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MERCED COLLEGE OFFERS LOCAL CLASSES

by Diana Abrell

Taking college extension courses in the Yosemite-El Portal area may mean donning some coveralls, crawling under an automobile, and getting some grease under your fingernails. Or it may mean donning your hiking boots, trekking into the back country, and gaining a new understanding of Yosemite's plant zones in the springtime. Today's involvement orientation to adult education can mean learning to give cardio-pulmonary resuscitation, to create macrame, batik, oil paintings or silkscreen, to play the guitar, sing, speak Spanish, or relive Yosemite's yesterdays.

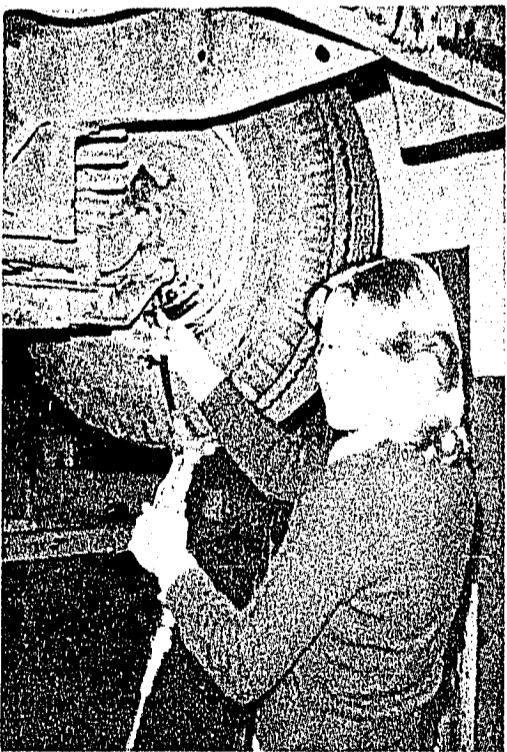
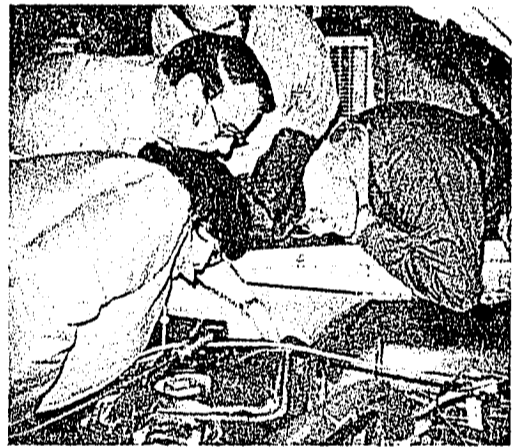
Merced Junior College sponsors and finances these courses in the Yosemite-El Portal area as well as in other communities in the Junior College district. The instructors are drawn from the communities, and the local elementary schools provide a place for most of the classes to be held.

All classes are tuition-free. There is a charge for books and materials. The spring semester starts January 12 with some of the classes beginning later in the spring. A short-term class instructed by Shirley Sargent entitled "Yosemite's Yesterdays" may be added to the schedule in the late spring. Watch the Sentinel for further information.

Following is a schedule of the spring semester classes. Special attention is drawn to the First Aid class. Other announcements put out by the college may show that the class meets on Monday and Thursday. However, that is incorrect. The schedule below is correct. The class will meet on Sunday and Thursday, and the first meeting will be Thursday, January 15.

Each student must bring a guitar to the Guitar Class.

For further information on the classes, call Diana Abrell, Co-ordinator, 372-4233.



Schedule of Classes

Class	Instructor	Dates	Day	Time	Credit	Place
First Aid, Beginning and Advanced	Farabee	1/15-3/18	Sun, Th	7-10	3	Visitor Center
Art Design	Abbott	1/12-5/24	Mon	7-10	2	Yos.
Yosemite Natural History	De Bell	3/24-5/8	Wed ' Sat	6:30-8:30 8-12	1	Yos
Auto Maintenance	Fraley	1/13-5/25	Tue	7-10	0	Yos.
Art	Roger	1/13-5/25	Tue	7-10	2	E.P.
Guitar, Beginning and Intermediate	Greeley	1/14-5/26	Wed	7-10	0	E.P.

Classes are held at the elementary school, except for First Aid, which is at the Visitor Center.

†The Saturday Field Trips will be arranged at the convenience of the majority of the class and may not be held every Saturday.

DUMPSTER CARE

What a strange title! Dumpster care — now how does one care for a dumpster? Who cares? Dumpsters don't need any special care anyway, do they?

Those thoughts could have just flitted through your mind when you read "Dumpster Care", although perhaps not in the same words. Yet, as a resident of Yosemite National Park and its vicinity, you do have a responsibility to not be heedless about what you put in which dumpsters.

Use of dumpsters is geared to two basics, the Bear Management Program and the Recycling Program.

Bear Management Program:

All garbage is to be put in "mailbox" type dumpsters. Open dumpsters are to be used only for materials which will not attract bears or other animals. Flat top dumpsters with square lids are located in Company-operated areas, and are to be kept locked when not in use.

Recycling Program:

To conserve the natural resources of our country and to reduce the amount of material being "dumped", all recyclables should be taken to the Recycling Center. These include aluminum, bi-metal, and tin cans; aluminum foil; disposable pie plates; glass; newspapers; corrugated and flat cardboard.

Some dumpsters will be marked NOT IN SERVICE, DO NOT DUMP. These are not to be used for disposal of anything.

In any instance, no material is to be left outside or on top of the dumpsters. It must all be placed inside. If a dumpster appears to be full, try taking a stick and

knocking the garbage to the corners. Often times a "cone" has built up just inside the door, and this method will free space in it. Other times a dumpster may simply be full. In this case, take your material to another dumpster, and consider what you have tossed away. Was any of it recyclable?

Working together and taking care of our dumpsters can benefit all of us in many ways — and it will definitely give us a cleaner world to live in.

FOR SALE

Two 13" rims originally for an Opel. Call 372-4870.

200cm Dynamic skis—new—no bindings. \$60.00. Contact Paul E., Tecoya C23 or at The Ahwahnee Dining Room.

Yosemite Winter Club

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION 1975-76

Family Membership — \$10.00 Single Membership — \$7.00

Amount Enclosed _____ Check _____ Master Charge _____

Full Name of Adult(s) _____

Name(s) and Age(s) of Children _____

Membership Only for Unmarried Children Living at Home _____

Please return the above form to the Yosemite Winter Club, Box 3, Yosemite, 95389. Winter Club pins will be distributed by Doug Coe at the Winter Club desk at Badger Pass. Each member presenting his or her membership card and \$1 will receive a Yosemite Winter Club pin.

Each member will be entitled to the following free benefits:

- A. Two (2) free skating sessions at Curry Village.
- B. One (1) half-day Alpine Ski equipment rental (skis, boots, poles) from Badger Pass Rental Shop.
- C. Forty per cent (40%) discount on Nordic Ski lesson, basic or intermediate class. Reservations required one week in advance.
- D. Twenty-five per cent (25%) discount on Nordic Ski equipment (full day).
- E. One (1) half-day Alpine Ski lesson (group) at Badger Pass.
- F. One (1) complimentary lift ticket — valid on all lifts all day.

NOTE: Free benefits are not available on weekends or during holiday periods.

ACTIVITIES

DATE	EVENT	PLACE
Sat., Jan. 10	Fondue Party	Crane Flat
Thurs., Jan. 29	Meet Ski Instructors Cocktails/Buffer	Ahwahnee Hotel
Thurs., Feb. 19	Hans Brinker Night	Curry Ice Rink
Sat., Mar. 13	Ancient Jocks Race	Badger/Ahwahnee
Sat., Mar. 27	Overnight X-C Ski Trip	Glacier Point
Sun., Apr. ?	Last Day at Badger	Badger Pass

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The Pilgrimage to Mariposa Grove

by Sandy Dengler

The Mariposa Grove of sequoias at the south end of the Park is an excellent example of middle-of-the-road. No longer pristine, the Grove nonetheless has never been logged, never been extensively settled. And, like the rest of the Yosemite, the Grove has a fascinating human history of its own.

Historians have this hang-up that things aren't really discovered until somebody of European ancestry happens to stumble across them. In that sense, then, the Mariposa Grove was probably "discovered" in 1849 by Major James Burney (later to become sheriff of Mariposa County) and John McCauley. At the time they were just dinging around and had no intention of discovering anything. Neither had they any intention of being pegged as tall-tale-tellers, so when they got back to town they kept their mouths shut. The Indians, of course, had been familiar with the grove for Heaven knows how long.

From the beginning, guides, tourists, and every other Tom, Dick, and Harry who visited the grove took part in the sport of Naming Trees. There was the King Arthur Tree (no record of a Guinevere tree), Beauty and the Beast, and a tree for nearly every state of the Union. Galen Clark had grown up in the shadow of Mt. Monadnock, the biggest thing around his native New Hampshire town, and one of the trees turned up with the label "Monadnock Tree", so Clark himself must have fallen into the spirit of the thing. Indeed, he named the very first tree he had seen in 1857 the Forest Queen. Someone relabeled it the Galen Clark tree. Clark took the sign down. After he died, the sign was put back up.

In its 118 years of recorded history, the ancient company of trees, standing since before the time of Christ, has been visited by a rich spectrum of humans, from Indian campers and erstwhile loggers (who never succeeded in cutting a sequoia here) to men of dedication and vision — Olmsted, Muir, Emerson, Roosevelt — whose conservation ethics were far ahead of their time.

You may never make the history books or shape a destiny, but you are no less warmly invited to join the pilgrimage, to visit the quiet Mariposa Grove.

HELP WANTED

IN HOUSE BABYSITTER needed for twin girls in El Portal. Contact Winnie Gallagher, 379-2615.

Winter Driving Check List

Winter driving can be hard on your car, especially if you and your car aren't prepared for the extra demands of low temperatures and slippery streets. So, here's a handy check list of some obvious and not-so-obvious items you can check yourself.

	O. K.	Need Attention
Snow Tires: Mounted? Properly inflated? Holding pressure? Adequate tread?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Battery: Fluid level up? Cables clean? Cracks on top? Adequate starting power?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Radiator: Proper coolant level? Proper mixture of coolant and water?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Motor Oil: Proper oil viscosity for cold weather? Does oil need changing?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Wipers: Do blades wipe windshield clean? Ragged spots? Blades torn?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ice Scraper: Do you have a window glass scraper in the car?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Washer Fluid: Is your windshield washer water tank protected against freezing?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Flashlight: Do you have a working flashlight in the car?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Auto Choke: Does your car's automatic choke work properly?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tune-up: Does your car start easily and run smoothly?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Chains: Are they in the car? Do they fit the tires?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lights: Brake light and turn signal working? Headlights properly adjusted? Back-up lights okay? License plate light okay?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Shocks: Does the car bounce too much after hitting a dip? Tremble while driving on the road? (Shock absorbers actually help your car's tires on the road.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

If any of these items need attention, the local service stations will be glad to take care of them for you.

BROWNIES TOUR P.O.



Leroy "Rusty" Rust, the Yosemite Postmaster, was all smiles when Brownie Troop 151 showed up with their holiday mail on Monday, December 15. After a complete tour of our wonderful post office, the girls and Troop Leader Ann Burchill left with a better understanding of the mail system.

Standing with Mr. Rust from left to right are (back row) Ann-Margret Burchill, Alyson Sansum, Lisa Williams, (middle) Ellen Rieglehuth, Jenny Little, Sarah Voceika, and (foreground) Stacy McKenzie (not pictured, Jennifer Downing).

Yosemite Recreation

JAN. 5 — FEARLESS VAMPIRE KILLERS starring Roman Polanski, Sharon Tate. A snow-covered Transylvania castle, wherein reside a voluptuous innkeepers's daughter, a wicked count and their hunchbacked servant, provides the setting for this all-out spoof on old vampire movies. (PG)

JAN. 12 — BIG BAD MAMA starring Angie Dickinson, William Shatner. Hot pistols, hot cars, hot damn! Men, money and moonshine - Mama gave her girls her everything...even the crime of their lives. (R)

COED BROOM HOCKEY

Employees' Broom Hockey WILL begin on Wednesday, January 7, and continue every Wednesday thereafter. Starting time is 5:30 and, of course, it will take place at the Curry Village Ice Rink. Employee Recreation is encouraging all Park employees and their dependents to participate. If there is enough interest in the sport a league will be formed. Until that time teams will be picked weekly. Anyway, the emphasis is on fun and not competition. So come on out cause ICE IS NICE!

BLUE EMAGE returns to Yosemite

Back by popular demand, one of the funkier bands to ever perform in Yosemite, is the Blue Emage. They will be playing January 7 & 8, 1976, in Yosemite Sam's. Admission is only a buck and I.D. must be presented at the door. If you really like to dance, you'll be there cause these guys are dynamite — even if they do spell their name funny!

Job Opportunities

YOSEMITE LODGE

3 — FOOD SERVICE PERSONS — Must be neat, well-groomed, and able to work with the public.

AHWAHNEE

1 — CASHIER — Neat appearance, pleasant manner; previous experience handling cash.

1 — MAID — Quick, thorough worker with neat appearance. Heavy work.

ACCOUNTING

1 — ACCOUNTING SPECIALIST — B.A. Degree in Accounting with 6 months to one year experience, or 3 years experience with no degree.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

FRIDAY, JANUARY 2—

Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
Talent Nite Yosemite Sam's — 8 p.m.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 3—

Mass Chapel — 5:30 p.m.
Family Nite (Movies, Cartoons) Yosemite Sam's — 8 p.m.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 4—

Worship Service (Protestant) Chapel — 9:30 a.m.
Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 9 & 11 a.m.
TV Sports Day Yosemite Sam's — Noon
Bible Study Chapel — 6:30 p.m.
Worship Service (Protestant) Elementary School, Wawona — 7:30 p.m.

MONDAY, JANUARY 5—

Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
MOVIE "Fearless Vampire Killers" Visitor Center — 8 p.m.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 6—

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
Macrame and Decoupage Employee Rec. Office — 7 p.m.
Volunteer Fire Dept. Meeting YP&C Co. Fire House — 7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 7—

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Broom Hockey Curry Ice Rink — 5:30 p.m.
Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
DANCE "Blue Emage" Yosemite Sam's — 8 p.m.
Volleyball Visitor Center — 9 p.m.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 8—

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
Theatre Workshop Employee Rec. Office — 7 p.m.
Christian Gathering (Protestant) Chapel — 7:30 p.m.
DANE "Blue Emage" Yosemite Sam's — 8 p.m.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 9—

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
Talent Nite Yosemite Sam's — 8 p.m.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 10—

Mass Chapel — 5:30 p.m.
Family Nite (Movies, Cartoons) Yosemite Sam's — 8 p.m.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 11—

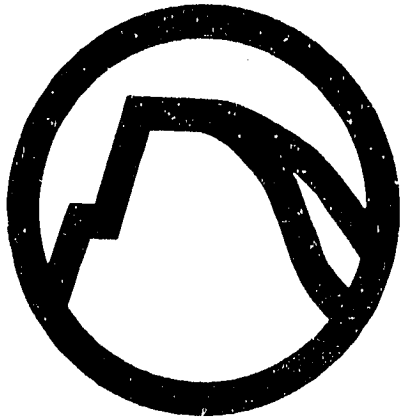
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MONDAY, JANUARY 12—

Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
Art Design Class Yosemite Elementary School — 7 p.m.
MOVIE "Big, Bad Mama" Visitor Center — 8 p.m.

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WINTER CLUB

by Anne Hendrickson

Admittedly the snowy side of their favorite season has been slow in arriving, but that doesn't seem to have stopped the Yosemite Winter Club from leaping with their usual gusto into off-snow fun. Three of the scheduled major events are already past history.

The season and the new carpeting in the ski lodge were both launched with a Kick-Off Dinner early in November. A special feature was a free bus, complete with hostesses and refreshments, from the Valley to and from the party. Well over a hundred members enjoyed an excellent steak dinner as they compared plans for the coming season. After dinner many of the less-inhibited participated in the First Annual Badger Pass Indoor Slalom, which was, as its name implies, a timed race through a designated course **inside** the lodge. When the benches had been vaulted, the tables had been scrambled under, and the liquid at the "wine stop" had been consumed (or spilled), fast times were announced. Gretchen Huebner of Fresno was victorious among the women, and Y.P.C.'s own Bill Germany defeated an impressive field of male athletes. Both received season lift passes, and each generously donated his prize for a raffle, the proceeds to go the Winter Club.

A second activity began the very next week and continued for the two weeks preceeding the actual ski season. Leroy Rust, coach of Yosemite's Junior Race Team, has routinely held pre-season conditioning drills for the youngsters on the team; but this year he opened the exercise sessions to any interested club members. Nic Fiore, veteran of many dryland ski schools, added his expertise. These evening workouts offered participants comradeship as they groaned over stretched muscles and taught them basic ski-oriented exercises to practice at home after the organized drills ended. The conditioning class was a new Winter Club activity this year; but plans have been



Steve McLain and Bill Thompsen limber up their ski legs by jumping over the slalom pole at conditioning class.

made to expand it next year to include, among other things, free blood pressure readings before and after exercise.

Another party — this time at The Ahwahnee in late November. Cocktails were served in the Winter Club Room, where the walls are lined with photographic recollections of other winters long ago. Dinner was one of the beautiful buffets for which The Ahwahnee is reknown.

But those activities are all just pleasant memories at this point. A look ahead at Winter Club plans for 1976 shows that some of the best is yet to come!

There are two parties on the agenda for January. One is a family affair and offers an afternoon of snow play and cross-country skiing, topped off by a fondue supper at Crane Flat. Skiing isn't obligatory, and fondue will be available for those who don't want to play in the snow. Members bringing sleeping bags may bunk in a dormitory for the night. The other party, again at The Ahwahnee is a "Meet Your Ski Instructor" cocktail party preceeding a regular hotel ski buffet on January 29.

In February attention turns to another major winter sport, ice skating, with Hans Brinker Night at the Curry Ice Rink. Scheduled for February 19, this will be another event for the whole family, offering games and races for all ages. There'll be cold beer, hot mulled wine and cocoa, plus hot dogs and marshmallows to roast over the fire.

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Chuck Woessner competing in the First Annual Badger Pass Indoor Slalom.

WINTER CLUB
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Also in February, the Winter Club will sponsor a ski trip to another area. Very early on the morning of February 24, a bus will leave for Bear Valley. A continental breakfast will be served en route, and cocktails will be part of the return trip after a full day of midweek skiing.

A highlight of March will be the annual Ancient Jocks' Race and Party, when the not-so-young compete in a slalom in the afternoon and get together in the evening to glory in how young they still feel. Many oldtimers return to Yosemite for this weekend, and it provides a delightful bit of nostalgia. In addition, some very special events to be announced later are planned for this year's Ancient Jocks' affair.

New to the club this year are plans for an overnight ski tour to Glacier Point. The trip, nine miles of skiing over the closed road, is planned for March 27. Mattresses are in readiness for resting weary bones, and there's plenty of food and drink already cached at the end of the trail.

Traditionally, when the downhill ski season finally ends and Badger Pass closes for another year, the Winter Club (regretfully) celebrates with a final bash at the ski lodge. Date is unknown at this point, but it is one party Winter Club members are in no hurry to attend.

Membership is open to all. Dues are \$7 for a single or \$10 for a family. Checks can be sent to JoAnn Rees, P.O. Box 3, or call 372-4210 for more information. In addition to the club's stated purpose of "pursuit of skiing, skating, and socializing," it should be mentioned that the Winter Club actively supports competition — both Alpine and Nordic — locally with the Junior Race Team and on regional and national levels.

Join now — you've missed three fine activities, but there's lots more to come with the Winter Club!

"The Crow's Nest"



At last! Aren't you glad the holidays are over with? What about the guy who invented wrapping paper? Now that's one smart man — where else but in America could someone convince you to pay good, hard-earned money for something you know full well will first get ripped apart and then burned in the fireplace or thrown out!! Hats off to wrapping presents in newspaper — it get burned in the fireplace anyway.

Ahwahnee Manager George Spach was asked what he thought about Santa landing on his roof with all those little reindeer. Mr. Spach's comment: "I don't know — I haven't seen the Security Report yet."

It's time for New Year's Resolutions again.

The Crow Resolves:

1. To re-resolve all those resolutions he didn't keep in 1975 (that's all of them).
2. Not to swim in the Merced River in January.
3. Not to eat watermelon in February.
4. And not to make any cracks about the 1976 Bicentennial year starting in 1975. (The same guy who thought up the Bicentennial celebration invented wrapping paper). Sorry — I know I promised.

Other New Year's Resolutions received by the Crow's Nest:

If elected President, I will stop making Western Movies — *Ronald Reagan*.

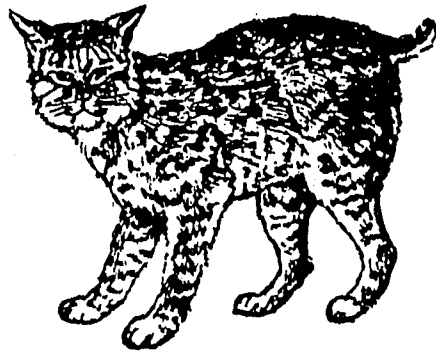
If chosen as Vice President, I will not seek a second term — *Nelson Rockefeller*. I'll leave my tape recorder off during all telephone conversations — *Richard Nixon*.

I won't pay any attention to what the polls say about my popularity anytime after November 4, 1976 — *Gerald Ford*. I plan to give up drinking February 30, 1976 — *Dean Martin*.

And finally this from *Senator Ted Kennedy*: All I want for Christmas ('76) is a mantel in the White House to hang my stocking on, but I will not seek the Presidency unless asked to do so at least once.

Comedian Rich Little says he plans to run as whoever looks favored to win.

Wildcat



Wildcats are members of the Lynx genus and are commonly called bobcats, as their short tails (between 4 and 6 inches) look as though they might have been bobbed. They are commonly found on the west slope of the Sierras, and in the Central Sierras between the elevations of 800 and 6,500 feet. Standing almost two feet high at the shoulders, they weigh between 12 and 25 pounds. Bobcats are often active in the daytime, and, since they aren't as shy as the mountain lion, you can see one once in a while as it crosses a road. Their protective coloring prevents easy spotting when they are in the brush. In the summer, bobcats are a light reddish brown, in winter, gray; underneath they are white. Black highlights appear on the wildcat in spots or bars on the body; at the tip, base, and tufts of ears; and on the tip of the tail.

Wildcats are silent — normally. In the mating season, they will scream and yowl rather loudly. Their young (usually three) are born in the springtime in a den, located either among rocks or in the bottom of hollowed trees.

Bobcats can climb trees easily, either for safety or to reach the nest of a large bird. Although they occasionally eat some birds and quail, their fare mainly consists of rabbits, squirrels, gophers, and other rodents. Wildcats will kill deer whose escape is impaired because of deep snow. Even if you never see a bobcat, you can tell where one has been by his tracks. They resemble that of a domestic housecat, with the front paw print between 2 1/4" long. Should you find one that's 3" long or larger — that's a mountain lion you're trailing!

PET POLICY

Following the public meeting on the new pet policy in Yosemite Valley, the rules for keeping a dog or cat are finalized.

Anyone having or planning to get a dog or cat must register it at the Valley District Office. The new pet policy rules are obtainable there.

The new pet policy will be printed in its entirety in the next issue of the Sentinel.

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CAUTION

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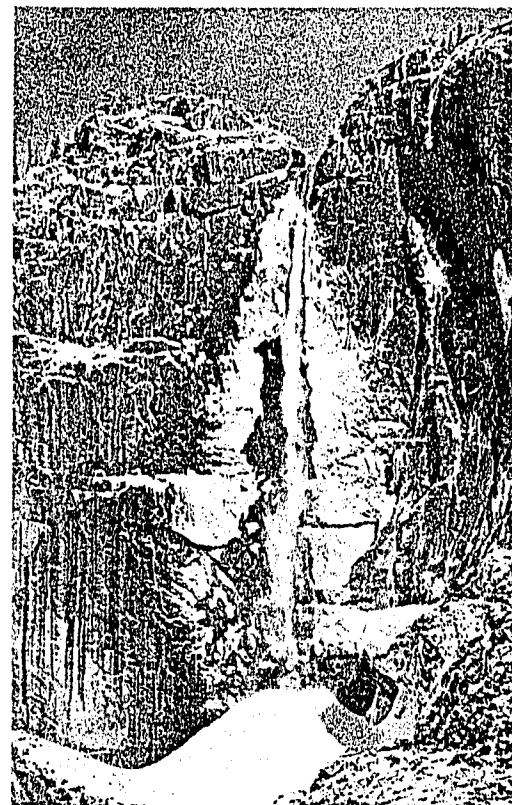
1. Reduce speed when roads have ice, snow, frost, or slush. 25 mph is about the top safe speed when any of these conditions exist.
2. Alcohol and gasoline don't mix. Even a couple of drinks can reduce your coordination enough to make driving dangerous. Take the bus or shuttle, walk, or have a teetotaler do the driving.
3. Wear your seatbelt. A seatbelt, particularly with a shoulder harness, reduces the chances of serious injury should an accident happen.

by Steve Medley

THE ICE CONE

Yosemite Valley takes on a new look each year with the onset of winter weather. A notable and famous landmark peculiar to winter is the ice cone which forms at the base of Upper Yosemite Falls. Though similar ice cones form beneath many Yosemite waterfalls, the remarkable size and imposing stature of the Yosemite Falls cone set it apart.

This "cone" phenomenon results from several factors. The main component is ice, which, after being formed at night on the edges of the fall, is loosened from the granite by warmer day time temperatures and crashes to the basin some 1600 feet below. An impressive pile of this ice gradually accumulates and is strengthened by freezing sprays of water. Adding substance to the cone is snow and ice from the Yosemite Creek drainage which washes over the falls.



The size of the ice cone varies considerably from year to year. Though the cone has been slow to develop this year, severe winter weather may yet generate a formation of large proportions. The largest estimated dimensions for a cone were recorded before the turn of the century. They read as follows: a height of 322 feet, a base area of 3.7 acres, and a total volume of 25 million cubic feet of ice and snow. The maximum height usually reached is between 200 and 250 feet.

The ice cone is normally fully developed by late March. With spring's mild weather, the formation begins to disappear through disintegration. The water coming over the falls is usually warmer (above 32 degrees) at this time, and also promotes the process of melting. By early to mid-April, the ice cone is no longer in evidence.

Though people have attempted to hike across the ice cone, this is an extremely dangerous venture. One must contend with large blocks of falling snow and ice, freezing sprays of water which drench to the skin, crevasses, and weak collapsible sections of ice. The top portion of the cone resembles a cornice in shape and is not accessible.

Contrary to reigning opinion, the floe ice which occurs in Yosemite Creek in spring is not comprised of pieces of the disintegrated ice cone. These large floating chunks result from warm temperatures which melt much snow and ice throughout the day, coupled with sudden great quantities which clog the creek below. These processes, though closely associated, are independent phenomena.

College Classes Offered

Merced College is once again sponsoring several courses, both credit and non-credit, in the Valley and in El Portal. Classes start this week, and registration will be taken at the first class.

FIRST AID

The First Aid class is for both beginners and advanced, and completion of the course leads to a Red Cross Advanced First Aid certificate. The class meets on Thursdays and Sundays from 7 to 10 p.m. at the Visitor Center. This 3-credit course, taught by C.R. Farabee, runs from January 15 to March 18. There is a limit of 35 students in this class.

ART DESIGN

Art Design will explore color, texture, and design. The class is held at the Yosemite Elementary School on Mondays from 7 to 10 p.m., and runs from January 12 to May 24. Linda Abbott teaches the 2-credit class.

AUTOMOBILE MAINTENANCE

Automobile Maintenance is a practical, consumer education course that covers the automobile from all aspects. This class is open to all, whether they have had no, little, or quite a bit of experience working on cars. This class is a continuation of the fall semester and will be more in-depth, but new students are welcomed and should have no trouble keeping up with the class.

Thanks to the generosity of the National Park Service, students may work on their cars on shop nights at the NPS Garage, under the direction of instructor James Fraley. This class is held on Tuesdays from 7 to 10 p.m. at the Yosemite Elementary School and runs from January 13 to May 25.

NOTE: There will not be a class in El Portal starting at this time. If enough students sign up for this class, it may be divided later into Yosemite Valley and El Portal classes.

ART

Earl Rogers is once again teaching the Art class in El Portal. This class covers drawing, sketching, and painting, and students work in this own medium. Some examples from past classes include oils, pastels, acrylics, and even clay. This class is worth two credits, and is held at the El Portal Elementary School on Tuesday from 7 to 10 p.m. The class runs from January 13 to May 25.

GUITAR

The Guitar Class is geared for both beginning and intermediate students. Malinda Greeley will be conducting this class in El Portal on Wednesday nights from 7 to 10 p.m. between January 14 and May 26. It is required that all of the students attending have a guitar.

Yosemite Recreation

MOVIES

JAN. 12 — BIG BAD MAMA starring Angie Dickinson, William Shatner: Hot pistols, hot cars, hot damn! Men, money and moonshine — Mama gave her girls her everything...even the crime of their lives.

JAN. 19 — HARRY AND TONTO starring Art Carney, Ellen Burstyn, Larry Hagman. Harry conducts a personal odyssey across America to discover the new "consciousness". Never mawkish, Harry and Tonto is a surprising blend of wit and whimsy that provides the pleasure of self-recognition in a most unexpected but charming character. If you can get over the idea of a sexy picture about a 72-year-old-retiree and his cat, then you'll like Harry and Tonto. (R)

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WINTER CLUB FONDUE PARTY

AT THE
CRANE FLAT CAMPUS
OF THE
YOSEMITE INSTITUTE

Saturday, Jan. 10
5:30 p.m.

\$3 for Adults
[includes fondue and wine]

\$1.50 for Children
[includes hamburger,
hot and cold drinks]

Members Only
[Memberships may be obtained
at the door]

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

FRIDAY, JANUARY 9:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
Talent Nite Yosemite Sam's — 8 p.m.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 10:

Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 5:30 p.m.
Winter Club Fondue Party Crane Flat — 5:30 p.m.
Family Nite (Movies, Cartoons) Yosemite Sam's — 8 p.m.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 11:

Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 9 & 11 a.m.
Worship Service (Protestant) Chapel — 9:30 a.m.
TV Sports Day Yosemite Sam's — Noon
Balkan Folk Dancing Elementary School Gym — 6 p.m.
Bible Study Chapel — 6 p.m.
Southern Baptist Service Chapel — 6:30 p.m.
Worship Service (Protestant) Wawona School — 7:30 p.m.

MONDAY, JANUARY 12:

Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
Art Design Class Yosemite Elem. School — 7 p.m.
MOVIE "Big, Bad Mama" Visitor Center — 8 p.m.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 13:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Macrame and Decoupage Employee Rec. Office — 7 p.m.
Auto Maintenance Class Yosemite Elem. School — 7 p.m.
Art Class El Portal Elem. School — 7 p.m.
Volunteer Fire Dept. Meeting YP&C Co. Fire House — 7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 14:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Broom Hockey Curry Ice Rink — 5:30 p.m.
Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
Guitar Class El Portal Elem. School — 7 p.m.
Dance "Disco Nite" Yosemite Sam's — 8 p.m.
Volleyball Visitors Center — 9 p.m.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 15:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
First Aid Class Visitor Center — 7 p.m.
"Disco Nite" Continues Yosemite Sam's — 8 p.m.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 16:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
Talent Nite Yosemite Sam's — 8 p.m.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 17:

Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 5:30 p.m.
Family Nite (Movies, Cartoons) Yosemite Sam's — 8 p.m.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 18:

Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 9 & 11 a.m.
Worship Service (Protestant) Chapel — 9:30 a.m.
Super Bowl Sunday Yosemite Sam's — Noon
Balkan Folk Dancing Elem. School Gym — 6 p.m.
Bible Study Chapel — 6 p.m.
Southern Baptist Service Chapel — 6:30 p.m.
First Aid Class Visitor Center — 7 p.m.
Worship Service (Protestant) Wawona School — 7:30 p.m.

MONDAY, JANUARY 19:

Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
Art Design Class Yosemite Elem School — 7 p.m.
MOVIE "Harry and Tonto" Visitor Center — 8 p.m.

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JUNE RASMUSSEN joined Yosemite Park and Curry Co. as The Ahwahnee Dining Room Manager at the Ahwahnee Hotel. June comes to the Curry Co. with 19 years of experience in the restaurant and hospitality business.

Prior to joining the Yosemite Park and Curry Co., June was associated with the Velvet Turtle as their assistant manager in Houston, Texas, and was with that company for 9½ years.

She also worked in various aspects of food service management in the Los Angeles area.



JOE TRINGALI has been promoted to the position of Manager of the Yosemite Lodge Cafeteria. In his new position, Joe will report directly to Mr. Ben Savage, Assistant Manager of Yosemite Lodge.

Mr. Tringali joined the Yosemite Park and Curry Co. on March 26, 1975, as a Salad Maker. Since that time Joe has held the positions of Pantry Person and Assistant Manager at the Yosemite Lodge Cafeteria.

Joe graduated from UC Davis with a degree in Zoology. His interests are varied and include skiing, hiking, water skiing, and photography.

NPS Announces Reduced Shuttle Bus Operation

Superintendent Les Arnberger announced the reduction of Shuttle Bus service in Yosemite Valley, which began January 5, 1976. The Shuttle Bus service will offer one bus operating approximately every 35 minutes on weekdays and once every 18 minutes on weekends depending on visitor needs.

The Shuttle Bus service will operate from 9:00 A.M. to 9:15 P.M. on both weekdays and weekends. The loop will be the Village Mall to Sunnyside Campgrounds, the Lodge, the Village Mall, the Ahwahnee Hotel, the Mall, the Rivers Campgrounds, Curry Village, Pines Campgrounds, Curry Village, the Rivers Campground, the Mall and back to the Lodge. Stops at Yosemite Falls and the Church Bowl will be made based on need. Sentinel Bridge and the House-keeping Camp stops will be eliminated for the winter. During the holidays, Shuttle Bus service will be increased based on need. This reduced schedule will extend until Memorial Weekend when this service will be restored to handle larger amounts of Park visitors.

BOY SCOUTS

The Yosemite area council Boy Scouts of America will be holding a recognition dinner Saturday, January 24, 1976, in the pavilion, on the fairgrounds at Merced, California. The dinner will start at 7:00 p.m. and is held to recognize the dedicated scouters in the council.

Highlighting the program will be the presentation of the medal of merit to a scout for putting into practice scout skills resulting in the saving of a human life; the presentation of Woodlodge certificates; recognition of "Gold Rush" recruit-

ment of scouts by units; and the presentation of the Silver Beaver awards.

Entertainment will be provided by the music and drama department of California State College, Stanislaus. Reservations may be made directly with the council (523-5694) or through your district scout executive. The cost is \$4.50 per person.

The "Spirit of '76" will be the theme of this 55th annual scouter recognition dinner of the Yosemite area council.

MERCED COLLEGE EVENING

ART CLASS

at El Portal Elementary

Oil Painting, Watercolor & other media
BEGINNING & ADVANCED

Earl Rogers, Instructor

Enroll at the class
Tues, January 20, 1976
7-10 P.M.

RECYCLING

We are working to expand the scope of our successful recycling effort. It is important to get the motivation and cooperation of all employees, as the proper sorting of materials is the key to success.

Therefore I very strongly encourage all of you to set your personal households up for recycling to gain the personal experience and involvement with the program.

The setup needed is very simple, like the ones in Tecoya dorms. If used with a garbage disposer for wet garbage, your trips to the dumpster should be almost eliminated.

If you want any assistance, call John Selkirk, the recycling supervisor at Ext. 227.

Edward C. Hardy
Chief Operating Officer
Yosemite Park & Curry Co.

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RESPONSIBLE BABYSITTER — Our home, from February 20 to February 28. Care for two children. Call 372-4830.

BABYSITTER WANTED — Mon. thru Fri., 1 to 5 p.m., some mornings; call Lynn Williams at 372-4611, ext. 224 or MaryLou Hicks 372-4826.

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NPS PET POLICY

1. Pets — dog, cat, caged birds and rodents, amphibians or reptiles, as well as aquarium fish, shall be permitted if contained **within** the residence, except as provided for below.

2. Pet ownership restricted to either one dog or one cat per family. Under extraordinary circumstances consideration may be granted to the keeping of more than one pet by the Superintendent.

3. Dogs and cats may not be kept in bunkhouses, dormitories, tent camps, summer assignment stations such as Tuolumne Meadows, etc., or in the back-country.

4. A permit and a numbered tag must be obtained from the District within 14 days after bringing a dog or cat into the Park. Dogs and cats picked up without such I.D. will be considered abandoned. The owner will be responsible for payment of all impounding charges (food, care, etc.).

5. Pets may be exercised on leash within the owner's residence yard area. However, under no circumstances may a pet be left unattended on a leash unless a responsible person is available to monitor the activities of the animal.

6. Residents' pets shall be subject to the same restrictions imposed upon pets of visitors: 36 Code of Federal Regulation, Section 2.8 Dogs, cats and other pets.

"a. Dogs, cats and other pet are prohibited unless they are crated, caged, or on a leash, or otherwise under physical restrictive control at all times.

b. Pets are prohibited in public eating places and food stores, and on designated, by the posting of appropriate signs, other portions of the Park area where pets are not permitted. This paragraph shall not apply to guide dogs.

c. The keeping of dogs, cats, or other pets by residents is prohibited unless authorized by the Superintendent under such conditions as he may prescribe.

d. Dogs, cats or other pets running at large and observed by an authorized person in the act of killing, injuring or molesting humans or wildlife may be disposed of in the interest of public safety and protection of wildlife."

7. No pets are permitted which required enclosures or shelters outside the residence of their owner which are constructed specifically for the control of such pets, and no such enclosures or structures shall be constructed or installed.

8. Dogs must have two current inoculations for rabies and DHL (distemper, leptospirosis and hepatitis). Cats must be inoculated for rabies and distemper.

9. Female pets should be spayed and male felines neutered. It is recognized, however, that alteration of valuable pets may not be practical. If not spayed, female pets shall be kept closely confined during estrous. Breeding operations shall not be conducted. If a female is bred accidentally, offspring shall be removed from the Park before they are three months old.

10. A resident with pets assumes an obligation beyond his living premises to the comfort and safety of his neighbors. Activities of pets shall not disturb, menace, or inconvenience others. This includes but is not limited to pets destroying the peace and quiet of any person or neighborhood by unreasonable barking or howling. Repeated violation may result in the removal of the pet from the Park.

11. Owners shall be responsible for damage to residences or Government property caused by their pets.

12. Pets shall not be permitted in offices or in Government vehicles.

13. Residents who own pets shall be responsible for normal care, feeding, and health of their pets.

14. The owner will report promptly to the District Ranger any disposition of a pet.

15. Permits are valid only for the pet described and are non-transferrable. Permits must be renewed every two years.

16. Wild animals which are native to the area shall not be permitted as pets.

17. Horses, burros, or other farm animals shall be permitted only if they are boarded at the concessioner-operated stable.

18. Failure to comply with any of the above restrictions on pet ownership may constitute a violation of regulation under 36 CFR 2.8 (c) and the owner(s) shall be subject to: (a) fine, or (b) removal of the pet from Yosemite. Loss of quarters in Yosemite could be an administrative determination in extreme cases.

These rules will not apply to inholders or residents of El Portal where existing regulations will remain in effect.

Animal of the Week



THE OSTRANDER GOLDEN MANTLE

by Lillian Hartzell

Actually, I finally did backpack to Ostrander Lake. The autumn colors were beginning to alter subtly the landscape, and the bright red berries of the currant bushes were already in evidence along the trail while pearly everlasting flowers were also abundant. The view from Horizon Ridge was as far reaching as one could wish; Red and Merced Peaks with their glacially carved valley were prominently interesting, and beyond the Clark Range stood the jagged peaks of the Cathedrals.

After walking over a small ridge I finally saw Ostrander Lake glittering with sun sparkles through the trees, and just beyond, the steep rocky slopes and cliffs of Horse Ridge. I came down past the ski hut, and after crossing Ostrander Creek I found an excellent place for lunch. This was a large flat rock near the water's edge, and it was there that I made the acquaintance of the Ostrander Golden Mantle Ground Squirrel.

Golden Mantle Squirrels are quite frequently seen in the High Country. They busily scurry about on either side of a trail and occasionally across the trail as well, so there appears to be nothing unusual about Golden Mantles in general — until one arrives at Ostrander Lake, that is. One makes their acquaintance quickly (as soon as one sits down), closely (crawling over one both on the way to somewhere, or on a journey of discovery perhaps? But most usually to investigate one's potential as a food mine), in quantity (three squirrels to a square foot), and continuously (they only disappear at night).

Thus, for the remainder of the day and half of the next I was in close contact with Golden Mantles, whether I wanted to be or not. I was able to make a variety of observations on these little animals, namely: On the backpack, in the backpack, investigating pockets and containers (whether containing food or not), in the fire ring, outside the fire ring, on one's knees, in the clothes, examining the

Pictures from the Past by Shirley Sargent



Herbert Sonn, the Birdman of Yosemite, died in 1944 but his career and fame with our feathered friends has just been revived in a fifteen-page booklet written by his nephew Jerome E. Leavitt, a professor of English at Fresno State. Yosemite's "Bird Man" chronicles the 1914-1937 Yosemite tenure of a shy, gentle Easterner who tamed birds, made bird caricatures out of pinecones, acorns, bark, and moss, and gave interpretive programs at his tent camp in the rocks at the western edge of Camp Curry, beyond bungalows 76A and B. His most famous customer was Eleanor Roosevelt who visited the Park in 1934, and ordered several of his birds and manzanita paperknives, and no less a figure than Horace M. Albright, the Director of the National Park Service, voiced appreciation of Sonn's work as an amateur but

stove, trying to examine what was cooking on the stove, climbing up one's back and down one's arm, walking on the map, sitting up and watching one's activities, and sliding off slick nylon surfaces. Fortunately I did not make any observations of Golden Mantles in tarp tents as the little animals left the tent alone. Perhaps they possess a concept of private property in regard to burrows, and the tent they defined as a burrow, however oddly constructed in their point of view.

I must admit that by the time I was packed (with the help of four squirrels) and ready to leave the following day, I was surfeited with the sight and antics of Golden Mantles. I decided, moreover, that Ostrander Lake was best visited in the winter when, presumably, all these animals would be asleep or during midsummer when the human population would decrease the ratio of squirrels per person. Golden Mantle Squirrels in the High Country are interesting little companions; the Golden Mantles of Ostrander are something else again.

effective naturalist. At the age of twelve, Stuart Cross, who was to work his way up to president of the Yosemite Park and Curry Co., had his first Yosemite job working for Sonn at a pay that was occasional and in coin, not bills. His reminiscences are part of the booklet which was designed by Hank Johnston. It contains ten photographs and is available from Leavitt Publishing, 1338 E. Almendra Dr., Fresno, 93710, at \$1.15, including tax and postage. Copies have been ordered for Curry stores.

