Saturday: 9:00 a.m. to noon

#### **Gas Station**

**Tuolumne Meadows** 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Propane available. Pay at the pump 24 hours with credit or debit card.

#### Showers

Tuolumne Lodge Noon to 3:30 p.m.

#### Food & Beverage Services

#### WHITE WOLF LODGE

Breakfast – 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. Take-out lunch – noon to 2:00 p.m. Dinner - 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Dinner reservations are advised. Call 209/372-8416.

#### Gifts, Books, & Apparel

**BIG OAK FLAT INFORMATION STATION** 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

## Red Bear, Dead Bear

Speeding cars hit dozens of black bears, hundreds of deer, and countless other animals on park roads every year. The Red Bear, Dead Bear signs along the Tioga Road mark a place where a bear was recently hit.

Driving the speed limit can help save wild animals.



WHERE TO GO

## **General Park** Information

#### **Emergency 911**

Fire - Police - Medical Emergency: Dial 911, 24 hours a day (from hotel room 9-911)

#### **Park Information**

Road, Weather, and **General Park Information** 209/372-0200 www.nps.gov/yose

Park Partner Information

#### www.yosemitepartners.org

#### Medical

#### **Yosemite Medical Clinic**

Emergency care: 24 hours daily Drop-in and urgent care: 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Appointments

8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Monday - Friday Located on Ahwahnee Drive in Yosemite Valley, the clinic provides routine and emergency medical care, 24-hour paramedic/ambulance services, limited pharmacy, lab, x-ray, physical therapy, and Mountain Crisis Services for victims of domestic violence, 209/372-4637

#### **T** PAD Program

Yosemite's Public Access Defibrillation (PAD) Program is designed to protect park visitors and staff from sudden cardiac arrest. All automated external defibrillator (AED) cabinets have been placed in high visitor-use locations and are open and accessible to anyone in the event of a medical emergency. For more information about the PAD Program, contact the Yosemite Medical Clinic.

AEDs can be found at the following locations: Village Store (Yosemite Village); registration desks at Yosemite Lodge, Curry Village, The Ahwahnee, and the Wawona Hotel: Crane Flat Store; Badger Pass Lodge (winter); and Glacier Point (summer).

#### **Dental Services**

Adjacent to Yosemite Medical Clinic. For hours, call 209/372-4200. If no answer, call 209/372-4637.

#### **Weather Radio**

The National Weather Service broadcasts weather information for Yosemite National Park 24 hours a day on NOAA Weather Radio station KAD-94, on a frequency of 162.450 MHz. Please note that reception may not be available in remote areas.

#### Accommodations

For advance reservations or information (rooms or activities), call 559/252-4848, or visit www.YosemitePark.com. For availability on day of arrival, check at any front desk.

#### Camping

To reserve campsites, call the National Recreation Reservation Service at 877/444-6777 between 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m., or check www.recreation.gov. For same-day reservations, visit Yosemite's Campground Reservation Office at the northeast corner of the Curry Village parking lot. First-come, first-served campsites vailable. See the Yosemite Guide for

#### **Wilderness Permits**

Anyone going into Yosemite's backcountry must have a Wilderness permit. Register for permits at the Valley Wilderness Center, Wawona Information Station at Hill's Studio, Big Oak Flat Information Station, Hetch Hetchy Entrance Station, or Tuolumne Meadows Wilderness Center.

#### **Recreation** Conditions permitting

#### **YOSEMITE MOUNTAINEERING** SCHOOL AND GUIDE SERVICE

Yosemite Mountaineering School and Guide Service offers lessons and guided climbing at all levels, overnight backpacking, and guided day hikes to spectacular areas of Yosemite.

Curry Village 209/372-8344

8:30 a.m to noon, 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Tuolumne Meadows 209/372-8435 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

#### **BICYCLE RENTALS**

Daily, weather permitting, with hourly and daily rates. Baby-joggers, wheelchairs, and six-speed bikes with trailers. Last rentals are at 5:45 p.m. Call 209/372-4FUN for information.

