**Yosemite Today**

**July 26 - August 8, 2005**

**Yosemite National Park**

**Road Info**
Due to construction, you may experience short delays or temporary detours on some park roads. Call 209/372-0200 for recorded road information.

**Spirit of Yosemite**
Don’t miss this award-winning, state-of-the-art film! Shown every 30 minutes at the Valley Visitor Center, free of charge. See map below for directions to Day Parking. Take shuttle to stop #5.

Pick up your free Yosemite Map and Guide at the Visitor Center.

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**Limited Access to Half Dome Cables**
July 6th-October 4th. During the trail repair work on the Sub Dome segment of Half Dome, access is restricted Monday-Thursday 7:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. The trail to the Half Dome summit is open without restrictions Friday-Sunday and after 4:00 p.m. on Monday-Thursday.

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**Yosemite Valley Shuttle Bus Map**

Located in Yosemite Village, Park and walk or take the free shuttle bus.

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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 209/372-0363 B

Parsons Memorial Lodge, McCauley Cabin and Soda Springs
This historic area is only accessible by walking. There are two trails, both flat and both 1/2 mile long. See the map of Tuolumne Meadows area in this paper. Parsons Memorial Lodge is usually open from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The Soda Springs are small naturally carbonated springs that often attract birds and deer at sunrise and sunset.

Free Olmsted Point/Tuolumne/Tioga Pass Shuttle Bus
Free shuttle bus service is available during the summer along the Tioga Road from Olmsted Point to Tioga Pass. Due to limited traffic, parking, use of the free shuttle buses is strongly advised.

The Ansel Adams Gallery
Located in Yosemite Village next to the Visitor Center. 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, a wide selection of hardcovers, books, gifts and photography supplies are offered. Scheduled activities are listed on the front porch of the Gallery. For more information, call 1-800-568-7398 or visit www.anseladams.com.

Gallery Exhibit
"J. W. Walliet, an award-winning photographer/author with local connections is the featured photographer at The Ansel Adams Gallery on July 27 through September 5, 2005. The exhibit of brilliant color photographs titled "A Few Good Friends" offers fresh treatments of classic and contemporary photographs from the twenty-plus-year career of the former Yosemite resident.

LeConte Memorial Lodge
Located at the Tuolumne Meadows Visitor Center and 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 of environmental education and evening programs. For more information, call 209/372-4542. B

Yosemite Theater Live
Come help Yosemite Theater celebrate its 23rd season! Shows are presented live onstage in the Visitor Center Theater. Hear the adventuromantic tales and antics of John Muir; share the journey by wagon across the plains to California with feisty pioneer Sarah Hawkins, or hear from Ron Kauk about his relationship to Yosemite through rock climbing with filmmaker Stanisingh Johnson, or experience early park history from Park Ranger Shelton Johnson as Cavvy Officer Eddy Boman. Tickets are $8.00 adult, $4.00 children 12 and under and are sold at the door ($1 available), or in advance at any tour desk. See above for dates and times. B

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Indian Cultural Exhibit
Open 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (closed for lunch). Displays interpret the cultural history of Yosemite's native Huiwai and Paiute people from 1855 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. (closed for lunch). Offering 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. Occasionally, Indian Cultural Program staff provide demonstrations or programs about Ahwahnechee drills and culture.

Yosemite Cemetery
This historic cemetery is located across the street and just west of the Yosemite Museum. People buried here include American Indians and others who played an important role in the development of what is now Yosemite National Park. A Guide to the Yosemite Cemetery is available at the Valley Visitor Center.

Wilderness Center
Open 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Located in Yosemite Village between The Ansel Adams Gallery and the post office. One-stop resource for backpackers in need of wilderness permits, bear canisters, maps, and guidebooks. Displays and information on pre-trip planning, minimum impact camping techniques, and Yosemite wilderness. B

Nature Center at Happy Isles
Open 10:00 a.m. to noon, 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. This nature center includes natural history exhibits, interactive displays, and a bookstore geared to nature-exploring for families. Nearby are short trails focusing on the area's four different environments: forest, river, talus, and fen.