REVING AROUND

by John Davis

One facet of the media is calling January 18 "Super Sunday". The reason this is a "super" Sunday, we are told, is that this is the date of the Super Bowl.

What makes any happening a super occasion for you? Isn't it something that has meaning and significance for you? For example, if you are a pro football fan, and particularly if your team is playing, it is likely to be a super Sunday for you. To someone else who doesn't care about football, it is just another day.

But sometimes there is a truly momentous happening that involves and includes everyone. Even if you want to ignore it, you cannot — for it still touches you. World War II, to illustrate, intruded on the whole world, all of civilization.

If Someone has come Who can remove what blocks all people from personal and corporate fulfillment, then that is a truly super occasion that begins to intrude joyfully on us all. Beyond that, this Person says He can begin to link us to the creative juices of our Creator NOW.

I suggest that the real "Super Sunday" this year, as a celebration of remembrance and anticipation that touches all people, is April 18!

Yosemite Recreation

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JAN. 26 — PHANTOM OF THE PARADISE starring Paul Williams, Jessica Harper. A meek, mild composer who has been swindled, framed and disfigured, returns to wreak vengeance. Mr. Williams composed all of the music for this satire on "The Phantom of the Opera". (PG)

"VISIONS" COMES TO SAM'S

"Visions", a very versatile band from Salinas, will be making their first appearance in Yosemite on January 21 and 22 at Yosemite Sam's. Cover charge is only a buck, so let's all be there at 8:30 p.m. to make them feel right at home.

Job Opportunities

As of this writing, the positions listed below are now vacant and need to be filled. It is the desire of your company to promote from within the organization whenever possible. If you have the necessary qualifications for any of these positions, you are invited to apply through your unit manager. Appointments with the Personnel Office can be made through your unit manager or immediate supervisor. Men and women will be considered equally for all positions.

YOSEMITE LODGE

1 — **Night Cleaner** — Willing to work nights and do hard work.

1 — **Kitchen Helper** — Willing to work very hard. Heavy cleaning involved.

VILLAGE STORE

1 — **Lead Custodian** — Experience in all aspects of janitorial work, willing to work hard, and capable of supervision.

1 — **Asst. Manager** — One year experience as a store clerk or other key position with a major grocery store.

GENERAL OFFICES

1 — **Confidential Secretary** — Experienced in all phases of secretarial work — office procedures, filing, telephone, letter composition, etc. Good typing skills.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

FRIDAY, JANUARY 16:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
Talent Nite Yosemite Sam's — 8 p.m.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 17:

Mass Chapel — 5:30 p.m.
Family Nite (Movies, Cartoons) Yosemite Sam's — 8 p.m.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 18:

Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 9 & 11 a.m.
Worship Service (Protestant) Chapel — 9:30 a.m.
Super Bowl Sunday Yosemite Sam's — Noon
Bible Study Chapel — 6:30 p.m.
First Aid Class Visitor Center — 7 p.m.
Worship Service (Protestant) Elementary School, Wawona — 7:30 p.m.

MONDAY, JANUARY 19:

Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
Art Design Class Yosemite Elementary School — 7 p.m.
MOVIE, "Harry and Tonto" Visitor Center — 8 p.m.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 20:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
Macrame and Decoupage Class Employee Rec. Office — 7 p.m.
Art Class El Portal Elementary School — 7 p.m.
Auto Maintenance Class Yosemite Elementary School — 7 p.m.
Volunteer Fire Dept. Meeting YP&C Co. Fire House — 7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 21:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Broom Hockey Curry Ice Rink — 5:30 p.m.
Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
Guitar Class El Portal Elementary School — 7 p.m.
DANCE, "Visions" Yosemite Sam's — 8:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 22:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
First Aid Class Visitor Center — 7 p.m.
DANCE, "Visions" Yosemite Sam's — 8:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 23:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
Talent Nite Yosemite Sam's — 8 p.m.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 24:

Mass Chapel — 5:30 p.m.
Family Nite (Movies, Cartoons) Yosemite Sam's — 8 p.m.

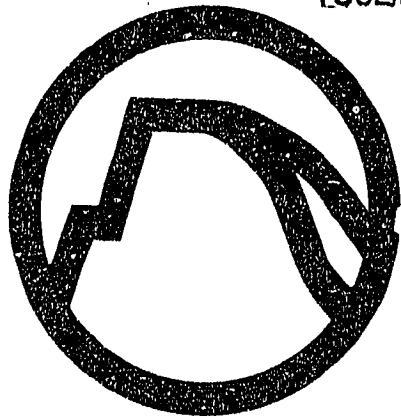
SUNDAY, JANUARY 25:

Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 9 & 11 a.m.
Worship Service (Protestant) Chapel — 9:30 a.m.
TV Sports Yosemite Sam's — Noon
Bible Study Chapel — 6:30 p.m.
First Aid Class Visitor Center — 7 p.m.
Worship Service (Protestant) Elementary School, Wawona — 7:30 p.m.

MONDAY, JANUARY 26:

Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
Art Design Class Yosemite Elementary School — 7 p.m.
MOVIE, "Phantom of the Paradise" Visitor Center — 8 p.m.

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MANAGEMENT TRAINEES SELECTED

On January 5, 1976, the second group to enter Yosemite Park and Curry Co.'s Management Trainee Program was announced. Those selected for the program are Mark Bonham, Jay Casero, Gerry Doyle, Bob Du Preez, Corinne Elwart, Donnie Hines, Alana Hopson, and Ron Robley.

The Management Trainee Program was begun to provide the Company with a continuing source of trained management personnel, to develop its present middle management employees for opportunities that lie before them, and to encourage upward mobility from within our ranks, giving opportunities to employees who

possess demonstrated capabilities, educational background, positive attitudes and a strong desire to become a part of a progressive management team.

The progress of the previous program was reviewed by the members of the Management Trainee Committee, and assessed by the first group of trainees and other management personnel. From this input it was determined to enhance the program to enable the Trainees to have a better exposure to our operation. A sample program for a Trainee is as follows:

Personnel	2 weeks
Retail (Grocery)	3 weeks
Retail (Gift)	3 weeks
Housekeeping Dept.	5 weeks
Reservations	2 weeks
Front Desk	7 weeks
Accounting	4 weeks
High Sierra Camp	1 week
Village Hamburger	1 week
Degnan's	2 weeks
Kitchen	8 weeks
Purchasing	1 week
Restaurant	6 weeks
Ahwahnee Dining Room	4 weeks
Bar	3 weeks
Cafeteria	4 weeks
Badger Pass	3 weeks
Maintenance	3 weeks

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JAY CASERO came to Yosemite from his native Philippines in June of 1975 and has served as busperson at both the Loft and the Lodge, and worked as a service person at the garage. While in the Philippines, Jay studied the martial arts for 17 years and began instructing at Clarks AFB from 1964 to 1968. For the next three years he helped to open schools for the martial arts all over the islands, finally opening his own in 1973.

He has worked as a disc jockey, and managed his father's garage, as well as attending the University of Santo Tomas where he studied Philosophy and English.



GERRY DOYLE received a B.A. in Sociology from Sonoma State and was working on his Masters in Marriage and Family Counseling before coming to Yosemite in May of 1975. An ex-Marine and Vietnam veteran, Gerry has had six years experience in food and beverage. He received management experience with the Magic Pan Restaurants and owned and ran a college tavern in Cotati, California.

Gerry has served with the Company as a wine steward, transportation agent, bartender and tour guide.



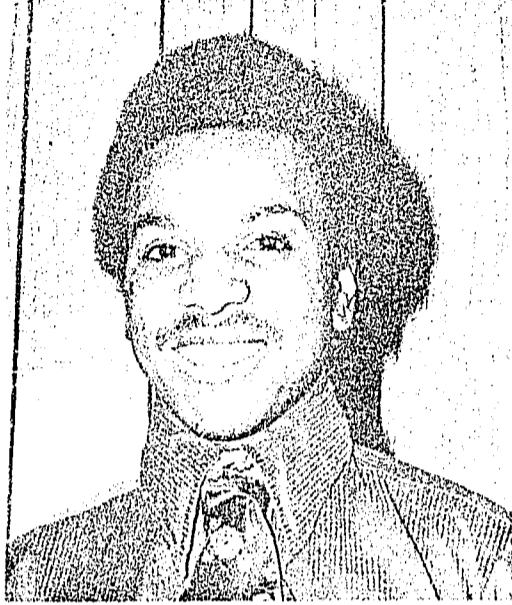
CORINNE ELWART attended Laney College in Oakland where she studied restaurant cooking and baking. She has had four years experience in food service prior to joining the Yosemite Park and Curry Co. in May of 1975 as a maid.

Corinne's interests include cooking and botany. She owns 8½ acres in Mariposa where she plans to build her home. Corinne has helped to open a small restaurant in the town of Quincy, and someday hopes to go into business for herself.

Management Trainees (Continued)



BOB DU PREEZ joined the Yosemite Park and Curry Co. as a maid in June of 1975. His interests lie in the theory and history of music, and in philosophy. Bob feels that music can be used as a communication tool and would someday like to learn more about record production and the entertainment media. Bob has also worked at the Lodge as a houseperson, and attended Santa Rosa Junior College where he was studying business management.



DONNIE HINES received an academic scholarship to Cal Poly at San Luis Obispo where he majored in Natural Resources Management prior to coming to Yosemite in June of 1974. Donnie is interested in all sports — football, basketball, baseball, skiing. He also taught a martial arts course in Camp 6 this summer that was combination of Tai Kwon Do, street fighting, and Choy Lay Fut. Since coming to the Company, Donnie has worked as a busperson, supplyperson, head busperson, san-custodian, tour guide and security officer.



RON ROBLEY served as a communications expert with the U.S. Air Force in Japan, Thailand and the U.S. before coming to the Yosemite Park and Curry Co. in May of 1970. Since joining the company he has worked as head the Company, he has worked as Head Pantryperson, Storeroom Person, and area native, Ron enjoys team sports, motorcycle riding and reading. He and his wife, Charity — who works as a busperson at the Lodge — spend their time off skiing, skating or hiking.



ALANA HOPSON, a native of the Fresno area began as an Accounting Clerk in May of 1975 and was later promoted to Lead Accounting Clerk. She attended Fresno City College where she studied Medical Secretarial Assisting, and went on to work for a cancer specialist for two years doing accounting, bookkeeping, front office and medical assisting. Alana enjoys recreational swimming, hiking and backpacking, and plans to learn to ski and ice skate this year, but her main avocation is modern dancing. As a dancer she has appeared in many community theater productions in Fresno.



MARK BONHAM joined the Yosemite Park and Curry Co. in May, 1973 as a YTS bus driver. Born and raised in Hayward, Mark's education took him from Sacramento City College, where he earned his AA degree, to UC Davis where he studied Renewable Natural Resources. He worked for two years for the Alameda County 4H program creating learning experiences for the participants and setting up educational processes. Mark enjoys motorcycling, snow and water skiing, and is presently restoring a classic car.

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**MANAGEMENT
TRAINEE PROGRAM**
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Environmental areas	2 weeks
YTS	1 week
Security	1 week
Supervisory Training	

During these periods, the Trainees will be responsible for performing routine work assignments in the departments to which they are assigned. In addition, they will be given special projects to be completed under the direction of the supervisor in the area to which they are assigned.

Each Trainee then must give a written and an oral report to the Training Committee on the information that he or she has learned from that assignment.

On January 19 many of the Trainees completed their first assignment and embarked on their second. Gerry Doyle and Bob Du Preez are assigned to the Village Store, Corinne Elwart to the Ahwahnee Front Desk, Donnie Hines to the Lodge Front Desk, and Jay Casero to Badger Pass. Ron Robley and Mark Bonham will remain on assignment in The Ahwahnee Dining Room and Alana Hopson will complete her training in Accounting.

Those trainees that pioneered our initial program have been promoted to responsible positions throughout the Yosemite Park and Curry Co.: Roger Mills, Mgr., Four Seasons Restaurant; Don Willard Chief Clerk, Yosemite Lodge; Kathy Wrahtz, Group Services Coordinator, Sales Office. Joe Andes and Tom Kroon will continue on with the remainder of their training under the format of the new program.

FOR SALE

KELTY BACKPACK — Lt. blue, like new, paid \$80 - will sell for \$50. NORDICA SLALOMS (banana boots), 2 prs. with brand new Norfit bladders, size 6 narrow - \$40 pr. TENNIS RACKET, Jack Kramer Autograph model, 4½ med, gut strings, almost new - \$30. METRONOME for piano practice - \$10. REICKER BOOTS, 2 prs. of ladies size 8, blue plastic, very comfortable - \$20 pr. ICE SKATES, children's size 5, fur tops, almost new - \$10. Call Midge or Nicole Fiore at 372-4763.

Two-bedroom trailer, 8' x 35', unfurnished. Will sell equity for \$200 — Take over payments of \$89 a month. The cost of the trailer is \$11,088. Space C-3, Government Trailer Park, El Portal. Contact Darlene & Ken Conover, 379-2646.

Dynastar MV2 180 cm with Besser bindings; adjustable to any boot size. \$100. Call Carolyn Wakeman, 375-6450.



BILL GERMANY, Operations Coordinator for the Hotel Division, serves as Coordinator of the Management Trainee Program. Bill has been with the Yosemite Park and Curry Co. seasonally since 1960 and full time since 1964. Since joining the Company, Mr. Germany has worked as a San-Custodian, Houseperson, Front Desk Clerk, Cashier, Cafeteria Manager, Assistant Manager at the Yosemite Lodge, Manager of the Big Trees Lodge, Assistant Manager of Curry Village, Food Service Manager at Badger Pass, and, most recently, Manager of Curry Village before his promotion to Operations Coordinator in November of 1975. Bill was also a member of the Curry Village softball team that took the league two years in a row.

ALIENS

U.S. Post Offices are again cooperating with the Immigration and Naturalization Service in assisting all aliens to comply with the Alien Address Report requirements.

In compliance with the 1952 Immigration Act, each alien residing in the U.S. as of January 1, 1976, must report his or her current address not later than January 31, 1976.

Reporting cards (form 1-53) are available now at all Post Offices, branches and stations.

Job Opportunities

VILLAGE STORE

Clerk/Cashier — 2 years experience as clerk/cashier or other key position with grocery chain. (\$2.55-\$3.55/hr.)

ACCOUNTING

Secretary — minimum typing speed of 50 wpm, knowledge of filing systems, familiarity with office procedures. (\$3.00-\$4.20/hr.)

Hotel Auditor — prefer degree in accounting, knowledge of NCR systems 4200 and 5200, and experience in the night audit staff of YP&C Co. (\$3.00-\$4.20/hr.)

Auditor — previous accounting experience desirable. Writing ability needed. (\$3.00-\$4.20/hr.)

GENERAL OFFICES

Confidential Secretary — experienced in all phases of secretarial work, office procedures, filing, telephone, letter composition, good typing skills etc. (Salaried)

WHAT'S COOKING?

On a special occasion, you want an elegant entree to serve your guests. Cornish Hens Flambe with Cherry Sauce will be remembered delectably whenever your special occasion is mentioned.

CORNISH HENS FLAMBE (Serves 12)

6 Cornish Hens
1 stick Butter (½ cup)
Salt, Pepper, Paprika
1 oz. Brandy

Season hens and brush with butter. Cook 30 minutes or until tender under broiler, or bake at 300° for 45 minutes. Cover with cherry sauce (below). To flame, ignite brandy and pour over sauce.

CHERRY SAUCE

1 No. 2½ can bing cherries, pitted
¼ c. burgundy
2 Tbs. sugar
¼ tsp. salt
2 tsp. cornstarch

Drain juice from cherries; set cherries aside. Combine juice with burgundy, sugar, and salt. Thicken with cornstarch. Add cherries to mixture.

KEEP YOUR INTERIOR WARM

by Steve Medley

Winter is the season for many outdoor activities including skiing, snowshoeing, and winter camping. When you engage in exercise which leaves you exposed to the sometimes severe winter weather, precautions should be taken against the threat of hypothermia. Hypothermia, defined simply, is the lowering of body temperature due to loss of heat at a rate faster than it can be produced. Often-times this condition is popularly referred to as exposure.

Contrary to belief, below freezing temperatures are not necessarily causatives of hypothermia (though they can be). Prolonged exposure to the wet, the cold, and the wind is a common hypothermia situation. Other factors which can be contributory are physical exhaustion and low food intake.

As the central body temperature falls from normal, as it does in hypothermia, there results a slowing of body processes. Symptomatic of this occurrence are retarded blood circulation, slowed physical movements, reduced coordination, and impaired judgement. Advanced cooling can result in unconsciousness, and if core body temperature drops too dramatically, stoppage of the heart may cause death.

Should you be called on to treat a victim of hypothermia, there are several things to remember. The body should be rewarmed evenly and immediately, but not rapidly. Radical heat treatments may further disorganize body functions. Without delays, protect the victim with all available dry clothing or a sleeping bag. Move to a warm environment as soon as is feasible. If the person is conscious, administer but do not force warm liquids and quick energy carbohydrate foods (e.g. candy or honey). **DO NOT** provide the victim with alcoholic beverages. Alcohol can drive the cold blood from the surface vessels and in turn actually reduce central body temperature.

You can avoid hypothermia by taking the steps necessary to prevent rapid and uncontrolled loss of body heat. Of primary importance is proper clothing which is correctly worn. Certain fabrics, such as wool, have superior insulatory characteristics, even when wet, and when layered allow for protection against a wide range of weather conditions. Try to keep dry, wear a hat to limit heat loss through the head, carry high energy foods when exercising, and respect your physical limitations. These are simple but important precautions. They just may help you avoid a possibly deadly case of hypothermia.

Christian Wedding

You are invited to join in
the

Christian Marriage
of

CHRISTINE MARIE REISBECK
and

DAVID THOMAS RIECK

on Sunday, February 1st, 1976

at

the eleven o'clock Worship Service

El Portal Baptist Mission

El Portal, California

Winter Environmental Program

The winter environment of Yosemite Valley will be the subject of a series of 2-day field seminar programs, according to Park Superintendent Leslie P. Arnberger; the seminars are sponsored by the Yosemite Natural History Association.

The environment of the Valley in the summer has been the subject of considerable study since its discovery in 1851. But its unusual winter characteristics have received far less attention. Now Yosemite devotees will have an opportunity to study its winter ecology with noted Sierra Nevada authority, Dr. Carl Sharnsmith, in Winter Ecology Seminars scheduled for February 7-8, 14-15, 21-22, 28-29. In these 16-hour classes, the winter adaptations of the Valley's plants, animals, soil, rock and microorganisms will be examined.

Fee for the two-day seminars is \$25 each; those who wish, may take the course for one quarter unit of credit from the University of California Extension, Davis. There is an additional fee of \$9 for college credit.

Upper Pines, Lower Pines and Sunnyside Campgrounds are open for winter camping or accommodations may be secured at Valley lodges and hotels.

To make reservations in the seminars or for further information, write to the Yosemite Natural History Association, Box 545, Yosemite National Park, CA. 95389 or phone (209) 372-4532.

NEEDLE IN A HAYSTACK

Have you ever had a friend or relative arrive in Yosemite and they were unable to locate where you work or live? The YP&CCo. directory employee list is nearing completion; if you would like to have your home number listed contact Rose Roscoe, Telephone Counselor, Monday thru Friday at ext. 421.

NO SNOW SALE and SNOW DANCE

Wednesday
January 28

5 to 7 p.m.



Village Store 15% OFF

- GROCERIES
- HOUSEWARES
- TOBACCO

25% OFF

- GIFTS
- SPORTS
- APPAREL

GENERAL FRIVOLITY
from 6:30 to 7 p.m.



Village Sports

25% OFF

ALL ITEMS

WOMEN'S CLUB

MARIPOSA TRIP PLANNED

The Yosemite Women's Group, with the special help of Caroline Gastellum, has planned a visit to Mariposa, Tuesday, January 27, 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

- 7:15 a.m. Meet at Yosemite Elem. School
- 8 a.m. Wake-up coffee in El Portal
- 10:30 a.m. Tour of Mariposa Museum and Courthouse
- Noon Lunch at Jeannetta's
- After lunch Visit to Arts and Crafts Mall

Please RSVP to Margene at 379-2668 or Donna at 372-4590 as soon as possible.

DILLON SAYS GOOD-BYE

Dillon Gillies, summer manager of Wawona Hotel, wanted to say "good-bye" to all his friends here in Yosemite. Dillon is back at the Ram in Sun Valley, and if any of his friends are planning on a trip to Idaho this winter, Dillon invites them to visit him.

Dillon and several Yosemite employees, past and present, went on a 1,000-mile bike ride on the Baja Peninsula. The weather, road, food, beaches, etc., couldn't have been better. Dillon says "it was great but would never do it again". Along with his wife Sydna, others who went on the end-of-the-season trip were Frank Carter, a past employee; Peter Pellagrini, bellman; Dave Smith, bartender; and Barb Williams, waitress and Badger Pass ski instructor.

Workbook Deadline February 1

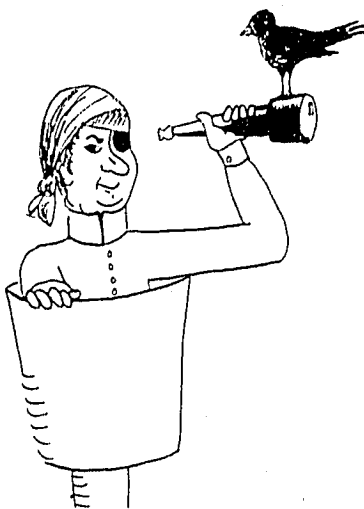
The National Park Service announced that all Yosemite Master Plan Workbooks are due in to the Master Plan Team office NO LATER than Feb. 1. No workbook will be accepted after that date. Workbooks from all printings will be accepted up until that date; however, the Team urges everyone to get the workbook completed and sent in as soon as possible.

WANTED

2 1/4 x 2 1/4 or 4x5 cameras. Contact Eric Moen in Tecoya D-7.

FABRIC SCRAPS — If you have any scrap of fabric that you might not need, our quilting group would be interested in acquiring them. Please call Darlene at 372-4611.

"The Crow's Nest"



How about this winter, or, to be more accurate, the lack of it? Wouldn't you love to be a weatherman (person). Think about it. Do you know anyone who gets paid so much for being wrong so much of the time? Don't you love it when the forecast calls for a 50% chance of snow? In other words, either it will or will not snow. Now the question is, why does a meteorologist need advanced mathematics to figure those kinds of odds???

"The weather is a hard thing to figure", comments one of TV's better-known prognosticators. And that's the most accurate forecast he has given in his career.

The Crow has come up with a way for the weatherman (person) to be right most of the time: Give the previous day's forecast!!!

A weatherman (person) is the guy who tells you what you didn't want to hear and then it doesn't turn out to be right anyway.

If a weatherman (person) married a member of the Weather Underground, would it be Weather Person Underground or Underground Weather Person? Not this again.

A spokesman for Friends of the Weather, a now-bankrupt cloud-seeding firm, says the lack of snow in the Sierra this year has been caused by the Alaska pipeline construction. Cumulus T. Wemakeitrain, president of the company, says that heat from the equipment being used on the pipeline has caused cold fronts which form in the Gulf of Alaska to warm up before they can start south. This sudden warming causes a reverse jet stream which carries these fronts far out into the Pacific. Consequently, says Mr. Wemakeitrain, downtown Honolulu has received 68" of snow since December 15, and now you know why his firm went dry, in a manner of speaking.

Personnel Records Available

Pursuant to a recently enacted law which is effective January 1, 1976, employees of the Yosemite Park and Curry Co. have the right to examine their personnel records.

The spirit and intent of this legislation is to create openness in dealings between employers and employees and to assure that records are accurate and fair.

It is the intention of the Yosemite Park and Curry Co. to support the full spirit and intent of this legislation. Like any new legislation, there are areas which remain ambiguous and yet unclear; however, in order to avoid any confusion or interruption in the operation of our Personnel Department, we have established the following criteria under which we will provide this service to the employees of the Yosemite Park and Curry Co.

1. Personnel records will be available for examination during the hours of 10 a.m. and 12 noon on any business day on a first-come first-serve basis.
2. The Personnel Manager will assign a specific member of the Personnel Department Staff to review the record with the requesting employee in the Personnel Department.
3. No records will be permitted to leave the Personnel Department at any time.
4. All employees are entitled to examine any information or material relating to qualifications for employment, promotions, pay raises, and disciplinary matters.
5. Specifically excluded from disclosure are letters of reference and information relating to criminal investigation.

If after an employee has had an opportunity to review his or her personnel record and that employee has any questions with regard to its contents, an appointment should be scheduled with the Personnel Manager for a more detailed review.

Employees will be encouraged to avail themselves of this opportunity to ask any questions they may have regarding their records and employment status.

Yosemite Recreation

MOVIES

JAN. 26 — PHANTOM OF THE PARADISE Starring Paul Williams, Jessica Harper. A meek, mild composer who has been swindled, framed and disfigured, returns to wreak vengeance. Mr. Williams composed all of the music for this satire on "The Phantom of the Opera". (PG)

FEB. 2 — TORA, TORA, TORA Starring Jason Robards, Martin Balsam, E.G. Marshall. Both sides are looked at equally in this movie about the December 7, 1941 attack on Pearl Harbor. "Tora, Tora, Tora" combines the historical facts and the raid's epic scope of destruction. Don't miss it! (G)

Law Addresses Garden Club on History

The El Portal Garden Club will meet at noon on Monday, January 26, at Parkline Restaurant. Guest speaker: Mr. Jim Law, who will speak on the olden days in this area. Everyone welcome.

Outreach Committee Meets

Yosemite Outreach Steering Committee is a group of people representing different establishments in the community and the community at large. It functions year-round to direct and manage the Outreach program. The annual meeting of the Yosemite Outreach Steering Committee will be held at Yosemite Medical Group dining room on Tuesday, February 17, and will start at 1 p.m. Included in the agenda is election of members-at-large for the Committee.

Outreach is in the Park not just for the visitor but also for the more permanent members of the community, and you should have a voice in their activities. You are encouraged to attend the meeting and provide any input you may have into the program.

Thank You

We would like to thank all the Yosemite parents who housed our seventh and eighth graders the first week in January while they attended the Yosemite Institute.

Your kindness to our students was greatly appreciated.

Pat Sinclair
Principal
El Portal Elementary School

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

FRIDAY, JANUARY 23:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
Talent Nite Yosemite Sam's — 8 p.m.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 24:

Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 5:30 p.m.
Family Nite (Movies, Cartoons) Yosemite Sam's — 8 p.m.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 25:

Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 9 & 11 a.m.
Worship Service (Protestant) Chapel — 9:30 a.m.
TV Sports Day Yosemite Sam's — Noon
Balkan Folk Dancing Elementary School Gym — 6 p.m.
Bible Study Chapel — 6 p.m.
Southern Baptist Service Chapel — 6:30 p.m.
First Aid Class Visitor Center — 7 p.m.
Worship Service (Protestant) Wawona School — 7:30 p.m.

MONDAY, JANUARY 26:

Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
Art Design Class Yosemite Elem. School — 7 p.m.
MOVIE "Phantom of the Paradise" Visitor Center — 8 p.m.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 27:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
Macrame and Decoupage Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
Auto Maintenance Class Yosemite Elem. School — 7 p.m.
Art Class El Portal Elem. School — 7 p.m.
Volunteer Fire Dept. Meeting YP&C Co. Fire House — 7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 28:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Broom Hockey Curry Ice Rink — 5:30 p.m.
Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
Dance "Disco Nite" Yosemite Sam's — 8 p.m.
Volleyball Visitor Center — 9 p.m.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 29:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Meet Your Ski Instructor Night The Ahwahnee
Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
First Aid Class Visitor Center — 7 p.m.
Guitar Class El Portal Elem. School — 7 p.m.
"Disco Nite" Continues Yosemite Sam's — 8 p.m.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 30:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
Talent Nite Yosemite Sam's — 8 p.m.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 31:

Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 5:30 p.m.
Family Nite (Movies, Cartoons) Yosemite Sam's — 8 p.m.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 1:

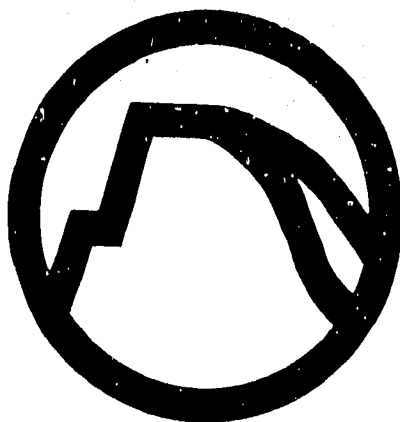
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MONDAY, FEBRUARY 2:

Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
Art Design Class Yosemite Elem. School — 7 p.m.
MOVIE "Tora, Tora, Tora" Visitor Center — 8 p.m.

GROUND HOG DAY

YOSEMITE



SENTINEL

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Yosemite National Park, CA.

HEARINGS CONCLUDED

Most of our employees are aware of the fact that the National Labor Relations Board has been holding hearings relating to an attempt to organize Yosemite Park and Curry Co. employees. What many of you may not know is, the purpose of these hearings.

On November 13, 1976, the Service Employees International Union Local 250 wrote a letter to Yosemite Park and Curry Co. claiming to represent a majority of the Yosemite Park and Curry Co. employees and demanded that we recognize their Union and start negotiations. After reviewing this claim, the Yosemite Park and Curry Co. notified Local 250 and the National Labor Relations Board that we had serious doubts that Local 250 did, in fact, represent the majority of our employees. We suggested that the best way of determining whether such a claim was true or not, was to give our employees a chance to vote in a secret ballot election conducted under the supervision of the National Labor Relations Board.

Hearings were scheduled on December 22nd and 23rd at the Federal Building in San Francisco. At these hearings the Teamsters, Chauffeurs, Warehousemen and Helpers Union Local No. 386 and the Culinary, Cooks, Bartenders and Hotel, Motel Service Employees Local No. 62, informed the National Labor Relations Board that they also represented a substantial number of employees of the Yosemite Park and Curry Co.

The Company representative, Dan Slusser, our Vice President of Administration, requested that a Summer election be held to determine what union, if any, did, in fact, represent the majority of our employees and that this election be held in July of 1976, in order to provide our returning and new Summer employees with an opportunity to vote. This request was made for one reason. The Yosemite Park and Curry Co. has approximately 300 to 350 employees who return to work during Summer. These are people who have worked for the company for two, three or four years and

in some cases in excess of ten to twenty-five years. It is our belief that if such an important decision is to be made, one that will effect all of our employees for years to come, then everyone should be given their democratic right to vote.

During these hearings, Local No. 250 and Teamsters, Local No. 386, demanded that the election be held immediately and claimed it was not necessary that our returning Summer employees be given an opportunity to cast their ballots.

One December 23rd, the hearings were not concluded and were scheduled to be continued in Yosemite on January 19th and 20th at the Visitors Center. These hearings continued for two days with Locals 250 and 386 arguing vigorously that there was no need to have returning or new Summer employees vote in this election. Company representatives main-

tained their position, that returning employees should be given the right to cast a ballot. These hearings were again continued until January 23rd and 24th in San Francisco at which time they were concluded at 4:30 p.m. on Saturday, January 24, 1976.

The issue in these hearings is not a complicated one, it is a simple question, "Should the election be held in July, which will provide our returning and new Summer employees with an opportunity to vote and make their own choice, or should it be held now, thus preventing our long-term returning employees from making their own democratic choice?"

This issue will be decided by the National Labor Relations Board sometime prior to the week of March 8, at which time we will advise you of their determination.

Christmas Bird Count Results

by Bill Dengler

A total of 54 species and about 884 individual birds were observed during the Yosemite Christmas Bird Count, held on December 21, 1975. Sixteen observers in 7 parties logged a total of 53 party hours (47 on foot, 6 by car) and covered a total of 118 party miles (50 on foot, 68 by car) during 10½ hours spent in the field. The count is conducted within a 15 mile diameter circle centered on the Pohono Bridge.

The observations included: Goshawk (1), Sharp-shinned Hawk (2), Cooper's Hawk (1), Red-tailed Hawk (3), Golden Eagle (1 adult), Peregrine Falcon (1), American Kestrel (1), Killdeer (2), Pygmy Owl (3), Saw-whet Owl (1), White-throated Swift (12), Anna's Hummingbird (1), Belted Kingfisher (3), Common Flicker (Red-shafted) (9), Acorn Woodpecker (22), Yellow-bellied Sapsucker (1), Hairy Woodpecker (2), Downy Woodpecker (1), Nuttall's Woodpecker (2), White-headed Woodpecker (7), Black Phoebe (4), Steller's Jay (192), Scrub Jay (9), Common Crow (2), Mountain Chickadee

(122), Plain Titmouse (7), Bushtit (87), White-breasted Nuthatch (2), Red-breasted Nuthatch (35), Brown Creeper (18), Wrentit (15), Dipper (3), Winter Wren (3), Bewick's Wren (4), Canyon Wren (1), American Robin (25), Varied Thrush (11), Hermit Thrush (4), Western Bluebird (18), Townsend's Solitaire (1), Golden-crowned Kinglet (51), Ruby-crowned Kinglet (31), Myna sp. (1), House Sparrow (2), Purple Finch (3), Pine Siskin (30), Lesser Goldfinch (7), Rufous-sided Towhee (6), Brown Towhee (15), Dark-eyed (Oregon) Junco (60), White-crowned Sparrow (2), Golden-crowned Sparrow (20), Fox Sparrow (15), Song Sparrow (2).

The Yosemite effort is one of some 1,100 counts taken in the United States, Canada, Middle America and the West Indies during the Christmas-New Year Holiday period. The counts are sponsored by the National Audubon Society and the publication of the results in the April issue of *American Birds* will mark the 76th year for the Christmas Bird Counts.

Letters to the Editor

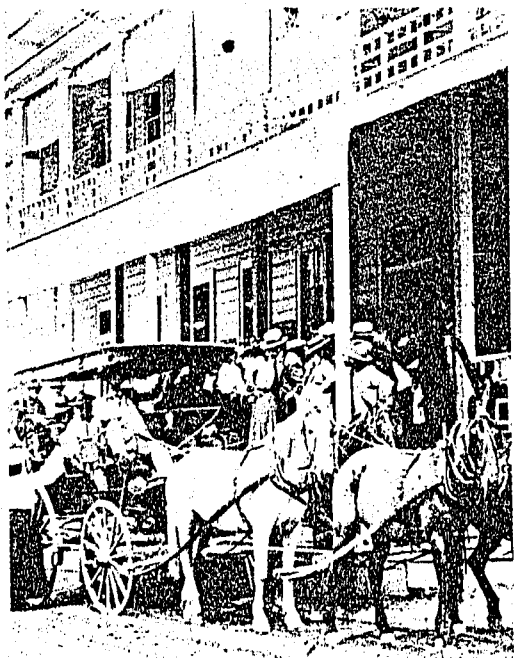
December 9, 1975

Dear Mr. Hardy:

My name, Wawona Washburn Hartwig, will introduce me to you and explain the reason for this letter. I was born in the main Wawona Hotel building, the daughter of Clarence Washburn whose father and two uncles, John, Henry and Edward Washburn, pioneered much of the development of the Wawona — Yosemite area.

By way of background, in 1875 the Washburn brothers purchased the (Galen) Clark & Moore property, later to be known as Wawona. They built the hotel buildings that stand today; some two-hundred miles of roads to Yosemite, Glacier Point and the Mariposa Grove of Big Trees; and operated the Yosemite Stage and Turnpike Co. four-horse stagecoach line, changing to automobiles in 1915. My father was part owner and manager of the Wawona Hotel and properties until the Fall of 1932 when they were sold to the Yosemite Park and Curry Co. and the land became a part of the Yosemite National Park.

From all this you can understand I am vitally interested in the development of the proposed Master Plan for Yosemite. I have not received my copy of the Workbook, although I requested one, but I have heard one of the plans includes more or less doing away with Wawona and the meadow and golf course there, to make room for a giant parking area in order to keep automobiles off the floor of the Valley. I am completely stunned that such an idea would even be considered — let alone that by some quirk of special interest pressure it might perhaps come to pass. I am most emphatically against any such desecration of Wawona and of keeping all privately owned vehicles from the floor of the Valley.



Wawona has long been recognized by visitors from all over the world as a uniquely beautiful spot, in large part due to the picturesque rail-fenced meadow and green golf course. Planned and laid out in the Fall of 1917 by my father and Peter Hay, at that time the well known golf professional from Del Monte Lodge, the golf course was the first mountain course in the State of California and received much publicity at the time as an addition to the enjoyment not only of golf enthusiasts, but of lovers of the outdoors as well. It has been in continuous use since the Spring of 1918. Its beauty, and the delight of watching deer grazing on it by the roadside, has added to the visual enjoyment of thousands of people going to and from Yosemite.

It seems hard to believe that this serene place could be criticized, but Robert A. Jones, writing in the September 14, 1975 Los Angeles Times said, "At Wawona a part of a redwood forest has been replaced with a golf course for wealthier visitors..." This is untrue on both points and shows how special interest groups and individuals often do not see or present the facts. Many others than the "wealthy" enjoy that golf course, and there never was a "redwood forest" at Wawona. The land where the course is was always open pasture and meadow. Only one large tree had to be cut for a fairway, an event that warranted this notation in my father's diary of August 11, 1917, "Big tree in pasture cut down." So much for the redwood forest.

But now what do I hear? Turn Wawona into a parking lot? Wall to wall asphalt indeed! I just cannot conceive of any plan supposedly for the public's interest that would allow the beauty and the historical significance of a place like Wawona to be destroyed, certainly not in this day of ecological concern and resurgence of interest in our heritage.

As a matter of fact, it was with this preservation of Wawona as an important part of the historical experience of the Yosemite area in mind that the Washburn interests decided only the government should have the land. I personally remember discussions by the family to the effect that by entrusting it to the National Park Service we would be for all time preserving it as the part of Americana it is. We could have taken the monetary rewards that selling off lots around the meadow and golf course would have brought through the years, but we had a greater vision — to protect Wawona from exploitation and to assure for all time that the entire Yosemite-Wawona-Big Trees area would remain protected and intact for the greatest number of people to enjoy.

I hope we were not wrong in our faith.

I think Wawona should be left as it is, a place of beauty and charm. I am happy the hotel and studio building of my great-grandfather, Thomas Hill, the noted Yosemite artist, have been added to the National Register of Historic Places. I love the Pioneer Village and display of old stagecoaches and wagons, and I hope that in the future more actual history of the part Wawona and the Washburns played in the opening of the Yosemite region to the public can be shown. I would be happy to assist in this in any way I can. Historically and physically, Wawona is truly the "Gateway to the Yosemite," as it used to be called. We must keep it that way. We must not let its heritage become lost in the sordidness of an open-air garage and bus terminal.

I would like to see the whole Yosemite area continue as it is today, for all to delight in. Summers are crowded, true, but there is certainly breathing room galore in Spring and Fall, and Winter is truly a wonderland. I want the sports-minded young people to enjoy the Valley and the back country, but I also want the not-so-young to be able to motor comfortably through those glorious miles of beauty and not be restricted and tired by bus schedules. Driving one's own automobile, at one's own leisure, has become every citizen's right.

On a recent visit to the Valley, I read the following in your Visitor's Center:

Yosemite — A Land Preserved
The grandeur of this land was recognized early, and here landscape preservation began. In 1864 Congress gave the Yosemite grant in trust to the State of California, for "public use, resort and recreation... inalienable for all time."

"Public use, resort and recreation... inalienable for all time." Inalienable — I hope we have not erased that word from our dictionary. I hope we never will. I hope that now, under the National Park Service and the Yosemite Park and Curry Co., Wawona and the entire Yosemite area remains as it is — and as it was intended to be — for the pleasure and recreation of all ages, an inalienable right of all the people, for all time.

Forgive the length of this letter. When the heart speaks, there are never enough words to express it.

Most sincerely,
 Mrs. Wawona Washburn Hartwig

WHAT'S IN A NAME?

by Sandy Dengler

The fruit fly called *Drosophila melanogaster* is approximately the size of the letter i in its name. And why did they bother to name the yellow-headed blackbird twice—*Xanthocephalus xanthocephalus*? To the non-professional interested in natural history those lengthy tongue-twisters are a vexation.

Scientific names aren't designed to be vexing. Recognized world wide, they establish an order among living things. And originally they weren't even foreign.

When Alexander of Macedonia mastered the Mediterranean world around 330 BC, his native Greek became the first truly international language. Even when Rome annexed the empire, Greek, not Latin, remained the language everybody knew. After martial Rome faded, the Mediterranean universities kept Latin alive by using it as the international language of the educated. Every literate person also learned Attic Greek, if only to read Aristotle's classic treatises.

This tidy, bi-lingual academe might have lolled along forever had not the Age of Discovery suddenly dumped upon it whole shiploads of exotic plants and animals with exotic names. By 1600 taxonomy was in total confusion.

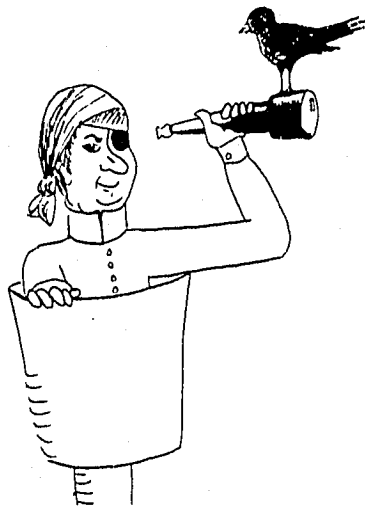
Karl Von Linne, in the mid-1700's, straightened out the mess. He devised a system of classification based on similarities and assigned to each kind of plant and animal a name uniquely its own. (He even changed his own name to the latinized Carolus Linnaeus). And, since he and his college contemporaries were all fluent in Greek and Latin, those elaborate labels were as familiar to them as the English epithets are to us.

Today we can stumble past them (our tongues falling flat in our faces) or we can learn them, practice them, use them. You needn't be a language whiz to enjoy the added pleasure and information these names provide. In Greek, XANTHUS means yellow and CEPHALOS is head. Now look again at the name given the yellow-headed blackbird.

Scientific names also reveal relationships. We see that, because they all bear the generic name *Pilea*, the artillery, black-leaf, friendship and aluminum plants are all close cousins.

A variety of books — for example, *Yosemite Wildflowers and their Stories*, by Mary and Bill Hood — can help you analyze and dissect blockbuster names. Soon each will take on a familiarity, a lilt

"The Crow's Nest"



Update on the weatherman (person): Someone has suggested that those who forecast the weather would better be called circumlocutionman (person). Circumlocutionists still think the earth is round.

