

# LOCATIONS FOR PROGRAMS, ACTIVITIES



## SUMMIT • M-WOK RANGER DISTRICTS

The rich diversity of the Stanislaus National Forest Highway 108 corridor provides something for everyone. Winding its way from 4600 ft to 9600 ft in elevation at the Sonora Pass, the beauty of the area is in the contrasts. Tall green conifers and brilliant wildflowers welcome you along the way. Restful mountain views reflect in the crystal Pinecrest Lake and Beardsley Reservoir, while the areas offer many recreational opportunities. Two wilderness areas, Emigrant and Carson-Iceberg, are endowed with miles of hiking trails. If you would like to learn more about the area, attend an interpretive program or visit Mi Wok and Summit ranger stations for more information. Then come back often and experience all the richness this Gold Country gem has to offer.

# 2011 Stanislaus National Forest

Summit • Mi-Wok Ranger Districts

# Your Guide To Programs, Activities



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# DAYTIME PROGRAMS

## MONDAYS

### **JUNIOR RANGERS** 10 - 11 a.m. •

June 27, July 4, 11, 18, 25, Aug. 1, 8 • (\$1)

Hands-on activities will introduce kids ages 4 to 12 to the world we live in and how to care for the outdoors we love. Meet at the Pinecrest Amphitheater.

## TUESDAYS

### **TALL TALES AND SILLY SONGS** 10 - 11 a.m. •

June 28 – Aug. 9 • (\$1)

A delightful hour of interactive songs with our ever-popular Bill Roberson and his creative cadre of story tellers Cynthia Restivo, BZ Smith or Jennifer Aguirre. Meet at the Pinecrest Amphitheater.

### **CRITTERS, CONIFERS AND CLAY** 11:15 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

June 28 – Aug. 9 • (\$10 Materials Fee)

Learn about the plants and animals of the forest by creating fun clay projects. Children under seven must be assisted by an adult. Space is limited.

## WEDNESDAYS

### **WHAT'S BUGGIN' YOU?** 10 - 11:30 a.m. •

June 29 – Aug. 10 • (\$6 Materials Fee)

Children and their parents discover life within the aquatic eco-system and print a T-shirt with stamps and molds depicting creatures of this fascinating



world. Meet at the Pinecrest Chalet, approximately 1 mile up Dodge Ridge Road on the right. Look for the carved wooden bear!

## THURSDAYS

### **WEAVING BASKETS, WEAVING STORIES** 10 a.m. - noon •

July 7, 21, Aug. 4 • (\$10 Materials Fee)

Arvada Fischer will help you start a pine needle basket while captivating you with stories of her Me-Wuk heritage. Bring a chair and meet at the Summit Ranger Station.

### **ME-WUK CHILDREN'S PROGRAM** 10 - 11 a.m. •

July 7, 21, Aug. 4

Children participate in traditional Me-Wuk games and activities while they learn about the Me-Wuk language. Meet at the Summit Ranger Station. From here it's a short walk.

### **ME-WUK LIFEWAYS** 10 - 11 a.m. •

June 30, July 14, 28, Aug. 11

Carlos Geisdorf of the Tuolumne Band of Me-Wuk will captivate you with stories and lessons from his cultural heritage during Me-Wuk Lifeways.

## FRIDAYS

### **PINECREST JUNIOR RANGERS** 10 - 11 a.m. •

July 1 – Aug. 12 • (\$1)

Hands-on activities will introduce kids ages 4 to 12 to the world we live in and how to care for the outdoors we love. Meet at the Pinecrest Amphitheater.

### **TREES AND TRAILS** 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. •

July 1 – Aug. 12 • (\$1)

Discover the wisdom of nature on these fun forest forays. Programs last about 2-4 hours depending on the destination. Gas up your car, bring lunch, water and wear sturdy walking shoes.

## SATURDAYS

### **RISE AND SHINE NATURE HIKE** 9 a.m. - Noon

Pinecrest Lake Hike • July 2, 16, 30, Aug. 13

Meet at the Amphitheater for this hike around the lake.

Beardsley Hike • July 9, 23, Aug. 6

Meet at the Summit Ranger Station to car caravan to the trailhead.

# EVENING PROGRAMS

## MONDAYS

### **PINECREST AMPHITHEATER 7:00-8:00 PM**

#### June 27 • Eco-Entertainers Family Campfire • (\$1)

Join Josh and Amy Roe, outdoor educators extraordinaire, for an evening of interactive skits and songs around the campfire. Fun for all ages.



#### July 4 • Black Irish Band American Tribute (1 1/2 hour celebration) • (\$1)

Renowned, nationally acclaimed Black Irish Band blend history with musical talent providing entertainment for the whole family.

#### July 11 & August 8 • The Gold Country Minstrels - Dave Rainwater and Lori Brandon • (\$1)

Dave Rainwater and Lori Brandon present musical treasures from the Gold Rush era and America's frontier days. Listen to a rousing fiddle medley which includes early frontier tunes, classical pieces, jigs, reels and hornpipes.

#### July 18 • Furry and Feathery Friends • (\$1)

Animal rescuer Nancy Haydock brings some of her injured or abandoned animals. Maybe you'll meet an owl, a raven or even a skunk!

#### July 25 • Keep on Singing-Bill Roberson • (\$1)

Pinecrest favorite Bill Roberson will delight you with his entertaining music and interactive songs, for children of all ages.

#### August 1 • Forest Service Balladeers • (\$1)

Patrick Karnahan and Jim Nelson perform folk songs and a spirited program of fun for all ages.

#### August 8 • The Gold Country Minstrels • (\$1)

See July 11 description.

## WEDNESDAYS

### **PINECREST AMPHITHEATER 7:00-8:00 PM**

#### June 29 • Keep On Singing-Bill Roberson • (\$1)

Pinecrest favorite Bill Roberson will delight you with his entertaining music and interactive songs, for children of all ages.

#### July 6 & August 10 • Wild Things • (\$1)

Discover wildlife up close in this incredible program featuring an assortment of rescued California birds and mammals. You'll learn how to help us care for these creatures and how to let wildlife be wild.

#### July 13 • Snakes Alive! – Mike Sutton • (\$1)

Mike Sutton returns with a living showcase of different reptiles to view and touch (if you dare!). He'll share his passion for these amazing creatures and reminds us all to let wildlife be wild.

#### July 20 • Tuolumne Band of Me-Wuk Singers and Dancers

Through song and dance, members of the Me-Wuk Tribe will share with you their cultural traditions.

#### July 27 • Irish Songs of the Gold Rush-Sequoia • (\$1)

Musicians from Sequoia will perform beautiful Irish tunes that represent the music of the Gold Rush era.

#### Aug. 3 • Mark Twain and Bret Harte Out West • (\$1)

Samuel Clemens and Bret Harte will pay us a visit from the past, and share some of their adventures in the Sierra Nevada and the Mother Lode.

#### August 10 • Wild Things • (\$1) See July 6 description.

## THURSDAYS

### **GALAXY GAZING** 9 - 10 p.m. • June 30, July 7, 14, 21, 28 • 8:30 - 9:30 p.m. • Aug. 4, 11

Tour the heavens from this star-studded location with an amateur astronomer. Meet at Bald Mountain Helibase on Hwy. 108 (See map). Program may be cancelled due to fire activity or weather. Call the Summit or Mi-Wuk Ranger Stations to confirm. Smoking, glass containers and dogs are prohibited. Bring a chair or blanket. (\$1)