You can also see substantial evidence of the huge 1996 rockfall from the Glacier Point cliff far above the Nature Center. An outdoor exhibit details the geologic story of rockfalls in Yosemite. The Center is focusing on the area's four different environments; forest, river, talus, and fen. B

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Special Events

PARSONS MEMORIAL LODGE

These inspiring programs begin at 2:00 p.m. and last approximately 1 hour, unless otherwise noted. Allow 30 minutes walking time to Parsons Memorial Lodge from either Yosemite Village parking area or the Tuolumne Meadows Visitor Center. Admission is free. Check below for additional programs and times.

SATURDAY, JUNE 30

2:00 P.M. Sierra Nevada Lakes: A Natural History Tour of an Unknown Underwater World
Slide presentation by Roland Knapp, Research Biologist, Sierra Nevada Aquatic Research Lab
7:30 P.M. - 9:00 P.M. Return to Balance - A Climbing Journey
Film and conversation with Ron Kischewski

SUNDAY, JULY 1

Taking the Pulse of the Parks - Monitoring Ecosystem Health
Slide presentation by Wendy Mach, Inventory & Monitoring Coordinator, Sierra Nevada Network Parks, and Manya Rose, Ecologist, Sierra Nevada Network

SUNDAY, AUGUST 7

2:00 P.M. - 3:30 P.M. The Ecology of Wonder: Wild Culture and the Animistic Earth
Talk by David Abram, ecologist, anthropologist, and philosopher; author of The Spell of the Sensuous
4:30 P.M. - 6:15 P.M. Perception and the Poetics of Place
An experimental workshop and conversation with David Abram
Workshop space is limited. Sign up at 2:00 P.M. lectures.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 7

What’s the Buzz about Yosemite Bees?
Slide presentation by Harold Ikerd, Research Scientist

Free Art Classes

Free, informal outdoor classes in various art mediums are available for adults through the Yosemite Art Center, located on the east end of Yosemite Village near the Village Stores. Each class begins at 10:00 A.M. and ends at 2:00 P.M.
July 25 - 30
Milton Bullard
Pen & Ink
August 1 - 6
Thor Ericson
Watercolor
August 8 - 13
David Dyell
Watercolor

Thursdays & Saturdays
Art Class for Beginners
Classes are 10:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.

Free Art Classes

NPS = National Park Service
DNC = Delaware North Companies at Yosemite
AAC = The Ansel Adams Gallery
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SC = Sierra Club
YA = Yosemite Association
YF = Yosemite Fund
S = Programs offered for a fee

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During the summer months, a sign language interpreter is available upon request. Contact the Deaf Services Coordinator at 209-372-0296 (voice/TTY), or the Valley Visitor Center at 209-372-4726 (TTY) for information on how to request an interpreter. Advanced notice of 14 days is requested. On occasion, shorter notice requests can be accommodated.

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

Programs for Children and Families

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Yosemite Valley

JULY 11 & AUGUST 7

SUNDAY

10:00 A.M. Ranger Walk—Trees
2 hrs. Meet at shuttle stop #3 (NPS)

10:30 A.M. Nature Walk in the Mariposa Grove
1 1/2 hrs. Lower Grove Trailhead (NPS)

11:00 A.M. Horse-Drawn Stage Rides
Meet at the Stage Office in the Pioneer Yosemite History Center (NPS)

11:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M. Wild-Plate Photography Demonstration
Pioneer Yosemite History Center (NPS)

11:30 A.M. Visit Yosemite’s Past: Tour of Pioneer Yosemite History Center
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Glacier Point

July 26 - August 8, 2005

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 in the Canadian life zone, 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 atmosphere on the Sierra high country, or come for the sunset and stay for the moonrise.

On Thursday evenings, photographers will not want to miss the Alpangsange Photo Shoot, led by representatives from Kodak (in association with Delaware North Companies). Glacier Point is one of the best places in Yosemite to see the stars. Stargazing programs are offered on the weekends starting at 8:30 p.m.