The controversy over the proposed new sports arena in Fish Camp rages on. In the latest move, Friends of Fish Camp has filed suit to stop construction of the stadium, claiming that the area where the arena would be built is the winter breeding grounds of the rare California Buffalo. In a counter suit, a consortium of local businessmen claim that apparently Friends of Fish Camp have been smoking Buffalo grass native to the area, since no one has seen the California Buffalo for at least 100 years. The last known sighting was when Chancy O'Chancy rode one into the Fish Camp Emporium on July 4, 1876. Shouldn't the Bison-ennial Commission be notified?

The Crow wishes Larry Carlisle (YP&C Co. Accounting Office) and his family the best of luck. Larry, his wife and children have moved to Missouri to run the family farm. Larry says he would like to have a sharp plow in his hand rather than a sharp pencil.

Advertisement for a Southern California nudist colony spotted recently in the classified section of the San Francisco Chronicle: "The bare facts of this ad will be self-evident on your first day in camp."

and flavour of its own, no longer strange. Amazing both yourself and your friends, you'll be able to look at *Melospiza melodia* and think, "What a perfect name for the song sparrow!"



RE Ving Around

by John Davis

My mother teaches the second grade in the Texas town in which I was raised. Opening exercises each morning include a Bible story and singing songs that have a Biblical focus.

The other day she sent me a note that had been sent to her by the mother of one of her students who had been absent. In part it reads: "About mid-morning yesterday David asked me to read him a Bible story. 'I missed my Bible story at school this morning!' He loves Bible stories and will ask for these before he will a fairy tale."

Despite how some have interpreted and applied a Supreme Court ruling, I am fully persuaded that on occasion there is more joyful celebration of our Creator in Mother's schoolroom than in some Chapel services where I lead. In fact, what equips us to enjoy and receive His Life together is living with Him where we ordinarily are...such as a classroom.

If religion doesn't work, isn't real, where we actually live our daily lives, it is false escape. But if our life here on earth is more than cosmic accident, then the door to abundant life surely lies in finding a copy of "the manufacturer's handbook" and living according to instruction. What do you think would be better: Making up one's own rules for life? Or discovering that a perfect way is already provided and offered? I vote for Mother's way!

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MOVIES

FEB. 2 — TORA, TORA, TORA
Starring Jason Robards, Martin Balsam, E.G. Marshall. Both sides are looked at equally in this movie about the December 7, 1941 attack on Pearl Harbor. "Tora, Tora, Tora" combines the historical facts and the raid's epic scope of destruction. Don't miss it! (G)

FEB. 9 — THE CRAZY WORLD OF JULIUS VROODER — Starring Timothy Bottoms, Barbara Seagull. A war-traumatized kid willfully avoids reality through his anti-social behavior and is committed to a psychiatric ward. There he builds an underground "hooch", which is his own private reality, to which he brings his nurse. (PG)

El Portal Participates In Basketball Tournament

by Carol Fincham

December 12th was a big day for the El Portal School basketball team. The coed team took part in a basketball tournament at Raymond School and played three games in one afternoon.

The first game was with Yosemite School. The score for that game was El Portal 14, Yosemite 6.

The second game was a rough one with Coulterville-Greeley School. Coulterville was ahead at the half 8 to 6. On the last quarter, El Portal put in their two substitutes. The final score was Coulterville-Greeley 14, El Portal 10.

Without any time to rest, the team began a third game against North Fork. This was a particularly difficult team to play, with players much bigger and older than the El Portal team. So the El Portal team decided to play man-to-man rather than by zones, as they had in the two earlier games. Missy James made the first point for the Warriors. Jamie Carlisle held down the big North Fork guard, and Missy James and Ricky Ikuma tied up their big center. According to Coach Pat Sinclair, the team really played their best basketball. The final score was El Portal 13, North Fork 11.

El Portal placed third in the tournament, receiving a trophy. Jamie Carlisle, a sixth grader, was selected for the tournament all-star team.

Members of the basketball team were: Jamie Carlisle, Ricky Ikuma, Martin Taggart, Kay Lawhon, Missy James, Dean Seal, Sean Sinclair, and Tim Taggart.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

FRIDAY, JANUARY 30:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
Talent Nite Yosemite Sam's — 8 p.m.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 31:

Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 5:30 p.m.
Worship Service Wawona School — 6 p.m.
Family Nite (Movies, Cartoons) Yosemite Sam's — 8 p.m.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 1:

NATIONAL FREEDOM DAY

Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 9 & 11 a.m.
Worship Service Chapel — 9:30 a.m.
Sports Day Yosemite Sam's — Noon
Balkan Folk Dancing Elem. School Gym — 6 p.m.
Southern Baptist Service Chapel — 6:30 p.m.
First Aid Class Visitor Center — 7 p.m.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 2:

GROUND HOG DAY

Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
Art Design Class Yosemite Elem. School — 7 p.m.
MOVIE "Tora, Tora, Tora" Visitor Center — 8 p.m.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
Macrame and Decoupage Employee Rec. Office — 7 p.m.
Auto Maintenance Class Yosemite Elem. School — 7 p.m.
Art Class El Portal Elem. School — 7 p.m.
Volunteer Fire Dept. Meeting YP&C Co. Fire House — 7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Broom Hockey Curry Ice Rink — 5:30 p.m.
Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
DANCE "Touch" Yosemite Sam's — 8 p.m.
Volleyball Visitor Center — 9 p.m.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
Guitar Class El Portal Elem. School — 7 p.m.
DANCE "Touch" Yosemite Sam's — 8 p.m.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
Talent Nite Yosemite Sam's — 8 p.m.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7:

Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 5:30 p.m.
Worship Service Wawona School — 6 p.m.
Family Nite (Movies, Cartoons) Yosemite Sam's — 8 p.m.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8:

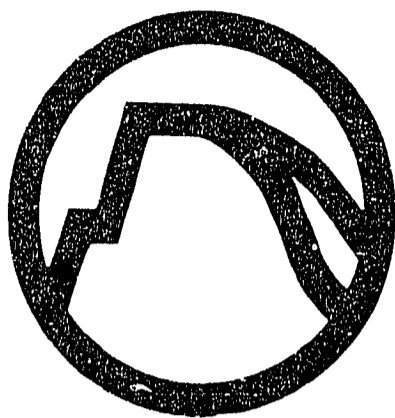
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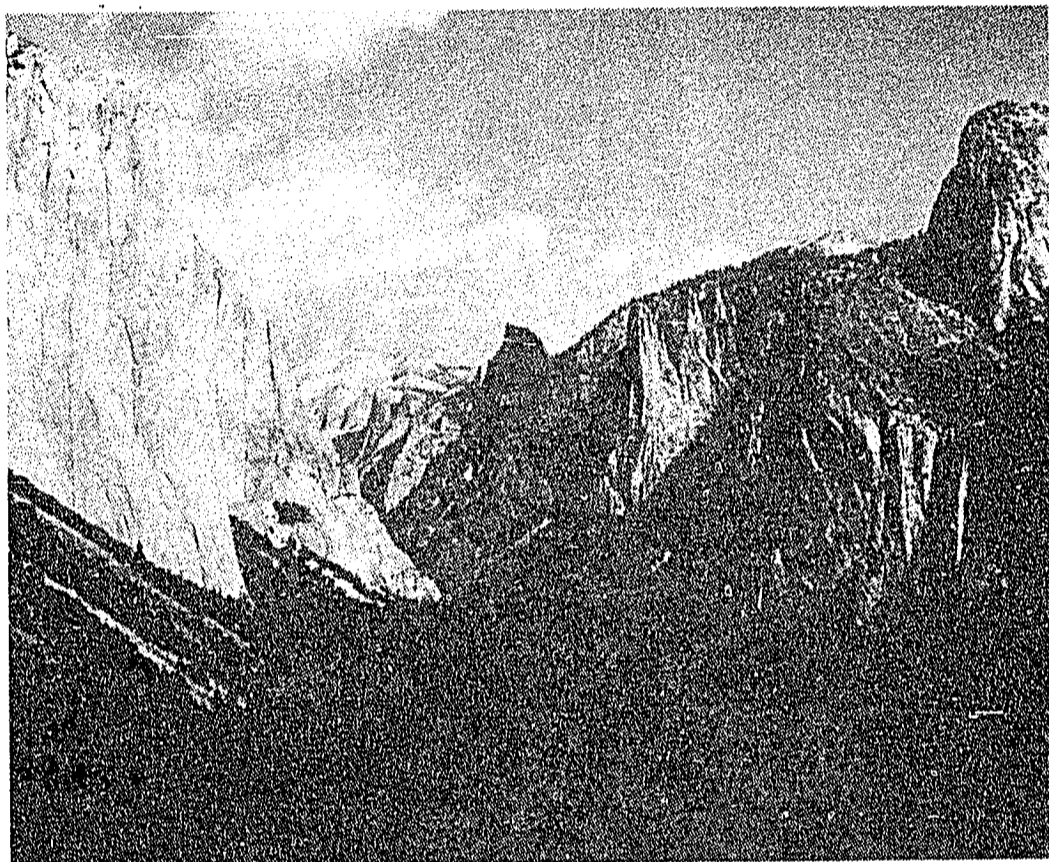
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Yosemite Park and Curry Co. Respond to Master Plan Workbook

On January 26, 1976, the Yosemite Park and Curry Co. sent its views on the Master Plan Workbook to the National Park Service in response to a specific written request from John Reynolds, captain of the Yosemite Master Plan Team.

The document represent the Company's input to the Master Plan process and constitutes, we believe, a detailed, integrated set of suggestions as to the future of Yosemite National Park. The framework within which the document was prepared is set forth in our letter to the Master Plan Team which is reproduced on the inside cover of the 30-page document.

Because there has been much commenting and speculation in the media and among members of the public concerning our Company's proposals for the

Yosemite Master Plan, and because there has been many misconceptions published concerning these matters, we invite you to review your company's response to the National Park Service.

We believe that you and the public at large have an interest in and deserve to know the suggestions which this company is making.

While we do not have enough copies to give each employee, copies can be checked out for your review through the Public Relations Department. We encourage you to find out where your company stands on this vital issue. Stop by the Public Relations Department to read the Company's response to the Master Plan Workbook; then, please make your comments know to us either through your supervisor or in writing to the Sentinel.

BADGER REOPENS%

Winter finally arrived in Yosemite on February 4 as more than a foot of snow blanketed the Valley floor. This, the heaviest storm of an unusually dry winter season, began early Wednesday morning and continued off and on through Thursday, causing minor power failures throughout the Park.

By 8 a.m. Thursday, Badger Pass had received three feet of new snow and was being readied for re-opening on Saturday. Three chairlifts and one T-bar will be running this weekend and all facilities will be operating.

Be sure to bring your privilege card to Badger to enjoy your employee discounts there. Employee rates are as follows:

*All-day Lift Ticket	\$3.25
*Full Day Equipment Rental	\$3.25
Group Ski Lesson	\$3.00
(10 a.m. & 2 p.m.)	

(*Half-day rates are also available)

For those driving to Badger Pass, it is advisable to take chains, as they may be made mandatory at any time. However, if you wish to avoid the hassle of chains, YTS offers a shuttle service to Badger Pass that leaves three times each morning. Reservations must be made a day in advance and the cost to employees is 50¢. For schedule information and reservations, stop at the Transportation Desks at either The Ahwahnee or the Yosemite Lodge. Tickets may also be purchased at the YTS office.

The weather bureau is predicting more storms to come, so....

THINK SNOW



REing Around

by John Davis

Have you ever noticed that what most changes the outward appearance of the earth about us — a snowfall — comes as a storm? What makes the earth clean and new arrives with disruption of the normal climatic processes.

There are all kinds of "storms" that hit at our personal lives. With many of these "storms" there isn't much we can do to avoid, halt or abate them. What happens then?

I'm of the opinion that it isn't the crisis situation that makes a person. Rather, crisis reveals more clearly who we have been all along. But crisis can bring the "snow" that truly helps us become both clean and new. Disruption can become more opportunity than threat.

To experience a personal "storm" more as opportunity than threat means our security doesn't reside in our circumstances. Do you have any thoughts on whether there is such security, and, if so, where you might locate and mature in it?

WAGE DISPUTES

Should an occasion arise whereby an employee believes that his or her pay is not consistent with the Yosemite Park and Curry Co. wage and salary plan, the following process should be pursued.

Step 1 The employee should advise the immediate supervisor as to why the employee believes the present rate of pay is incorrect. That supervisor is then required to contact the Personnel Department stating the problem. The Personnel Department will review the individual's file to determine if the employee has been assigned to the proper wage grade and service bracket; if in fact the individual has been improperly assigned, an adjustment will be made retroactively and the employee will be so advised. If, in fact the employee is being paid consistent with the program, the employee will be so notified. If at that time the employee is not satisfied with

the explanation, the employee may proceed to step 2.

Step 2 The employee should then ask the supervisor to schedule an appointment that does not conflict with their work schedule with the Personnel Manager. At that time the record and wage assignment should be reviewed. If a discrepancy is found, it will be adjusted retroactively to the proper rate. If no discrepancy exists, the employee will be advised. If at that time the employee is not satisfied with the explanation, the employee may proceed to step 3.

Step 3 The employee should now request the Personnel Manager to schedule an appointment with the Vice President of Administration, who will review the matter with the employee. Any adjustments made at that time will be retroactive to the proper date and rate of pay.

Merced and San Francisco Bus Service

Yosemite Transportation System is offering several runs to Merced that may help you when you need to go home, go shopping, or visit the "city". Round-trip cost for employees is \$3.50, one-way \$2.00. See below for clip-out schedule.

Merced. Fares for employees are \$16.86 round-trip and \$9.03 one-way. The schedule is below.

Greyhound and YTS have scheduled a new weekend express service to and from San Francisco, which involves a wait of only 15 minutes for a bus change in

Reservations are required a day in advance and can be made through YTS or any of the transportation desks. For more bus information, or train and plane schedules, call or drop by the Lodge or Ahwahnee Transportation Desks.

-----CLIP OUT AND SAVE THIS SCHEDULE-----

	LEAVE	ARRIVE
MONDAY through THURSDAY		
Yosemite Valley to Merced	12 Noon	2:30 p.m.
Merced to Yosemite Valley	3:15 p.m.	5:45 p.m.
FRIDAY		
Yosemite Valley to Merced	12 Noon	2:30 p.m.
	6:05 p.m.	8:20 p.m.
Merced to Yosemite Valley	3:15 p.m.	5:45 p.m.
	9:40 p.m.	11:55 p.m.
San Francisco to Yosemite Valley	6:00 p.m.	11:55 p.m.
SATURDAY		
Yosemite Valley to Merced	12 Noon	2:30 p.m.
	4:30 p.m.	6:50 p.m.
Yosemite Valley to San Francisco	4:30 p.m.	11:10 p.m.
Merced to Yosemite Valley	9:00 a.m.	11:30 a.m.
	3:15 p.m.	5:45 p.m.
	8:00 p.m.	10:30 p.m.
San Francisco to Yosemite Valley	6:00 a.m.	11:30 a.m.
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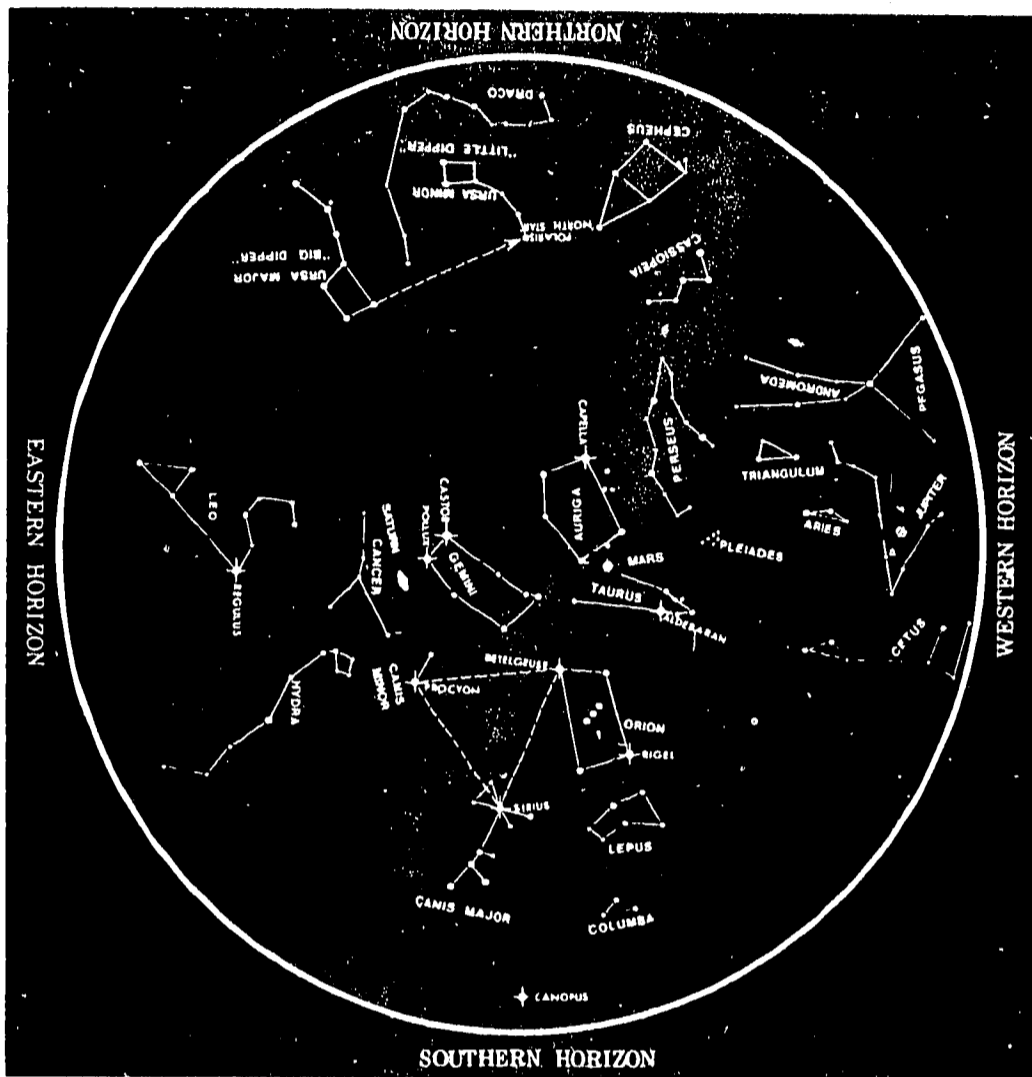
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SKY CALENDAR FOR FEBRUARY

by Larry Huggins



SUN

Our star appears to pass from Capricornus into Aquarius during February.

MOON

New	Jan. 31	— 10:20 a.m.
First Quarter	Feb. 29	— 3:25 p.m.
Full	Feb. 6	— 2:05 a.m.
Last Quarter	Feb. 15	— 8:43 a.m.
	Feb. 22	— 12:16 a.m.

Moon-Planet Passages

Venus 2°N	Jan. 28	12 Midnight
Jupiter 4°N	Feb. 6	7 p.m.
Mars 5°S	Feb. 10	8 a.m.
Saturn 5°S	Feb. 13	11 a.m.

Mercury, Venus, and the thin crescent moon can be seen within the same 8° field of view on the 27th. Look for them very low on the eastern horizon just before sunrise.

Venus See above.

Earth Two strange events will occur on Earth this month. A 29th day will be added to the month of February (leap day). This is done every 4th year to keep our calendar year as close as possible to the length of time it takes to journey around the sun. However, on that same day, everyone will set their clocks ahead one hour, effecting a change from Standard time to Daylight Savings time.

Mars We're leaving it behind, so to speak. It grows dimmer and farther away for the rest of the year. Look for it in Taurus.

Jupiter Also growing slightly dimmer and farther from us is Jupiter, still in Pisces.

Saturn is now at its closest for 1976. It rises in Cancer at sunset and transits the sky all night long. Saturn will rise earlier each evening as the year progresses. Like a race car on an inside track, Earth has "passed" Jupiter, Mars, and now Saturn.

Variable Star Mira, in the constellation Cetus (the whale) will reach maximum brightness in late January-early February. It becomes visible for a few weeks each year (in 1779 it rivaled Aldebaran in brightness), then fades quickly. The ancients noticed this strange star and named it the "wonder star" (Latin "mira"). It is a red giant, long period variable star with a diameter 400 times greater than the sun's.

Winter Milky Way is much dimmer than the summer Milky Way since we're now looking away from the central area of our

Wanted Skating Teacher

The Yosemite Elementary School Parents Group is looking for a volunteer to instruct children (grades 1-4) in figure skating on Tuesday afternoons. You don't have to be Peggy Fleming or know school figures — just be able to teach the students basic skating.

The class will meet from 4 to 5 p.m., with instruction from 4 to 4:30 and free skating and practice following. If you would like to become involved, please call one of the following: Char Wilson — 372-4741; Bea Downing — 372-4265; Mary Vocelka — 372-4268.

Book Discussion Group Changed

The date for the next book discussion group has been changed. It will meet Monday, Feb. 16, instead of Feb. 2, at 8:00 p.m. at the home of Diana Abrell. The book to be discussed is *The Journey* by Lillian Smith. Call 372-4233 for further information or directions. Everyone is invited.

The book for the March meeting (date to be announced) is *Too Late the Phalarope* by Alan Paton, available at Ansel Adams Gallery. Ask at the counter.

galaxy, toward the periphery. On moonless nights you can see it span the winter sky from Cassiopeia, through Perseus and Auriga, between Orion and Gemini, and southward just below the bright star Sirius.

Interested readers are referred to the Hansen Planetarium star chart (60¢); the National Geographic Society chart, *The Heavens* (\$3.00); both available at the YNHA bookcounter at the Visitor Center.

Additionally, the following magazines offer excellent monthly sky maps:

Astronomy Magazine
4100 W. Chicago Ave.
Chicago, Ill. 60651
(\$10)

Natural History Magazine
Box 6000
Des Moines, Iowa 50306
(\$10)

Sky & Telescope
49 Bay State Road
Cambridge, Mass. 02138
(\$9)

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MOVIES

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FEB. 16 — ADAM'S RIB — Starring Katherine Hepburn and Spencer Tracy. Courtroom combat involving a female lawyer and her husband, the assistant district attorney. A "feminist" film many years ahead of its time. Don't miss Hepburn vs. Tracy in this 1949 film classic. (G)

SPECIAL CLASSES

Tired of sitting at home on the week nights with nothing to do? Why not exercise your creative talents at the Macrame/Decoupage Class. Use your imagination to make hanging planters, decoupage pictures or work with dried flowers. Patty and Penny will help to make your ideas work. The class is offered every Tuesday night from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. in the Employee Rec. Office.

Award Nominations Requested

Do you know of someone who has worked hard for the community or done something really outstanding? The Mariposa High School P.T.A. will present an honor service award to a deserving citizen of Mariposa County at the High School P.T.A. Founder's Day Program in February.

If you have a name you wish to submit for consideration, please call Bea Downing at 372-4265 before noon, February 9.

FOR SALE

1972 and 1973 Dodge 4-door Sedans, formerly used by the Mariposa County Sheriff's Department. Proposals (bids) are being accepted at the Sheriff's Office and **must be received by February 9** to be considered.

Porsche, 1968-912 coupe. 5-speed transmission; AM/FM and bra; totally rebuilt engine, transmission, carburetors. NEW paint, clutch and shocks. Maintenance records and log available. Handled with TLC, excellent condition, 30-32 mpg. on highways. \$5,500. Contact Jim Brady at 372-4255 or at the office, 372-4461.

Men's Henke Ski Boots, size 10, foam injected, \$20. Call 372-4233.

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FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
Talent Night Yosemite Sam's — 8 p.m.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7:

Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 5:30 p.m.
Worship Service Wawona School — 6 p.m.
Family Night (Movies, Cartoons) Yosemite Sam's — 8 p.m.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8:

Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 9 & 11 a.m.
Worship Service Chapel — 9:30 a.m.
Sports Day Yosemite Sam's — Noon
Balkan Folk Dancing Elementary School Gym — 6 p.m.
Southern Baptist Service Chapel — 6:30 p.m.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9:

Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
Art Design Class Yosemite Elem. School — 7 p.m.
Teen Club Yosemite Sam's — 7 p.m.
MOVIE "The Crazy World of Julius Vrooder" Visitor Center — 8 p.m.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 10:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
Macrame/Decoupage Employee Rec. Office — 7 p.m.
Teen Club Yosemite Sam's — 7 p.m.
Volunteer Fire Dept. Meeting YP&C Co. Fire House — 7 p.m.
Auto Maintenance Class Yosemite Elem. School — 7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 11:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Broom Hockey Curry Ice Rink — 5:30 p.m.
Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
Masonic Lodge Meeting Masonic Hall — 8 p.m.
DANCE "Disco Night" Yosemite Sam's — 8:30 p.m.
Volleyball Visitor Center — 9 p.m.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12:

LINCOLN'S BIRTHDAY

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
Guitar Class El Portal Elem. School — 7 p.m.
Christian Gathering Chapel — 7:30 p.m.
DANCE "Disco Night" Yosemite Sam's — 8:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
Talent Night Yosemite Sam's — 8 p.m.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 14:

VALENTINE'S DAY

Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 5:30 p.m.
Worship Service Wawona School — 6 p.m.
Family Night (Movies, Cartoons) Yosemite Sam's — 8 p.m.

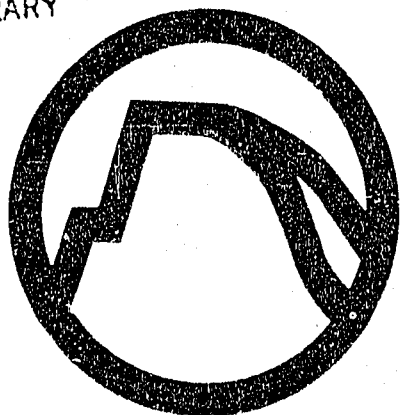
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15:

Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 9 & 11 a.m.
Worship Service Chapel — 9:30 a.m.
Sports Day Yosemite Sam's — Noon
Balkan Folk Dancing Elementary School Gym — 6 p.m.
Southern Baptist Service Chapel — 6:30 p.m.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 16:

Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
Teen Club Yosemite Sam's — 7 p.m.
Art Design Class Yosemite Elem. School — 7 p.m.
MOVIE "Adam's Rib" Visitor Center — 8 p.m.

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AHWAHNEE HOUSEKEEPING



MARY MILLER, seamstress for the hotel, repairs damaged linen, blankets, and drapes, as well as offering a pressing service to hotel guests.



CHRISTINA LORIS, a night maid at The Ahwahnee, is one of the three maids that perform the nightly "turn down" service, preparing the beds for the guests to retire.



DENNIS OSTERHOUT, houseperson, prepares the afternoon fire in the Great Lounge. These fires have been a winter tradition at The Ahwahnee since it opened.



ELIZABETH BAHE, Ahwahnee maid, makes up a room.



BOB FORBES, Housekeeper, takes an inventory of supplies in the Linen Room.

Maintaining the high standard of quality that The Ahwahnee is noted for comes under the auspices of the Housekeeping Department.

Thirteen maids, seven housepeople, one inspectress, one seamstress, and a night attendant make up the staff of this important department. This crew is not only responsible for the cleaning and making up of rooms at the hotel, but the care and upkeep of the public areas, waxing of floors, and laundering of terry cloth items.

Housekeeping duties that are unique in the Park to The Ahwahnee include the lighting of the fire in the Great Lounge; preparing of public areas for banquets, weddings, and meetings; and a special turn-down service whereby the guests' beds are turned down for them each evening between 7 and 9 p.m. and mints left for each guest with a card wishing them pleasant dreams.

Pet Owners: Note

All pets must be registered by **FEBRUARY 15, 1976** under the new pet policy established by the National Park Service (see the Sentinel of January 16 or get a copy from the Valley Ranger Office). Pets are required to have the proper inoculations; a National Park Service permit is required in order to keep a pet in the Park. Permits are obtainable at the Valley Ranger Office, located upstairs in the Valley District Building (immediately west of the Visitor Center). After February 15, 1976, any new pets are to be registered within 14 days of entering the Park. Wawona residents may register their pets at the Wawona Ranger Office. The National Park Service pet permits are good for a period of two years.

Help Wanted

Noon Supervisor needed for Yosemite Elementary School. Please contact the school at 372-4791 if you are interested in working one hour a day (\$2.74/hr.) as a noon supervisor.

WANT ADS

The Sentinel is happy to run your for sale or want ads at no charge to all Park employees and their families. If you have something you would like to sell, an item you would like to find, or a service to offer, either drop it in the mail to Yosemite Sentinel, Yosemite Park and Curry Co., Yosemite National Park, Ca. 95389 or call 372-4611, ext. 445. Ads must be in no later than the Monday before the Friday publication date.

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WHAT'S COOKING?

This basic dish is inexpensive, full of protein and can be served a variety of ways.

SOLE WITH MUSHROOMS (serves 3)

- 6 Sole Fillets
- Salt and Pepper
- 1/2 oz. Butter
- 4 oz. Button Mushrooms
- 1/4 pint Milk

SAUCE:

- 1 oz. Butter
- 1 oz. Flour
- 1/4 pint Milk
- 2 oz. Grated Cheese
- Salt and Pepper
- Pinch Dry Mustard
- 1/4 pint Single Cream
- Chopped Parsley

Season fillet with salt and pepper, roll from tail end and place in buttered casserole together with washed and dried mushrooms. Pour 1/4 pint milk over, cover and bake for 15 minutes at 350°. Remove fish and keep warm on serving dish. Reserve juice from fish for sauce. Melt butter in pan, stir in flour, remove from heat and gradually beat in juice from fish along with 1/4 pint milk. Return to heat and bring to a boil, stirring constantly. Add the mushrooms and simmer for 2 minutes. Remove from heat, add cheese and seasonings to taste, dry mustard and cream. Use immediately. Pour sauce over fillets and sprinkle with chopped parsley.

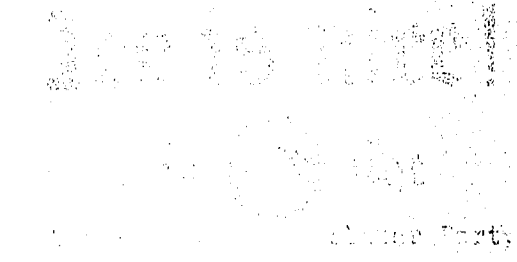
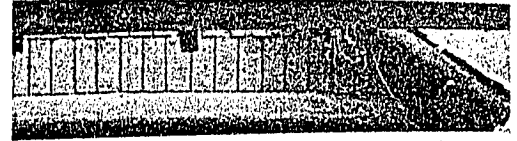
VARIATIONS:

1. Substitute 4 oz. prawns for mushrooms and add 1 tsp. paprika to sauce. Garnish with lemon wedges.
2. Omit mushrooms and increase cheese to 4 oz. Garnish with heated asparagus spears.
3. Omit mushrooms. Peel four tomatoes, discard seeds and chop into small pieces. Add to sauce with 1 Tbsp. chopped parsley.

RECYCLING FACT

Old telephone books can be recycled. Please leave them with your newspaper at the Recycling Center. Remember, every ton of paper that is recycled saves 17 trees.

Hans Brinker Party



Yosemite Winter Club enthusiasm isn't limited just to skiing. They like everything connected with winter (except maybe tire chains and snow shovels?) and that definitely includes "nice ice."

Thursday evening, February 19, will be Hans Brinker Night at the Curry Ice Rink. This Winter Club party, scheduled for 7:30 to 10:00 p.m., promises activities and fun for the whole family. Races and games are planned for all age groups from preschoolers through adventurous adults.

There'll be a blazing wood fire for warmth, atmosphere, and roasting marshmallows. Hot chocolate, coffee and warm, spiced wine will be available to chase away chills, and there'll be cold beer or wine as well.

Winter Club membership this year includes two free ice skating sessions, so members are encouraged to bring their cards to qualify for free admission to the rink. A fifty-cent Winter Club party donation will include refreshment tickets.

As is the case with all Winter Club functions, participation is limited to members; but membership is readily available. Join at the party, or call JoAnn Rees at 372-4210.

Don't worry if your skating form doesn't stir recollections of Sonja Henie. Some of your friends will be having trouble just remaining vertical. It's all for fun!

PART TIME JOB

If you are interested in weekend and/or holiday employment and are 16 years of age or older, contact the Personnel Dept. of Yosemite Park and Curry Co. The Code of Federal Regulations provide that minors must be 16 years of age or older before they can work for a concessioner in a National Park. Come in after school or call Steve Hosler at 372-4611, ext. 236.

...AND GEORGE

by Sandy Dengler

Latin and Greek may have died as the speech of the common people, but an unusual contingent of scientists still make good use of all the gods and goddesses the Greco-Roman mythology bequeathed us. Through the centuries the astronomers have applied this rich trove of names to constellations, stars, planets and asteroids.

Of the planets in our own solar system, most are familiar to us. It is well known, for instance, that Mercury was the messenger of the gods. Being the gods' messenger required special agility and speed, so Mercury was given wings on his feet. The planet Mercury, being closest to the sun, whips about it the most swiftly.

There is no lovelier planet than Venus, aptly named for the goddess of love and beauty. No one need be reminded that we're standing on the third planet from the sun. Red, the color of blood, is symbolic of war. Because of the peculiar nature of its atmosphere and surface, Mars appears red. Thus did that planet receive the name of the god of war.

Between Mars and Jupiter, the next full-sized planet from the sun, there lies a belt or circlet of junk — thousands of chunks and pieces of debris ranging in size from a yard (or smaller, most likely) to a mile or two in length. Each of these that has been mapped and identified has been provided with the name of some minor character of the Greek and Trojan mythologies (well, all right...so Ceres isn't so minor). We stand a good chance of running out of myth before we run out of asteroids.

The planet Jupiter so dominates our system in size and influence that if gravitational problems are studied by considering only the sun and Jupiter and ignoring the other planets, the answer still comes out right. Jupiter ruled the courts of the gods as well.

The father of Jupiter was Saturn. Uranus was the father of Saturn. Neptune (another son of Saturn) gave his name to the planet because, as god of the sea, he shared its sea-green color. Pluto, god of the underworld, cruises the outer skirts of the system, forever apart from light and warmth.

Annual Wage Adjustment

On January 1, 1976, for the second year in a row, the Yosemite Park and Curry Co. has implemented annual wage adjustments for their employees. Our wage plan is designed and intended to keep the Yosemite Park and Curry Co. and its employees in a progressive upward direction. It is designed to create an environment which stimulates people in their jobs and fosters the Company's growth. It is our intention to provide levels of compensation which are equal to or better than wages and salaries paid for similar jobs in our industry or in labor markets which we are required to compete for top-quality personnel. Our program recognizes individual achievement and years of service with Yosemite Park and Curry Co. Salary levels within Yosemite Park and Curry Co. are based on three major factors: Annual salary adjustments of all wages on January 1st of each year, the job function performed by the individual and the wage grade assigned to it, the length of service the employee has had in his particular position with Yosemite Park and Curry Co.

It is our intention to remain a leader in the hospitality industry. This can only be accomplished by dedication, effort and guest service that our employees have demonstrated in 1975 in making the visitor's stay in Yosemite National Park one that we can all be proud of.

Should any employee have a question related to his or her wage grade, proper payment or any problem whatsoever, they should contact the Personnel Department to get it cleared up.

All this fits into a cozy, conventional pattern. But it might not have been so. William Herschel was a brilliant British astronomer who worked, at least in part, under the auspices and finances of King George III of England. When Herschel discovered the planet Uranus in 1781 (invisible to the naked eye, at least as a planet), he would have named it in honor of his patron, sidestepping the traditional mythology. He suggested the name *Georgium Sidus*, George's star. Had he had his way, our planets would have been: Mercury, Venus, Earth, Mars, Jupiter, Saturn, and George.

Employee Housing Conservation

Do you believe in strip mining? Are you in favor of nuclear power plants? These are the extreme questions we think of when we think of energy, its use and conservation. Everyone has a responsibility to practice energy conservation to help stretch existing fuel supplies. This article is dedicated to our mutual goal of assuring that our own energy supplies are used as efficiently as possible.

In addition to conservation, the proper utilization of energy has a dollar value to each employee. Money that is saved from energy conservation can be redirected towards needed items in Employee Housing; carpeting in the Annex Dorm, improved recreation rooms in Tecoya, individual shower stalls in the tent areas.

Helpful hints for conserving energy include:

1. Turn off lights that you aren't using (all lights when you leave your room). Change light bulbs to a lower wattage when it is safe.
2. Don't keep your T.V. and stereo going when you aren't using them.
3. Close curtains at night and open them during the day. Let the sun warm you naturally.
4. Keep exterior doors and windows shut tight.
5. Set the temperature on your thermostat and leave it there while in use.
6. Set thermostats low at night, when not needed during the day, or when you're not home.

These are helpful hints for you to do your part in conserving energy. If you know of any ideas for conserving energy, please contact me in the Employee Housing Office, or at ext. 451.

Badger Pass Ski Shop

25% OFF SALE
[all items except tobacco,
liquor, and deli items]

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13th
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 14th
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15th
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 16th

Yosemite Recreation

MOVIES

FEB. 16 — ADAM'S RIB

Starring Katherine Hepburn and Spencer Tracy. Courtroom combat involving a female lawyer and her husband, the assistant district attorney. A "feminists film" many years ahead of its time. Don't miss Hepburn vs. Tracy in this 1949 film classic. (G)

FEB. 23 — THE LEGEND OF HANNIE CAULDER

Starring Raquel Welch, Robert Culp, Ernest Borgnine. Assaulted by three gleeful bandit brothers who also killed her husband, Hannie vows vengeance. She persuades a bounty hunter to teach her how to gunfight. In due time, she avenges her sullied honor.

Special Pre-Spring Yoga Class

Do you want to bring that youthful spring back into your step? Perhaps relieve a stubborn ache or pain? Try Yoga — the all-natural pain reliever. A new continuous beginner's Yoga class is being offered Monday, Wednesday, and Friday in the Employee Recreation Office at YP&C Co. General Offices. Meeting at 6 p.m., the class is open to all Park employees and their families. The classes will focus on Yoga postures and will also include nutrition and living hints.

Instructor Bob Ashway will emphasize the importance of taking it "slow and easy", as no beginning student is expected to have the strength, flexibility, or balance to accomplish any of the complete postures. The exercises will stretch and activate all the muscles in your body in a way no other exercises can.

The postures also help relieve tension and relax you after a day at work. Being rested and refreshed, you can think more clearly, work better, and have more energy. Yoga can also help you in shaping up or slimming down.

Join us for a different ten-week exercise plan that unlocks the secrets of a lifetime of health, beauty, and profound peace of mind.

FOR SALE

JEEP — 1971 Mighty Mite. 4-wheel drive. Good tires, '76 tags. In need of new starter, although it will start. \$1,000 or best offer; 1963 CHEVY Pick-Up. 3/4 Ton. Needs work. \$100. Call 372-4265 evenings.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
Talent Night Yosemite Sam's — 8 p.m.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 14:

VALENTINE'S DAY

Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 5:30 p.m.
Worship Service Wawona School — 6 p.m.
Family Night (Movies, Cartoons) Yosemite Sam's — 8:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15:

Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 9 & 11 a.m.
Worship Service Chapel — 9:30 a.m.
T.V. Sports Yosemite Sam's — Noon
Balkan Folk Dancing Elem. School Gym — 6 p.m.
Southern Baptist Service Chapel — 6:30 p.m.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 16:

WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY OBSERVED

Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
Teen Club Yosemite Sam's — 7 p.m.
MOVIE "Adam's Rib" Visitor Center — 8 p.m.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17: -

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Outreach Steering Comm. Meeting Medical Group Dining Rm. — 1 p.m.
Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
Teen Club Yosemite Sam's — 7 p.m.
Macrame and Decoupage Employee Rec. Office — 7 p.m.
Auto Maintenance Class Yosemite Elem. School — 7 p.m.
Art Class El Portal Elem. School — 7 p.m.
Volunteer Fire Dept. Meeting YP&C Co. Fire House — 7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 18: -

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Broom Hockey Curry Ice Rink — 5:30 p.m.
Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
DANCE Yosemite Sam's — 8:30 p.m.
Volleyball Visitor Center — 9 p.m.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 19: -

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
Christian Gathering Chapel — 7:30 p.m.
Winter Club Hans Brinker Night Curry Ice Rink — 7:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 20:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
Talent Night Yosemite Sam's — 8 p.m.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21:

Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 5:30 p.m.
Worship Service Wawona School — 6 p.m.
Family Night (Movies, Cartoons) Yosemite Sam's — 8 p.m.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22:

WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDATE

Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 9 & 11 a.m.
Worship Service Chapel — 9:30 a.m.
T.V. Sports Yosemite Sam's — Noon
Balkan Folk Dancing Elem. School Gym — 6 p.m.
Southern Baptist Service Chapel — 6:30 p.m.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 23:

Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
Teen Club Yosemite Sam's — 7:30 p.m.
MOVIE "The Legend of Hannie Caulder" Visitor Center — 8 p.m.

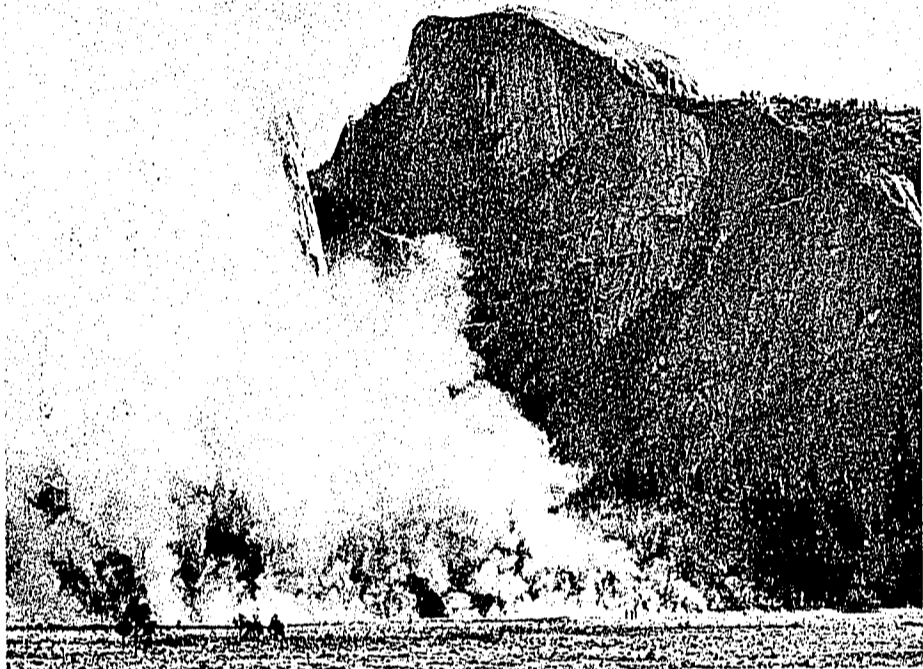
YOSEMITE



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If it looks a bit smoky to you lately, it's not smog, it's actually smoke from a new fire policy being used by the National Park Service as part of their fire management program.