Yosemite Lodge 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Curry Village 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

#### **CURRY VILLAGE RAFT RENTALS**

Call 209/372-4FUN for information. 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

SWIMMING POOLS **Curry Village** 

11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

**Yosemite Lodge** 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Wawona Dawn to dusk

#### **GOLF AT WAWONA HOTEL**

9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., conditions permitting

- **TRAIL RIDES** 2-hour rides depart daily. Call for reservations. **Yosemite Valley** Shuttle stop #18
- 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. 209/372-8348 Wawona
- 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. 209/375-6502 **Tuolumne Meadows**

7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

#### **Tours** Conditions permitting

Inquire at tour/transportation desks at the following locations:

#### Yosemite Lodge Tour Desk

7:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. 209/372-1240 **Yosemite Valley Visitor Center** 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Village Store Tour Kiosk 7:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**Curry Village Tour Kiosk** 

7:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. **Big Trees Tour Kiosk** 

9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. 209/375-1621 SIGHTSEEING TOURS

Valley Floor Tour



#### **Explore the Night Sky**

One of the great advantages of visiting Yosemite is seeing the park's very dark night sky. Celestial features not visible in many urban areas can be seen here. At dusk, look low in the western sky for both Venus and Saturn.

July 16 The thin waxing crescent moon shines low in the west at dusk.

July 21 The star to the upper right of the Moon this evening is Spica. Brighter Arcturus is much higher above them.

July 24 The Moon shines to the lower right of Jupiter this evening.

## **General Services**

#### S ATM

**Yosemite Village** 

South of Village Store (Bank of America) Inside Village Store

**Yosemite Lodge** Inside main registration area

**Curry Village** Inside gift/grocery store

Wawona Inside Wawona Store

El Portal

On Hwy. 140 at Yosemite View Lodge and the El Portal Market

#### Miscellaneous

#### Babysitting

Limited babysitting is available for registered guests at Yosemite Lodge and The Ahwahnee. Call front desk or concierge in advance for more information.

#### Kennel 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Located at the stable in Yosemite Valley. Dogs must be gentle, over 10 pounds; proof of shots and license are required. 209/372-8348

#### Internet Access

Internet access is available to park visitors at three locations: Yosemite Lodge, Degnan's Café, and the Mariposa County Library (Girls Club), south of the Yosemite Cemetery. Access at the library is free, requires a sign-up and is available during limited hours Monday through Thursday (check at library for details). At Yosemite Lodge, kiosks and wireless access are available 24 hours for a fee. At Degnan's Café, kiosks are available 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. for a fee.

#### **Service Organizations**

Al-Anon 7:00 p.m. Wednesday DNC General Office Building (Executive Conference Room) Yosemite Village

#### **Alcoholics Anonymous**

8:00 a.m. Saturday, Degnan's Loft 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Tuesday, and Thursday DNC General Office Building

(Employee Training Center) Yosemite Village Narcotics Anonymous 7:30 p.m. Saturday DNC General Office Building

#### (Employee Training Center) Yosemite Village



#### **Lions Club**

Meets the first and third Thursdays of each month at noon, The Ahwahnee. Call 209/372-4475 for information.

#### **Rotary International**

Meets Thursdays for lunch at noon in The Ahwahnee Mural Room. Visiting Rotarian families and guests welcome. For meeting reservations or information, call 209/372-8459.

#### **Religious Services**

#### **YOSEMITE COMMUNITY CHURCH**

(Nondenominational Christian) Pastor Brent Moore 209/372-4831 Wedding information on our website: www.yosemitevalleychapel.org Various Bible Studies during the week. Counseling provided. Call pastor for appointment.

#### Worship Service/Yosemite Valley Chapel

Sunday 9:15 a.m. (Sunday School and Nursery available) Sunday 11:00 a.m. (no Sunday School/Nursery) Sunday 6:30 p.m. Tuesday Women's Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Held at Pastor Brent's home, call for location

Tuesday Men's Bible Study 7:00 p.m. Thursday 7:00 p.m.