See Scheduled Events pages for dates and times.

Illustration by Lawrence Ormsby

Wawona & Mariposa Grove

Evening Programs
Come to a campfire! Share in a park tradition by joining a ranger for an hour of stories, legends, and fun. Every Sunday, Tuesday, Friday, and Saturday nights. Program topics vary each night. Meet at the amphitheater at 8:00 p.m. in the Wawona Campground.

Join pianist/ranger Tom Bopp in the Wawona Hotel on Thursday nights. Program topics vary each night. Meet at the piano for dates and times. &

Wawona Information Station at Hill’s Studio
Open daily 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (closed for lunch) 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 209/375-9331. &

Pioneer Yosemite History Center
Historic horse-drawn wagon exhibit, covered bridge and historic 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 30-minute stage ride. Tickets may be purchased in the “Stage Office” in the Pioneer Yosemite History Center. $3 adults, $2 children ages 3-12 (NPS). &

Old-Fashioned Wet-Plate Photography
See the equipment and chat with a photographer who uses the same type of materials and chemicals used by Yosemite photographers 140 years ago. Meet at the Artist’s Cabin in the Pioneer Yosemite History Center. (NPS). &

Blacksmith Demonstration
Smell the burning coal, hear the ring of the hammer on the anvil, and watch as a blacksmith demonstrates the ancient art of blacksmithing. Visit the blacksmith at the Blacksmith Shop in the Pioneer Yosemite History Center. (NPS). &

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To Get to Mariposa Grove
Allow 3-1/2 hours driving time to the Mariposa Grove from Yosemite Valley. Cars are prohibited beyond the parking area in the Grove, but several giant sequoias can be seen from there. Information about access for the disabled is available at the tram boarding area. The access road to the Grove may close intermittently due to limited parking. Trailers and motor homes are prohibited on the Mariposa Grove Road from the South Entrance to Mariposa Grove.

Free Mariposa Grove & Wawona Shuttle Bus
The shuttle bus stops at the Wawona Store, South Entrance, and Mariposa Grove. Shuttles operate throughout the day beginning at 8:00 a.m. Last shuttle leaves the Grove at 6:00 p.m. Visitors may park at the Wawona Store to board the shuttle bus. Due to narrow roads and very limited parking, visitors are strongly encouraged to use this free bus service in order to help alleviate congestion and lengthy parking delays.

Walking through the Grove
The trailhead for walking up through the Grove is located 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.

Mariposa Grove Museum
Open daily 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (closed for lunch). Giant Sequoia displays and store offering books, maps and information. Located in the upper portion of the Mariposa Grove. &

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Crane Flat & Big Oak Flat

Big Oak Flat Information Station
Open Thursday - Monday 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (closed for lunch). Station is located just inside the park at the Big Oak Flat Entrance Station (Highway 120 West), and offers park orientation material, trail information, books, and maps. Phone 209/375-1899. &

Big Oak Flat Wilderness Center
Open 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Located inside the Information Station. Wilderness permits, trail information, bear canister rentals, and limited map sales. &

Yosemite’s Other Sequoia Groves

Tulсиemme Grove
The Tuolumne Grove of Giant Sequoias is near Crane Flat at the intersection of the Big Oak Flat Road (Highway 120 West) and the Tioga Road. The former route of the Big Oak Flat Road leads downhill from Crane Flat into the Tuolumne Grove of Big Trees, a cluster of about 25 sequoias. New closed to cars, this 2-mile (3.2 km) round-trip walk has an elevation change of 500 feet (150 meters). The downhill walk is relatively easy, though it is moderately strenuous on the uphill return. Once in the Tuolumne Grove, there is an easy half-mile, self-guiding nature trail.

Walking into the grove, visitors are strongly encouraged to use the free shuttle service in order to help alleviate congestion and lengthy parking delays.