Several hundred acres of meadowland in the Valley have been or will be burned, weather permitting. These burns are a part of a fire management program to maintain the meadows in a natural condition by preventing the encroachment of pine trees and to permit restoration of native grasses.

Prior to 1890, lightning fires frequently burned uncontrolled over most forest lands in California. And, according to students of Indian lore, supplemented by tree-ring data, fires occurred somewhere in the Valley each year. It was customary for the Indians to burn off the undergrowth to maintain clearings for defense against trespassing tribes and to aid hunting and food gathering.

As a result of this frequent light burning, mixed conifer forest in the Sierras, including those of Yosemite, were composed of large, widely spaced pines and firs with little undergrowth other than small shrubs and herbaceous plants. Today, after approximately 100 years of fire control, this situation is much

different. Forests have become dense and choked with under story vegetation composed primarily of white fir and incense cedar which are replacing the mature pines. Meadows are being encroached upon by trees, and brush fields have become thick and impenetrable.

With the endorsement of most ecologists, the National Park Service embarked on a program of environmental restoration. One phase of this program allows fire of lightning origin to burn over certain areas where risk of catastrophic fire and danger to the public is minimal.

Last year's Mt Watkins fire was just such a fire. That fire burned from 600 to 700 acres. Since it was burning at elevations around 8,000 feet, relative humidity was fairly high and burning conditions were mild. Such fire kills small trees and consumes litter, while leaving thick-barked, mature trees largely untouched. Studies have shown that such fires generally reduce fire hazard, speed-up nutrient recycling, and increase wildlife habitat and overall plant and animal diversity.

"Let burn" and prescribed burn fires are monitored regularly by Park ecologists, and, if they continue to behave safely, they are allowed to burn until extinguished by the first snowfall or rain.

Charlie Takes An Encore

Do to turn-away crowds that attended last Saturday night's performance of "Your A Good Man, Charlie Brown", the Yosemite Theatre Workshop Players will present an encore performance of this play on Tuesday, February 24 at 8:00 p.m. in the Visitors Center Auditorium.

This musical play, written by Clark Gesner and based on the comic strip by Charles M. Schultz, was so well received by the audience that praise of the performance even appeared on guest comment cards the following day.

Directing the 90 minute play is "Spot" Finch, who is also starring in the title role of Charlie Brown. An accomplished actor and mime, Spot has been involved in theatres since the age of 12. He has become a favorite at Yosemite Sam's on Talent Night. Presently, Spot works in the Yosemite Lodge Housekeeping Dept. and teaches the Theatre Workshop.

The cast of characters for this play includes: Dennis Reina, Manager of the Village Sports Shop, as Snoopy; Leslie Landers of Yosemite Sam's as Lucy; Dave Hickman of the Lodge Cafeteria as Linus; Katie McInnis of the Badger Pass Ski Shop as Peppermint Patty; and Byron Binns from The Ahwahnee Kitchen as Schroeder.

Admission is free and everyone is invited to attend this final performance in Yosemite Valley.

Animal of the Week

RED-SHAFTED FLICKER

The red-shafted flicker, known scientifically as the *Colaptes cafer*, is a bird interesting for its connections with both natural and human history.

Flickers are common residents of the Sierras, from the San Joaquin Valley to about 10,500 feet, although they stay below the level of heavy snow in the winter. Like other woodpeckers, the nest is well up in a tree, often 8 to 25 feet above ground. The nest is actually a hole the flicker has dug in the tree trunk. Flickers use their bill to dig for insect larvae in tree trunks also, and differing from other woodpeckers, the flicker eats ants, grasshoppers, and berries.

About the size of a pigeon, flickers have narrow black bars interspersed on their brown backs. Underneath, they are gray spotted with black, which culminates at the chest with a black crescent. A red stripe under the eyes gives brightness, while a white rump lends a bit of contrast. Yet the most noticeable item about the birds are flashes of red visible when the flicker is in flight. This is from the dark red shafts and the orange-red barbs of the feathers underneath the wings and tail.

To the Indians, the feather of the flicker were very important religiously, especially in their use in headbands. Ceremonially, the flicker headband was doctored before use. This was done by "feeding" it acorn flour and singing special songs to the band; often as it was being whirled around four times. The best quill headband used all ten of the orange-red tail feathers from each of 48 birds. The feathers were stripped and scraped, so that the vane was left only on the tip. In order to obtain the feathers, flickers were either snared or shot with an arrow, the foreshaft of which was of sharpened wood. This arrow-without-an-arrowhead slipped between the feathers without damaging them; an arrowhead would have ruined the feathers. Only adult birds were killed, as their feathers were fully developed, and, since flickers did form a part of the diet of the Indians, they made better eating than the small young ones.

When you hear a "kuk, kuk, kuk" this spring or a loud "klee-ap" during the year, look around for the red-shafted flicker. There's probably one nearby.

ROOMMATE WANTED: Two girls have a three-bedroom, two-bath home in Foresta with fireplace and are looking for another girl to share the rent. If you are interested call Peggy at 379-2288 after 6 p.m.

COMETS

by Larry Huggins



Comet Mrkos, the fifth comet discovered in 1957 as it appeared in August of that year [Hale Observatories photo].

From far beyond the orbit of Pluto, a comet is speeding now towards the sun. As you read this, observers in the southern hemisphere are probably witnessing the growth of the tail and the growing brightness of the comet in their evening skies.

Comet West, named after Richard West, who discovered it on photographic plates of the European Southern Observatory's 40-inch Schmidt telescope at La Silla, Chile, will become visible to northern observers in early March. After passing closest to the Sun on February 25, it will appear in our morning skies, rising two hours before the Sun by March 6.

While no one wants a repeat of the great Kohoutek disappointment of 1974, astronomers are nonetheless predicting that Comet West will be an exciting event. Any naked eye comet is reason for excitement among astronomers, and this one may be brighter than predicted.

A diffuse ball of ice, frozen gases, and solid matter perhaps several hundred miles across, Comet West will undergo great changes as it nears the Sun. The

Potluck Sunday

Everyone is invited to a pot luck at the Yosemite Elementary School, Sunday, February 22, at 6:30 p.m. This will be a time to get acquainted with Bill Simms, the new Baptist minister in El Portal. The Valley residents are to bring main dishes, El Portal and Wawona salads and desserts. Bring your own place setting. Entertainment will be provided by the El Portal singing group.

See you there!

intense solar radiation will vaporize the gases in the nucleus and blow a tail (perhaps a hundred million miles long) behind it. The tail will follow the comet as it approaches the sun, and lead the comet as it speeds away toward the outer limits of the Solar System.

It is estimated that there are billions of tailless comets circling the Sun at the periphery of the Solar System. Kohoutek was the sixth comet discovered in 1973 alone. Comet West was the 14th discovered in 1975 (did anyone see Comet Kobayashi-Berger-Milon in August?).

What would happen if one of those comets were to collide with Earth? An idea of the devastation that a cometary nucleus might cause can be gained from the following incident.

"On June 30, 1908, a large fireball was seen crossing the sky over eastern Russia. Thunderclaps were heard and then a colossal explosion, which could be heard up to 600 miles away. The explosive effects of a large lump of rocky or metallic material weighing about 40,000 tons and hitting the Earth at a speed of 30 miles per second (10,000 m.p.h.), knocked over men and horses 150 miles away. . . people 250 miles away saw flames leap into the air to a height of twelve miles. In 1927, when the remote area was first flown over, it was discovered that the Siberian forest had been destroyed for 60 miles around the scene of the impact. . . had it arrived 4 hours, 47 minutes earlier, it (the comet) would have landed on Leningrad."*

*(From *Comets*, by Ash and Grant, London, 1973)

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PICTURE FROM THE PAST

by Shirley Sargent



On January 28, 1976, a lady of great charm, spirit and status died in Carson City of cancer which had abruptly and devastatingly made itself known only five weeks previously. Jean Hanna Clark, 57, only granddaughter of John Muir, was a wife, mother, conservationist and executive secretary to Nevada's governor, Michael O'Callaghan. Her husband, Noel A. Clark, is Nevada's Public Service Commissioner.

Although a proud Nevadan, Jean Clark had California roots and Yosemite ties. Her parents were Californias; Wanda, John Muir's eldest daughter, and Tom Hanna, a mining engineer, raised six children in Martinez. Jean, their last child and first daughter, was born in 1919, five years after her famed grandfather's death; but she had heard so much about him, she felt as if she knew him. With all those brothers, she said it was destined that she become a tomboy. From childhood on, she loved "Grampa" Muir's favorite haunt, Yosemite, which she first visited at the age of six weeks. Even her wedding to Eugene de Lipkau in 1938, was held inside the LeConte Memorial Lodge in Yosemite Valley. For many years the couple, who had three children, lived in Martinez. After a divorce, Jean began a new career as a legal secretary in Nevada where two of her children live today. (The third lives in Maryland.) She served in the District Attorney's office, the State Health and Welfare Agency and the night O'Callaghan was elected governor, accepted the job as his confidential secretary. "The passing of Jean Clark is a personal and tragic loss to me," the Governor said, and an equal loss to Nevada state government. She was a loyal and dedicated woman who commanded the respect and admiration of everyone who knew her...She was a remarkable lady in every way..."



RE Ving Around

by John Davis

Margaret, a friend who lives in Burbank, was about to leave the washateria. As she was leaving, she heard someone crying.

She had thought that she had been alone in the washateria. Now she discovered a woman crying softly in a corner of the large room. She went and held the woman's hand. Eventually the woman stopped crying and looked to see who cared enough to stop and come identify with her.

The crying woman, Joni, explained how life suddenly seemed to much to bear.

She had just lost her job; her apartment manager said she must move since she had no job and would no longer be able to pay ... and she had just learned that her son had developed hepatitis on his ship and had been put ashore at Honolulu, needing help from her.

Margaret finally persuaded Joni to take a check that she had received that day in the mail from the Government. When Joni's apartment manager learned what a total stranger had done for her, he decided he could do no less and let her stay until she could find new employment. Her son is now well and got to come home for Thanksgiving.

Do you ever feel that there is nothing you can do to help make the world a better place? Perhaps what we can do is be caring enough to listen for crying people in unexpected places, to touch them and to offer what we have.

Elementary School Workshops

Parents and community members interested in conducting or helping with a workshop may fill out the form below and bring or mail it to the Yosemite Elementary School, P.O. Box 485, Yosemite National Park, California 95389.

(Name)

(Phone)

I would like to help with the following class from 1 to 2 p.m.

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|---|-------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> ARTS & CRAFTS | <input type="checkbox"/> COOKING |
| <input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC (guitar, chorus, etc.) | <input type="checkbox"/> JOURNALISM |
| <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (please specify) | |

I would like to help with the following class from 2 to 3 p.m.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> ARTS & CRAFTS | <input type="checkbox"/> DRAMA |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ATHLETICS | <input type="checkbox"/> SEWING |
| <input type="checkbox"/> PHOTOGRAPHY | <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (please specify) |

I would be able to help with another aspect of the school (please specify).

El Portal TV Reception

Concerned El Portal residents are hoping to upgrade the quality of television service in their area. Some have complaints about reception. Others think it would be nice if they, too, were able to watch PBS programs like "Upstairs, Downstairs" and the new series on the Adams family — programs that people in the Valley and elsewhere enjoy as a matter of course.

If you agree, or even if you don't, plan to attend the El Portal Community Association meeting Monday, February 23, at 7 p.m. Here is your chance to express your views on the subject, whatever they may be.

In recent years, Mrs. Clark has given many talks on her grandfather's life and achievements. In 1970, she and her brothers placed the enormous collection of Muir Papers with the Stuart Library of Western Americana at the University of the Pacific. In 1971, Mrs. Clark gave a slide talk on "Grampa" Muir to an SRO crowd in Yosemite Valley. Her sincerity and comments were so popular that she was asked to return and participate in the Muir Observance of April, 1972. Again her warm, gracious personality and blithe humor endeared her to residents and visitors alike. Her grandfather would have been proud of her; she was, indeed, a remarkable lady who will be sorely missed.

Yosemite Recreation

MOVIES

FEB. 23 — THE LEGEND OF HANNIE CAULDER — Starring Raquel Welch, Ernest Borgnine, Robert Culp. After being raped by three gleeful bandits, Hannie vows vengeance. In due time she avenges her honor, while wearing a strategically-draped serape that miraculously clings to her in the most adverse conditions. (R)

MARCH 1 — THE BIG STORE — Starring Groucho, Harpo and Chico Marx. The Marx Brothers exploit their insane comedy on every floor of a department store in hope of saving the store for a young lady owner who would rather sing than sell out. (G)

WOMEN'S CLUB SKI DAY

The Yosemite Women's Club is planning a ski day at Badger Pass on Thursday, February 26.

This event plans to be a full day of downhill and cross country skiing, or just loafing and playing bridge on the sun deck, if you prefer. Everyone that's interested in going should meet in the Post Office parking lot at 8:00 a.m. to form car pools. For further information call Donna Mackie at 372-4590.

Employee Carnival

Badger Pass will feature a special Employee Carnival on February 26 beginning at 12:30 p.m. Men's and Women's completion in both hot dog and giant slalom will be open to employees of the Curry Company and NPS only on this day.

Registration for this contests will be open on the day of the event until 11:00 a.m. Entry fee is 50¢ per person per event, and racers should have their program written down to submit with their entry form.

Special rental and lift rates will be offered to all YPCCo. employees on the day of the carnival.

Prizes for the contest will be awarded at Yosemite Sam's on Thursday evening.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 20:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
Talent Night Yosemite Sam's — 8 p.m.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21:

Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 5:30 p.m.
Worship Service Wawona School — 6 p.m.
Family Night (Movies, Cartoons) Yosemite Sam's — 8 p.m.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22:

WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDATE

Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud — 9 & 11 a.m.
Worship Service Chapel — 9:30 a.m.
T.V. Sports Yosemite Sam's — Noon
Southern Baptist Service Chapel — 6:30 p.m.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 23:

Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
Art Design Class Yosemite Elem. School — 7 p.m.
Teen Club Yosemite Sam's — 7 p.m.
MOVIE "The Legend of Hannie Caulder" Visitor Center — 8 p.m.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 24:

Winter Club Bear Valley Ski Trip
Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
Macrame and Decoupage Class Employee Rec. Office — 7 p.m.
Teen Club Yosemite Sam's — 7 p.m.
Volunteer Fire Dept. Meeting YP&C Co. Fire House — 7 p.m.
Auto Maintenance Class Yosemite Elem. School — 7 p.m.
Your A Good Man, Charlie Brown Visitor Center — 8 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 25:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Broom Hockey Curry Ice Rink — 5:30 p.m.
Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
DANCE "Disco Night" Yosemite Sam's — 8:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 26:

Women's Club Ski Day Badger Pass
Employee Carnival Badger Pass
Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
Christian Gathering Chapel — 7:30 p.m.
DANCE "Visions" Yosemite Sam's — 8:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 27:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
Talent Night Yosemite Sam's — 8 p.m.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 28:

Mass Visitor Center; W. Aud. — 5:30 p.m.
Worship Service Wawona School — 6 p.m.
Family Night (Movies, Cartoons) Yosemite Sam's — 8 p.m.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 29:

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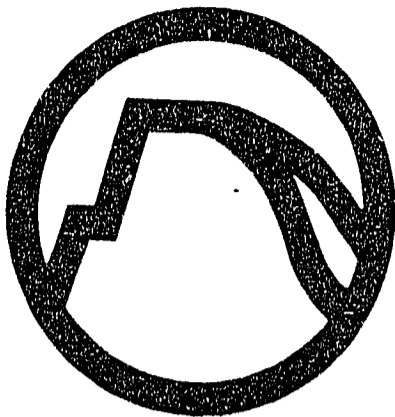
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Orientation and Training Programs Readied



JIM MC DONALD, Reservations Manager, and ROSE ROSCOE, Telephone Coordinator, review Phone Power techniques that will be used in the training of future reservations and telephone personnel.

On March 1, 1976, the Yosemite Park and Curry Co. will be initiating a training and orientation program for all of its current and future employees. The purpose of this program will be to help employees better understand the hospitality business.

All aspects of our business will be explored. Employees will learn what the true meaning of guest service is and how to best impart it to our visitors. Since we deal in a service rather than a product, those being trained will learn an appreciation for the guest and his problems.

Additional subjects covered will include housing, meals, equal employment opportunities, check-in, termination, and transfers. Our wage and salary program will be explained, as well as possibilities for upward mobility.

Due to the uniqueness of our living situation in Yosemite, employees will be made aware of both the benefits and limitations of living in our community. This section of orientation which deals with the living conditions is designed to

make our stay in this new habitat a more comfortable experience.

Instruction will not be limited to the employee staff only. Supervisors will be given instruction in the following areas:

- The Nature of Leadership
- Individual Differences of Employees
- Understanding Personality and Behavior
- Communication: What is it?
- Fair and Consistent Discipline
- Handling Grievances and Complaints
- Guiding and Developing Employees
- Job Satisfaction and Morale
- Working and Living in Yosemite

Orientation and training will be provided by various management personnel covering selected subjects related to our operation; among these will be:

- Housekeeping
- Food Service
- Cash Handling
- Auditing
- Front Desk Operation
- Reservations
- Telephone Procedures
- Security

The new orientation and training facilities will be located in the former beauty/barber shop adjacent to the Village Store. Included in this area will be a variety of training machines, an audio-visual aid center, and a complete resource library comprised of publications recommended by the American Hotel and Motel Association and the American Management Association.

These courses will be required for certain employees; however, any employees who wish to improve their skill in their own area or in other areas may attend on a space-available basis. Certificates will be awarded at the completion of each course. These certificates may be entered into the employee's file as a record of his improved or new skill.

We are certain that our approach to training and orientation will be rewarding; however, we are equally certain that many of our employees have worthwhile thoughts and ideas on this subject. We would greatly appreciate any thoughts you may have; please jot it down and send it to Don Hartley, our Manager of Employee Training.



DON HARTLEY, Training Manager, and JOE WHEELER, Maintenance Supervisor, go over blueprints for the new training and orientation center.

A PARTNER ON THE SOUTH FORK

by Steve Harrison



The little known of Yosemite's past are sometimes as interesting, if not more so, than the well known. And often, we deify well known people and thus forget their human characteristics which allow us to identify with them to some degree.

One of Yosemite's little known people was Edwin Moore, a wanderer of sorts, from Ohio who had seen many distant parts of the world prior to his brief tenure as a hotel keeper in what is now Wawona.

Edwin Moore left Ohio in the spring of 1849, heading south for New Orleans. He, like so many others from around the world, had his eyes set on California

where gold had just been discovered. Taking the steamer *Falcon* to the Isthmus of Panama, he crossed and sailed north on the Spanish brig *Isabella*. San Francisco, which just a short while before had been the quiet village of Yerba Buena with few inhabitants, must have been teeming with hundreds if not thousands of excited gold seekers. Edwin Moore joined them on July 18, when the *Isabella* landed in San Francisco bay. He did what John Muir would later do and remained but a short while, taking passage the very next day for Sacramento on the schooner *Odd Fellow*. He had his mind set on gold and searched for and found the precious metal on the north and middle forks of the American River for one year. For unknown reasons, he left California in the fall of 1850 and returned to Central America. His reasons for going to Central America did not keep him there long, for in the spring of 1851 he returned to California, this time heading for the southern mines and settling in Mariposa County. Remaining in the area for two years, he again became dissatisfied and traveled to Australia where he worked until 1859. Returning once again to Mariposa County, he took up mining and was elected to be County Recorder in 1865. His wandering was apparently over for not only was he now a public official but in 1866, he married Huldah Traxler who was also from Ohio.

There was at that time, an overnight stopping place on the South Fork of the Merced known as "Clark's Ranch" or "Clark's Station." It was poorly and perhaps unwillingly run by Galen Clark, who, having settled there in 1856, suddenly found tourists, heading for the much publicized Yosemite Valley, riding through his yard and often knocking on the door of his small cabin, inquiring for a place to rest their saddle-sore eastern bones and a meal to fill their fat city stomachs. So the hotel business grew, but so did Galen's responsibilities when he was appointed guardian of the Yosemite Grant in 1864.

Edwin Moore lost his bid for re-election to the office of County Recorder in September, 1869, at a time when Galen Clark was getting ready to sell a half-interest in his holdings on the South Fork. With a silent partner, Henry Rockwell, Moore paid Clark \$2,000 for this interest on December 7, 1869. The Moores moved to the South Fork in May of 1870 and for five years thereafter, the place would be known as "Clark and Moore's." Carl Russell, in his book, *100 Years in Yosemite*, noted that "the ladies of Moore's family introduced a new element in the hospitality of the place,

and for a few years it assumed an aspect of new ambition."

The transcontinental railroad had been completed in 1869 and the number of visitors to Yosemite nearly doubled the following season. Trails and wagon roads were being planned and built. Clark and Moore were apparently not men to sit back and let opportunities go by. In February, 1870 they along with twelve Mariposans formed a turnpike company with the goal of building a wagon road from White and Hatch's over the Chowchilla Mountains to Clark and Moore's. Both men were officials of the company which had completed the road by July of the same year at a reported cost of over \$12,000. In order to raise some of this money, Clark and Moore became indebted to the Washburn brothers, Edward, John and A. Henry.

In 1873, Edwin Moore ran for the position of County Clerk but lost the election and the chance of having a salaried position. Clark and Moore worked hard to recover from their indebtedness but it proved an impossible task. With the completion of the two wagon roads into Yosemite Valley from the north in 1874, their earnings at the South Fork were minimal.

In December, 1874, Clark and Moore were forced to sell all of their interests on the South Fork to the three Washburn brothers who had two partners, William Coffman and E.W. Chapman. Although it is reported that only \$1,000 changed hands when the Washburns bought Clark and Moore's, the *Mariposa Gazette* for January 9, 1875 reported that a "consideration" of \$21,000 was made. In addition, an inventory of the Washburn, Chapman and Coffman holdings dated January 1, 1877 on exhibit at the Mariposa County Museum shows the property at "Big Trees Station" worth \$21,000. For the 1875 season, the Moores continued the management of the hotel which was renamed "Big Trees Station."

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Backstage at a Ski Race



Before the junior racers ever appear in the slalom gates, many hours of preparation have already gone into a race.

This past month the attention of the sporting world was focused on the Winter Games at Innsbruck. The Olympics stand at the ultimate pinnacle of a long climb which starts at places such as our own Badger Pass. Each weekend during the winter season there are sanctioned junior races at ski areas throughout the country. These are the first steps.

There is infinitely more to putting on a race than merely sticking bamboo poles in the snow and clocking the racers who flash by. The poles and the speeding youngsters are the visible part of a detailed and time-consuming unseen operation, which requires the participation of many interested adults.

First of all, Far West Ski Association sanction and scheduling is required for the race. The FWSA is one of the eight divisions forming the U.S. Ski Association; and it has the responsibility for organizing and administering the racing program in the West. In the race office in San Francisco, computers and complicated formulas are used to keep track of each registered racer on a week-by-week basis as his status changes with each race he enters.

Working closely with FWSA officials and abiding by their detailed rules are the local race officials. At Badger Pass junior racing is a function of the Yosemite Winter Club. Dr. Charles Woessner, a certified FWSA race official, is the club's Race Chairman. To Chuck and his crew fall the on-the-spot work preceding, during and following a race. Several hours of dryland efforts are involved for each hour of actual racing out on the slopes.

JoAnn Rees, Yosemite's Race Secretary, receives applications from racers throughout the state. It is not unusual for race officials to work far into the night preceding a race, sorting applications into ability seeding groups, typing start

lists, and preparing schedules which must be ready to go at dawn. The race course must be set and prepared. Gatekeepers, timers, and recorders have already been recruited and briefed at this point. Lunches are packed for the officials who will remain out on the snow all day. Trophies and ribbons, which have been ordered and engraved well in advance, are unpacked and in readiness. There won't be a moment of surplus time for such details on the actual race day.

Then comes race day and a small army of volunteers, ranging from referee through race doctor to lunch sherpa, go to work in earnest. Sophisticated electronic timing equipment developed by Badger Pass skier Don Pierson is used, but it is backed up by people holding stop-watches. The gatekeepers who flank the course are headed by veteran Head Gatekeeper, Bill Holbrook, who at eighty years young still services the gates on skis.

Then — and only then — after all these preliminaries are complete, do we see the outward signs of a ski race in progress. Now the young racers appear in the gates and do their thing. The race is on!

Six sanctioned junior races appear on the schedule for Badger Pass this winter. The first two, held in mid-January, were attended by racers from a number of areas. The third race, the Sierra Slalom, will be tomorrow, February 28, followed on Sunday by the Winter Club Slalom. If you're up on the slopes this weekend, you might take a few minutes out to watch the action.

Perhaps you'd like to be part of the racing scene? Volunteer help is always welcome; and a training session is planned for the near future. A call to Dr. Woessner (372-4832) will put your name on the list of people willing to work so the youngsters can race. It isn't Innsbruck, but it's the first step along the way.

COULD YOU BE PRACTICING ILLEGAL JOB DISCRIMINATION— AND NOT EVEN KNOW IT?

Answer: True. Due to outdated policies or failure to understand the law, many employers do discriminate in the way they hire, fire, promote or pay.

Take this 30-second test and see where you stand.

An employer...

1. can refuse to hire women who have small children at home. **T F**

2. can generally obtain and use an applicant's arrest record as the basis for non-employment. **T F**

3. can prohibit employees from conversing in their native language on the job. **T F**

4. whose employees are mostly white or male, can rely solely upon word-of-mouth to recruit new employees. **T F**

5. can refuse to hire women to work at night, because it wishes to protect them. **T F**

6. may require all pregnant employees to take leave of absence at a specified time before delivery date. **T F**

7. may establish different benefits — pension, retirement, insurance and health plans — for male employees than for female employees. **T F**

8. may hire only males for a job if state law forbids employment of women for that capacity. **T F**

9. need not attempt to adjust work schedules to permit an employee time off for a religious observance.

10. only disobeys the Equal Employment Opportunity laws when it is acting intentionally or with ill motive. **T F**

The answers to this quiz will be published in next week's Sentinel.

**Daylight Savings Time
Begins
Sunday, February 29
2:00 A.M.**

**DON'T FORGET TO
SET YOUR CLOCK
AHEAD 1 HOUR!**

Yosemite Recreation

MOVIES

MARCH 1 — THE BIG STORE

Starring Groucho, Harpo and Chico Marx. The Marx Brothers exploit their insane comedy on every floor of a department store in hopes of saving the store for a young lady owner who would rather sing than sell out. (G)

MARCH 8 — THE POSSESSION OF JOEL DELANEY

Starring Shirley MacLaine, Perry King. A gripping supernatural horror tale of a wealthy divorcee drawn into the world of occult when her brother becomes diabolically possessed by the spirit of a deceased killer. Rated (R), no one under 17 will be admitted without parent or adult.

Upcoming Ski Activities

Winter activities of all types for skiers and non-skiers alike will be almost a weekly occurrence as we get into our last two months of the ski season.

Here's a short summary of the planned activities. For more details about each event, call the number listed after the event.

MAR. 6 — NORDIC HOLIDAY RACE at Badger Pass starting at 10 a.m. This cross-country "citizen's" race will feature 400 starters ranging from kids to grandparents. Some will be trying for record times over the 9 to 10 kilometer course, while others will run the course just to say they did it. Entries will stop at 400 entries. For details, call 372-4611, ext. 244.

MAR. 13 — ANCIENT JOCKS' RACE at Badger Pass at 2 p.m. This race is open to any past or present member of the Winter Club that is over 30 years of age. To date, four members of skiing's Hall of Fame have said they'll be on hand. Call Rusty at 372-4475 for further information.

MAR. 20 & 21 — SILVER SKI RACE at Badger Pass. This two-day racing event, sponsored by the Fresno Bee, is in its 20th year. Skiing events are open to men, women and children of every skiing ability and every age group. Get entry forms at Badger Pass.

MAR. 28 — WINTER CARNIVAL at Badger Pass. The Winter Carnival is a day filled with events for everyone. There will be slaloms, hotdog contests, costume judging, a barbeque and dancing. Call Badger Pass for more information.

APRIL 3 — SNOW SCULPTURE CONTEST at Badger Pass. Everyone's invited to build the most elaborate, elegant, zany, clever snow sculpture they can think of. Prizes will be awarded for the best sculptures. Call Badger Pass for details.

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Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
Talent Night Yosemite Sam's — 8 p.m.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 28:

Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 5:30 p.m.
Worship Service Wawona School — 6 p.m.
Family Night (Movies, Cartoons) Yosemite Sam's — 8:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 29:

Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 9 & 11 a.m.
Worship Service Chapel — 9:30 a.m.
T.V. Sports Yosemite Sam's — Noon
Southern Baptist Service Chapel — 6:30 p.m.

MONDAY, MARCH 1:

Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
Teen Club Yosemite Sam's — 7 p.m.
MOVIE "The Big Store" Visitor Center — 8 p.m.

TUESDAY, MARCH 2:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
Teen Club Yosemite Sam's — 7 p.m.
Macrame and Decoupage Employee Rec. Office — 7 p.m.
Volunteer Fire Dept. Meeting YP&CCo. Fire House — 7 p.m.
Volleyball Visitor Center — 9 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 3:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Broom Hockey Curry Ice Rink — 5:30 p.m.
Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
DANCE Yosemite Sam's — 8:30 p.m.
Volleyball Visitor Center — 9 p.m.

THURSDAY, MARCH 4:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
Christian Gathering Chapel — 7:30 p.m.
DANCE Yosemite Sam's — 8:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, MARCH 5:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
Talent Night Yosemite Sam's — 8 p.m.

SATURDAY, MARCH 6:

Nordic Holiday Race Badger Pass — 10 a.m.
Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 5:30 p.m.
Worship Service Wawona School — 6 p.m.
Family Night (Movies, Cartoons) Yosemite Sam's — 8 p.m.

SUNDAY, MARCH 7:

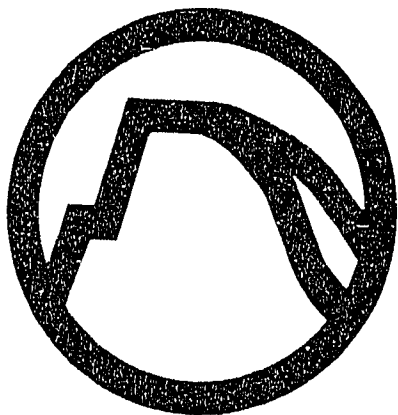
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Worship Service Chapel — 9:30 a.m.
T.V. Sports Yosemite Sam's — Noon
Southern Baptist Service Chapel — 6:30 p.m.

MONDAY, MARCH 8:

Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
Teen Club Yosemite Sam's — 7:30 p.m.
MOVIE "Possession of Joel Delaney" Visitor Center — 8 p.m.

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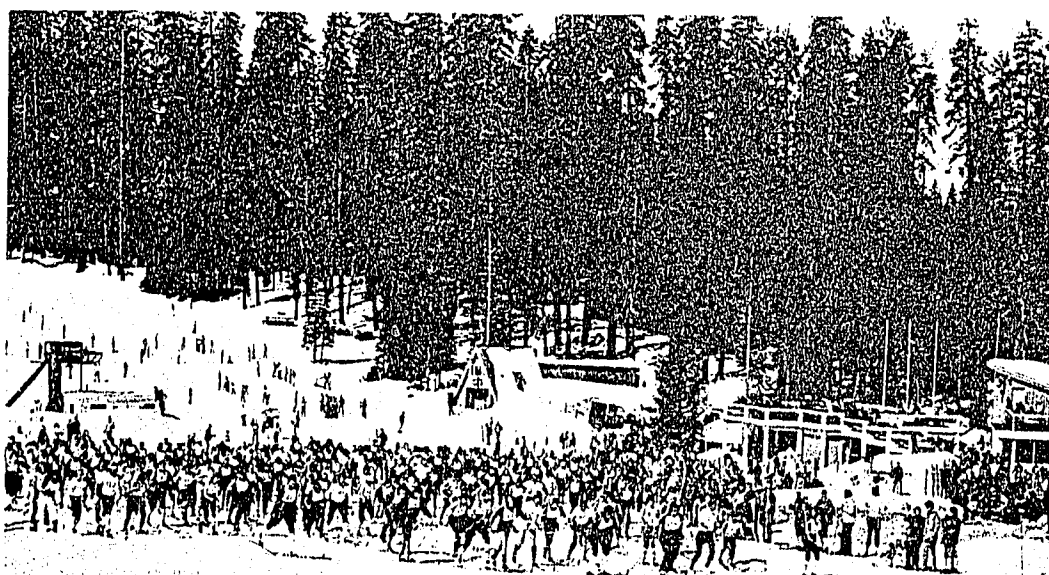


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NORDIC HOLIDAY RACE TOMORROW



400 STARTERS, ranging in age from kids to grandparents, were part of the mass start at last year's Nordic Holiday Race.

Tomorrow morning at 10 a.m. 400 skiers will take off from Badger Pass in a mass start that marks the beginning of the Sixth Annual Nordic Holiday Race. This "Citizen's Race" is a 9 to 10 mile nordic skiing event. Some will try to better last year's winning time of about one hour and twenty minutes. Others will call it a tour, and pause along the way to enjoy the scenery, content just to say that they completed the course. Entries last year ranged from kids to grandparents, from beginners to pros.

Food stations have been set up at midpoint of the course that runs from Badger Pass to the Bridalveil Meadow area and back to Badger.

Certificates will be awarded to all finishers, and prizes given in many likely and unlikely categories.

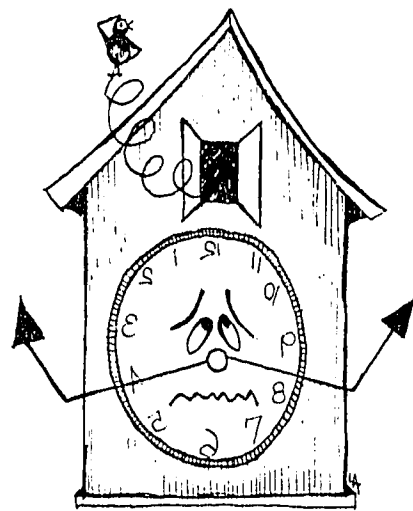
Then on Sunday, the Nordic Holiday Relays will begin at Summit Meadow at noon. Cross-country teams can consist of three racers and can be made up of men, women, children or mixed groups.

Though the entry level has already been met for Saturday's race, you may still enter the Sunday relays. For further information call the Yosemite Mountaineering School at 372-4611, ext. 244.

NPS Initiates Use of Radar

Every year Yosemite averages over 550 motor vehicle accidents. Most of these accidents are the result of excessive speeds. This past summer there were eight traffic fatalities in the Park, and all of these were related to speed.

The Park roads are just not safe over the posted speeds, due to the narrowness of the road, the proximity of the trees, sometimes icy conditions, and unpredictability of the animals. In an effort to reduce the senseless accident rate and resultant loss of life and property, the Park has acquired a "SPEEDGUN". This is the commercial name for a radar unit that can record the speed of any motor vehicle while the ranger is at a standstill. The rangers in the park have been instructed in its proper and legal usage and will be enforcing the speed laws with it. The sole objective of this enforcement tool is to hopefully reduce the potential of you and your loved ones suffering a motor vehicle accident resulting from speeding.



OOPS!!!

While our calendars were telling us that it was time to change our clocks for Day Light Savings Time, Congress went and changed it all around again? So, Day Light Savings Time won't begin now until the last weekend in April. Unless they change it again....

Job Opportunities

As of this writing, the positions listed below are now vacant and need to be filled. It is the desire of your company to promote from within the organization whenever possible. If you have the necessary qualifications for any of these positions, you are invited to apply through your unit manager. Appointments can be made through your unit manager or immediate supervisor. Men and women will be considered equally for all positions.

2nd Cook — Thorough knowledge of kitchen procedures with emphasis on breakfast. Capable of supervision.

Pantry Person — Experience and knowledge in the preparation of salads, salad dressing and hors d'oeuvres.

KIDS SAY...

Recently, after Shirley Sargent talked about writing and Yosemite to a third grade class in Ventura, each child wrote her thank-you notes. The letter which amused our resident historian and tub thumper the most was the one that ended: "Is the Yosemite as pretty as Ventura?"

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HOT DOGS AND WATER DOGS

by Sandy Dengler

When you leave the Valley floor hiking the Four-Mile Trail, you leave behind (besides your nice, comfortable bed) such valley trees as oak and Ponderosa. Topping out at Glacier Point you discover yourself in the society of completely new kinds of trees, and what is more, you expected that. We all understand without thinking much about it that changes in elevation bring changes in the vegetation.

Some plants grow only at or above certain altitudes, such as foxtail pine. Others, especially many wildflowers, enjoy a wide range in elevation but adjust their habits to the local climate. The Sierra shooting star, for instance, blooms in early April at 2000 ft., in August at 9000 ft. Others, such as digger pine, love those warm, dry lower elevations.

Men have long been capitalizing on these differences. Since who-remembers-when the Indians have based their seasonal migrations on the various harvests the elevational changes produced. But, being the methodical scientist that he is, the modern biologist just had to figure out some system to explain the phenomenon. C. Hart Merriam in 1898 published a life zone system based wholly on temperature. He demonstrated that as you climb a mountain vertically you experience the same vegetation changes you would encounter walking the earth from equator toward the poles. Example: the whitebark pine occurs above 10,000 ft. in California, at 5000 ft. in the Yukon. He concluded that this phenomenon was the direct result of climatic temperature change.

Then in 1909 E. Warming decided that water supply was responsible for vegetation differences rather than temperature as such. Aha! Two schools of thought! With room now for argument a polite and gentlemanly brouhaha arose between those advocating temperature as the principle agent and those defending available water supply. The two camps were irreverently labelled, respectively, the Hot Dogs and the Water Dogs.

Before long AFW Schimper and other botanists brought peace by pointing out that the phenomenon is due to a number of factors, water and temperature being only two of them. A simple system has never been discovered. Nature is in no way simple. But her complexity can be our delight. Watch about you as you



RE Ving Around

by John Davis

I would like to share a question with you that has intrigued and tantalized me for several years. What is more important, principles or persons?

At times I have been certain that persons are more important. After all, what has society treated so seriously as human life? More to the point, what would you and I value so highly that we would trade our lives for it?

Then come those alternative moments when principles are on the throne of my thinking. The answer to the last question is that many people actually have willingly laid down their lives in pursuit of the noble cause. A case in point is Patrick Henry's classic expression "give me liberty or give me death." So, doesn't that persuade me that at least certain principles supersede human life?

Well, not yet. The reason this dilemma is so significant for me is that I see it acted out daily: Loyalty to a man (president) or to democracy? Loyalty to an employer or to peers? Should concepts be more sacred than persons?

Could it be that dividing persons and principles makes no more sense than dividing a human being down the middle? Maybe these two elements are contraplethal; that is, necessary parts of a larger whole. Love for persons and devotion to high ideals both reach their individual zenith when wedded to one another. Criticize me because you love me enough to want the best for me. Loving critics and critical lovers merge and become the same group. Principles and persons both matter maximally, for each is rooted in the heart of the One Who created us in His own image.

travel the wide range of elevation in the Yosemite. Are the forests differing? From what to what? What is blooming here? Where else did you see it? Your increasing awareness, polished by practice and observation, will not just make your own life richer. It will help you see, more and more, that the Yosemite is a fascinating place to be.

Sky Calendar For March

SUN

Earth's motion causes the sun to appear to move into Pisces on the 11th. It "travels" eastward through that sign during the remainder of the month.

MOON

First Quarter	March 9	9:38 a.m.
Full Moon	March 16	7:53 p.m.
Last Quarter	March 22	11:54 a.m.
New Moon	March 30	10:08 a.m.

Moon Planet Passages

Jupiter	3°S	March 4	1:00 p.m.
Mars	6°N	March 9	Noon
Saturn	5°N	March 12	8:00 p.m.
Venus	6°S	March 29	5:00 p.m.

This month the moon reaches full phase at the same time that it makes its closest approach to earth (Perigee). The gravitational attraction of sun and moon acting in conjunction (since they are aligned opposite one another at full moon) and the moon's increased proximity to Earth will cause unusually high spring tides.

March 30 begins the Paschal or Passover Moon, the new moon nearest the Vernal Equinox.

MERCURY

Will be visible as an evening star in late April.

VENUS

Is rounding the sun nearly opposite Earth now. Look for it an hour before sunrise; it's nearly fully lighted now. We won't see it again in dark skies until October.

EARTH

The Vernal Equinox occurs on March 20 at 4:50 a.m. The sun rises due east, sets due west, and passes directly over the equator at noon. Day and night are equally long on this first day of spring.

Earth "wobbles" like a top as it spins, though very slowly (it takes 25,800 years to complete one wobble). This motion, called precession, causes the sun to appear slightly farther westward in the sky at each successive Vernal Equinox. The Equinox point has been moving westward through Pisces for more than a millenia, and astrologers thus call this the "Age of the Fish" (the Christian era). In 2597, the Equinox point will have moved 9° westward, and we will enter the astrological "Age of Aquarius". (This is not to imply any endorsement whatsoever of astrology. I resent it when people refer to me as the person who writes the astrology column for the Sentinel).

SKI TO OSTRANDER



by Steve Medley

How'd you like to spend a night in the back country this winter and not have to snow camp? It's entirely possible if you head for the Ostrander Ski Hut. Located on the edge of Ostrander Lake at the base of Horse Ridge (south of the Glacier Point Road), the hut offers beautiful scenery, fine skiing, and a warm sheltered place to sleep.

The ski hut was constructed in 1940 through the combined efforts of the National Park Service and the Civilian Conservation Corps. After 35 winters, the hut remains virtually unchanged. The simple accommodations include 23 bunk beds and a wood stove. A spot for the night will cost you a bit more than your snow cave (\$2 per bunk per night), but try to find anything cheaper in the back country.

MARS

The red planet is speeding away from us at a million miles per day and fading perceptibly. You can still follow its motion through the constellation Taurus, however.

JUPITER

Setting earlier each evening, Jupiter will disappear into evening twilight late this month.

SATURN

The ringed planet has been "passed" by Earth. It is moving retrograde back towards Gemini.

COMET WEST

Look for it low on the pre-dawn eastern horizon during the first two weeks of March. It rises at 5:30 a.m. on the second and five five minutes earlier each morning afterward.