#### **Campground Worship Services**

Lower Pines (Yosemite Valley), Wawona, **Tuolumne Meadows** 9:00 a.m. Sunday

CHURCH OF CHRIST (Nondenominational)

Foresta Road, at top of Chapel Lane

Pastor Steve Hughes, Pastor Rae Armstrong

THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF

Sacrament Meeting at Yosemite Valley Chapel

Worship Gathering Wednesday 7:30 p.m.

**CROSSWAY TRIBE OF JESUS** 

(Christian Protestant) 209/379-2428

Curry Village Community Center

El Portal Chapel/Worship Service Sunday 11:00 a.m.

#### **ROMAN CATHOLIC**

Rev. Raymond J. Duffy 209/372-4729 **Mass in Yosemite Valley** 

Valley Visitor Center Theater Saturday 7:30 p.m. Sunday 10:00 a.m.

#### Mass in Wawona Wawona Community Center

Saturday 4:30 p.m.

Ron Skelton 209/379-2307

LATTER DAY SAINTS

Sunday 1:00 PM

Dan Andersen, Merced Stake

details.

#### **& Accessible Services**

The Yosemite Accessibility Guide is available at park entrance stations, visitor centers, and online at www.nps.gov/yose/access.

TTYs are available inside The Ahwahnee and Yosemite Lodge, and outside the Valley Visitor Center and Curry Village front desk.

Accessible parking spaces are available just west of the Yosemite Valley Visitor Center. To reach these, enter the Valley on Southside Drive, and go west (left) on Sentinel Drive. Turn left on Northside Drive, and follow the blue-and-white accessibility signs.

#### **Bear Canister Rental**

Canisters are available for \$5 per trip at the Valley Wilderness Center, the Wawona Information Station at Hill's Studio, the Big Oak Flat Information Station, the Hetch Hetchy Entrance Station, and Tuolumne Meadows Wilderness Center.

This 26-mile, 2-hour tram tour departs several times daily from Yosemite Lodge at the Falls in Yosemite Valley. Contact any tour desk for times. Most tours are conducted by National Park Service Rangers.

Moonlight Tour July 26 - 30 This tram tour takes the same route as the Valley Floor tour, at the time of the full moon.

#### **Glacier Point Tour**

This 4-hour round trip from Yosemite Valley to Glacier Point departs at 8:30 and 10:00 a.m., and 1:30 p.m., daily from Yosemite Lodge. The Glacier Point Tour also offers a one-way ticket for adventurers to hike back down to Yosemite Valley.

#### **Big Trees Tram Tour**

Trams run every day in the Mariposa Grove of giant sequoias for a 1-hour tour through the lower and upper groves. Call 209/375-1621 for information.

#### **Grand Tour**

This 8-hour combination of Big Trees and Glacier Point tours departs at 8:45 a.m. daily from Yosemite Lodge.

#### **Tuolumne Meadows Hikers Bus**

Departs from Yosemite Lodge at 8:20 a.m. Call 209/372-1240 for information.

Ranger-led tram tour

NPS Photo by Ray Santos

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST Coordinators Ray & Edie DeFehr 209/586-4325 Yosemite Valley at Lower River Amphitheater, across bridge from Housekeeping Camp or <sup>1</sup>/<sub>3</sub> mile north of Stoneman Bridge. No services July 21

Music Saturday 9:45 a.m. Sabbath School Saturday 10:00 a.m. Worship Service Saturday 11:00 a.m. Potluck Picnic Saturday 12:30 p.m.



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#### **YOSEMITE AREA REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM**

YARTS bus stops for the Highway 140 route are in Yosemite Valley at the Ahwahnee, Curry Village, Valley Visitor Center, and Yosemite Lodge. The YARTS bus for the Highway 120/395 route stops only at the Valley Visitor Center. For bus schedules to and from the Yosemite area, call 1-877-98-YARTS, or visit YARTS online at www.yarts.com.

#### GENERAL PARK INFORMATION AND SERVICES