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<th>Distance From Trailhead</th>
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<td>Grizzly Giant</td>
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<td>Fallen Tunnel Tree</td>
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<td>Wawona Point</td>
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Merced Grove
Yosemite’s quietest stand of sequoias is the Merced Grove, accessible only on foot. It’s a 2-mile hike into the grove from the Big Oak Flat Road (Highway 120 West). Located 3.5 miles north of Crane Flat or 4 miles south of the Big Oak Flat entrance, the trailhead is marked by a post labeled B-30 and a road sign. Allow 3 hours for the round-trip hike to this group of about 20 sequoias.

WHAT TO DO
Emergency 911
Fire - Police - Medical Emergency
Dial 911 24 hours a day from hotel room 9-951

Information
Road and Weather
General Park Information
209/372-0200 www.nps.gov/yose Campground Reservations
800-448-7275 reservations.nps.gov

Medical
Yosemite Medical Clinic
Emergency care: 24 hours daily
Drop-in clinic care: 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Appointments
8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday - Friday
9:00 a.m. to noon Saturday
Located on Ahwahnee Drive in Yosemite Village, the clinic provides routine and emer- gency medical care, 24-hour paramed/ambulance services, limited pharmacy, lab, x-ray, physical therapy, and Mountain Crisis Services for victims of domestic violence. 209/372-4637

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

AEDs can be found at the following locations:
- Village Visitor Center
- Village Store (Yosemite Village, Yosemite Lodge at the Falls, Curry Village Registration Desk), The Ahwahnee
- Crane Flat Store, Wawona Hotel, and Badger Pass Lodge

Dental Services
Adjoining to Medical Clinic. For hours, call 209/372-4320. If no answer, call 209/372-4637.

Services for Disabled
- The Yosemite Accessibility Guide is available at park entrance stations, visitor centers, and online at www.nps.gov/yose/access/
- TTRS are available inside The Ahwahnee, Yosemite Lodge at the Falls, and the outside the Curry Village front desk.

Accommodations
For advanced reservations or information rooms or activities, call 855/272-4848 (www.yosemitepark.com) For availability on day of arrival, check at any reservation desk, Yosemite Lodge at the Falls, The Ahwahnee, Yosemite Village, Yosemite Lodge at the Falls, and The Ahwahnee.

General Park Information

BICYCLE RENTAL
Daily, weather permitting, with hourly and daily rates. Baby-joys, wheelchairs, and six-speed bikes with trailers. Bikes must be returned by 5:45 p.m.

Yosemite Lodge at the Falls
8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. 209/372-1208
Crane Flat
Located at shuttle stops #13 & 21
8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. 209/372-8319

RAFTING
10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Water and weather conditions permitting
Last shuttle leaves at 6:00 p.m.
Raft rental located in Curry Village, shuttle stops #13 & 21

TRAIL RIDES
2-hour and 4-hour rides depart daily depending on conditions. All-day rides, private rides, and pack trips into Yosemite’s spectacular wilderness may also be arranged. Private horse boarding is available. Call for reservations.

Yosemite Valley
Located at shuttle stop #18
7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. 209/372-8349
Wawona
7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. 209/375-6502

SWIMMING POOL
Curry Village
11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Yosemite Lodge at the Falls
9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Wawona
9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

GOLFING
Wawona Golf Course
9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
9-hole, par 35 course
Green fees: $24, 18 holes $38.00

RENTING
Inquire at tour/transportation desks at the following locations:
- Yosemite Lodge at the Falls Tour Desk
- Yosemite Valley Floor Tour
- Big Trees Tram Tour
- Valley Floor Tour
- Wawona Store

SIGHTSEEING TOURS
Village Tour Kiosk
7:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.

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Curry Village Tour Kiosk
7:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.

 Valley Floor Tour
This 26-mile, 2-hour tram tour departs at 10:00, 11:00 a.m., 1:00, 2:00, and 3:00 p.m. daily from Yosemite Lodge at the Falls in Yosemite Valley West tours are conducted by National Park Service Rangers.