To add to your experience at Ostrander, a ranger has been placed on duty to proctor activities there. Howard Weamer, beginning his second winter at the hut, is a knowledgeable winter mountaineer and very willing to answer questions, provide directions and assist you however he can. His familiarity with the Ostrander area is intimate and qualifies him to recommend various trips through the surrounding country. Howard points out that there is good ski mountaineering in the area (i.e., Horse Ridge and Buena Vista Peak), and guarantees skiing on the frozen lake if there's no snow elsewhere.

There are at least three trails to the Ostrander ski hut. None of them should be considered an easy trip. The Bridalveil Creek trail is approximately 7½ miles from Bridalveil Campground to the hut, and from Summit Meadow it's 1½ miles farther. The trail along Horizon Ridge runs six miles, but is 7½ miles if the trip starts at Summit Meadow. The least popular, but nonetheless beautiful, route is along the Merced Crest from Westfall Meadows. The skier should follow 13 from the Glacier Point Road to use this access path. The Merced Crest Trail is 9½ miles long. Before attempting any of these trips, you are required to stop at the Badger Pass ranger station for check out and update on trail information.

If you're interested in a visit to the Ostrander Ski Hut, make a reservation by calling the ranger at Badger Pass. Though weekend reservations have been completely "sold out" for the winter, cancellations do occur regularly. There's a good chance that a call on Friday night will garner you a weekend spot at the hut. When you do head for Ostrander, carry a sleeping bag, your own food, a gas stove to cook it on, and be prepared for any type of weather. Don't forget to check in at Badger Pass, and get an early start. A winter trip to Ostrander Ski Hut will provide you a Yosemite experience you'll long remember.

Yosemite Recreation

MOVIES

MARCH 8 — THE POSSESSION OF JOEL DELANEY

Starring Shirley MacLaine, Perry King. A gripping supernatural horror tale of a wealthy divorcee drawn into the world of the occult when her brother becomes diabolically possessed by the spirit of a deceased killer. Rated (R), no one under 17 will be admitted without parent or adult.

MARCH 15 — THE DOVE

Starring Joseph Bottoms, Deborah Raffin. The true saga of a 16-year-old boy's amazing 33,000 mile global odyssey in a 24-ft. sloop named "Dove". A field day for photography nuts with amazing shots of sunsets, sea-storms, calms and the beauty of the sea. (PG)

Badger Pass Hosts Silver Ski Races

Badger Pass will host the 20th running of the Silver Ski Race on Saturday and Sunday, March 20 and 21.

The race, sponsored by The Fresno Bee, KMJ Radio and KMJ-TV of Fresno usually attracts over 200 entries. Deadline for entries this year is March 15.

There will be eight divisions open to youngsters, men, and women of all ages and skill, from beginners to experts.

Saturday's racing will feature adult beginners, junior beginners 13 to 16, and junior beginners 12 and under. Sunday will be for adult and junior advanced racers.

First, second and third place winners in each event will be awarded Silver Ski pins, while the Grand Winner will have his or her name engraved on the perpetual trophy kept in the Winter Club Room at The Ahwahnee.

Entry blanks for the races are available at Badger Pass prior to March 15. On the days of the events, racers must register between 9 and 10 a.m. at the Sport Desk at Badger Pass.

FOR SALE

1970 Olds Cutlass, excellent condition. Chains and snow tires included. \$1,700. Call Kathy at 372-4576 or 372-4240.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

FRIDAY, MARCH 5:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
Talent Night Yosemite Sam's — 8 p.m.

SATURDAY, MARCH 6:

Nordic Holiday Race Badger Pass — 10 a.m.
Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 5:30 p.m.
Worship Service Wawona School — 6 p.m.
Family Night (Movies, Cartoons) Yosemite Sam's — 8:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, MARCH 7:

Nordic Holiday Relays Badger Pass
Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 9 & 11 a.m.
Worship Service Chapel — 9:30 a.m.
T.V. Sports Yosemite Sam's — Noon
Southern Baptist Service Chapel — 6:30 p.m.

MONDAY, MARCH 8:

Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
Y.E.S. (Teen Club) Yosemite Sam's — 7:30 p.m.
MOVIE "The Possession of Joel Delaney" Visitor Center — 8 p.m.

TUESDAY, MARCH 9:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
Y.E.S. (Teen Club) Yosemite Sam's — 7:30 p.m.
Macrame and Decoupage Employee Rec. Office — 7 p.m.
Volunteer Fire Dept. Meeting YP&C Co. Fire House — 7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Broom Hockey Curry Ice Rink — 5:30 p.m.
Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
Masonic Lodge Meeting Masonic Hall — 8 p.m.
DANCE "Disco Nite" Yosemite Sam's — 8:30 p.m.
Volleyball Visitor Center — 9 p.m.

THURSDAY, MARCH 11:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
Christian Gathering Chapel — 7:30 p.m.
DANCE "Disco Nite" Yosemite Sam's — 8:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, MARCH 12:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Yoga Employee Rec. Office — 6 p.m.
Talent Night Yosemite Sam's — 8 p.m.

SATURDAY, MARCH 13:

Ancient Jock's Race Badger Pass
Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 5:30 p.m.
Worship Service Wawona School — 6 p.m.
Family Night (Movies, Cartoons) Yosemite Sam's — 8 p.m.

SUNDAY, MARCH 14:

Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 9 & 11 a.m.
Worship Service Chapel — 9:30 a.m.
T.V. Sports Yosemite Sam's — Noon
Southern Baptist Service Chapel — 6:30 p.m.

MONDAY, MARCH 15:

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YOSEMITE WINTER CLUB PLAYS HOST TO SKI HALL OF FAME



Some of the men who helped get skiing started in the West will gather where skiing began in the West-Badger Pass on March 13, 1976, as the area and the Yosemite Winter Club sponsor their Sixth Annual Old Timers Giant Slalom.

The Yosemite Winter Club, founded in 1928, and Badger Pass, founded in 1935, were instrumental in turning Westerners on to downhill skiing and, in the process, turned out four skiers who are now members of the Ski Hall of Fame.

The names Foeger, Sigal, Proctor, and Nishkian are synonymous with early-day skiing in California, and all four will be on hand for this year's race. Luggi Foeger of Incline Village, who is still active in the ski business, headed the Yosemite Ski School for many years. Albert Sigal, of Walnut Creek, California, is a past president of the U.S. Ski Association, one of the organizers of the Winter Olympic

Games at Squaw Valley, and member of the U.S. Olympic Committee Executive Board for more than 10 years.

Charles N. Proctor was known for years as the "Skimeister of Yosemite". He was one of the first Americans to compete in the Winter Olympic Games (1928) as a ski jumper. He arrived in Yosemite in 1938, where he remained for 20 years until his retirement. Proctor Mountain at Sun Valley is named after him.

Byron Nishkian, a San Francisco resident, is the latest member of the Yosemite Winter Club to be elected to the Ski Hall of Fame, having been inducted last year.

The race gets underway at 2 p.m. and will be followed by an awards ceremony and banquet to pay tribute to the four men.

Natural History Course

Did you know that there are many kinds of woodpeckers in Yosemite, each with its particular habitat and habits? The Acorn woodpecker of the lower forests lives in colonies and stores acorns in dead trees. The black-backed-three-toed woodpecker (did you even know there was such a bird?) lives largely unnoticed in the red fir forest. The Yellow-bellied sapsucker drills the characteristic rows of holes that you see in trees.

A course designed to introduce you to the forests of Yosemite and the plants and animals who live there will be offered beginning a week from Wednesday. The 7-week course will start with an overview of Yosemite, the geological and glacial events that created this unique environment, identification and ecological relationships of the common plants and animals.

The course will be taught by Garrett De Bell, who has taught natural history courses for U.C. Berkeley, Sonoma State, Yosemite Mountaineering School, and other organizations.

Sign up for the class at the first meeting: 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 24, at the Yosemite School. This class is Natural Science 40 in the Merced College program and is free. Class will meet from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, March 24 to May 8. Field trips will be taken approximately every other week. One unit of credit is granted through Merced College.

For further information, call Garrett at 372-4611, ext. 495.

THE MYSTERIES OF EASTER ISLAND

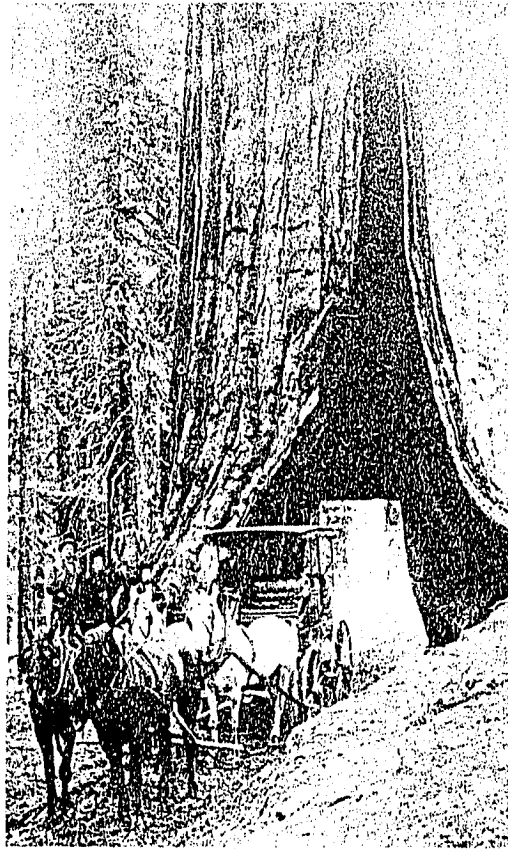
Ranger Bill Wendt will present a slide show and talk about the mysteries of Easter Island at the Women's Group luncheon on Thursday, March 18, in the Visitor Center auditorium. This will be a chance for both working and non-working women to make new acquaintances and renew old ones. Everyone's asked to bring a box lunch to exchange with someone else. The luncheon begins at 11:30 a.m., and the program at noon.

"WHERE'S THE TREE YOU CAN DRIVE THROUGH?"

by Steve Harrison

Imagine, a tree so large you could drive through a tunnel cut in its base! This is not so difficult for us today because many of us have had the opportunity to do just that and we are exposed everyday to things even more remarkable. But what would this thought have done to someone one hundred years ago? What would your reaction have been to this idea if you had been alive in 1876?

I don't know when the first "tunnel tree" in the world was cut, but to the best of my knowledge, the first giant sequoia to have a tunnel cut through its base was the "Dead Giant" in the Tuolumne Grove. The Tuolumne Grove was effectively discovered in 1858 by a party of nine from Garrote. They named this fire-charred stump "King Solomon's Temple." People began to visit Yosemite Valley and many, traveling on the Big Oak Flat Road which was completed in 1874, passed through the Tuolumne Grove on the way. It was in 1878 that a Tuolumne County road contractor from Groveland, named James Lumsden, and his brother David cut the tunnel through the base of the "Dead Giant." Using hand awls, the brothers, with the help of some of James' sons, bore through the more than 30 foot diameter trunk, to permit sawing. With black powder, they blasted out chunks of wood. One slab of wood weighing about one-half ton was taken by wagon to



Priest's Hotel as a souvenir. The first coachful of visitors is reported to have passed through the tree in June 18, 1878. The tunnel then served as a drawing-card for tourists to use the Big Oak Flat Road which at the time was a toll road.

To the south, the team of Washburn, Chapman and Coffman was busy with their development at Big Trees Station on the South Fork of the Merced. They had acquired the property from Galen Clark and Edwin Moore just three years before and had made rapid progress with road building and improvements in accommodations and services. They had made a big investment in the southern route to Yosemite Valley and were not men to be outdone by their competitors to the north. In 1881, they received permission from the Board of Commissioners that managed the Mariposa Grove to cut a tunnel through a sequoia there. They chose the Telescope Tree in the upper grove for it had already been severely burned by fires. After a few chops with an ax, the scars from which remain today, the foreman stopped the work fearing that it would seriously weaken the tree, causing it to collapse. They looked around for another and found a tree called "Wawona" which also had a severe fire scar at the base but the trunk and crown of which remained beautifully symmetrical. The Yosemite Stage and Turnpike Company, which the Washburn brothers owned and operated, had set two brothers, Ben and Otis Scribner, to work on this project which reportedly earned them \$75.

They apparently completed their work in early August, the result of which was a tunnel eight feet wide, twenty-six feet long and ten feet high, large enough to drive a stage coach full of tourists through. This was also large enough to cause the Wawona Tunnel Tree to become the most famous tree in the world. And people came by the hundreds in those early days to see this tree which they had read about, heard about, and seen photographs of. It was a wonder in its time and the "Dead Giant" fell into oblivion; after all, who wanted to drive through the short black stump of a dead tree when you could drive through a real live tree? Of course, to get there you had to either ride a Yosemite Stage and Turnpike coach or pay a toll to the Washburn's who had built the road to the Mariposa Grove in the late 1870's.

But the work was not yet completed for what did one do in the spring and the fall when the upper grove was not accessible to the stage coaches because of snow? What did the drivers say to their passengers who had come from Europe or the east coast to see THE Wawona Tunnel Tree on their way to Yosemite Valley? It apparently took the drivers and their bosses fourteen years to tire of these complaints. In 1895, a stage driver for the Washburns, William Coop, cut a tunnel through the California Tree which is only about 100 yards from the Grizzly Giant in the lower portion of the Mariposa Grove. The late Dr. Richard Hartesveldt in his report on "Human Impact in the Mariposa Grove" states that "old photographs of the California Tree bearing the name plate 'Wawona' attest to the ingenuity of stage drivers who were reluctant to disappoint paying riders."

So it was that Yosemite got its three tunnel trees, and like the Firefall from Glacier Point, they became institutions. Millions of people from all over the world drove through these trees.

But in 1932, the road which had gone directly along side the Grizzly Giant and through the California Tunnel Tree was moved up the hill about 100 yards and cars could no longer drive through the tunnel. And in the 1960's the Big Oak Flat Road was rerouted and the narrow, twisty road through the Tuolumne Grove and the "Dead Giant" through which it passes get little use today. And finally, the event which brought heartbreak and sorrow to so many, the collapse of the Wawona Tunnel Tree sometime during the winter of 1968-69. And it is disappointing perhaps, but no more disappointing than the thought that had the tunnel not been cut through its base, the Wawona tree might still be standing today.

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CROW'S NEST



The controversy over development of a sports arena in Fish Camp has heated up again. Friends of Fish Camp, a group formed to fight the development, say their initial environmental assessments indicate that if the 93,000-seat stadium is built, the weight of all those people in one location so close to the San Andreas fault could cause California to crack off and fall into the Pacific Ocean. Wasn't that supposed to happen a few years back? Apparently city fathers in Reno, Nevada put some stock in the Friends of Fish Camp warning. They have already begun to construct a major wharf, claiming that Reno may well become the next Oakland!! Does Charlie Finley know of this?

Businessmen in Fish Camp say they will do an Environmental Impact Statement of their own and note with some interest that Friends of Fish Camp have made a bid to buy the McDonald's franchise for the tiny community. It has also been learned that Friends of Fish Camp have extensive stock holdings and that the organization grossed 85 million dollars last year by selling over one million copies of their book which outlines the history of the club, "The Double Standard", written by William C. We Can But You Can't.

Nordic Holiday Race Results

Once again Ned Gillette, Director of the Yosemite Mountaineering School's winter programs, topped the field in last Saturday's Nordic Holiday Race bringing in a winning time of 1 hr. and 2 min. This mark better his last year's time by fifteen minutes, and gave him an 8 minute advantage over the second place winner.

Trina Beck, the first woman to finish the race, came in 22nd overall. Trina, who was formerly the head instructress for Yosemite's cross-country ski school, resides in Berkeley. Beverly Johnson of YMS, finished 2nd in the pro women's category and placed 23rd in the overall standings.

Other locals finishing near the top were:



RE Ving Around

by John Davis

The dilemma: How closely should we outwardly reveal what we inwardly are? How much risk and vulnerability should we assume? How much legitimate room is there for pretense?

When I was attending theological school in Massachusetts, a classmate got blind dates on one occasion for a number of us seminary students with girls from Wellesley. All of the rest of us were ready to leave to meet our dates on time. But our leader arrived to delay us. His explanation: With Wellesley girls it was important not to appear eager, but rather to arrive "fashionably late".

Who would read a book whose cover and title appeared uninteresting? The book's cover should be attractive, the title intriguing and the book worthwhile. Ever eagerly sample a cake with lovely frosting and decoration only to discover a glop instead of cake?

We people are like books and cakes. At first glance a person appears one way or another. But the investment of time and relationship frequently reveal a different reality from what we originally anticipated. Of course, many of us are just what we appear to be — and more so!

How important it is not to give up quickly on people in general or a person in particular...to read deeply into either a book or a person before discarding. The persons I like best and find most attractive are not too self-centered, really do care about others. They are open to the new, the more. It is an indescribable blend of confident identity and mystery. (By the way, if I had it to do again, I'd go on ahead of my friends and meet that Wellesley girl on time. Ultimately life is not profitable for the person who merely reflects the values of others.)

	Age	Place	Overall Stand- ing
PRO:			
Craig Patterson		5th	5th
Doug Weims		15th	15th
Stacy Studebaker		3rd	74th
NON-PRO:			
Peter Fitzmaurice	21-30	2nd	10th
Randy Morgenson	31-40	3rd	42nd
Anne Woessner	21-30	1st	78th

The Curry Tradition

The Curry tradition of warm, friendly hospitality began with the Curry's original seven tents in 1899. Each guest who visits any of our facilities is to be treated as a guest in our own home, because, in actuality, this is our home. Sometimes it's easy to lose sight of this goal. Following are some important points which have been emphasized since the Curry Co.'s early days and should be remembered continually.

1. A guest is not dependent upon us, we are dependent upon him.
 2. A guest is not an interruption of our work, he is the purpose of it.
 3. A guest does us a favor when he calls; we are not doing him a favor when we serve him.
 4. A guest is part of our business, not an outsider.
 5. A guest is not a cold statistic; he is a flesh and blood human being with emotions like our own.
 6. A guest is not someone with whom to argue nor with whom to match wits.
 7. A guest is a person who brings us his wants; it is our job to fill these wants.
 8. A guest is deserving of the most courteous and attentive treatment we can give him.
 9. A guest is the person who makes our salary possible, whether we are a dishwasher, a busperson, a department head, or Chief Operating Officer.
 10. A guest is the life blood of this and every other business.
 11. A guest likes to trade with a progressive hotel that is the social and civic center of its community.
- Warm and friendly hospitality is the Yosemite Park and Curry Co.'s way — make sure you are continuing this tradition.

12. Finally, we have always said the most important person is our employee, but the most important person to that employee is the guest, whoever he is or wherever you might be serving him.

Edward C. Hardy
Chief Operating Officer

FOR SALE

WANTED: Used set of beginner's drums. Call 372-4805.

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MOVIES

MARCH 15 — THE DOVE

Starring Joseph Bottoms and Deborah Raffin. The true saga of a 16 year old boy's amazing 33,000 mile global odyssey in a 24-ft. sloop named "Dove". A field day for photography nuts with amazing shots of sunsets, sea-storms, calms, and the beauty of the sea. (PG)

MARCH 22 — FANTASTIC PLANET

Voices of Jennifer Drake, Sylvie Lenoir and Jan Topart. An animated cartoon not like anything you've ever seen before. It combines surrealistic animation with philosophic theories on a planet far from Earth where only two races of man exist. You'll think about this one for a long time. (PG)

Junior Racers Travel To Snow Summit

The Big Bear Giant Slalom at Snow Summit on February 21 and 22 found six members of our junior race team, along with Head Coach Rusty Rust and Ace Assistant and Head Cheerleader Bill Thompsen, leaving after school on Friday afternoon, but not arriving at their destination until 2 a.m. Ever concerned for the welfare of his team, Coach Rust and his assistant were up again at 5:30 a.m. to themselves brave the already swelling ticket lines and allow their racers a few hours of extra sleep. Their efforts were rewarded because by 7 a.m. the ticket office was closed with all 3,600 tickets sold!

Finally rested from the long drive, the racers were ready to attack the mile-long course. The run was extremely challenging for the vertical drop was approximately 1,100 feet with sheer glacial polish beneath the snow cover.

Although it was one of the most demanding courses in many years of junior racing, the Yosemite Junior Racers made a fine showing. Sheira Brady and Jim Shackleton placed third and fifth in Class D, while Class C racers Clark Hardy and Jeff Power received second and sixth place honors. Chris Thompsen, racing in the tough B Class, walked away with a ninth. Clark Krause was unfortunately disqualified for missing the last gate before the finish.

The next local FWSA sanctioned race will be held on Easter Sunday at Badger Pass. Everyone's invited to cheer our local racers on.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

FRIDAY, MARCH 12:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Yoga Training Room — 6 p.m.
Talent Night Yosemite Sam's — 8 p.m.

SATURDAY, MARCH 13:

Ancient Jocks Race Badger Pass — 2 p.m.
Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 5:30 p.m.
Worship Service Wawona School — 6 p.m.
Family Night (Movies, Cartoons) Yosemite Sam's — 8:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, MARCH 14:

Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 9 & 11 a.m.
Worship Service Chapel — 9:30 a.m.
T.V. Sports Yosemite Sam's — Noon
Southern Baptist Service Chapel — 6:30 p.m.

MONDAY, MARCH 15:

Yoga Training Room — 6 p.m.
Teen Club Yosemite Sam's — 7 p.m.
MOVIE "The Dove" Visitor Center — 8 p.m.

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TUESDAY, MARCH 16:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Yoga Training Room — 6 p.m.
Teen Club Yosemite Sam's — 7 p.m.
Volunteer Fire Dept. Meeting YP&C Co. Fire House — 7 p.m.
Volleyball Visitor Center — 9 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Broom Hockey Curry Ice Rink — 5:30 p.m.
Yoga Training Room — 6 p.m.
DANCE "Flyer" Yosemite Sam's — 8:30 p.m.
Volleyball Visitor Center — 9 p.m.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY

THURSDAY, MARCH 18:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Yoga Training Room — 6 p.m.
Christian Gathering Chapel — 7:30 p.m.
DANCE "Flyer" Yosemite Sam's — 8:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, MARCH 19:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Yoga Training Room — 6 p.m.
Cub Scouts' Blue and Gold Banquet Yos. Elementary School — 6:30 p.m.
Talent Night Yosemite Sam's — 8 p.m.

SATURDAY, MARCH 20:

Fresno Bee Silver Ski Races Badger Pass
Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 5:30 p.m.
Worship Service Wawona School — 6:30 p.m.
Family Night (Movies, Cartoons) Yosemite Sam's — 8:30 p.m.

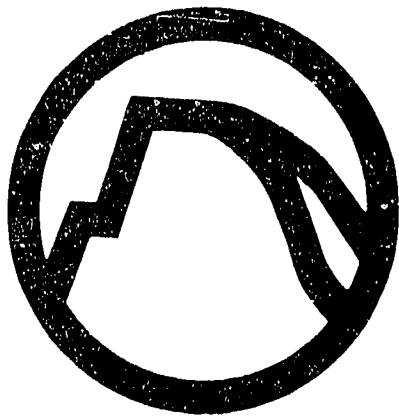
SUNDAY, MARCH 21:

Fresno Bee Silver Ski Races Badger Pass
Mass Visitor Center — 9 & 11 a.m.
Worship Service Chapel — 9:30 a.m.
T.V. Sports Yosemite Sam's — Noon

MONDAY, MARCH 22:

Yoga Training Room — 6 p.m.
Teen Club Yosemite Sam's — 7:30 p.m.
MOVIE "Fantastic Planet" Visitor Center — 8 p.m.

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ANCIENT JOCK'S RACE



JOHN CROFUT, Curry Co. Public Relations Manager, presents Winter Club plaques to four former Winter Club members who are now member of the Skiing Hall of Fame that attended the dinner. They are, from the left next to Mr. Crofut, Charlie Proctor, Luigi Foeger, Al Sigal and Byron Nishkian.

The Ancient Jocks' Race and Dinner held last Saturday brought past and present Winter Club members together for one of the most enjoyable events this club has sponsored.

This year's race was a giant slalom set up on Chipmunk. Racers began near the top of the Badger lift, raced half-way down the course and had to chug down a cup of beer before continuing with the rest of the course.

Competition was stiff as racers were seen before the race sharpening their edges and waxing their skis. Bets were running rampant throughout the crowd. And, after an hour and a half of racing, the results were in:

WOMEN 30 — 45

- 1st — Anne Hendrickson, Yosemite
- 2nd — Bonnie Boon, Oakland
- 3rd — Judy Sansum, Yosemite

WOMEN 46 — 100

- 1st — Mary Medda, Los Angeles
- 2nd — Joyce Halderman, Fresno
- 3rd — Dee Doyle, Yosemite

MEN 30 — 45

- 1st — Randy Rust, Yosemite
- 2nd — Bill Thompsen, Yosemite
- 3rd — Roger Threlkeld, Fresno

MEN 46 — 100

- 1st — George Toyoma, Fresno
- 2nd — Chapman Wentworth, S.F.
- 3rd — Leroy Rust, Yosemite

LONGEST ELAPSED TIME

Eileen Berrey, Yosemite



LEROY "RUSTY" RUST, Yosemite Postmaster and coach of Yosemite's Junior Race Team, crosses the finish line in third place for his category.



RICK WATSON, NPS employee, downs his beverage at the beer stop set up half-way down the course.



"CITIZENS RIGHTS VS. CRIMINAL RIGHTS" was the topic under discussion by High School students at the recent Lions Club Student Speaker Contest. Members of the Yosemite Lions Club hosted the speakers and their families at a luncheon at The Ahwahnee, after which the speeches were given and the plaques awarded. Left to right, Caroleen Kroon, second place; Debbie Horton, first place; and Maryn Pitt, third place.

First Aid Review Course

Would you know what to do if someone beside you started to choke? Or have a heart attack? The Yosemite Women's Group is sponsoring a First Aid Review Course on Thursday, March 25, from 7:30 to 10 p.m. Butch Farabee is the instructor for the class, which is open to everyone. The course will be held at the Visitor Center Auditorium. If you would like to attend, please call Gail Thompsen at 372-4518 before Wednesday, March 24.



New Community Member

DAVID REYNOLDS — Buyer of Sports and Apparel for YPCCo. — David has spent the last four years working with major department stores — three years with Macy's in San Francisco both in sporting goods and merchandising, and, most recently, working as sporting goods buyer for Roos Atkins. Prior to his move to the Bay Area, David was Assistant Manager of Tex's Ski Shop in Santa Monica. An avid downhill and cross-country skier, he has been interested in mountaineering and climbing for the last 17 years. David's wife, Judy, and his two children — Catherine, 6 and Joshua, 4 — will also be making Yosemite their home.

LOST: SLEEPING BAG, orange North Face Uni-Mog. Lost between the Valley and Chinquapin on Hwy. 41. If found contact Chris Pforr at Tecoya B-22 or write to P.O. Box 86, Wawona Station, Yosemite National Park, Ca. 95389.

THE YOSEMITE SCHOOL

by Steve Harrison

What could be finer than being a child in Yosemite Valley and not having to go to school! For some of the first children to live in the valley, this was a reality but it did not last long. Nearly one hundred years ago, this dream life came to end, at least partially.

It was in the spring of 1875 that four Yosemite residents, George Leidig, Alexander Black, James Hutchings and William Howard petitioned the Mariposa County Board of Supervisors to establish a school district for Yosemite Valley. There were twenty-two school-aged children in the valley at that time and their parents were concerned that they learned something in addition to what Laurence Degnan later referred to as "a special set of three R's, huntin', fishin', and swimmin'."

The Yosemite Valley District that the Board of Supervisors created on May 3, 1875 started at the Big Trees Station (Wawona) and ran along "the new road of Washburn, Chapman & Co." to the south rim of the valley. The boundary went down the Merced River to include "Hennessey's place" (just below the present El Portal), then followed the northern boundary of the Yosemite Grant to the eastern boundary of the county.

John Chestnutwood, a teacher from Merced County, organized the school in July of 1875. While George Anderson was engaged in building a 12 x 16 foot schoolhouse of upright cedar posts covered with cloth, school was conducted for a week under an oak tree near Indian Creek.

The children sat on logs and boxes while Mr. Chestnutwood used a dry goods box for a blackboard. For \$80 per month including board, the teacher taught the four month school session which took place during the summer months.

George Anderson's cloth schoolhouse was rapidly replaced with a wooden structure located "in a nice oak grove" about a quarter mile upriver from Coulter & Murphy's Hotel, later the site of the Sentinel Hotel. In 1877, the school session was lengthened to six months, which continued until 1916 when a full term was adopted. Going to school for six months also meant having a six month vacation. But the children of the seasonal families that moved away for the winter attended other schools during that time and never really had a vacation. What a unique experience it has always been to be a child in Yosemite Valley.

WANTED: Violin teacher for a second-year student, age 10. Call 372-4867.

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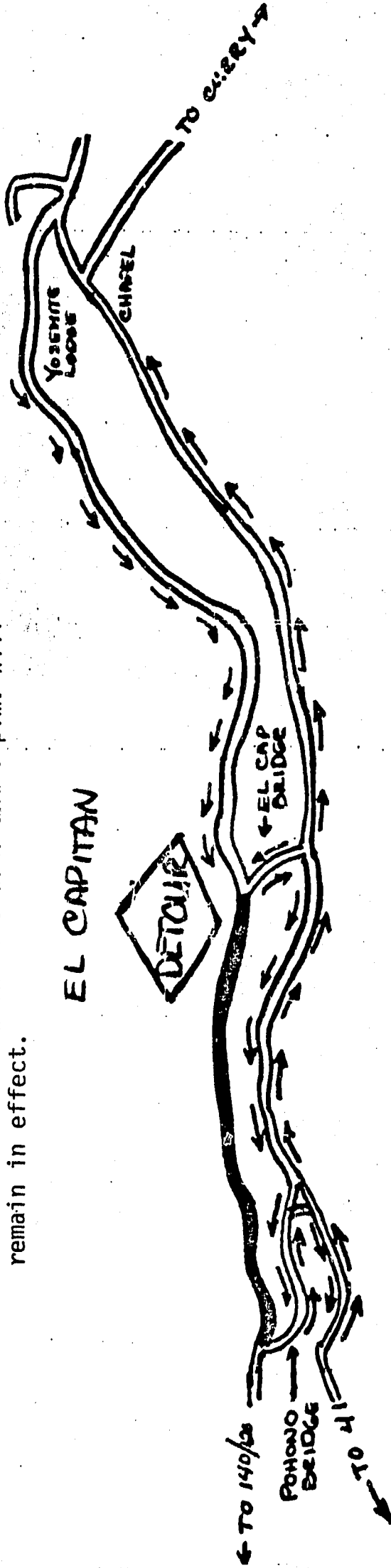
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IMPROVEMENTS NOTICE.

Due to the sewerline project, detours are now in effect in the western portion of Yosemite Valley. Motorists will be required to use the El Capitan crossover, Southside drive to Pohono Bridge for access on Routes 140 and 120. (See below)

It is anticipated that, beginning March 22, no traffic controls between the hours of 5 p.m. and 7:30 a.m. will be in effect on regular Route 140. However, the regular closure hours between 7:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. will remain in effect.

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What Do Managers Do and How Do They Do It?

by Gerald Doyle

The YP&C's Management Training Program is a two-fold experience. One side of this experience is an in-depth, on the job, training in each of various units. The other part of the program is weekly training seminars. Both these aspects of the program suggest the concept that managers are trained, and skills can be developed to be an effective and inspired leader.

We all have contact with a manager daily, but how many people have stopped to question the nature of his job. You know what your job entails, and you may understand someone else's job, but a Manager has a job also. What is it and what are the tools of his trade?

The subject of one recent Training Seminar was the Nature of Leadership. Management is responsible for getting people to willingly do the work that must be done for the organization to exist. The key phrase here is "willingly done". To get a job willingly done, correctly done, and done with pride and efficiency is the difference between a Mediocre Management and Inspired Leadership.

The first difference between a mediocre manager and an inspired leader is that the inspired leader has a **mission**. He has a deep purpose and strong motivation for doing what he's doing which goes beyond the mere fulfilling of a job.

The second difference is that an inspired leader practices consultative supervision. The supervisor must recognize that he doesn't have all the answers, but that he has a tremendous wealth of information in his employees. Through consultation and utilization of suggestions the manager can achieve participation of his people in the successful achievement of the company's goals. Leadership requires followership. Followership comes from the people with whom the manager works; they are the **most important asset** with which he deals.

Thirdly, the inspired leader must be intellectually mature. Intellectual maturity means that the individual has convictions and basic beliefs on the issues and problems that confront him. An intellectually mature person can apply his basic beliefs and principles and answer questions that he is confronted with by beginning his answer with "I believe". He is then capable of giving an answer with sincerity and conviction that makes you know he does believe in it. On the other hand, the intellectually mature person must be able to change his convictions when new truths and new circumstances indicate such change to be appropriate.

Lastly, the inspired leader strives to be a professional. He is a person who under-

Morgenson Wildflower Book Published

by Shirley Sargent

For several years, Yosemite visitors buying booklets on its wildflowers have complained, "Why aren't the pictures in color?" As of late February, when **YOSEMITE WILDFLOWER TRAILS** was published by Yosemite Natural History Association, that plaint is stilled because the handsome, inexpensive 88-page book is replete with 125 splendid photographs in vibrant color. Not only did Dana C. Morgenson, a Yosemite resident and Curry Company employee since 1944, take the superb pictures, but soundly researched the book, partly on foot as, camera and notepad in hand, he walked each trail before writing the loving text. Morgenson's "Camera Walks" for Yosemite visitors are already popular; his book is expected to be a best seller. There were over 809 advance orders for paperback copies that sell at \$3.00 each. A limited number of hard-bound copies will be available soon at a higher price.

Although Morgenson is the author, the book was inspired and funded by the late Mary Curry Tressider who loved wildflowers almost as much as she did Yosemite itself. "Wildflowers," Morgenson says in his preface, "remained her chief joy and constant inspiration," until her death in 1970. After that, he used her journals and published articles as a basis for the book, which was financed by a provision in her will. Dr. Carl W. Sharsmith, longtime authority on Yosemite's flora and fauna, checked the text for accuracy and contributed the introduction. Henry Berrey, business manager for YNHA, was the editor.

"A blessed land is this, indeed," Morgenson comments, "where one is privileged to enjoy six months of springtime, through the simple expedient of following the season vertically through the Park!" For the legions of flower devotees, **YOSEMITE WILDFLOWER TRAILS** is an additional blessing.

stands the skills of management; he has studied them, practiced them, and is trying to master them. He is constantly learning the tools of management and trying to perfect his mastery of them. Above all, the inspired leader remains a student with an open and questioning mind. He is always eager and willing to learn new things about his environment and the people with whom he works.

Management is a complex profession. It requires a mature individual with a purpose in life, who constantly strives to improve his professionalism through education and consultative supervision.

YOSEMITE DOMES

by Keith Shorb

One of Yosemite National Park's most phenomenal features is its beautifully sculptured granite domes. Dome formations are the end result of dynamic changes that have occurred over the vast expanse of geologic time.

About 130 million years ago, Eastern California's mountain system of sedimentary rock (mudstone, sandstone, limestone, etc.) was invaded by a vast intrusion of molten lava from the earth's interior. A great reservoir of molten rock was formed beneath the mountain system ridges and folds which followed approximately a north-south axis 400 miles long and 40 to 75 miles wide. This buried reservoir is termed by geologists a "batholith" (Greek for "deep stone") and was destined to become the Sierra Nevada mountain range.

The domes of the Sierra may have began as areas within the batholith or reservoir which "bubbled" or protruded upward beneath 10 to 20 miles of the older, sedimentary mountain system. Millions of years later, the batholith hardened into solid, granite rock. As millenia passed, physical forces such as water, ice, and wind gradually eroded away the ancient sedimentary mountains, thereby relieving the granite rock mass buried beneath from their incredible weight load. As the surface weight or downward pressure was reduced, the granite rock mass began to expand upward, a process called "expansion by load relief".

As upward expansion increased, lines of fracture developed, splitting the granite rock mass into natural blocks or parting planes called joints. In domes these fractures are broadly curved and run approximately parallel to the rock surface. An internal structure of concentric fractures of stone rings was created, similar in their conformity to rings in an onion.

Exfoliation is an important weathering process of domes in which curved layers of rock are spalled or sloughed off from the larger rock mass. This is accomplished mainly by frost action which mechanically weathers rock away by repeated cycles of freezing and thawing of water that seeps into the cracks. Although the sun's heat aids exposed granite in expanding, the expansion of water in the form of ice provides the main energy which lifts or exfoliates the stone rings from the parent rock mass.

It is believed that erosion along a huge, vertical joint or parting plane within Half Dome's interior resulted in this world famous dome's unusual appearance, while North Dome and Sentinel Dome are beautiful examples of exfoliating domes.

Yosemite Recreation

MOVIES

MARCH 22 — FANTASTIC PLANET
Voices of Jennifer Drake, Sylvie Lenoir and Jan Topart. An animated cartoon not like anything you've ever seen before. It combines surrealistic animation with philosophic theories on a planet far from Earth where only 2 races of man exist. You'll think about this one for a long time. (PG)

MARCH 29 — SKYJACKED

Starring Charlton Heston, Yvette Mimieux, Rosey Grier, and James Brolin. Imagine you're the captain of a 707. One of your passengers, whose identity is unknown, is a maniac with a bomb. What would you do? A. Be a hero? B. Act like everybody else... (PG)

SPECIAL CLASSES

Out of shape? Do you feel the need to exercise, but can't find the time to do it? **MORNING MILERS** might be the answer. This exercise program will meet every Monday, Wednesday and Friday morning at 7:00 a.m. in the Village Store parking lot. The schedule will include jogging, exercises, and calisthenics. The first meeting will be on Monday, March 22, at 7:00 a.m. Why not join us? It's a great way to start the day. For further information call Tony Caputo at ext. 475, or drop by the Employee Rec. Office.

RECREATION COMMITTEE

Get involved and voice your views on what you think Employee Recreation should entail. Ideas in Recreation and sport activities are in the planning stages. The Recreation Dept. is organizing a committee to work with Employee Recreation to enhance a well-rounded summer program. All those interest in the Recreation program, or those who wish to volunteer special skills and ideas, are invited to attend our first meeting on Thursday, March 25, at 7:00 p.m. in the Employee Recreation Office (new location is near the Beauty Shop). Through this committee we hope to attain a diversified program to meet the needs of all the people. Coffee and donuts will be provided for those who attend. If you have any questions or comments please call ext. 236.

My sincere thanks and appreciation to all my friends and neighbors that were so nice to me during my recent stay in the hospital. Your support proved invaluable during my convalescence.

Ellen Nelson

Tom and Vicki Bumgarner would like to express their heartfelt thanks to all of those who gave them their support during a difficult time of personal tragedy for them.

FOR SALE

Studio bed with slipcover and bolster. Call 372-4970.

FOR SALE: Double Bed: Blond oak bookcase headboard; mattress like new (in perfect condition). Call 372-4806.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

FRIDAY, MARCH 19:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
Cub Scouts' Blue & Gold Banquet Yosemite Elem. School — 6:30 p.m.
Talent Night Yosemite Sam's — 8 p.m.

SATURDAY, MARCH 20:

Fresno Bee Silver Ski Races Badger Pass
Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 5:30 p.m.
Worship Service Wawona School — 6 p.m.
Family Night (Movies, Cartoons) Yosemite Sam's — 8:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, MARCH 21:

Fresno Bee Silver Ski Races Badger Pass
Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 9 & 11 a.m.
Worship Service Chapel — 9:30 a.m.
T.V. Sports Yosemite Sam's — Noon
Southern Baptist Service Chapel — 6:30 p.m.

MONDAY, MARCH 22:

Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
Y.E.S. (Teen Club) Yosemite Sam's — 7:30 p.m.
MOVIE "Fantastic Planet" Visitor Center — 8 p.m.

TUESDAY, MARCH 23:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
TOPS Meeting El Portal School — 7 p.m.
Y.E.S. (Teen Club) Yosemite Sam's — 7:30 p.m.
Volunteer Fire Dept. Meeting YP&C Co. Fire House — 7 p.m.
Volleyball Visitor Center — 9 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Yosemite Natural History Class Yosemite Elem. School — 6:30 p.m.
Disco Night Yosemite Sam's — 8:30 p.m.
Volleyball Visitor Center — 9 p.m.

THURSDAY, MARCH 25:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Recreation Committee Meeting Employee Rec. Office — 7 p.m.
Christian Gathering Chapel — 7:30 p.m.
Disco Night Yosemite Sam's — 8:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, MARCH 26:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
Talent Night Yosemite Sam's — 8 p.m.

SATURDAY, MARCH 27:

Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 5:30 p.m.
Worship Service Wawona School — 6 p.m.
Family Night (Movies, Cartoons) Yosemite Sam's — Noon

SUNDAY, MARCH 28:

Winter Carnival Badger Pass
Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 9 & 11 a.m.
Worship Service Chapel — 9:30 a.m.
T.V. Sports Yosemite Sam's — Noon
Southern Baptist Service Chapel — 6:30 p.m.

MONDAY, MARCH 29:

Yoga Emp. Training Room — 6 p.m.
Y.E.S. Yosemite Sam's — 7:30 p.m.
MOVIE "Skyjacked" Visitor Center — 8 p.m.

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INSURANCE COVERAGE PROVIDED

As most of us are aware, October 15, 1975, the Lewis Memorial Hospital discontinued their Hospital Plan which had been in effect for many years. The discontinuance of this plan raised concern with many of our employees. Since that time, our Insurance Department has been very busy researching and contacting various insurance companies in an attempt to find a suitable type of insurance coverage which would provide our employees with adequate protection.

We have been successful and on March 22, 1976, two major changes will take place. The first is that all new employees or any employee with less than four (4) months of service will be provided with an accidental medical and life insurance policy of \$1,000.00, **at no cost to the employee.** The second significant change is that we have reduced the eligibility period for enrollment in our three group insurance plans from what was a twelve (12) month eligibility period to a four (4) month eligibility period. It is now possible for an employee to participate in our Major Medical and Life Insurance Plan, the Temporary Disability Plan, or the Accidental Death and Dismemberment coverage after four (4) months of continuous service. Under our Group Insurance and Major Medical plan the Yosemite Park and Curry Co. pays for approximately two-thirds ($\frac{2}{3}$) of its cost, and the employee pays for approximately one third ($\frac{1}{3}$).

The following will give you some insight on coverage available to you:

Coverage under the Basic Accident Plan begins the first day of the month following your date of employment and terminates after four (4) months of employment. At the completion of these four continuous calendar months you are eligible for participation and

enrollment in the Company's three Major Group Insurance Plans.

This basic 24-hour accident coverage provides \$1,000.00 accident medical expense benefit per accident occurrence. Each occurrence has a \$25.00 deductible.

The medical coverage includes treatment by a legally-qualified physician or surgeon, a hospitalization, ambulance, X-rays, etc., if caused by an accident.

The plan includes \$1,000.00 coverage for accidental death and dismemberment which is as follows:

1. The principal sum is paid to a beneficiary for loss of life through an accident.
2. The principal sum is paid to the employee for loss of two limbs or two eyes or combination of both through an accident.
3. One-half ($\frac{1}{2}$) the principal sum is paid to the employee for loss of one limb or one eye through an accident.

This plan carries the normal exclusion and does not provide benefits for: suicide, sickness and disease, wars or acts of war, member of armed services, member of crew or pilot of an airplane or on-the-job injury. (On the job injuries are provided for under our Workmen's Compensation Coverage.)

Each employee who is covered by this plan will be receiving more detailed information and an enrollment card for beneficiary designation.

If you have any questions, please contact Jim Edeal, our Manager of Employee Benefits.



WINTER CARNIVAL THIS SUNDAY
Badger Pass' Sixth Annual Winter Carnival will be held this Sunday, March 28, with the events beginning at 10 a.m.

This day-long celebration features contests and recreation for the entire family, skiers and non-skiers alike. The schedule of the day's events is as follows:

- 10 a.m. Obstacle Race on Chipmunk 13 yrs. and over
- 11 a.m. Children's Slalom on Bruin—12 and under
- Noon Costume Judging Badger Lodge Deck
- 1 p.m. NASTAR
- 1 p.m. Sunday Slalom
- 3 p.m. Hotdog Skiing Contest on Badger
- 5 p.m. Barbeque Dinner Badger Lodge
- 6 p.m. Awards Ceremony
- 7:30 p.m. Torchlight Parade

Live entertainment by "Touch", a Fresno band, will begin at 11 a.m. and continue throughout the day. The Carnival ends with a barbeque dinner at 5 p.m. featuring either steak or hamburger, salad, western-style beans, french bread, apple pie, and a beverage. The cost for the dinner is \$6 for steak and \$3 for hamburger. Reservations for the dinner may be made at the Badger Pass office, or by sending a check for the amount to Badger Pass, Winter Carnival Barbeque, Yosemite National Park, Ca. 95389.

New Church of Christ Minister



Ron White, his wife Mary Jo, and daughters Melinda, four, and Nia, three, moved to our community recently to work full time with the Church of Christ.

Ron is a native Californian. He has preached previously for congregations in Washington, Colorado, and Arizona.

Mary Jo is a graduate of Long Beach College and has a degree in sociology.

For free counseling service you are encouraged to call 379-2493 at any time.

You are always welcome at the regular services of the Church held in the chapel building in El Portal.

SUNDAY

9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study and children's classes

9:50 a.m. Worship Service

6:30 p.m. Worship Service

WEDNESDAY

7:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study and children's classes

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EMPLOYEE HOUSING CORNER

by Jerry Doyle

Why do we have Fire, Safety and Maintenance inspections? The answer to this question is in the title itself. We are looking for fire hazards and maintenance problems that, if corrected, will make Employee Housing a better place to live.

The purpose of this article is to cover two points: The probable causes of fire in Employee Housing, and to announce a schedule for inspections. The probable causes for fire in Employee Housing are:

1. Candles left unattended.
2. Candles not in holders.
3. Combustible items left near oil stoves.
4. Combustible items left against lighting fixtures.
5. Excessive use of extension cords and impromptu wiring by employees.
6. Cooking in rooms which are not equipped for this purpose.

If you have any of the items listed above, you should correct these. If you think there is a hazard in your room, please contact the Housekeeper in your area.

There will be quarterly inspections by the Employee Housing Manager, the Housekeeper in your area, and a safety committee member. These inspections will be for your own safety and will be announced with a memo to all employees, five days in advance of the inspection. They will occur on or around the first of March, June, September, and December. In addition, there may be other inspections solely at the discretion of the National Park Service.

If you have any questions on this subject, or any other subject, come by my office in the General Offices, or call me at ext. 451.

For your own recycling program, we suggest you use a separate shopping bag for each material you recycle. Then, as a bag gets full you can take it to the Recycling Center on your way to the Village Store, and empty it into the appropriate container. Then put the bag with the corrugated cardboard, and recycle it, too.

Job Opportunities

COOKS — Overall knowledge of kitchen procedures. Must have own tools and uniforms. \$4.05-\$5.55/hr.

PANTRY PERSONS — Experience in and knowledge of the preparation of salads, salad dressings, and hors d'oeuvres. \$2.85-\$4.05/hr.

AHWAHNEE

MAIDS — Must be quick and thorough worker with neat appearance. Heavy work involved. \$2.35-\$3.20/hr.

GIFT SHOP CLERK — Neat, clean appearance. Retail sales experience preferred. \$2.45-\$3.40/hr.

RECYCLING

RECYCLING ATTENDANT — Work with our Environmental Specialist. Heavy work involved. \$2.30-\$3.00/hr.

ACCOUNTING

OFFICE CLERK — Knowledge of office and recordkeeping procedures. Bookkeeping experience helpful. \$2.30-\$3.80/hr.

SERVICE STATION AUDITOR — Must have thorough knowledge of Auditing procedures. Accounting degree preferred. \$3.00-\$4.20/hr.

FILE CLERK — Neat appearance and pleasant manner. Familiar with office/filing procedures. \$2.45-\$3.40/hr.

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE AUDITOR — Must have thorough knowledge of auditing procedures. Accounting degree preferred. \$3.00-\$4.20/hr.

PAYROLL CLERKS — Must have thorough knowledge of office procedures with mathematical ability. \$2.70-\$3.80/hr.

ACCOUNTING

KEYPUNCH OPERATORS — 6 months Key punch experience preferred. \$2.85-\$4.05/hr.

YTS

DISPATCHER — Responsible person with knowledge of YTS operations. \$4.60-\$6.25/hr.

Y.W.C. GLACIER POINT TRIP

Yosemite Winter Club members planning to ski to Glacier Point for an overnight outing March 27 and 28 should make reservations by calling 372-4210 or 372-4250 as soon as possible.

WINTER SKIING BEFORE BADGER

by Hil Oehlmann
 Edited by Shirley Sargent

Before the advent of Badger Pass in 1935, a small but hardy band of Yosemite skiers had to "climb the mountains" to indulge in what Mary Curry Tressider, longtime YP&CCo. executive, called "the deadly ski virus." The slope of Mt. Hoffman, bulking above May Lake was a favorite site especially when skiers could drive as far as the May Lake junction on the old Tioga Road. When that road was closed, they walked or rode horseback up the zigzags northeast of Mirror Lake and through the forest. A two-story cabin, grandly call the Snow Creek Lodge, was built in 1929 off the old road. It contained four rooms, sixteen bunks, a wood-burning stove and "a metal-lined hidey-hole to keep supplies safe from bears (vain hope!)" Mrs. Tressider commented. Recently, Mr. Oehlmann, who ably served the Curry Company from 1925 until 1972, described a couple of his memorable sojourns in that secluded area.

"One trip I recall vividly was in early May while the Tioga Road was being cleared. Having gained permission from the Park Service, Mary Tressider, Jules Fritsch, our Swiss ski guide, and I drove to the trail junction, put sealskins on our skis, and climbed up to May Lake, where we camped in our sleeping bags. Early next morning, we ascended to the summit of Mt. Hoffman. After resting and enjoying the breath-taking view, we took off our sealskins and started our descent, each choosing his own course over perfect spring snow. I remember it well as the most thrilling ski run I ever made. Our momentum carried us halfway over the frozen surface of the lake.

"After the cabin at Snow Creek was built, May Lake and Mt. Hoffman became

ROOMMATE WANTED: Two girls have a three-bedroom, two-bath home in Foresta with fireplace and are looking for another girl to share the rent. If you are interested call Peggy at 379-2288 after 6 p.m.

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Girl's bike, 20" frame. Call 372-4826.

FOR SALE

Studio bed with slipcover and bolster. Call 372-4870.

High chair — \$10. Call 372-4826.

DuraFiber skis, 205, brand-new. \$100. Contact Chuck Carter, Yosemite Ski School.

Ski boots, Women's Kastinger, 9½ N, \$8.00 Call 372-4826.

the objective of a few intrepid and durable ski-tourers. One of these adventurous groups consisted of Jules Fritsch, Della Hoss, and myself. We started very early, and the snow was icy and treacherous. By the time we reached the ridge beside May Lake, it had become warm. We were tired, hungry and thirsty, and I can still remember how each of us relished the dessert, which consisted of S&W canned raspberries mixed with snow. I believe that Jules has entertained the notion that our journey would include the ascent of Mt. Hoffman, but he abandoned any such idea after observing the hot weather, the condition of his companions, and the character of the snow.

"Our return to the cabin was somewhat of a nightmare. The surface of the snow had turned heavy and soggy, and no matter how much or what kind of wax we applied, each time we lifted a ski it was covered with a foot of the tenacious stuff. This part of our trek seemed interminable, and it did last for hours. In his zeal to get us home by the shortest route, our trusty Jules got us hung up on a bluff that foreclosed any further forward progress and forced us to retrace our steps. I remember that at this point, Della exploded with an outburst of expletives that would have shocked a Texas cowboy.*

"It was now late afternoon, the snow was becoming icy, we skied homeward with reckless abandon, finally arriving at the cabin just at dusk, when the lantern lights in the building were indeed a welcome sight."

*Della Hoss, now Mrs. Oehlmann, says her husband's statement is a gross exaggeration.

IMPORTANT NOTICE!!

Hwy. 140 (the El Portal Road) will be closed from the dam to Parkline from 7 to 10 p.m. Sunday through Thursday, in addition to the regular daytime closure hours. The following schedule should be in effect for the next two weeks:

7:45 a.m.	Road Closes
12:30 to 1:30 p.m.	Road Open
1:30 to 5 p.m.	Road Closed
5 to 7 p.m.	Road Open
7 to 10 p.m.	Road Closed
10 p.m. to 7:45 a.m.	Road Open

*The road will also be open from 5 p.m. Friday through 7 p.m. Sunday.

**Northside Drive will still remain closed from El Capitan Meadow to the Pohono Bridge, subject to detour.

PROMOTION



JERRY DOYLE has been promoted to the position of Manager of Employee Housing. Mr. Doyle received a BA in Sociology from Sonoma State and was working on his Masters in Marriage and Family Counseling before coming to Yosemite in May 1975. Jerry has extensive management background, and has worked with the public in food service and at the tavern that he owned and operated in Cotati.

Prior to his promotion, Jerry has served as a wine steward, transportation agent, bartender, tour guide, and as a Management Trainee.

Natural History Course

There is still time to sign up for the Merced College Course on Yosemite Natural History. The second meeting will be held on Wednesday.

The class meets at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesdays at the Yosemite School. This class is Natural Science 40 in the Merced College program and is free. Class will meet from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Wednesdays through May 8. Field trips will be taken approximately every other week. One unit of credit is granted through Merced College.

The course is taught by Garrett De Bell, who has taught natural history courses for U.C. Berkeley, Sonoma State, Yosemite Mountaineering School, and other organizations.

For further information, call Garrett at 372-4611, ext. 417.

Yosemite Recreation

MOVIES

Special Free Movie!!

MARCH 29 — THE HINDENBURG
Starring George C. Scott, has been nominated for three Academy Awards. This film will be offered to all Curry Co. employees with privilege cards, any NPS personnel with NPS identification (check stub, ID card, etc.). **NO GUESTS** will be admitted to these showings. There will be 2 showings of this film at 6 and 9 p.m. in the Visitor Center Auditorium. Seating will be on a first-come, first-served basis.

APRIL 5 — SKYJACKED

Starring Charlton Heston, Yvette Mimieux, Rosey Grier, James Brolin. Imagine you are the captain of a 707. One of your passengers, whose identity is not known, is a maniac with a bomb. What would you do? A. Be a hero? B. Act like everybody else...(PG)

Silver Ski Race Results

Yosemite skiers fared well in last weekend's Fresno Bee Silver Ski Races. Fair skies and spring sunshine made the event especially enjoyable for all present. Doug Coe and his fine group of Yosemite volunteers ably aided the Fresno Bee personnel in the running of the race. The following list shows how our locals did:

Group III — Jr. Beginners 12 and under — Female

1st — Collene Brady, Yos.

Group IV — 17 and over, and Class C Racers

1st — Chris Thompsen, Yos.

2nd — Randy Carroll, Yos.

1st — Betsy Woessner

Group V — 13 to 16 yr. old Racers

2nd — Clark Hardy, Yos.

1st — Shiera Brady, Yos.

Group VI — 12 and under Racers

1st — Jim Beck, Yos.

2nd — Vic Hendrickson, Yos.

3rd — Dean Conway, Jr., Yos.

1st — Heidi Thompsen, Yos.

Group VIII — 40 and over Racers

1st — Anne Hendrickson, Yos.

2nd — Martha Miller, Yos.

Group VIII — Class A and B Racers, and Instructors

1st — Rich Person, Yos.

2nd — Lee Fries, Yos.

1st — Lucy Parker Furr, Yos.

2nd — Kathy Metherall, Yos.

3rd — Cindy Fiore, Yos.

AMERICAN FIELD SERVICE EXCHANGE WEEKEND

Foreign students from all over the world come to Yosemite and stay with local families for the weekend (April 22-25). A fun-filled weekend is planned with many activities, so if your family is interested in participating in this Yosemite tradition, contact Marti Edeal, 372-4760. Call now or you will miss all the fun.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

FRIDAY, MARCH 26:

Mass Chapel — 8 p.m.
Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
Talent Night Yosemite Sam's — 8 p.m.

SATURDAY, MARCH 27:

Winter Club Overnight Ski Tour Glacier Point
Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 5:30 p.m.
Worship Service Wawona School — 6 p.m.
Family Night (Movies, Cartoons) Yosemite Sam's — 8:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, MARCH 28:

Winter Carnival Badger Pass
Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 9 & 11 a.m.
Worship Service Chapel — 9:30 a.m.
Obstacle Race/Winter Carnival Badger Pass — 10 a.m.
Children's Slalom/Winter Carnival Badger Pass — 11 a.m.
Costume Contest Judging/Winter Carnival Badger Pass — Noon
T.V. Sports Yosemite Sam's — Noon
Hotdog Skiing Contest/Winter Carnival Badger Pass — 3 p.m.
Awards Ceremony/Winter Carnival Badger Pass — 6 p.m.
Southern Baptist Service Chapel — 6:30 p.m.

MONDAY, MARCH 29:

Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
Y.E.S. Yosemite Sam's — 7 p.m.
MOVIES "The Hindenburg" Visitor Center — 6 & 9 p.m.

TUESDAY, MARCH 30:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Mental Health Clinic Yosemite Medical Group — 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Y.E.S. Yosemite Sam's — 7 p.m.
TOPS Meeting El Portal School — 7 p.m.
Volunteer Fire Dept. Meeting YP&C Co. Fire House — 7 p.m.
Volleyball Visitor Center — 9 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 31:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
Natural History Course Yosemite Elem. School — 6:30 p.m.
DANCE "Re-Entry" Yosemite Sam's — 8:30 p.m.
Volleyball Visitor Center — 9 p.m.

THURSDAY, APRIL 1:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Christian Gathering Chapel — 7:30 p.m.
DANCE "Re-Entry" Yosemite Sam's — 8:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, APRIL 2:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
Talent Night Yosemite Sam's — 8 p.m.

SATURDAY, APRIL 3:

Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 5:30 p.m.
Worship Service Wawona School — 6:30 p.m.
Family Night (Movies, Cartoons) Yosemite Sam's — 8:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, APRIL 4:

Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 9 & 11 a.m.
Worship Service Chapel — 9:30 a.m.
T.V. Sports Yosemite Sam's — Noon
Southern Baptist Service Chapel — 6:30 p.m.

MONDAY, APRIL 5:

Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
Y.E.S. Yosemite Sam's — 7 p.m.
MOVIE "Skyjacked" Visitor Center — 8 p.m.

APRIL FOOL'S DAY

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Christian Gathering Chapel — 7:30 p.m.
DANCE "Re-Entry" Yosemite Sam's — 8:30 p.m.

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UNION ELECTION DATE SET

Most of our employees are aware of the fact that the National Labor Relations Board held hearings relating to an attempt to organize Yosemite Park and Curry Co. employees. What many of you may not know is what was the purpose of these hearings.

On November 13, 1975, the Service Employees International Union Local 250 wrote a letter to Yosemite Park and Curry Co. claiming to represent a majority of the Yosemite Park and Curry Co. employees and demanded that we recognize their union and start negotiations. After reviewing this claim, the Yosemite Park and Curry Co. notified Local 250 and the National Labor Relations Board that we had serious doubts that Local 250 did, in fact, represent the majority of our employees. We suggested that the best way of determining whether such a claim was true or not, was to give our employees a chance to vote in a secret ballot election conducted under the supervision of the National Labor Relations Board.

Hearings were scheduled on December 22nd and 23rd at the Federal Building in San Francisco. At these hearings the Teamsters, Chauffeurs, Warehousemen and Helpers Union Local No. 386 and the Culinary, Cooks, Bartenders and Hotel, Motel Service Employees Local No. 62, informed the National Labor Relations Board that they also represented a substantial number of employees of the Yosemite Park and Curry Co.

The Company representative, Dan Slusser, our Vice President of Administration, requested that a Summer election be held to determine what union, if any, did, in fact, represent the majority of our employees and that this election be held in July of 1976, in order to provide our returning and new Summer employees with an opportunity to vote. This request was made for one reason.

The Yosemite Park and Curry Co. has approximately 300 to 350 employees who return to work during Summer. These are people who have worked for the Company for two, three or four years and in some cases, in excess of ten to twenty-five years. It was our belief that if such an important decision is to be made, one that will effect all of our employees for years to come, then everyone should be given their democratic right to vote.

During these hearings, Local No. 250 and Teamsters, Local No. 386, demanded that the election be held immediately and claimed it was not necessary that our returning Summer employees be given an opportunity to cast their ballots.

On December 23rd, the hearings were not concluded and were scheduled to be continued in Yosemite on January 19th and 20th at the Visitor Center. These hearings continued for two days with Locals 250 and 386 arguing vigorously that there was no need to have returning or new Summer employees vote in this election. Company representatives maintained their position, that returning employees should be given the right to cast a ballot. These hearings were again continued until January 23rd and 24th in San Francisco, at which time they were concluded at 4:30 p.m. on Saturday, January 24, 1976.

This case was decided and the N.L.R.B. determined that the election should be held on **APRIL 10, 1976**. This does not give our seasonal employees an opportunity to cast their ballot. For this reason, each of you are going to cast your ballot on April 10th and that vote will have far more significance than it would normally, because those of you who do vote will control the destiny of another 800 to 1,000 employees who work here during the summer season and cannot vote. Make sure your voice is heard —

cast your ballot on April 10th. Don't let a small number of people determine your future and the future of another eight hundred employees.

In talking to a number of employees in the past few weeks, it has become obvious that problems do exist. What has become even more obvious is that these problems and frustrations are not related to unionization; they are the result of a genuine concern, on the part of our employees, for the visitors of Yosemite National Park. This is a concern we share together and one we can work on together. It is our problem, not a union problem.

**VOTE FOR YOUR
INDEPENDENCE**

**ON
APRIL 10th**

**VOTE
NEITHER
UNION**

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

AHWAHNEE

GIFT SHOP CLERK — Neat, clean appearance. Retail sales experience preferred. \$2.45-\$3.40/hr.

HOSTESS/CASHIER — Neat, clean appearance, prefer cashier experience. \$2.55-\$3.55/hr.

BUSPERSON — Must be quick and thorough worker with neat appearance. \$2.30-\$3.00/hr.

ACCOUNTING

OFFICE CLERK — Knowledge of office and recordkeeping procedures. Bookkeeping experience helpful. \$2.30-\$3.80/hr.

SERVICE STATION AUDITOR — Must have thorough knowledge of auditing procedures. Accounting degree preferred. \$3.00-\$4.20/hr.

FILE CLERK — Neat appearance and pleasant manner. Familiar with office/filing procedures \$2.45-\$3.40/hr.

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE AUDITOR — Must have thorough knowledge of auditing procedures. Accounting degree preferred. \$3.00-\$4.20/hr.

PAYROLL CLERKS — Must have thorough knowledge of office procedures with mathematical ability. \$2.70-\$3.80/hr

KEYPUNCH OPERATORS — 6 months Keypunch experience preferred. \$2.85-\$4.05/hr.

YTS

DISPATCHER — Responsible person with knowledge of YTS operations. \$4.60-\$6.25/hr.

Employee Benefits Corner

by Jim Edeal

Three of the most popular spring activities in the Valley are now open for the season. Your Yosemite Park and Curry Co. privilege card entitles you to half-price benefits at all the areas listed below.

Yosemite Mountaineering School —

Learn to climb a rock from those who have mastered the technique of Yosemite climbing. The school, located at the Curry Village Mountain Shop, offers classes for beginning, intermediate, and advanced climbers. The instructors are among the top climbers in the country. They teach everything from the elements of simple rock climbing to friction-brake rappels and some aid climbing. Guided climbs are also available by reservation. Employee rate for the classes is \$7.50 with privilege card.

Valley Stables —

The horses are back up to the Valley for the season, and the Valley Stables are offering two-hour guided rides either around Mirror Lake or to Yosemite Falls four times every day. The cost with privilege card is \$3.50.

Bike Stand —

Cycling is the nicest way to see the Valley, next to walking. You can go at your own pace, stopping wherever and whenever you like. The Yosemite Lodge Bike Stand and the Curry Village stand are open weekends 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and will begin daily operation on April 10. A standard Schwinn bicycle rents for 50¢ per hour with reduced rates for the more hours used. Multi-speed bikes rent for \$1.25 for two hours with a four hour minimum. These are employee rates with your privilege card.

NOTICE:

EMPLOYEE GUEST REGISTRATION

by Jerry Doyle

In an effort to make it more convenient for employees to register their guests, a new method has been devised. This is in the form of envelopes, which will be in a convenient location for your use, generally at the Housekeeper's office.

By having envelopes available, this will provide the employee with an opportunity to register his/her guest if the housekeeper is not in the area. Also, it will give the employee the chance to register his/her guest at any hour, in case the guest arrives after the housekeeper's usual hours.

The envelope should be read and understood thoroughly before it is filled out. After the Guest Information and Guidelines for Employee Housing have been read, the guest should then completely fill out the guest information part and the detachable guest pass. The \$1.00 fee should then be put inside the envelope, the envelope sealed and put into the box located at the Housekeeper's office. The guest may only use the room of the person with whom he/she is registered and should keep the detached guest pass with him/her at all times that he/she is visiting Employee Housing as a guest. The detached guest pass can be used for activities (Yosemite Sam's, movies, etc.) if it is validated by the housekeeper. During normal working hours, guest passes can also be obtained at the Employee Recreation Office.

This procedure was designed and instituted to provide each of you with a convenient and easy way to register your guests. Please remember that you are responsible for your guest. If we are going to make employee housing a convenient, comfortable place, it will require your help and cooperation.

We would appreciate your input, comments, and/or suggestions. Please stop by and see me or call extension 451.

RADIO SURVEY

The results of a recent survey among employees and community residents to determine our radio station preference has been completed. A special thanks from the Sentinel goes to Bob DuPreez and other Curry Co. employees who showed interest in and helped conduct the survey.

Results of this recent survey were combined with an earlier survey in an effort to get to the greatest cross-sampling of community feelings on this issue.

While survey results are not conclusive, they do indicate that two stations,

K-101-FM and KSAN-FM, are the front running stations, while KKHI-FM is a strong second.

Letter of intent to rebroadcast have been sent to all three of the above stations and proper licensing applications have been filed with the FCC in Washington, D.C., but since the survey results do not clearly favor any two stations to replace the two existing stations, more input is needed. We urge each of you to contact Steve Hosler in the Curry Co. Personnel Office, ext. 236, as soon as possible if you have any additional input or were not included in the two previous surveys.

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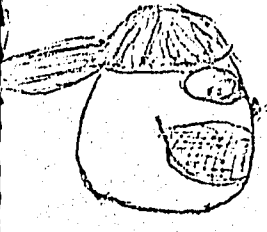
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Play Ball

Sun. April 4th

Employees

If you would like to play show up for practice 2 p.m.

Challenge THE

Executives

1st Annual Softball Game
at the Elementary School

Big Game Time: 3 p.m.
Practice Time: 2 p.m.

FREE BARBECUE:
5 p.m.

Everyone's Invited

THE GOOD OLD DAYS



Among the tall stories of the mountain men who roamed the Sierras in the mid-1800's, that of Grizzly Adams stands out as one that many have been hard-pressed to disprove.

Adams was the type of mountaineer that legends are written about, leaving his humdrum existence as a New England cobbler in 1849 to head for California and the isolation of the Sierra Nevada Range. He exiled himself from civilization because, as he put it, "I was dead broke. The lawyers and judges...contrived to rob me of everything I possessed...I was disgusted with my fellow men and their hypocrisy, their betrayal of confidence, their treachery and fraud." And so, John Adams began trapping in 1852, first for small animals and deer, then graduating to "Ursus Horribilis", the Grizzly Bear.

While he may have had troubles dealing with and trusting men, with the animals he found no such problems. For not only did Adams take the grizzlies alive, but he named them, made friends of them, used them as pack animals, and even rode on them. Of this talent, he once stated that it wasn't that hard at all because he was the "hardest" animal of the lot.

In 1854, at the request of Mr. Solon of Sonora, Adams was offered a large percentage of the take if he would go along with him on a hunting trip to Yosemite Valley.

For the journey, Adams took along his mule; his tame bear, Lady Washington; a greyhound; his bedroll; and two hunting rifles. With these provisions they headed out for their first visit to Yosemite.

Adams, like so many Yosemite visitors, was taken with the immensity and grandeur of the place. During the first day that he and Solon spent in the Valley, Adams was to note that "The most awe-inspiring sight is from the foot of the falls, looking up at the waters pouring, as it were, out of heaven."

After a few days in the Valley, they moved "ten miles above the falls", where they pitched their camp in a grassy glen and slew deer and bear.

It was from this camp that Grizzly Adams took off one day in search of larger game. He felt sure that there were grizzlies in the area — and then he came upon a large den up on the side of a mountain, camouflaged by brush. From it came a gruff snuffing sound. Adams was astute enough about wild animals to keep his distance from the den. So he set himself up on the branch of a large tree nearby and waited there for several days for the great bear to leave its den. His vigilance paid off several days later when he was confronted by the giant grizzly, killed her, and found two new cubs in her den.

Adams took them back to his camp and began to ponder on the problem of feeding the enweened cubs. Then he came on an ingenious solution. His greyhound had whelped within the last week and was nursing her young. Since her litter was small, Adams felt sure there was room for two more and nudged the cubs forward. After much initial protesting from the greyhound, she finally gave in to her motherly instinct and took to raising the bear cubs as her own. Two of the nursers — the grizzly cub Ben Franklin and the pup Rambler — were to grow up not only to be close friends to each other, but Ben Franklin was to become best friend and companion to John Adams.

After a month of hunting, and a close call with a "panther" (mountain lion), the two adventurers returned from their trip to Yosemite with the two bear cubs, two wolf pups, five "panther" kittens, and two fawns. These young animals were tamed and trained by Adams.

It was with animals such as these that Grizzly Adams opened the Mountaineer Museum on Clay Street in San Francisco where his menagerie of bears, wolves, mountain lions, elk, deer, and other wild animals brought him fame. His museum was the forerunner of our modern-day zoos.

Around 1860, Grizzly Adams had taken to the stage with some of his tamed animals, and P.T. Barnum, hearing of his talents and similar bravado, asked him to form a partnership. Though they became friends, each competing to outtell the other's story, the partnership was never to reach fruition, for John Adams died on October 25, 1860, three days after his 48th birthday.

Among all mountain men Grizzly Adams was unique. No one before or since has rivaled him as tamer of wild animals.

Mushrooms? No, Barbeques!

by Jerry Doyle

If you haven't already noticed, barbeques have recently sprouted in various places around the employee dormitories.

About this time last year, at a meeting of the Employee Advisory Council, the suggestion of placing barbeques in Employee Housing was submitted. The idea was well received by all concerned as something everyone could use most of the year. Clarinda Titus, now George Spach's secretary at The Ahwahnee, and Doug Hammond, long-time member of the Yosemite Lodge Bellmen Staff, took the responsibility of looking into the possibility.

In the beginning, it was rumored that there were several portable barbeques stored in the Dim and Dusty Archives of a forgotten warehouse. However, after many weeks of searching, the crafty critters ultimately eluded our stalwart searcher.

So the plan changed to obtaining new barbeques. Countless hours were spent perusing all sorts of catalogs old and new. The new barbeques had to be sturdy, attractive, environmentally sound, and available. **Finally**, a small barbeque maker in the small rural town of San Martin submitted his plans. These barbeques of the Calari Stone Company are made of sturdy concrete and reinforced with steel. The rock is imported from Arizona and is quartzite. Sounded perfect. The order was placed. Then, with meticulous care, Al and Ralph Calari constructed our new barbeques.

Now a few months later, Al and Ralph arrived in Yosemite with eleven new barbeques. The Reception Committee, including Clarinda, Doug, and myself, met the famous Calari Brothers and proceeded to seek locations for placement. The spots had to be convenient, with a view, private, and feel just right.

Well, it was a long day indeed, but the barbeques are in. Thanks to the Calari Brothers and Clarinda and Doug, we can all look forward to bon appetit barbequing.

Anyone with good recipes out there submit them to the Housing Office for the Great Yosemite Barbeque Contest. First prize will be two filet mignons, second prize will be two T-bone steaks, third prize — you guessed — hot dogs. All recipes will be prepared and tested by the Recreation Department with consultation from the Housing Office. Decisions will be made in May and winning recipes published.

Yosemite Recreation

MOVIES

APRIL 5th — SKYJACKED
 Starring Charlton Heston, Yvette Mimieux, Rosey Grier, James Brolin. Imagine you're the captain of a 707. One of your passengers, whose identity is unknown, is a maniac with a bomb. What would you do? A. Be a hero? B. Act like everybody else ... (PG)

APRIL 12 — 2001, A SPACE ODYSSEY
 Starring Keir Dullea, Gary Lockwood. A futuristic account of a voyage to Jupiter to discover the origin of the "monolith" left on the moon by extra-terrestrial beings three million years ago. An epic film the equivalent of the Homeric Tales and unlike any other film ever made. (G)

SPECIAL CLASSES

Do you have a special interest or skill that you would like to share with other employees? If so, the Employee Recreation Dept. would like to hear about it. Some of the classes previously offered were: leather crafts, jewelry, macrame/decoupage, modern dance, theatre workshop and fly-tying. Use your imagination. Instructors will be compensated for their time. Anyone with an idea for a class or wishing more information please contact Tony Caputo at the Employee Recreation Office, or call ext. 475.

3-MAN BASKETBALL!!

After a long awaited arrival, the 3-Man Basketball League will finally begin on Wednesday, April 7, at 6 p.m. in the Yosemite Elementary School Gym. Team rosters will be limited to 6 players. All players must work at the same unit (i.e., The Ahwahnee, Curry Village, etc.) in order to compete in the league. All completed rosters must be turned in to the Employee Recreation Office no later than Monday, April 5, at 5 p.m. For further information, contact Tony Caputo at ext. 475 or 451.

Outreach Meeting

Slated

Yosemite Outreach is looking for those who might be interested in helping Yosemite's visitor and resident community through crisis intervention. Anyone who would like to become a full-time staff member this summer, or who would enjoy being a year-round Steering Committee member, may get further information by attending the Steering Committee meeting on Tuesday, April 6 at the Yosemite Medical Group dining room at 7:30 p.m. The dining room is located to the left of the entrance downstairs. Or you may write for information to Yosemite Outreach, P.O. Box 768, Yosemite National Park, Ca. 95389.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

FRIDAY, APRIL 2:

Morning Milers Village Store Parking Area — 7 a.m.
 Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
 Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
 Talent Night Yosemite Sam's — 8 p.m.

SATURDAY, APRIL 3:

Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 5:30 p.m.
 Worship Service Wawona School — 6 p.m.
 Family Night (Movies, Cartoons) Yosemite Sam's — 8:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, APRIL 4:

Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 9 & 11 a.m.
 Worship Service Chapel — 9:30 a.m.
 T.V. Sports Yosemite Sam's — Noon
 Southern Baptist Service Chapel — 6:30 p.m.
 Balkan Folk Dancing Yosemite School Gym — 6 p.m.

MONDAY, APRIL 5:

Morning Milers V.S. Parking Area — 7 a.m.
 Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
 Y.E.S. (Teen Club) Yosemite Sam's — 7:30 p.m.
 MOVIE "Skyjacked" Visitor Center — 8 p.m.

TUESDAY, APRIL 6:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
 TOPS Meeting El Portal School — 7 p.m.
 Y.E.S. (Teen Club) Yosemite Sam's — 7:30 p.m.
 Volleyball Visitor Center — 9 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 7:

Morning Milers V.S. Parking Area — 7 a.m.
 Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
 Yosemite Natural History Class Yosemite Elem. School — 6:30 p.m.
 DANCE Yosemite Sam's — 8:30 p.m.
 Volleyball Visitor Center — 9 p.m.

THURSDAY, APRIL 8:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
 Christian Gathering Chapel — 7:30 p.m.
 DANCE Yosemite Sam's — 8:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, APRIL 9:

Morning Milers V.S. Parking Area — 7 a.m.
 Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
 Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
 Talent Night Yosemite Sam's — 8 p.m.

SATURDAY, APRIL 10:

Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 5:30 p.m.
 Worship Service Wawona School — 6 p.m.
 Family Night (Movies, Cartoons) Yosemite Sam's — Noon

SUNDAY, APRIL 11:

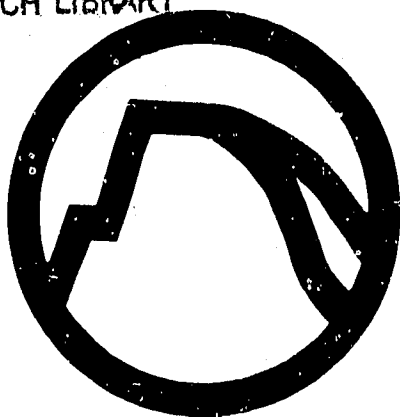
Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 9 & 11 a.m.
 T.V. Sports Yosemite Sam's — Noon
 Southern Baptist Service Chapel — 6:30 p.m.
 Balkan Folk Dancing Yosemite School Gym — 6 p.m.

MONDAY, APRIL 12:

Morning Milers V.S. Parking Area — 7 a.m.
 Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
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ELECTION POSTPONED

The union representation election which was scheduled for April 10, 1976 has been postponed indefinitely. The National Labor Relations Board notified the Yosemite Park and Curry Co. of the postponement, advising us that the Washington, D.C. Board would require additional time to consider a request for a review.

On March 24, 1976, the Yosemite Park and Curry Co. requested that consideration be given to rescheduling the April 10th election date to another time, in order to provide our returning seasonal employees with an opportunity to vote in

this election — an election which will affect them for years to come.

We realize this campaign has been long and tiring, and I would like to extend our thanks for your tolerance during these periods and for your extended effort to our guests during this period. Please remember we did not bring this problem to Yosemite.

Thank you once again for your concern for the visitors of Yosemite. We will keep you advised of changes which may take place.

TIOGA ROAD OPENS APRIL 10

Superintendent Leslie P. Arnberger of Yosemite National Park and District Engineer R.E. Biggs of the California Department of Transportation, Bishop, have jointly announced the opening of the Tioga Road on Saturday, April 10, at 8 a.m., weather permitting.

According to Arnberger and Biggs, the early opening of the Tioga Road has been the result of an unusually light snow pack. Snow depths in some parts of Tuolumne Meadows are only 12-18 inches deep.

A snow survey completed March 30 showed snow pack along the Tioga Pass Road to be the lowest on record.

Mutual co-operative efforts of both State and Park Service road crews facilitated the early opening of the road. The road has generally been opened on Memorial Day in the past.

Motorists are cautioned, however, that any sudden late snowfall over the 9,945' pass may necessitate the re-closing of the road. Chains may also be made mandatory at any time.

No public campgrounds or restroom facilities will be available until late spring.

Arnberger said, "We are not permitting overnight use of the high country from Tioga Road until the weather settles and full visitor services can begin. Hazardous late season storms are a constant threat and we do not want overnight park visitors caught in them."

Latest information regarding road conditions and other park activities can be obtained by calling the 24-hour park number 372-4222.

Village Store Phases Out Fluorocarbons

Yosemite Park and Curry Co. Chief Operating Officer Ed Hardy announced that the Village Store has begun a phase out of fluorocarbons among the products that they stock.

Fluorocarbons are commonly used as refrigerants in refrigerators and air conditioners, and as a propellant in aerosols.

Recent scientific evidence strongly indicates that fluorocarbons, through a complex chemical reaction, break down the ozone layer in the upper atmosphere. The ozone layer is important to us because it filters out much of the ultraviolet light which would otherwise reach the surface of the earth. An excess of ultraviolet light is harmful to all life forms and can cause skin cancer.

Grocery Stores Manager Art Goertzen has sent letters to all of his suppliers indicating that no aerosols will be stocked in our grocery outlets if they contain fluorocarbons. Mr. Goertzen says that they expect to phase out most fluorocarbons by June 1, with the exception of insect repellents. Though liquid repellents have proved effective when used on skin, an aerosol is still necessary to treat clothed areas of the body, such as shirts, slacks, etc., that insects might bite through. Frequent discussions have been held with the manufacturers of insect repellents to encourage them to produce an effective substitute.

"The Yosemite Park and Curry Co. is one of a small number of companies that are taking action to phase out fluorocarbons and protect our environment for future generations," said Environmental Specialist Garrett De Bell. De Bell, who is heading up this project, specified that until the phase-out is completed, those items stocked in the Village Store that do not contain fluorocarbons will be marked by signs that read "NON-FLUOROCARBONS, Environmentally Safe".

EMPLOYEE BENEFITS CORNER

by Jim Edeal

Over the years Yosemite Park and Curry Co. has developed an employee benefits program which is uniquely suited to the employees of Yosemite Park and Curry Co.

IMMEDIATE BENEFITS

Starting with your first day of employment you can learn to ski, climb, skate and ride a bike or a horse at a special discount of 50% off the retail rate. Our swimming pools at Yosemite Lodge and Curry Village are free to you as an employee. You are invited and encouraged to take the Valley Tour free so that you can familiarize yourself with your new home. A space-available discount of 50% is provided to you for all Yosemite Transportation services. There are discounts in our grocery and retail stores in the amount of 10% off the retail prices. You are entitled to a 20% discount in the Yosemite Lodge and Curry Village Cafeterias and the Four Seasons Restaurant. Full-time employees have the following holidays (or a compensating day off if scheduling does not permit absence on the actual holiday):

- New Year's Day
- Washington's Birthday
- Veteran's Day
- Thanksgiving Day
- Day after Thanksgiving
- Christmas

Naturally, you are permitted and encouraged to participate in local, State and National elections. When you are selected

for jury duty, you will receive your regular straight time pay less fees paid by the court.

Beginning with the first day of the month following your date of employment, you are provided with a 24-Hour Basic Accident Insurance Plan at no cost to you. This plan provides Accident Medical coverage of \$1,000.00 and Accidental Death and Dismemberment coverage of \$1,000.00.

FOUR MONTHS

During your fourth month of employment you have the opportunity to review and enroll in the other three Group Plans.

1. Life and Major Medical

This plan has a maximum medical benefit of \$250,000.00 per individual insured. There is no cost to you for the medical benefit under this plan. The Company also pays a portion of the Life Insurance Premium.

2. Long Term Disability

This plan guarantees your salary at 66 2/3rds after you are disabled a period longer than six (6) months. The premium is based on the employee's salary with the Company paying on the average 33% of the premium.

3. Accidental Death & Dismemberment

This plan offers you Accidental coverage from \$10,000.00 to \$100,000.00 with a premium of \$.58 per \$10,000.00 for individual coverage to \$.82 per \$10,000.00 for family coverage.

ONE YEAR

After a year of continuous, full-time employment, the list of benefits begins to grow.

1. Two weeks paid vacation.
2. A leave of absence for up to three months without loss of accrued benefits subject to your supervisor's approval.
3. You have earned 96 hours of sick leave, and you can earn up to 360 hours of credit. The latter amount when coordinated with State Disability can provide you with full salary for up to 5 months if you become disabled.

4. You are now an active participant in the Yosemite Park and Curry Co. pension plan for actuarial purposes.

5. Bereavement leave for up to three days.

TWO TO FIVE YEARS

1. You continue to earn two weeks paid vacation, after 24 months of full-time employment if you leave your job for any reason, you will be paid a pro-rata vacation; after 24 months of full-time since your last earned vacation.

2. Sick Leave. You continue to earn sick leave credit at a rate of 8 hours per month until you attain a maximum credit of 360 hours.

FIVE YEARS

1. You are included at the Annual Service Awards Banquet and receive a five year award.

2. You can use the Badger Pass ski lifts and Wawona Golf Course without charge. This privilege includes you and your spouse.

SIX TO TEN YEARS

1. Three weeks annual vacation.

TEN YEARS

1. You are recognized with a 10-year service award at the annual banquet.

2. You are eligible for an annual pass on the Yosemite Transportation on a space-available basis.

3. You may have a personal charge account with the Company, subject to credit approval.

4. Your retail discount is increased to 20% off of retail prices. Your discount in the grocery store continues to remain at 10%.

ELEVEN YEARS

1. Four weeks annual vacation.

FIFTEEN YEARS

1. Yosemite Transportation System annual pass is no longer subject to space availability restrictions.

2. You are presented with a 15-year award at the annual awards banquet.

3. Your retail discount is increased to 25%. Grocery store discount continues at 10%.

TWENTY YEARS AND OVER

1. You receive a 20-year award and continue to receive such awards at five year intervals for the duration of your employment.

RETIREMENT

Yosemite Park and Curry Co. has a pension plan which is fully paid for by the Company. No deductions are made from your pay to fund this program. It is presently being revised; consequently, the exact details and language have not been resolved. However, you will be at least 50% vested after ten (10) years of service.

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Employee Housing

by Jerry Doyle

As employees, housing in Yosemite is one of our greatest concerns — single housing even more so. The question that is asked most frequently by employees is, "How do I get a single dormitory room?" The answer to that question is often misunderstood and often misquoted. It is the purpose of this article to clarify the criteria for eligibility for single dorm rooms and hopefully clean up some of the confusion.

First, it is important to understand that there is a very limited number of single dormitory rooms. In the Tecoya area, there are 78 single rooms. These are the only true single rooms in Employee Housing. There is also a limited number of double-occupancy cabins, dorm rooms, and tents that are set aside as singles. These total 12. As you can see, we have a total of 90 single rooms. This is indeed a very limited supply.