Glacier Point Tour
A 4-hour round trip from Yosemite Valley to Glacier Point. The Glacier Point Tour also offers an opportunity for adventures to hike back down to Yosemite Valley. Departs at 8:30, and 10:00 a.m., and 1:30 p.m. daily from Yosemite Lodge at the Falls.*

Big Trees Tram Tour
Tram runs every day in the Mariposa Grove of Giant Sequoia for a 3-hour tour through the lower and upper groves. The first tram is at 9:00 a.m. and the last tram is at 5:00 p.m., running every 15 to 20 minutes from the boarding area. Call 209/372-1622 for information.

Grand Tour
An 8-hour combination of Big Trees and Glacier Point Tours. Departs at 8:45 a.m. daily from Yosemite Lodge at the Falls.*

*Weather permitting

Service Organizations
AI-Abin
7:00 a.m. Wednesday
DNC General Office Building
(Executive Conference Room) Yosemite Village

Alcoholics Anonymous
7:30 a.m. Sunday, Tuesday, and Thursday
DNC General Office Building

Baptist Club
Meets third and fourth Thursday of each month at noon, The Ahwahnee.
Call 209/372-4475 for information.

Lions Club
Meets first and third Thursday of each month at noon, The Ahwahnee.
Call 209/372-1208 for information.

Service Organizations

SIGHTSEEING TOURS
- Yosemite Valley
- Big Trees
- Yosemite Falls

TOURS
- Yosemite Village
- Wawona
- Yosemite Valley

Night Sky Information
Take advantage of the opportunities in Yosemite to view the wonders of the night sky. Here are some signs to look for while you are out during the night hours. As August is beginning, Jupiter can be seen sinking toward the west-southwest horizon during twilight. In mid-August, Venus will be climbing up toward Jupiter at sunset, where they will be passing closely by each other on September 3. Also, look for the bright star Vega shining nearly straight overhead after dark.

July 27
Early in the morning hours, at 1:00 a.m., look for Mars shining to the lower left of the rising Moon in the east. They both will be high in the southwest by dawn.

August 7
During the early twilight hours, Venus will be low in the horizon to the west, paring dramatically with the thin crescent Moon, Jupiter will be to their upper left.

August 8
At twilight, look for Jupiter to the upper left of the crescent Moon, and Venus to the lower right.

Religious Services
YOSEMITE COMMUNITY CHURCH
(Wonderconational Christian)
Pastor Brent More 209/372-4832
Counseling provided. Call pastor for appointment.

Worship Service
Yosemite Valley Chapel
9:15 a.m. Sunday (Children’s Church and Nursery available)
11:00 a.m. Sunday
7:00 p.m. Thursday

Campground Worship Services
Lower Pines (Yosemite Valley), Wawona, White Wolf, Tuolumne Meadows
9:00 a.m. Sunday

ROMAN CATHOLIC
Rev. Raymond J. Duffy 209/372-4729

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

Mass in Wawona
Community Center/Old School House
Saturday 4:30 p.m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST
Pastor Ron Skelton 209/376-2307
El Portal Chapel
Worship Service
Saturday 9:00 a.m.

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST
Don Ruot 209/588-6854
Yosemite Valley at Lower River Amphitheater, across from Housekeeping Camp (near shuttle stop #41)

Sabbath School
Saturday 10:00 a.m.

Worship Service
Saturday 11:00 a.m.

CROSS CHURCH
(Christian Protestant)
Pastor Steve Hughes 209/373-2498

Worship Service
Thursday 7:30 p.m. Curry Village Community Center

EL PORTAL COMMUNITY CHURCH
Pastor Russ Anderson 209/373-1255
El Portal Chapel
Worship Service
First and fourth Saturday 7:30 p.m.
Second, fourth, and fifth Sunday 10:30 a.m.

WAWONA CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP
Pastor Clark Adkins 209/373-3139
Wawona Community Center
Worship Service
Sunday 9:00 a.m.

Women’s Bible Study
Wednesday 1:00 p.m.

Ranger-led tram tour
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