Now, how is the eligibility for these rooms determined? Each job title has a corresponding Wage Grade Letter. The letters range from A to N, with A being the highest, N being the lowest. If you are not sure of your Wage Grade, look at your employment form, ask your supervisor, or come to the Employee Housing Office for a detailed explanation of your eligibility.

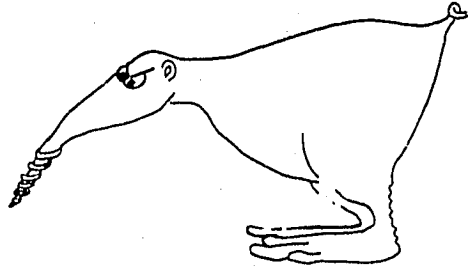
How does an employee get a single room?
CRITERIA FOR AWARDS

1. **JOB TITLE** (Job Responsibilities)
This is used to establish wage grades.
2. **LENGTH OF SERVICE** (Amount of service you have with YP&C Co.)
3. **NEED**
Your hours of work and unusual need for privacy.

The last two items are used primarily as tie-breakers and are not primary considerations. After the employee's eligibility is determined, the person with the greater responsibility will be offered the available room, and that person has the option of accepting or declining.

There is a general misunderstanding regarding our list of those people who have applied. We do maintain a list, but it is only for the purpose of recording the names of people that apply for single housing. It does not mean that there is an automatic rotation; it does mean that if you are number 3 on the list today and tomorrow someone with greater job responsibilities and longer service may apply, you could become number 4.

RUMOR ROOTER



RUMOR: The Company has no transfer policy.

FACT: The Yosemite Park and Curry Co. has a very effective transfer policy. Approximately 85% of our employees have gained their present job by transferring from within the Company.

WHEN AM I ELIGIBLE?

An employee who has been with the Yosemite Park and Curry Co. in a position for 45 or more consecutive days is eligible for transfer if the employee has an above-average or excellent evaluation. All other employees are eligible for transfer after they have been in their current position for 90 or more days.

HOW DOES IT WORK?

There are two types of transfer, one which is requested by the employee and another that may be recommended by the Supervisor.

If your Supervisor recommends you for a transfer, they will discuss the opportunity with you.

If you wish a transfer, and meet the stated eligibility requirements, follow the steps indicated below.



These are commonly the most misunderstood concepts about private rooms. If you have any questions about eligibility or would like any problems explained, please come in and see me at the Housing Office or call ext. 451.

We have seen how much housing is available and the process by which it is assigned. Ultimately, however, the most important factor is availability. Being eligible does not guarantee you a private room. Often there are no rooms available, so keep in mind we have a limited number of them. It is also important to remember that private rooms do not automatically go with any position, nor does your overall time with the Company guarantee you a room.

1. Go to the Personnel Department and pick up a Transfer Request Form.

2. Approach your Supervisor and apprise him of your interest in being transferred. They should then fill out an evaluation form and discuss your evaluation with you.

3. The next step is to bring your Transfer Request to the Personnel Office and talk with either Marge Cromer, Nancy Lyon, or Steve Hosler about your desire to transfer.

4. Be prepared to go to any interview that Personnel sends you on.

When seeking a transfer, you are required to deal with Personnel directly. DO NOT go to the Supervisor in the area that you wish to work and ask them about the availability of positions. All positions are available only through the Personnel Office.

Once you have been accepted for transfer to another department, you could still be required to remain in your original position for a period of time to give your supervisor time to make arrangements to fill the job you are vacating.

Job opportunities are posted in the Yosemite Sentinel on a weekly basis; however, always feel free to inquire with the Personnel Office. The opportunity to transfer is available to you, but you should bear in mind that your evaluations will play an important part.

Bike Rally

Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are needed to help with the Sixth Annual Spring Bike Rally that will be held on May 1 and 2. Events planned for this family bike touring event include a movie classic, rally party, awards presentation, and bike picnic.

Two people are needed to man each of five checkpoints daily — Happy Isles, Indian Caves, Yosemite Falls, El Capitan and the Chapel — while eight per day will be required at the registration desk at Curry Village. Some additional help will be needed at the Rally party and the bike picnic.

Each volunteer receives lunch on the days that he or she works, as well as free admission to all the Bike Rally events.

If you are interested in working on the Spring Bike Rally, call Ken Ashburner at 372-4691.

Yosemite Recreation

MOVIES

APRIL 12 — 2001, A SPACE ODYSSEY
Starring Keir Dullea, Gary Lockwood. A futuristic account of a voyage to Jupiter to discover the origin of the "monolith" left on the moon by extra-terrestrial beings three million years ago. An epic film the equivalent of the Homeric Tales and unlike any other film ever made. (G)

APRIL 19 — PAUL AND MICHELLE
Starring Sean Bury, Anicee Alvina. The Steadfastness of young love is explored in this sequel to "Friends". Paul is determined to find Michelle and their child from whom he has been forcibly separated for three years. Music by Elton John. (R)

EMPLOYEE/EXECUTIVE SOFTBALL

Members of the Yosemite community got together on a cold, overcast afternoon for a hard-fought game of Softball that featured more injuries than a rugby match. The First Annual Employee/Executive Softball Game brought together two fine coed teams for a raucous time of slapstick mishaps.

Clutch hitting and fine defensive plays by Kathy Wrahtz, Deena Maise, Darcy Owens and Mary Saunders, caused their male team mates to pause and take notice. Chuck holes proved to be the downfall of both teams as leg injuries became more prevalent in the outfield than catches.

In a late rally, Lawrence "Quick Feet" Quinley made a spectacular one-handed catch on a shot by Ramone Willis — while sliding on his back — for the defensive play of the game.

Though playing was good on both sides the game ended with the Execs winning by a score of 26 to 18.

Following the game was a hamburger and hotdog barbeque for the players and their fans. And, as the sun (what sun?) quickly sank in the west, one phrase could be heard above the rest — "We want a rematch!!" And unofficial Most Valuable Player Lawrence Quinley was put in charge of scheduling it.

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

The next meeting of the Book Discussion Group will be Monday, April 12, at the home of Anne Hendrickson at 8:00 p.m. The book to be discussed is *Too Late the Phalarope* by Alan Paton. The book is available at Ansel Adams Gallery. Everyone is welcome to come. Call 372-4250 for further information.

FOR SALE

Bids are requested on a 10 year old Victor Adding Machine, eight bank. For more information inquire at Postmaster's office.

Boy's Ten-Speed Bicycle, 24" frame, call 372-4700.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

FRIDAY, APRIL 9:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
Talent Night Yosemite Sam's — 8:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, APRIL 10:

Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 5:30 p.m.
Worship Service Wawona School — 6 p.m.

SUNDAY, APRIL 11:

Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 9 & 11 a.m.
Worship Service Chapel — 9:30 a.m.
T.V. Sports Yosemite Sam's — Noon
Southern Baptist Service Chapel — 6:30 p.m.

MONDAY, APRIL 12:

Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
Y.E.S. Yosemite Sam's — 7 p.m.
MOVIE "2001: A Space Odyssey" Visitor Center — 8 p.m.

TUESDAY, APRIL 13:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Mental Health Clinic Yosemite Medical Group — 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Y.E.S. Yosemite Sam's — 7 p.m.
TOPS Meeting El Portal School — 7 p.m.
Volleyball Visitor Center — 9 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
Natural History Course Yosemite Elem. School — 6:30 p.m.
Masonic Lodge Meeting Masonic Hall — 8 p.m.
DANCE Yosemite Sam's — 8:30 p.m.
Volleyball Visitor Center — 9 p.m.

THURSDAY, APRIL 15:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Christian Gathering Chapel — 7:30 p.m.
DANCE Yosemite Sam's — 8:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, APRIL 16:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
DANCE Yosemite Sam's — 8:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, APRIL 17:

Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 5:30 p.m.
Worship Service Wawona School — 6:30 p.m.
DANCE Yosemite Sam's — 8:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, APRIL 18:

Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 9 & 11 a.m.
Worship Service Chapel — 9:30 a.m.
Southern Baptist Service Chapel — 6:30 p.m.

MONDAY, APRIL 19:

Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
Y.E.S. Yosemite Sam's — 7 p.m.
MOVIE "Paul & Michelle" Visitor Center — 8 p.m.

WANTED

A piano bench or piano stool. Call November 1975 issue of McCall's magazine. If you have one to spare, please call 372-4805. 372-4700.

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FOREIGN STUDENTS VISIT YOSEMITE



Members of the Yosemite community will have an opportunity to view our American customs and traditions through different eyes as they play host to 23 foreign exchange students for three days. The students, all sponsored by the American Field Service exchange program, are spending a year in the United States to learn more about our country. The group that will visit Yosemite from April 22 through 25 are all living with families in the Bay Area and come from such diverse countries as South Africa, Japan, the West Indies, Norway, Brazil, and many others.

This special weekend in Yosemite has become a tradition and the highlight of many an AFSe's stay in the U.S., not only because of the scenic beauties of the Park, but because of the warmth of the small community and types of people they have met. Often, such strong bonds have been formed over these three day stays that some of the foreign students have returned to visit their host families year after year.

A full schedule of activities have been planned for the students and their sponsoring families:

THUR., APRIL 22

Students arrive at Yosemite Elementary School.

FRIDAY MORNING

Orientation and welcome to Yosemite.

Students and host families are introduced. Visitor Center East Auditorium.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

Camera Walk with Dana Morgenson, noted author, photographer, and amateur naturalist.

FRIDAY 9 p.m.

All Park residents are invited to a Spring Dance to be held at the Visitor Center. Music for dancing will be provided by "Knockwurst Monster". Seventh and eighth grade students may attend this dance if they are accompanied by their parents. Refreshments will be available. Cost for adults is \$2.50 per person and \$1.50 for students.

SATURDAY

A Bike Hike with a ranger/naturalist is planned, with the rest of the day being free to the students.

SATURDAY NIGHT

Community Potluck Dinner at the Visitor Center. Following the dinner, the foreign exchange students will present a talent show featuring dances from their country, singing, skits, and a lot of spontaneous fun.

SUNDAY

This day is free to the students and their sponsors.

If you would like to host a student (or several students), call Marti Edeal at 372-4760. Whether or not you host a student, you're invited to join in this unique Yosemite cultural exchange.

EASTER ACTIVITIES

A special free movie will highlight the Easter activities for Yosemite residents this year. Walt Disney's classic "Alice in Wonderland" will be shown twice on Easter Sunday at the Visitor Center Auditorium. The first showing of this 78 minute movie will be at 6 p.m. and the second at 8 p.m. The movie is open to all Park residents, their dependents and guests on a first-come, first-serve basis.

A community Easter Egg Hunt for children 8 and under will be held at the Yosemite Elementary School on Easter Sunday at 1:30 p.m. The Egg Hunt is sponsored by the local Lions Club in cooperation with the Girl Scouts. Prize eggs will be among those hidden.

Easter Week services in Yosemite Valley are as follows:

PROTESTANT

April 16

Noon Good Friday Service at the Chapel

April 18

7:30 a.m. Sunrise Service at Pines Campground Amphitheater #14

April 18

9:30 a.m. Chapel Service

ROMAN CATHOLIC

Good Friday

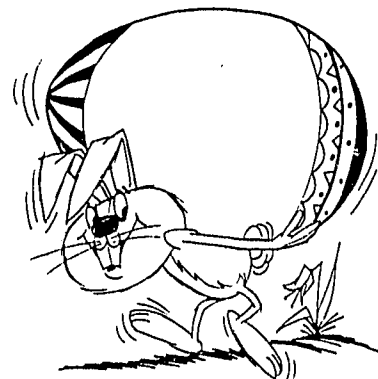
5:30 p.m. Chapel

Holy Saturday

5:30 p.m. Chapel

Easter Sunday

9 & 11 a.m. Visitor Center Aud.



Yosemite Elementary School's Bicentennial Celebration

The Kindergarten through grade four will present a program entitled "America in Song." Two hundred years of American history has been studied by learning folk songs representative of various periods and locales. Much research and creative art work was correlated with the music.

Included in the learning was the Preamble to the Constitution plus the important governing documents in our lives today. This program will be presented to the Parent Group at Yosemite Elementary School on April 21 at 7:45 p.m.

ATTENTION CRAFTSMEN

Any Yosemite craftsmen who would like their work represented at the Renaissance Faire at the College of the Redwoods in Eureka should contact Mary Miller. She has rented booths at the Faire and will take you original handi-crafts to sell for you there. For further information call Mary at 372-4611, ext. 414 or come by Tecoya A-7.



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REVIing Around

by John Davis

Slim is dead. News of his death arrived in the letter of another central Texas friend, Blanche. The brief newspaper obituary that accompanied the letter simply stated that H.L. McDonald, a retired carpenter, died at his home in Salado, Texas, of an apparent heart attack at the age of 72.

A very brief obituary in a small-circulation newspaper might tend to indicate that the deceased must not have been an important person. Not so! Slim is one of the most important and beautiful persons to have graced and help shape my life.

Salado, you see, was the scene of my first pastorate. When I arrived it was Slim who was the first to greet me. Also, he was my helpful friend. He was the one who spent hours showing me country roads and how to find where these rural fold were housed; he introduced me to them. But, beyond being helpful, Slim was purposeful; for my life he is a directing influence.

For many years Slim had been an alcoholic; he had not supported his wife and three children as he should have. All the local churches had attempted to convert this stand-out sinner and had failed. Then, late one night, Slim was in a tragic alcohol-related accident. By the time the ambulance arrived he was thought dead; his jugular vein had been severed and he had apparently bled to death.

But on the way to the hospital the attendants, who had been giving all their attention to the other victim, noticed a little fresh blood ooze from his neck, indicating he still had a pulse. At the hospital his neck was sewn up and he was given much blood. Days later he regained consciousness alone in a hospital room. Slim told me more than once how he then heard a Voice speak to him. It said, "This is your last chance; you can choose your old way of life...or Me."

Slim says that he never even wanted to drink after that. And, wow! did his life ever change! More than once, church persons who had previously prayed for Slim now wondered if their relationship to God was anything compared to what Slim was so obviously enjoying. Imagine going from a reprobate to one who lost a job once for sharing the new reality he had discovered with fellow workers!

CALIFORNIA REDBUD



The blazing pinks and red of the California Redbud have become prevalent along several of the entry roads to Yosemite, especially on Hwy. 140 through El Portal and Mariposa.

The bushes, which grow from eight to twenty feet in height, produce their clusters of magenta colored blossoms from late winter through early spring in the foothill regions.

Few people realize that it was this plant that produced the red coloring used in both the Miwok and Paiute Indian baskets. The Indians gathered the young shoots, split them lengthwise, then cracked and resplit them to remove the pithy inner section. The outer sections, with the soft bark still attached, were wound into coils to dry. When the redbud was needed for a colored section of a basket, the strips were first soaked in water and then trimmed to size.

In the spring when the bark slipped from the shoots exposing the whiter wood, these same redbud shoots were gathered, processed and used to supply the lighter background used in many baskets.

Rummage Sale

The TOPS Club is sponsoring a Rummage Sale on April 24 to be held at the El Portal Community Hall from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Anyone wishing to donate items for the sale should phone Sheila at 379-2365 or Ruby at 379-2345.

I last saw Slim in October when I visited with him at his home. We got to have dinner together at the Stagecoach Inn and to walk through and pray together in the old Methodist Church building. Slim, how can I adequately thank you for investing yourself in me? I am looking forward with joy to being with you again.

CROW'S NEST



Has Spring sprung? Just look at Yosemite Falls! In fact, there is so little snow in the High Country that on a recent snow survey rangers found two raccoons playing frisbee in Tuolumne Meadows.

It's election year in case you didn't know (Ha-Ha), and speaking of politics, what Congressman who recently saved a famed national park's environment is now leading the fight to relax 1977 auto emission standards??

One of the hotly contested political races this year will occur in Fish Camp, where the Mayor's office is up for grabs.

The incumbent Mayor John Ding-a-ling, supported by Friends of Fish Camp in the last election, has decided not to seek re-election, saying he will devote all of his energies to the formation of a new political party, the "Mugwumps". The party symbol will be a picture of Ding-a-ling sitting on a white picket fence with his Mug on one side and his Wump on the other!

Friends of Fish Camp meanwhile say they will back the first political expedient they can find.

Business interests at Fish Camp say they don't really need a mayor for the tiny community and have asked the district Court of Appeals to declare the Mayor's office unlawful on the grounds that no Environmental Impact Study was done to establish the office in 1896. Remember when you visited Fish Camp as a kid and life was so uncomplicated?

Rumor has it that Richard Nixon may try a political comeback by running for the Mayor's job and informed sources say Friends of Fish Camp would back him if he decides to run. An official of the conservation group who asked not to be named, called the former President an "honest and forthright man" and said everyone in the Friends of Fish Camp organization would vote for Tricky Dicky if he ran.

The Recycling Center Now Recycles The Following Materials —

ALUMINUM CANS — Aluminum cans are easily identified by their light weight. They are readily crushed in your hand. The base and sides are all one piece, with a side seam. Example: Coke can.

ALUMINUM FOIL, and DISPOSABLE PIE PLATES — These items can also be recycled, but must be kept separate from the cans, since they are sold to different buyers.

BI-METAL CANS — As the name implies, bi-metal cans are made of two metals, steel sides with aluminum top and bottom. They are noticeably heavier and stronger than aluminum, and have a side seam. Example: 7-UP can.

TIN CANS — The familiar tin can is actually steel, with a tin coating to prevent corrosion. A can opener is needed to open them. When recycling tin cans, be sure they are rinsed out, and paper labels are removed. Examples: Most canned fruits and vegetables.

GLASS — All types and colors of glass can be recycled together. However, it is essential that food jars be rinsed out, and all metal foil, plastic, neck rings, and caps be removed.

NEWSPAPERS — Tie your papers in bundles for easier handling. Unfortunately, magazines and glossy paper cannot be recycled at the present time.

CORRUGATED CARDBOARD — Break boxes open so they lie flat. Brown shopping bags can be included with the corrugated cardboard.

FLAT CARDBOARD — Also known as "Chip Board," flat shoe-box type cardboard is recyclable, but must be kept separate from corrugated cardboard, since its composition is entirely different. Flat cardboard includes shoe and clothing boxes, cigarette cartons, backs of writing tablets, etc. Be sure there is no plastic, waxed paper, or other materials mixed with it.

Often there are other, out of the ordinary items that can be recycled as opposed to throwing them in the dumpster. Examples are tires, lawn furniture, car batteries, and so on. If you have something you think can be recycled, call John Selkirk, Recycling Supervisor, at 372-4611, ext. 479, and he will try to find an alternative to throwing it in the garbage.

For your home recycling program, we suggest you use a separate shopping bag for each material you recycle. Then, as a bag gets full you can take it to the recycling center on your way to the Village Store, and empty it into the appropriate container. Then put the bag with the corrugated cardboard, and recycle it, too.

EMPLOYEE DISCOUNT CARDS

Planning a trip? Make your vacation more enjoyable by taking advantage of your employee discount privileges. The Employee Recreation Department has discount cards available for all employees free of charge. Cards are available for such attractions as Disneyland, Knotts Berry Farm, Busch Gardens, Universal Studios, Marineland and a whole lot more. In addition some cards also offer discounts on lodging and automobile rentals. Stop by the Employee Rec. Office for more information. It may save you some time and money.

A Crow's Nest Poll to determine other support for the former White House Whitewasher showed:

- 99% Opposed to his running for office.
- 1/2% Didn't want to be "bugged" by Nixon.
- 1/2% Said they thought he ought to run for the Presidency of Friends of Fish Camp.

Remember — you get what you pay for.

Shirley Sargent to offer Yosemite Yesterdays

Local Yosemite historian Shirley Sargent will teach a five session class this spring sponsored by Merced College and entitled "Yosemite Yesterdays." The objective of the class is to acquaint area residents with a general historical understanding of the Park. The meeting dates are Tuesdays April 27, May 4, 11, and 18 and Thursday May 13 from 7 to 10 p.m. The class will cover Indian life and customs, tours of the Old Village, the Cemetery, the John Muir Site, and Camp Curry, and methods of historical research at the Sargent home.

The first class will meet at the Roundhouse in the Indian Village behind the Visitor Center on April 27 at 7 p.m. Registration will be at that time, and there is no charge. Call Diana Abrell at 372-4233 for further information.

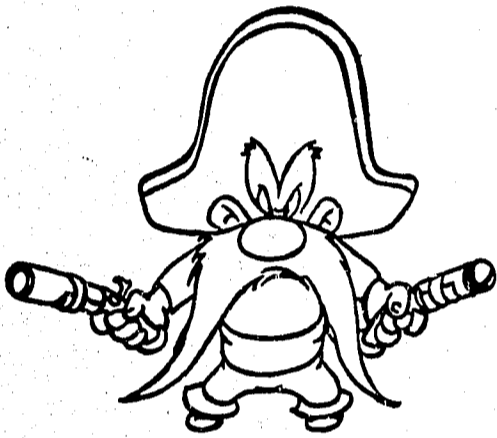
Yosemite Recreation

MOVIES

APRIL 19 — PAUL AND MICHELLE
Starring Sean Bury, Anicee Alvina. The steadfastness of young love is explored in this sequel to "Friends". Paul is determined to find Michelle and their child from whom he has been forcibly separated for three years, Music by Elton John. (R)

APRIL 26 — GUNFIGHT AT THE O.K. CORRAL

Starring Burt Lancaster, Kirk Douglas, Rhonda Fleming. The legendary Wyatt Earp strives to bring law and order to Dodge City. The film is climaxed by one of the most famous gun battles of the Old West between the Earp Brothers and the Dalton Gang. (G)



Jumpin' Jehosaphats!!

Sam's Is Closing

Saturday, April 17 marks the closing of another successful season for Yosemite Sam's. In honor of this occasion, Sam's will feature "Panacea" Friday and Saturday nights from 8:30 p.m. to midnight. "Panacea" is a local band from Fresno made up of past members of "March Hare" and "Touch". Their particular brand of funk will set the tone for the entire weekend.

The big closing celebration will take place on Saturday night when Sam's not only features dancing, but door prizes, specials on refreshments, and a surprise contest.

The Recreation Department would like to thank Sam's staff: Ramone Willis, Steve Gutman, and Leslie Landers, and all those who volunteered their time and effort to give Sam's its most successful season ever.

The dances on Friday and Saturday evenings are open to all Curry Co. and NPS employees with proper identification. Guests may be brought by picking up a Guest Pass at the Employee Recreation Department (located by the Barber/Beauty Shop) prior to the dance. Admission is \$1 per person.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

FRIDAY, APRIL 16:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Good Friday Service Chapel — Noon
Mass Chapel — 5:30 p.m.
Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
DANCE "Panacea" Yosemite Sam's — 8:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, APRIL 17:

Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 5:30 p.m.
Worship Service Wawona School — 6:30 p.m.
DANCE "Panacea" Yosemite Sam's — 8:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, APRIL 18:

Sunrise Service Pines Campground #14 — 7:30 a.m.
Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 9 & 11 a.m.
Worship Service Chapel — 9:30 a.m.
Easter Egg Hunt Yosemite Elem. School. — 1:30 p.m.
Southern Baptist Service Chapel — 6:30 p.m.
MOVIE "Alice in Wonderland" Visitor Center — 6 & 8 p.m.

MONDAY, APRIL 19:

Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
Yosemite Sam's Klan TBA — 7 p.m.
MOVIE "Paul & Michelle" Visitor Center — 8 p.m.

TUESDAY, APRIL 20:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Mental Health Clinic Yosemite Medical Group — 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Yosemite Sam's Klan TBA — 7 p.m.
TOPS Meeting El Portal School — 7 p.m.
Volleyball Visitor Center — 9 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
Basketball Yosemite Elem. School — 6 p.m.
Natural History Course Yosemite Elem. School — 6:30 p.m.
"America in Song" Yosemite Elem. School — 7:45 p.m.
Volleyball Visitor Center — 9 p.m.

THURSDAY, APRIL 22:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Christian Gathering Chapel — 7:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, APRIL 23:

Mass Chapel — 8 p.m.
Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
SPRING DANCE "Knockwurst Monster" Visitor Center — 9 p.m.

SATURDAY, APRIL 24:

Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 9 & 11 a.m.
Worship Service Chapel — 9:30 a.m.
TOPS Rummage Sale El Portal Community Hall — 10 a.m.
Southern Baptist Service Chapel — 6:30 p.m.
AFS Community Potluck Visitor Center — TBA

MONDAY, APRIL 26:

Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
Yosemite Sam's Klan TBA — 7 p.m.
MOVIE "Gunfight at the O.K. Corral" Visitor Center — 8 p.m.

BASKETBALL LEAGUE

Wed. April 7th

Super Squirts 40 — Mighty Maids 31
Despite a spectacular 31 pt. performance by Ralph Howe, the Super Squirts +2 defeated the O-Zone Mighty Maids. John Poe and Mike Ehrhardt combined for 30 points for the winners.

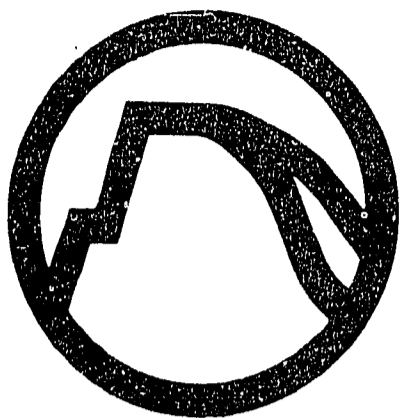
Clockwork Orange 41 — Village Hacks 34
Lead by James Peggins' 27 points it was

the Clockwork Orange over the "Hack". The Hacks, playing without player/coach Dan Gardella, were led by Dave Wolf and Bob "Y.A." Calkins, with 20 and 10 pts., respectively.

Lodge Louts over Trouble Shooters
The Lodge Louts won the first forfeit game of the season over the Trouble Shooters, who seemed to have trouble finding enough Shooters.

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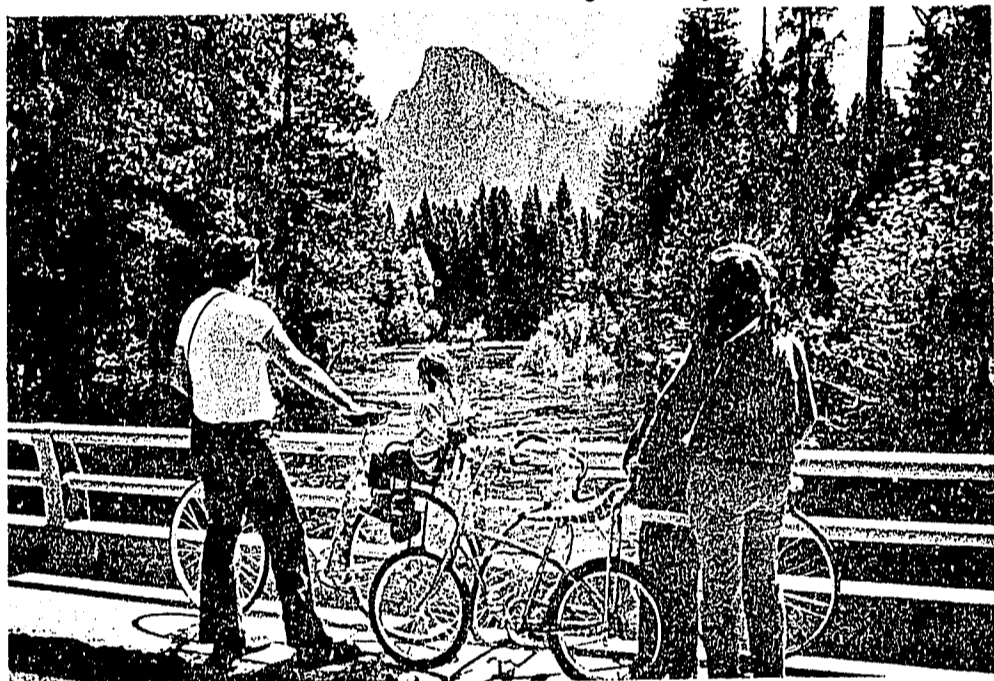


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Yosemite Bike Rally May 1 & 2



Yosemite is preparing to celebrate the Bikecentennial with the Spring Bike Rally on May 1 and 2. Once again, families and groups of touring cyclists will come to leisurely bike this magnificent valley.

This year's rally, as in the past, will be a two-day family touring event. Cyclists will bike an easy ten-mile loop around the Valley floor, stopping at six scenic checkpoints along the way. Those who complete this loop will receive a Yosemite Spring Bike Rally patch and a certificate.

Besides the patches and certificates, awards will be presented to those who cycle the loop the most times between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. on Saturday, and a special trophy will be awarded to the person who cycles the greatest distance to get to the rally.

Later Saturday evening there is the awards ceremony at the Visitor Center at 7 p.m., followed by the Disney classic "Living Desert", to be shown in the auditorium. Admission to both these events is free.

The Bike Rally Party, open to partici-

pants of the bike rally only, will be at Curry Village on Saturday night. You must have your bike rally map and \$1 to get in. There will be no exceptions.

Sunday's rally events include an all-you-can-eat picnic at the Yosemite Elementary School, \$2.50 for adults and \$1.50 for children under 12. The menu is foot-long hotdogs, baked beans, salad, corn on the cob and milk or soft drinks. The picnic starts at noon.

To help celebrate the 100th anniversary of the bicycle, trophies will be offered to those who dress in the most authentic, old-fashioned biking costumes. A perpetual trophy will also be given to the bike club with the most number of members in attendance.

Checkpoints are open from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday, and registration takes place at the Curry Village Bike Stand. Or pre-registration forms may be obtained by writing to Yosemite Spring Bike Rally, Yosemite Park and Curry Co., Yosemite National Park, California 95389, or by stopping by the Sentinel Office in the General Offices.

UNION ELECTION RESCHEDULED

The Great Yosemite Union Sweepstakes are about to start again. On Friday, April 16, 1976, the National Labor Relations Board in Washington, D.C., advised us that our Request for Review has been denied and that the Union election will be scheduled for Saturday, May 1, 1976.

You can start getting ready to be bombarded by Union promises and half-truths again. The \$168,000.00 they can take out of this Park is BIG MONEY.

It is true that we are disappointed by this decision, as we do believe our seasonal employees should have an opportunity to vote and decide for themselves if they want to pay dues and initiation fees to either of these unions. However, there is some good news! The more than 250 employees that have been hired since March 14, 1976, will be given an opportunity to vote in this election. A democratic opportunity that these two unions tried to deny them.

Don't be misled by union promises — search out the facts. These unions have already tried to keep many of our employees from voting.

HONESTLY!

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME

REALLY
BEGINS ON
SUNDAY, APRIL 25
at
2 A.M.

THE DAY BEFORE YESTERDAY AT CAMP CURRY Part I

by Shirley Sargent



Emily Rogers in YV, 1914.

Shortly after Emily Rogers, 28, arrived in California from Australia in 1910, she was hired by David A. Curry to work at his eleven-year-old tent camp. Before long her vivacity, thoughtfulness, willingness to work and accent made her popular with the guests and the Currys. Mother Curry, who Em adored, truly mothered her. The young waitress loved the camp, her congenial fellow employees, and exploring Yosemite in her scarce free time. She was so intrigued by the Valley, she decided to spend the 1912-13 winter there. Like-minded Louise Logue, long time head-waitress, was her companion, and they persuaded the Currys to let them stay at the camp as caretakers. Cliff-shadowed Camp Curry was one of the coldest places in Yosemite Valley, so the enterprising gals pitched their tent inside the barn-like dining room. Snapshots, show them on skis,

making snowmen in front of the Sentinel Hotel, and ice skating on Mirror Lake, dressed, invariably, in long skirts.

Em was a voluminous correspondent who sent many letters to Agnes Madsen, a waitress in 1914. Between a fragmentary diary Agnes wrote that summer and letters from Em, preserved by her daughter, Nell Lane Miller, a lot is known about Emily's lengthy Yosemite tenure.

During the summer of 1914, Camp Curry was staffed by high-spirited young people who sang "I'm Strong for Camp Curry" with gusto, had passwords that reduced them to giggles, and campfires after guests had gone to bed. When they were told in mid-June of the eight-hour work law, they all had to work faster to finish within the time limit. Among the carefree waiters was "Big Don" Tressider, who was to rise from porter to president, and Feg Murray, later a well-known cartoonist. On July 23, Don, Feg, Roy Fox, Emily, and Agnes told friends they were going to Little Yosemite, although Half Dome's lofty summit was their goal. That ascent, aided only by a worn cable, and climbing the Ledge Trail were forbidden by the Currys as too dangerous. Later Agnes described the climb.



Emily Rogers and friend in front of Cedar & Oak Cottages in winter of 1912-13.

Finally we strike the woodpile* at the foot of the saddle. Here we all put on tennis slippers, and Emily and I take off our skirts and go up in bloomers. The rock is of a rough, porous nature on which one is not likely to slip in tennis shoes. We go up monkey fashion, using both hands and feet. Then hurray! We're to the saddle. This is as far as Abe got last time. Before us rises the steep, smooth surface of Half Dome itself, with the rope dangling there, fastened to pegs at intervals. None of us is the least bit fazed; it looks exactly as I thought it would, and easier, if anything. At first, I don't like to trust the rope too much, but



Don Tressider was 20 when he went to work at Camp Curry in 1914. His reverence for Half Dome led him to its top several times even though the ascent was forbidden by Jennie & David Curry.

that makes the going too hard. Finally rely entirely on the rope. Stand up and run lightly up with scarcely any strain on the rope. It's awfully easy. We get together once for Don to take our picture. The rope ends near the top, and there is a stretch to crawl up, but it's not bad. On top at last! It's glorious. Take lots of pictures. Some go out on the overhanging rock, but it looks very frightening. We find the tin can and the bottle inside where all the names of the previous climbers are written. There are not very many and Louise Logue's is the only girl's name there. Emily and I are delighted to add ours. Emily writes, "At last I am even with you, Louise." We go over by the lone tree and Roy and Don foolishly flash a mirror down to camp. We find out later that everyone was attracted by it and stared up. Mrs. Curry was white with anger, as she has to fire any girl who climbs Half Dome. We don't care. It took us somewhere less than half an hour to climb the ropes, and 15 minutes to come down. We leave the top at 3:10. Coming down is a pipe dream; walk straight down holding the rope.

When they arrived in camp at 6:30, their adventure seemed common knowledge and Mrs. Curry was ominously quiet. No one was fired, but Emily said later that "Mother Curry didn't speak to me for one whole terrible week which was worse than getting fired." (Two years later, after Don Tressider escorted the bosses' daughter up the Half Dome ropeway, he was promptly fired by Mr. Curry.)

Part II Next Week

*The woodpile was a pile of timbers George Anderson, the first man to conquer Half Dome, had hauled to the saddle intending to use them to build a hotel.

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Equal Employment Opportunity

What is it? It is a legal obligation dictated by and pursuant to the Equal Employment Opportunity Act of 1972. It is a moral obligation dictated by conscience and concern so as not to discriminate in any way, shape or form for any reason whatsoever.

WHAT THIS ACT MEANS TO YOSEMITE PARK & CURRY CO.

The basic obligations imposed on employers under the 1972 Act are virtually the same as those imposed under Title 7 of the 1964 Act, which states under Section 703A of the Act, it is an unlawful employment practice for an employer to do the following:

1. Fail or refuse to hire, promote or discharge any individual or otherwise discriminate against any individual with respect to his compensation, terms, conditions or privileges of employment because of his race, color, religion, sex or national origin. This now applies to applicants for employment as well as those presently employed.

2. Limit, segregate or classify employees in any way that would deprive or tend to deprive any individual of employment opportunities, or otherwise adversely affect his or her status as an employee because of his or her race, color, religion, sex or national origin.

The above are the basic unlawful employment practices that employers are forbidden to commit. The scope and application of this act has been delineated in numerous court decisions handed down

since 1964, however, it is not sufficient to understand that employment or promotional discrimination is a violation of Federal Law. It is more important to realize that discrimination of any kind is a poor business practice. It is unsound, unrealistic and carries with it very stiff financial penalties. Like any law, rule or regulation it is not so much the legalistic terms in which that law is set forth and what it permits or prohibits, the real concern should be the spirit and intent of that particular law and what was to be accomplished. The spirit and intent set forth in the Equal Employment Opportunity Act was simply to provide that all individuals had every opportunity to be dealt with on an equal basis and to be considered on an individual basis as to whether or not they were, in fact, qualified and able to perform the job that was available.

For employers in this day and age to make statements and put forth opinions that women or members of certain religious groups, races or certain colors are not capable of performing certain jobs based on subjective opinion, is not only unlawful and a poor business practice but is somewhat shortsighted.

It is the practice and intent of the Yosemite Park and Curry Co. to consider each applicant as an individual and comply in total with the spirit and intent of the Equal Employment Opportunity Act, and to demonstrate this practice and intent by our compliance, our policies, and our employment procedures and practices.

WAGE DISPUTES

Should an occasion arise whereby an employee believes that his or her pay is not consistent with the Yosemite Park and Curry Co. wage and salary plan, the following process should be pursued.

Step 1 The employee should advise their immediate supervisor as to why the employee believes the present rate of pay is incorrect. That supervisor is then required to contact the Personnel Department stating the problem. The Personnel Department will review the individual's file to determine if the employee has been assigned to the proper wage grade and service bracket; if the individual has been improperly assigned, an adjustment will be made retroactively and the employee will be so advised. If, in fact the employee is being paid consistent with the program, the employee will be so notified. If at that time the employee is not satisfied with

the explanation, the employee should proceed to step 2.

Step 2 The employee should then ask the supervisor to schedule an appointment that does not conflict with their work schedule with the Personnel Manager. At that time the record and wage assignment should be reviewed. If a discrepancy is found, it will be adjusted retroactively to the proper rate. If no discrepancy exists, the employee will be advised. If at that time the employee is not satisfied with the explanation, the employee should proceed to step 3.

Step 3 The employee should now request the Personnel Manager to schedule an appointment with the Vice President of Administration, who will review the matter with the employee. Any adjustments made will be retroactive to the proper date and rate of pay.

J.C. Fremont

Hospital Volunteers

The spring fund raising project sponsored by the John C. Fremont hospital volunteers will be held this coming Saturday, April 24, in building A at the Mariposa Fairgrounds from 12:30 p.m. to 4 p.m.

It will be a lunch and games affair featuring a salad luncheon, a music cakewalk, bingo, cards and checkers. It is suggested that bridge buffs arrange their own foursomes and that other card players bring their own "makings". Tables will be provided and prizes given for top scoring players. A gift bar with plants and handcrafted items will also be at hand.

Donations are \$3 and tickets may be purchased from volunteer workers or at the door. Since the volunteers hold only two fund raising projects for the hospital during the year, it is hoped that all of Mariposa County will rally to the cause. All proceeds from the event will be used to purchase needed equipment and extras for the hospital and its patients.

Come celebrate spring with us and the fact that Mariposa has a truly great little community hospital.

For Sale

CROSS COUNTRY SKIS: with bindings, 200 cm. by 54 mm Splitkein (Bass) skis with lignostone edges; 75 mm. Rottefella "Nordic norm" pin bindings and heel plate. Almost new. \$30.00 or best offer.

ENGINE ANALYZER: Checks Dwell, Points, Low RPM, High RPM, Amps, and Volts for 4, 6 or 8 cylinder vehicles. \$30.00 or best offer.

TORQUE WRENCH: 0-150 ft.-lbs. Flex head and handle. (used only 3 times) \$17.50 or best offer.

INDUCTION AMMETER: Checks battery amperage during starting of vehicle and generator or alternator output while engine runs. \$5.00 or best offer.

MOTORCYCLE: 305 cc. Honda. Would be worth \$200.-\$300. with a little work. \$75.00 or best offer.

GAUGES: Volts, amps, water temp., oil temp. for dash. Adaptable. Make Offer.

TAPES: BASF, 5 inch reels, 600 ft., 30 minutes each at 3.75 i.p. sec. New-cellophane never removed from plastic carrying cases. 20 tapes. \$5.00 each or best offer.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

As of this writing, the positions listed below are now vacant and need to be filled. It is the desire of your company to promote from within the organization whenever possible. If you have the necessary qualifications for any of these positions, you are invited to apply through your unit manager. Appointments can be made through your unit manager or immediate supervisor. Men and women will be considered equally for all positions.

YTS

SHUTTLE AUDITOR — Must have thorough knowledge of Auditing procedures. \$3.00-\$4.20/hr.

RECREATION

REC. HALL ATTENDANT — Personable, neat appearance, and pleasant manner. \$2.30-\$3.00/hr.

THE AHWAHNEE

LEAD KITCHEN HELPER — Ability to supervise; familiar with kitchen procedures. \$2.85-\$4.05/hr.

HOSTESS/CASHIER — Neat, well-groomed, well-dressed appearance. Experience in cash handling. \$2.55-\$3.55/hr.

YOSEMITE LODGE

ROOM CLERK — Neat appearance, pleasant manner. Previous room clerk experience preferred. \$2.70-\$3.80/hr.

BREAKFAST COOK — Prepare morning meals. Own tools and uniforms \$3.65-\$5.05/hr.

GARAGE

NIGHT MECHANIC and DAY

MECHANIC — At least 3 years experience as mechanic. Must have prior experience in diesel engines. Own hand tools. \$5.40-\$5.75/hr.

BODY PERSON — Previous body work experience required. Heavy work involved. \$5.40-\$5.75/hr.

HELP WANTED

Positions are now open for a salespersons for summer employment at the Ansel Adams Gallery. There will also be a part-time janitorial position opening up around June. Own housing preferred for all positions. Apply in person between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. at the Gallery.

"Yosemite Yesterdays" Class Offered



Shirley Sargent, noted Yosemite historian, will offer a five session course on the history of Yosemite beginning Tuesday, April 27. The classes, sponsored by Merced College, will attempt to offer a better understanding of Yosemite through its history to local residents.

During the five sessions a variety of subjects will be covered including Indian life and customs, background on John Muir, history of the concessions, stories of Yosemite's pioneers, and early life in Yosemite.

The first class will delve into the research work necessary to write a book of history. Miss Sargent — author of such books as "Yosemite and Its Innkeepers", "Pioneers in Petticoats", "Yosemite's Famous Guests", "John Muir in Yosemite" and other — will explain research and interview techniques used in obtaining and verifying data for her works. This first session will take place at Shirley Sargent's house in Foresta. Those wishing to attend should meet in front of Big Meadow in Foresta at 6:30 p.m. If you won't have time for dinner before the class, bring along a picnic dinner to enjoy at Shirley's.

For further information, call Diana Abrell at 372-4233.

WOULD YOU HIRE YOURSELF?

by Dan Slusser

If you ran the company you worked for, would you be glad to hire a person like yourself? Would you feel you would be getting your money's worth? Most of us think we are pretty good workers and well worth our pay — but are we really? Or are we kidding ourselves, giving ourselves the benefit of every possible doubt? Sometimes it pays to put yourself in the other fellow's shoes and see how you look from the other side of the fence.

A famous doctor once said, "when I treat a patient, I try to imagine what kind of doctor that patient would like me to be then I try to their kind of doctor." With that attitude, the doctor would probably have succeeded in anything he tried.

So let's sit in your employer's seat and apply the same measure to you. What kind of employee did he hope you would be when he hired you? Probably the same kind of employee you would hope for if you were in his shoes. Someone who felt a conscientious obligation to give a fair day's work in return for his pay and benefits....who appreciated the Company's need to make a profit in order to stay in business and felt a responsibility to help in every way possible...who appreciated the need for keeping our services up and our costs down in order to compete successfully in a highly competitive market....someone who recognizes the importance of using tools, supplies and equipment carefully without unnecessary damage or waste....a person who tries to please the Company's customers with the kind of work and service he would like to buy if he were in their shoes. You can probably think of many things you would like in your employees — but why guild the lily? Any employee who gives their company the things we've already listed is a great buy. Any company would be delighted to have him aboard. The best employee in the world is the employee who works as though he were working for himself, as though he owned the company, as though he were going to use the product or services himself. We must all think of the Yosemite National Park visitors as our personal guests because that is in fact what they are.

Employee Relations

There is much more to employee relations than the necessary day to day administrative duties involving people. Applying scientific, or at least systematic procedures to the area of human relations calls for a different understanding from that used in the materialistic realm. Here we are dealing with human values.

If man were a machine it would be efficient to use him, depreciate him and discard him; but man is a human being. When we think of the human element in our business we must think in terms and values that are different from those we apply to the technical side of our job.

For these reasons Employee Relations is the foundation of any sound organization. It is not a written policy, an employee handbook or well chosen words engraved in the corner stone of an old building. It is an attitude that starts at the top of an organization and is transmitted downward through all levels of management until it reaches the most important ingredient of any successful operation, our employees.

This attitude has as its foundation a mutual understanding and respect for a common goal.

Here in Yosemite, managers and employees alike have this common goal, one that can best be expressed as "concern for the Yosemite visitor." With this foremost in our minds we can work together to establish a pride in ourselves and our organization, a pride and self confidence that will build one of the strongest foundations for a solid employee relations attitude that can exist anywhere.

"For Pete's Sake!"

"For Pete's Sake!," a film credited as "unique in its capacity to reach out to meet the problems of people," will be shown on Friday, April 30, in the Visitor Center West Auditorium.

The full-length comedy-drama will be shown once beginning at 7 p.m. and is open to the public at no admission charge.

Filmed entirely on location in Denver and the Colorado Rockies, "For Pete's Sake!" is the story of Pete Harper, a family man and service station owner, who is knocked flat by unexpected problems,



REVing Around

by John Davis

Many years ago in Stockholm, Sweden, a streetcar toppled over and pinned a young woman beneath it. Those people who saw what had happened were horrified; many screamed and grew faint. While the authorities were summoning a crane to lift the streetcar, a man worked his way underneath the wreck and got just close enough to the victim to be able to hold her hand. Much later her comment was, "I never knew an outstretched hand could mean so much."

There was a grouchy, dirty, repulsive old woman who regularly rode a commuter bus. The other regular riders quickly learned to stay clear of her, for she was moody and bellicose. Then one day a strange woman with a young daughter boarded the commute bus. The little girl instinctively went to the old woman, reached for her hand and said, "I love grandmas." The old woman tried to shove the child away, but the little girl was steadfast in affirming her love of grandmas, wherever she might find them! It was not too long before there were tears coursing down the cheeks of an old woman who for a moment was no longer hostile and bitter.

I truly believe that all of you are like me regarding the need to be touched, to be accepted. We live in a community (like any other community) where difference can divide us: How can we best approach the county school board regarding concerns for our school? What concerns

but finds the strength to stand up again, to face life anew.

"For Pete's Sake!" is a family film, not only because it is good family entertainment, but because through its storyline, families can see and feel exactly what is needed to develop deeper understanding and build stronger ties.

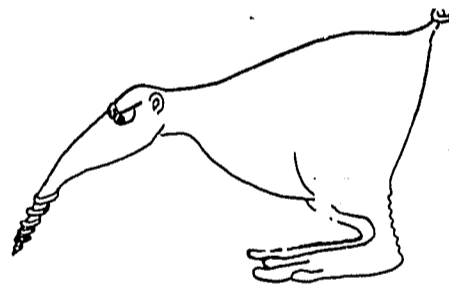
A cordial invitation is extended to all families of the community by the Yosemite Community Church, who has made arrangements for this special showing of "For Pete's Sake!". Dessert and coffee will be served afterwards.

should be included in Yosemite's Master Plan? What ought to be the primary thrust for a church...and its pastor? We are open to scrutiny, to second-guessing — and to second-guessers!

In the midst of not having all the answers, not being part of perfect institutions and not being a perfect person, it surely is renewing to have someone crawl under a wreck that has me pinned down — not to give advice on why I should be in this predicament but to hold my hand. When my actions have made me ugly and other keep their distance, how life-changing it is to encounter another's love for me.

As important as it is to know and receive human support, there are some places where we can hurt most that no mere human hands can reach or touch or heal. But there is One Who can, and He will if we let Him. How beautiful it is to see Him alive in someone, for when that someone touches us it is with both a human and the divine. Best of all, it satisfies all of our need.

RUMOR ROOTER



Are rumors clogging your mind? Call the Rumor Rooter!

RUMOR: If I am found with things in my room, such as Company property or another person's belongings it will cause me to lost my job, even if they were given to me by someone else.

FACT: In most cases, yes. The possession of stolen property is as serious as the act of stealing it yourself. You may think someone is doing you a favor by giving you something that belongs to a fellow employee or was taken from the Company. There is no favor involved. In fact, you are worse off than the person that took it, because in most cases he's gone, and you're left "holding the bag". Which simply means you are in possession of stolen property. In most cases, ignorance of the law is very little protection. Do yourself a favor, if it's not yours, leave it alone or return it to the proper people.

Letter to the Editor

Greetings from Yosemite South! Or, as more commonly known, Rossmoor Leisure World at Laguna Hills. There are quite a number of former Yosemite employees now in residence here in Leisure World. Hopefully it will be of interest to the Sentinel readers to know something about this group.

- CHARLES AND EULA PETERSON are the senior members of the expatriates. Charles started as a bookkeeper at Camp Curry in 1916. At the time of the consolidation in 1924, he was the General Auditor of the Curry Camping Company. He was the first controller of the Yosemite Park and Curry Co., a position he held until he resigned in 1928.
 - RALPH AND LENORA DE PFYFFER are other old timers from Yosemite. 1923 was the year that Ralph started a long career in Yosemite which lasted until his retirement in 1957.
 - JAY HOLLMAN was a summer employee in 1923 and 1924, being a room clerk at Camp Curry those two summers.
 - ED ELLIOTT is another old timer, having worked as a life-guard at Yosemite Lodge in 1928-29.
 - HELEN CURRY MATSON, a cousin of Mother Curry, worked at Camp Curry during the mid-20's for a short period.
 - BOB BROWN was another Curry employee, working at the Curry Transportation Office for a number of summers in the 30's, as well as staying in during one winter in this period.
 - GEORGE AND DETE OLIVER are both residents here. George was Sales and Traffic Manager for a number of years until his retirement in 1968. He is probably better known as the father of TV reception in Yosemite, as it was due to his efforts that TV became a reality in the Valley.
 - HAZEL WARREN, wife of a former Superintendent of Maintenance, moved here in August of 1971.
 - JOHN AND NANCY LONCARIC must be included to complete any listing of ex-Yosemite employees. Actually the Loncarics do not reside in Leisure World, but are next door neighbors in Laguna Beach, which is just a few miles away from here. John retired in 1966.
- The listing of former NPS employees is not quite as long but is still impressive.
- MERRILL MILLER is the dean of this group. He was a summer Ranger in 1922-23 and was in Yosemite for the NPS Old Timers' Reunion in 1974.
 - JOHN AND BETTY PRESTON are the latest to move to Leisure World, moving here in 1974. John holds the longevity record for those serving as Superintendent of Yosemite National Park. He served in this capacity for 14 years, from 1952 to 1966, when he retired from active duty.
 - BILL AND ALMA BRECKENKAMP lived in Yosemite for many years, from 1939 until his retirement in 1969. Bill was the Personnel Officer in the Park Service at the time of his retirement.
 - MRS. JERRY HILTON is a resident here, also. Her husband was Park Engineer before and after World War II.
 - MRS. BLANCHE MURRAY MAZUR lived in El Portal for a number of years when her husband, JIM MURRAY, was stationed at the Arch Rock Checking Station, until his retirement from the Service.
 - MITCH AKINS was a temporary Ranger for a number of years in the last 20's, and well into the 30's. His span of duty covered seven or eight years. (Mitch does not want to be known as a 90-Day Wonder, as most of his tours of duty exceeded this time limit, and he even stayed through the winter season on occasion.)
 - PAUL AND HELEN COLBURN are also residents of Yosemite South. Paul was a temporary Ranger-Naturalist for a few months in late spring during the mid-60's, usually completing his tour of duty at the time schools closed for the summer months.
- There are a number of residents here who did not work for either the Company or the Park Service.
- GRACE WARD lived in Yosemite for a number of years in the 20's and 30's when her husband worked for Best's Studio. He was known by many as the official photographer at Mirror Lake, where he took pictures each morning when the reflections were best. They moved to Palm Springs in the 30's, where he was a noted wildflower photographer.
 - CY SHARPE was the resident architect in Yosemite for the construction of the new Camp Curry Dining Room in 1928-29. He was employed by E.T. Spencer at that time.

- HAROLD BREEDING is a member of this group. Harold was an employee of the Standard Oil Co. at El Portal for many years, starting before World War II and returning when separated from the service. He was in charge of the El Portal operation at the time of his retirement in 1970.

- DR AND MRS. CHARLES JAMIESON should be included in this listing. They were not residents of Yosemite, but they are the parents of Helen Johanson, who has been a Yosemite resident for many years.

- The OTTERS were not included in the above listings. I started working at Camp Curry in 1923 and was a summer employee through the 1926 summer, during my college years. That winter I worked on a freighter, returning to Yosemite in April 1927, and worked for the Company until my retirement in November, 1967. Vickie started work in 1934 at the old Camp Curry Studio on a summertime basis. She became a permanent employee in 1937, where she was Mr. Oehlmann's secretary when he was Superintendent of the Commercial Division. We were married in 1942 shortly before I entered the Service. I had a four year holiday during World War II, returning to Yosemite in late 1946, in time for the reopening of The Ahwahnee. At the time of my retirement I was Assistant Sales and Traffic Manager, but most of my years of service had been in the Hotel Division, being Manager of Yosemite Lodge for many years.

Sincerely,
Wendell Otter
Laguna Hills

POST OFFICE CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATION

The Civil Service Examination for the Yosemite Nat'l Park Post Office will be open from April 26 thru May 7, 1976. Form 2479-A may be obtained at the Yosemite Lodge or Wawona office as well as the Main Office in the New Village.

Although there are no vacancies at present, each office is required to keep a current Civil Service list, which is the object of this examination.

"Rusty's Racers" Do It Again

by Anne Hendrickson



The Yosemite junior ski team returned from a recent race weekend at Bear Valley with an impressive collection of awards. The twelve local racers competing in the 2nd Annual Mt. Reba Championships were accompanied by an entourage of parents, siblings, enthusiastic rooters, and of course, their coach Leroy Rust. Thirty-three people made up the group from Yosemite, and most of those present enjoyed some extra skiing on fresh snow from recent storms as well as participating in the race activities.

When the two days of giant slalom racing were completed and the time arrived for

presentation of medals, it became evident just how very well the local youngsters had measured up. In almost every award category the blue, red, and yellow Yosemite team sweater appeared on the olympic-type award stand. Gold medals went to Betsy Woessner and Tom Wolfe; silver ones were awarded to Shiera Brady, Randy Carroll, and Clark Hardy; while Jimmy Beck, Mitch Hendrickson, and Randy Carroll (again) picked up the bronze versions. Frank Conway, Vik Hendrickson, and Heidi Thompsen brought back ribbons for their finish positions. It was a fitting climax to a successful race season for our young racers from Badger Pass.

COMMUNICATIONS: EMPLOYEE HOUSING

by Jerry Doyle

During the peak months of summer, Employee Housing consists of ten separate areas, housing approximately 1,600 employees. In that many areas with that many employees, there are bound to be some problems.

It has been said that "the squeaky wheel gets the oil". An old adage, but maybe we can apply it to communications about employee housing. No matter how good our intentions are to correct problems and to improve employee housing, it can be a futile effort unless the people directly affected by a problem communicate the difficulty to the local housekeeper or the Housing Office.

It is the objective of employee housing to provide you with the best possible living conditions and to accommodate your needs, whenever practical, to insure the happiest, most pleasant living experience. To do this we need you to **communicate** with us on what the problems are and what we can do to help. In recent weeks it has been found that many residents of tents and dorms ignore

problems in housing, assuming that nothing can or will be done. This is definitely not the case. Many problems are never brought to our attention; but when they are, we will do our best to correct them.

A few of the problems that we can readily correct are such things as housing assignment changes, roommate changes, noise problems or lack of furniture. Minor but irritating maintenance problems should be brought to our attention as well as major problems. These are problems that can be corrected and if brought to our attention could make employee housing a better place to live.

One suggestion that has been made to the employee housing office on how to improve communications, is to create an employee housing committee composed of the employee housing manager, a housekeeping representative and a representative from each area. Anyone interested in or with suggestions for, helping to create such a committee, please contact Jerry Doyle in the employee housing office.

EMPLOYEE BENEFIT CORNER

by Jim Edeal

VACATION

Yosemite Park and Curry Co.'s policy for eligible length of service is based on twelve-months employment out of any fifteen-month period provided the lapse of service is caused by illness, disability or layoff but not resignation or discharge.

Therefore, upon completion of one-year's service, you have earned two weeks paid vacation (10 working days), and continue to earn two weeks each year through your fifth-year of employment. From six to ten years of service you earn three weeks of vacation (15 working days) each year. Upon completion of your eleventh and subsequent years of continuous employment you earn four weeks vacation each year (20 working days).

After you have completed two years of continuous employment you are paid on a pro-rated basis for vacation earned upon termination provided that any lapse of service within that period of time was caused by illness, disability or lay off, and not resignation or discharge. The pro-rating is based on full calendar months worked.

Employees receiving meals as part of their compensation are given the cash equivalent with their vacation pay provided their vacations are taken apart from Yosemite. There is no cash equivalent given for lodging if it is part of your compensation. If an approved holiday occurs during your vacation, you have the option to receive an extra day of vacation or a paid holiday per the Holiday Policy. Vacations must be taken within one year following the anniversary date they are earned. Your supervisor must initiate your vacation order and submit it to Personnel at least 10 days before your vacation begins.

Vacations may not be taken when you are receiving benefits from the Company's sick leave program, Workmen's Compensation, State Disability or Long Term Disability.

Due to the seasonal nature of our business, vacations are not normally taken during the Christmas Holidays or the summer season from May to September.

Yosemite Recreation

MOVIES

APRIL 26 — GUNFIGHT AT THE O.K. CORRAL Starring Burt Lancaster, Kirk Douglas, Rhonda Fleming. The legendary Wyatt Earp strives to bring law and order to Dodge City. The film is climaxed by one of the most famous gun battles of the Old West between the Earp Brothers and the Clanton Gang. (G)

FREE to someone mechanically inclined — a G.E. Portable dishwasher that almost works. Call Hendrickson at 372-4250.

The Life You Save Will Be Your Own

by Butch Farrabee

Spring has sprung and now many of your thoughts are turning to hiking, climbing, and just wandering around the Park enjoying yourself. Great, but BEWARE. Unfortunately every year there are at least two employees who get killed and another 6-10 who either get hurt and/or trapped while enjoying themselves. The fact is, and one that you all need to fully understand, the Park is dangerous. The Park does not kill you, trap you, or injure you. You do that to yourself. Most people who get into trouble and have to be rescued do so as the result of: lack of common sense, getting off the maintained trails, not following rules and regulations, and overestimating their ability or underestimating the magnitude of the Park. By following a few basic rules you can probably avoid needed to be rescued or getting killed. They are:

1. THINK — Are you in good enough physical and mental condition to do what you plan on doing? Plan where you are going, how you are going to get there, the equipment you need, how you are going to get back, etc.

2. PREPARE — Know yourself and your equipment. Take lessons if necessary; there are many pros around. Can you spend the night if trapped, can you sit out a snow storm or a rain storm? Ask yourself "What happens if....?"

3. Stay on maintained trails. — Three of the last five recent rescues have been of employees who were not hiking on maintained trails. These people could have been killed just getting to the place where they ended up.

4. Let someone know where you are going and give a practical return time. Stick to the itinerary, don't deviate.

5. Watch footing — Gravel on rocks act like roller bearings. Tennis shoes on messy rocks are leg breakers.

Experience has shown us that many people who live and work in Yosemite

somehow feel they absorb outdoor and mountaineering qualities from their surroundings. WRONG! You are just as liable as any visitor, probably even more so, to get trapped or injured.

Please be careful, make mature and calculated decisions, and exercise common sense. Please don't leave litter, and avoid leaving bodies lying around.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

FRIDAY, APRIL 23:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.

SATURDAY, APRIL 24:

Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud — 5:30 p.m.
Worship Service Wawona School — 6 p.m.

SUNDAY, APRIL 25:

Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud — 9 & 11 a.m.
Worship Service Chapel — 9:30 a.m.
Southern Baptist Service Chapel — 6:30 p.m.

MONDAY, APRIL 26:

Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
Yosemite Sam's Klan TBA — 7 p.m.
MOVIE "Gunfight at O.K. Corral" Visitor Center — 8 p.m.

TUESDAY, APRIL 27:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Mental Health Clinic Yosemite Medical Group — 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Yosemite Sam's Klan Movie TBA — 7 p.m.
TOPS Meeting El Portal School — 7 p.m.
Outreach Yosemite Medical Group Dining Room — 7:30 p.m.
Volleyball Visitor Center — 9 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 28:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
Natural History Course Supt.'s Bridge — 6 p.m.
Volleyball Visitor Center — 9 p.m.

THURSDAY, APRIL 29:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Christian Gathering Chapel — 7:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, APRIL 30:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.

SATURDAY, MAY 1:

Election VOTE
Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 5:30 p.m.
Worship Service Wawona School — 6:30 p.m.

MAY DAY

SUNDAY, MAY 2:

Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 9 & 11 a.m.
Worship Service Chapel — 9:30 a.m.
Southern Baptist Service Chapel — 6:30 p.m.

MONDAY, MAY 3:

Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
Y.E.S. Yosemite Sam's — 7 p.m.
MOVIE (To be announced) Visitor Center — 8 p.m.

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VOTE

This union organizing attempt has been long. These last few days of the campaign, a lot of people with different points of view have been pushing at you and talking to you regarding what they think is in your best interest. On Saturday, May 1st, it will be all over. Please remember we did not start this campaign. We would like to get back to what we know how to do best — running a business. I am sure you would like to get back to doing what you like best — serving the visitors of Yosemite and enjoying the Park.

However, on Saturday, May 1st, you will be asked to cast your ballot. This vote will have far more significance than it would normally, because those of you who do vote will control the destiny of another 800 employees who work here during the summer season. If only a few union supporters vote, they will control your future and the future of our summer employees; so your vote is important. **YOU CAN BE EXCUSED FROM WORK TO VOTE.**

WHY IS THE CURRY CO. FIGHTING THESE UNIONS?

There are basically five reasons why we do not want a union representing you and none of these relate to having to give you more.

First, we do not feel that either of these unions understand the many and varied aspects of National Park concession operations, particularly the Janitors who primarily represent janitors and hospital workers in San Francisco and have never been in a National Park before.

Second, if the Company, out of economic necessity and because of its position as a concessioner in Yosemite, rejects union demands, the union may strike and require our employees to picket. These

situations are detrimental to the best interests of the Company, its employees and the Park. We will have to continue operations, but the strike will represent a hassle that our employees and visitors should not have to endure.

Third, the unions frequently insist on work rules that reduce our flexibility to assign employees in different positions. This hurts us economically because we have to hire more employees. It gets you nothing more except another person in your crowded housing. Another area where the union costs us money and gives you little is in their pension plan, which benefits its long time members in San Francisco and Modesto, and takes away money we would rather use to improve your benefits.

Fourth, union contracts normally require us to fire anyone who won't join and pay dues. We may like your work and want to keep you on, but if you don't like belonging to a union, we would have to fire you under the standard union agreement. We would rather judge an employee on their merits than whether they belong to a union. Also, in hiring summer employees, we think it is unfair to make them pay initiation fees each summer, particularly when the unions are attempting to keep them from voting on whether they want to be represented or not, and this obligation may discourage some people we really want to work for us.

Fifth, once a union is representing you, it is illegal for us to deal with you directly over working conditions. We and you would both lose the personal contact we may enjoy and our operations would be much more difficult.

WHAT WILL THESE UNIONS MEAN TO YOU?

IF EITHER UNION SHOULD WIN THE ELECTION, WOULD YOU BE FORCED TO ACCEPT IT AS YOUR REPRESENTATIVE?

YES. If a union wins the up-coming election, it will be the **exclusive** bargaining agent for all employees in the bargaining unit, including those who voted against it. It is also probable that the union will attempt to insist on a provision in the collective bargaining agreement which requires each employee to join the union within thirty (30) days after commencement of employment.

WHAT DUTIES & RESPONSIBILITIES COULD YOU HAVE IF A UNION IS ELECTED?

There are many duties and responsibilities attached to union membership, including picketing, payment of dues, assessments, and initiation fees. In addition, a unionized employee's ability to make independent decisions concerning the conditions of employment is drastically curtailed. He can never be sure what decisions will be made by the union or its leaders over whom he has relatively little control.

WON'T YOU BE GUARANTEED MORE MONEY IF THE UNION WINS THE ELECTION?

NO. Union demands for more money are negotiable. The Company can always say no. With or without a union, it has always been the Curry Co. policy to grant fair wages consistent with its ability to pay. Our wages are comparable or more favorable than those of similar operations.

VOTE

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THE UNION ORGANIZERS TELL YOU THAT WITH A UNION YOU WILL GET EVERYTHING THAT YOU HAVE NOW, PLUS MORE. IS IT TRUE?

NO. Bargaining on a union contract does not start on the basis of the present benefits. All present benefits are as much a subject of negotiations as are the demands for additional benefits. Either of the unions may trade present employee benefits for contract provisions that primarily benefit the union, such as a union shop clause (making union membership compulsory) or dues check-off (automatic deductions for union dues from your salaries), or a pension plan that is inferior to our present one but helps the rest of their membership.

WON'T THE UNION HELP YOU KEEP YOUR JOB?

NO. With or without a union, an employee in our Company is discharged only for cause. Also, with or without a union, he may receive a review of the discharge action. It is our policy not to discharge anyone unless there have been previous warnings, except where the cause for discharge is so aggravated that there can be no real argument about the need for the immediate termination of employment.

DON'T YOU NEED EXPERIENCED HELP SUCH AS A UNION OFFERS TO PLEAD YOUR GRIEVANCES?

NO. We have always provided our employees with full access to top management in the Park in order to present their grievances and suggestions for the improvement of the working conditions.

IS IT TRUE THAT THE UNION WILL TAKE YOUR GRIEVANCES TO ARBITRATION?

The union is not required to take every grievance to arbitration. In fact, many meritorious grievances are not taken to arbitration because there is no union principle involved. When a union intervenes in an employee's grievance, union policy frequently comes first and the employee's cause comes second. This may result in an adjustment of the grievance in a manner unsatisfactory to the employee. Also, from the union's point of view, it may be worth it to have you lose your job since we would have to hire someone to take your place, and the union would be collecting an initiation fee from that person.

WHO PAYS FOR THE UNION TO TAKE AN EMPLOYEE'S GRIEVANCE TO ARBITRATION?

The union may take a grievance to arbitration and pay its share of the cost of an arbitrator's fee, but the union may invoke a special assessment on all members to take any case to arbitration. Even if the union pays, the costs still come out of the dues or assessments.

IS IT TRUE THAT THE UNION MAY REQUIRE YOU TO PAY MORE THAN YOUR DUES EACH MONTH?

YES. The union may require contributions to strike funds, citizenship contributions, informational clinics, building funds and other special project funds; and if an employee refuses to pay these special assessments, he may be subject to union discipline.

WHY ARE THE UNIONS HERE?

Whatever they tell you, ask yourself, or for that matter ask them, **why have they spent in excess of twenty thousand [\$20,000.00] dollars in the Park renting rooms and buying meals and drinks for our employees? Why have they spent many thousands of dollars in legal costs trying to prevent our Summer employees from voting? The answer is simple, they really do not care about all of the employees; they really care about the large sums of money they can take out of Yosemite!**

LET US GIVE YOU SOME FACTS AND FIGURES:

We hired approximately 2,000 new employees in 1975. Under a union contract all new employees would have to pay an initiation fee. Thus, at \$37.50 a piece (the average between the Janitors and the Teamsters), this would be \$75,000.00 per year. We had an average monthly employment of 800 people. At \$9.75 a month in dues (again an average) that's \$7,800.00 a month, or \$93,600.00 a

year. Thus, a union would be taking \$168,600.00 a year out of this Park in dues and initiation fees alone. The fines for missing a meeting, being late in your dues, or violation of some provision of their constitution working rules, or by-laws could be even more. Then there can also be a special assessment for things like political contributions or strike funds (to pay striking members in San Francisco, Modesto, Washington, or anywhere else they want to use your money). The \$168,600.00 a year, plus fines and assessments, will come out of your pockets. No wonder we call this campaign **THE GREAT YOSEMITE UNION SWEEPSTAKES!** That \$168,600.00 is almost pure profit because unions themselves have told you that you, the employees, will be running things. Do you think that is because they like democracy; is it because they are trying to avoid incurring costs? We think it is because they are trying to maximize their income from you without spending too much in return.

WHERE IS THE TRUTH?

HOUSING:

THE UNION SAYS THEY CAN negotiate housing improvements, housing rules, who gets what room, and that the union will be involved in discussions related to housing. But housing is not even a requirement of your employment. We provide housing for our employees as a convenience. If they choose to live elsewhere, such as El Portal, Mariposa, Yosemite West, or Oakhurst, that is fine and we do recognize there is limited housing in these areas, but if they choose to live in our housing, they are subject to the rules and financial constraints that exist.

STRIKE:

Neither of these unions have stopped to tell you what happens to your housing in the event of a strike. If a union goes on strike, a company has every legal right to hire permanent replacements. It also has every legal right to assign your housing to these replacements. Housing is here to provide a place for the employees of the Yosemite Park and Curry Co. to live, and when union members go on strike and permanent replacements are hired, the striking employees are no longer considered employees. Ask these unions if they intend to find you a place to live. Also ask them if a company is legally required to re-employ people who go on strike and are permanently replaced.

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Articles must be submitted to the Sentinel office at least 14 days prior to publication date. Short articles and ads will be taken up until 4 days prior to publication date, space and time permitting.

Remember, there have been unions in Yosemite for twenty-five (25) years. Housing has not been a subject of bargaining — they have tried — it just hasn't been negotiable.

The next thing you will be told is that this union does not go on strike. Ask these Janitors about:

—San Francisco and the patients who cannot get service in the hospitals due to strikes or failure to cross picket lines.

—How about Stanford University?

—How about San Mateo public employees?

—How about Redwood City picket lines at the Hall of Justice?

—How about the San Francisco Board of Supervisors; ask them.

—Ask the teamsters about the freight drivers.

WAGES:

Ask them about the truth, why are the Janitors publishing one set of wages and the Teamsters and the Company publishing another set that match. The rates we publish are a fact, theirs are a promise!

We have heard a lot about other Janitor and Teamster contracts and what they can do for you, so we decided to do some research. We found Janitor's agreements for such areas as Oakland, Burlingame, Menlo Park, San Rafael, Mountain View, and Los Angeles. We also took recent Teamster rates which they had published and compared these to ours. Please take the time to do the same and while you're doing it, stop and think about the cost of living in these cities. I'm reasonably certain you cannot rent a room there for \$6.30 to \$7.35 a week or buy all of your meals for \$20.00 a week.

THINK ABOUT YOUR VOTE:

Don't make a decision because it hurts or helps the Company, or because it helps or hurts one of the two unions. We realize it is fun to kick the big guy (MCA Inc.), but BE SELFISH! Please decide which course will minimize this aggravation and maximize job satisfaction and take-home pay (after dues and initiation fees). We think you and Yosemite are better off voting "Neither Union", but you decide for yourself. All we ask is that you think about it carefully and rationally. Promises are cheap. So are insults and attacks. But the decision you make can affect you and Yosemite for many years. So vote for yourself, not against the Janitors, the Teamsters, or Yosemite Park and Curry Co.

Think about the decision being made on May 1st; think about why these people have come to the Park from San Francisco and Modesto. Think about why they are hassling you so much about how bad the Company is. Think about what their real motivations might be. We think that \$168,600.00 is enough to bring almost anyone from San Francisco and Modesto and enough to make all of them tell you and promise you almost anything, whether it is true or not. Please think about this carefully and, above all, please do not let this UNION SWEEPSTAKES interfere with our guest service. Thank you.

Sincerely,
Edward C. Hardy
Chief Operating Officer

YOU CAN BE EXCUSED FROM WORK TO VOTE!

JOB TITLE	1974	1975 hourly increase		1976 hourly increase			
	RATE	RATE	¢	%	RATE	¢	%
Clerk-Cashier	2.10	2.75	.65	30.9	2.95	.20	7.2
5200 Cashier	2.90	3.20	.30	10.3	3.45	.25	7.8
Room Clerk	2.25	2.90	.65	28.8	3.15	.25	8.6
Trans. Clerk	2.25	2.90	.65	28.8	3.15	.25	8.6
Night Auditor	2.40	3.20	.80	33.3	3.45	.25	7.8
Night Cleaner	2.55	2.75	.20	7.8	2.95	.20	7.2
Bartender	2.60	2.90	.30	11.5	3.15	.25	8.6
Kitchen Helper	2.40	2.60	.20	8.3	2.80	.20	7.6
Food Checker	2.75	3.20	.45	16.3	3.45	.25	7.8
Tele. Operator	2.10	2.90	.80	38.0	3.15	.25	8.6
Cook	3.50	4.25	.75	21.4	4.55	.30	7.0
Fry-Cook	2.50	3.85	.35	14.0	4.15	.30	7.7
Maid	2.10	2.45	.35	16.6	2.65	.20	8.1
Hostess	2.40	2.75	.35	16.6	2.95	.20	7.2
Sales Clerk	2.15	2.60	.45	20.9	2.80	.20	7.6
Sp. Sales Clerk	2.20	2.75	.55	25.0	2.95	.20	7.2
Reservation Clerk	2.20	2.75	.55	25.0	2.95	.20	7.2
Office Clerk	2.15	2.90	.75	34.8	3.15	.25	8.6
Key Punch Operator	2.65	3.05	.40	15.0	3.30	.25	8.1
Auditor	2.40	3.20	.80	33.3	3.45	.25	7.8
Ld. Acct. Clerk	2.55	3.55	1.00	39.2	3.85	.30	8.4

NOTE: If you would like to see your particular rate, stop by the Personnel Office.

* The rates shown above are ninety (90) day rates.

Beverage Container Deposit System To Be Initiated

The Yosemite Park and Curry Co., in cooperation with the Environmental Protection Agency, will begin a pilot system of deposits on soft drink and beer containers in Yosemite on May 17th. The purpose of this project is to help the EPA gain information on the effectiveness of a deposit system which is intended to eventually be used at all Federal installations, including National Parks. Last year, Curry Co. initially endorsed proposed EPA guidelines to require the deposits on all Federal installations. When the guidelines were not finalized, the Curry Company offered to volunteer its services to run an experimental program here in Yosemite. Following meetings here and in San Francisco, the program is ready to begin.

Starting on May 17th, all soft drink and beer containers sold across the counter or from vending machines will be marked "Yosemite 5¢ Deposit" and will be redeemable at retail outlets and at the Village Recycling Center. An EPA staff member will monitor the program to determine how well the deposit system increases the percentage of containers that are returned for reuse or recycling, conserving resources and energy and reducing litter in the Park. All non-redeemed deposits will be used to cover program expenses, and any left over will go to environmental programs in Yosemite.

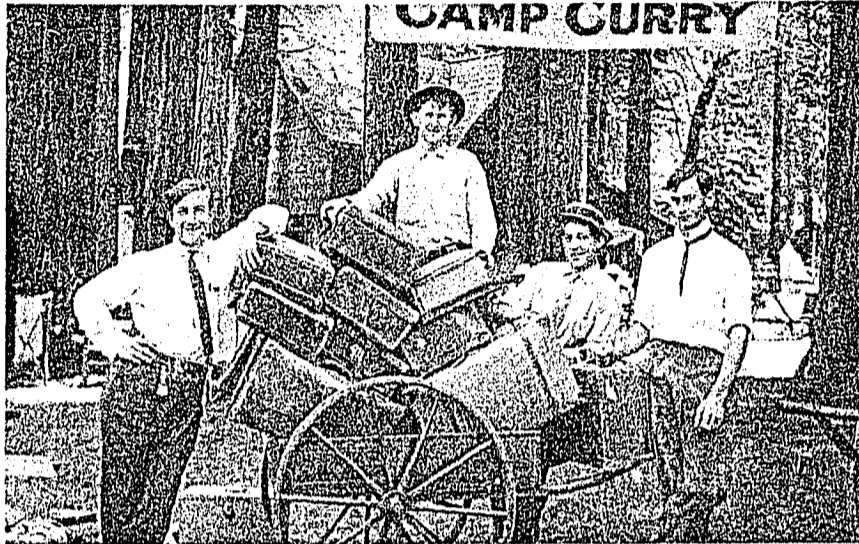
Questions and suggestions for improving the program should be directed to Art Goertzen at ext. 253 or Garrett De Bell at ext. 479. An EPA staff person will be in the Park to meet with interested employees and explain the program during its first week of operation.

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

Responsible for receptionist duties, board meeting preparation and minutes, and some correspondence — as well as general office work. Applicants should maintain a neat appearance, possess above-average office skills (typing 70 wpm or above), and should have knowledge of sentence structure, punctuation, etc. Shorthand very helpful but not required. Salary: depending upon qualifications, \$650-750/month. Send resume to: Yosemite Institute, P.O. Box 487, Yosemite National Park, CA 95389

THE DAY BEFORE YESTERDAY AT CAMP CURRY — Part II

by Shirley Sargent



Camp Curry's original dining room shows back of the well-dressed porters of 1914. [Pillsbury photo; courtesy of Nell Lane Miller.]

In 1914, as in other years early in the 20th century, most of the staff at Camp Curry was terminated around August 1 because tourists dried up as soon as Yosemite Falls did. Emily Lane, the adventure-loving gal from Australia was one of the lucky employees who stayed on and had the free time to enjoy the varied recreational activities of Yosemite. She took daily swims in the Merced River with a fun-minded trio from the dining room staff, hiked and rode horses half days for \$1.50. "But nights are the best fun," Em wrote a friend, for "all sang together beautifully" around the campfire long after the scattering of guests had retired.

After Camp Curry closed completely in mid-September, Em helped the Currys on the clean-up, but for several days, took care of the Scarborough children who lived at the Sentinel Hotel where their father worked. In those days the Sentinel, just west of Sentinel Bridge, was Camp Curry's rival. "I'd hate to pay \$4 to stay there," Em wrote, "of all the stiff, cold, queer dining rooms — and the girls all look so sour — you know the class! I took the children up to Camp Curry on the stage each morning and worked while they played...then returned them to the old Boathouse on the river." Sure enough, historic photos show that the main building, squeezed in between the road and the river, resembled a ship.

Later in the month, Emily, another girl and two fellows planned a trip into the High Sierra. Knowing Mrs. Curry's "strong point", Emily insisted they take along a chaperone so asked Rose Sovulewski and "she jumped at the chance and she being wife of the Supervisor of the Valley (Gabriel

Sovulewski) provided us with first class horses, a tent, blankets, two pack mules and also a packer. **Some class!** They had six glorious days at Tenaya Lake, Tuolumne Meadows and the Lyell Basin, including a trek to the top of Mt. Lyell, "the hardest trip I've ever taken," Em admitted, "but, of course, it repayed."



Rose Sovulewski was so well-known and loved in Yosemite Valley from 1906 until 1928 when she died that her remains were allowed to be buried in our Pioneer Cemetery. Here she is pictured with a lion cub about 1918. [Amy Leavitt Alexander Collection.]

"Oh, the joy of it (the trip), Mrs. Sovulewski was a wonder, the jolliest of us all and such a good sport." At Merced Lake, forty-year-old Mrs. Sovulewski caught 45 fish before returning to her Yosemite Valley home and six children*. Emily Rodgers commented that she "had one of the happiest times of my life", and began planning future Sierra sojourns.

(To be continued)

*Herb Ewing and Charlotte Wilson, two of Rose and Gabriel Sovulewski's grandchildren, live in Yosemite Valley today, and Char's children, Danny and Becky, are the third generation of Sovulewskis to attend the Valley School.

Employee Benefit Corner

by Jim Edeal

HOLIDAYS

The following holidays are observed by Yosemite Park and Curry Co.

New Year's Day
Washington Birthday (Third Monday in February)
Veteran's Day (Last Monday in October)
Thanksgiving Day
Day after Thanksgiving
Christmas Day

All permanent hourly-paid employees who work on any of the above holidays are entitled to receive a compensating day off with pay. This compensating day off cannot be during the same week the holiday occurred but must be taken within 60 days after the holiday.

If a holiday occurs on the hourly-paid employee's normal work day, but the employee is unable to work because his office or department is closed in observance of the holiday, the employee will be paid a straight-time day for the holiday.

If a holiday occurs on the hourly paid employee's regular day off, the employee is entitled to an extra day off with pay to be taken within 60 days after the holiday.

If an approved holiday occurs during an employee's vacation, the employee is entitled to an extra day of vacation with pay providing prior arrangements have been made with your supervisor or an additional day's pay for the holiday at the employee's option.

Straight-time pay is computed at an eight-hour day. Holiday policy for union employees is covered by their union agreement.

A day off with pay will not be given to an employee who is absent from work on a regular scheduled work day immediately preceding or following the holiday unless the absence has been approved by the employee's supervisor.

Any employee receiving benefits on a holiday from the Company's Sick Leave Program, Workmen's Compensation, State Disability Insurance or Long Term Disability, shall not receive either straight-time pay or an extra day off with pay for recognition of the holiday.

None of the above applies to part-time employees or those on commission. Salaried employees are expected to take compensating days off for holidays worked.

BIKE RALLY THIS WEEKEND

Yosemite is preparing to celebrate the Bikecentennial with the Spring Bike Rally on May 1 and 2. Once again, families and groups of touring cyclists will come to leisurely bike this magnificent valley.

This year's rally, as in the past, will be a two-day family touring event. Cyclists will bike an easy ten-mile loop around the Valley floor, stopping at six scenic checkpoints along the way. Those who complete this loop will receive a Yosemite Spring Bike Rally patch and a certificate.

Besides the patches and certificates, awards will be presented to those who cycle the loop the most times between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. on Saturday, and a special trophy will be awarded to the person who cycles the greatest distance to get to the rally.

Later Saturday evening there is the Disney classic "Living Desert", to be shown in the Visitor Center auditorium. Admission is free.

The Bike Rally Party, open to participants of the bike rally only, will be at Curry Village on Saturday night. You must have your bike rally map and \$1 to get in. There will be no exceptions.

Sunday's rally events include an all-you-can-eat picnic at the Yosemite Elementary School, \$2.50 for adults and \$1.50 for children under 12. The menu is foot-long hotdogs, baked beans, salad, corn on the cob and milk or soft drinks. The picnic starts at noon.

To help celebrate the 100th anniversary of the bicycle, trophies will be offered to those who dress in the most authentic, old-fashioned biking costumes. A perpetual trophy will also be given to the bike club with the most number of members in attendance.

Checkpoints are open from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday, and registration takes place at the Curry Village Bike Stand. Or pre-registration forms may be obtained by writing to Yosemite Spring Bike Rally, Yosemite Park and Curry Co., Yosemite National Park, California 95389, or by stopping by the Sentinel Office in the General Offices.

Employee Training

by Don Hartley

During the past few months I have been involved in setting up our new training center and the various programs that will be carried on there. During this period, I have become painfully aware that many of our employees, beginners and veterans alike, are unaware of many of our policies procedures and general information.

In order to have better informed employees, we have completed our new employee handbook: "Your Yosemite Experience". This publication contains a brief statement of our policies and regulations plus other useful information.

If you cannot find the answer here, always feel free to consult your supervisor or any member of our Personnel Department, on any questions or problems connected with your work.

Should you wish at any time to make suggestions or recommendations regarding our policies or operations, please do so; we welcome and encourage all input.

We have instituted a comprehensive orientation program to deal with these same procedures and also the "whys" behind them. All employees are required to attend an orientation session in the Training Center. Schedules are available through your Unit Managers and also posted outside the Training Center.

Our new handbooks are available through your supervisor and in the Training Center.

Yosemite will be your experience. Please take this opportunity to make it more enjoyable and meaningful for yourself and for our guests.

For Sale

For information on the following items call 375-6497.

CROSS COUNTRY SKIS: with bindings, 200 cm. by 54 mm Splitkein (Bass) skis skis with lignostone edges; 75 mm. Rottefella "Nordic norm" pin bindings and heel plate. Almost new. \$30.00 or best offer.

ENGINE ANALYZER: Checks Dwell, Points, Low RPM, High RPM, Amps, and Volts for 4, 6 or 8 cylinder vehicles. \$30.00 or best offer.

TORQUE WRENCH: 0-150 ft.-lbs. Flex head and handle. (used only 3 times) \$17.50 or best offer.

GAUGES: Volts, amps, water temp., oil temp. for dash. Adaptable. Make Offer.

EMPLOYEE HOUSING CORNER

by Jerry Doyle

Throughout the winter months a number of employees have asked questions regarding overnight guests in Employee Housing. In order to more fully understand our existing guidelines it is important that we realize that living in a dormitory environment presents some unique problems. Since there are many individuals housed in one area, using common facilities, it is extremely important that each of us respect the rights, privileges, and privacy of others. Your understanding and cooperation will insure the comfort and safety of all concerned.

Overnight guests are permitted, providing you have the consent of your roommate. However, for space reasons, the number is limited to one guest per employee or two guests per room. The length of stay is five days per guest, not to exceed three visits per guest per year. Guests are required to register with the housekeeper, and there is a small registration fee of \$1.00 per guest for the period of their visit. As you will recall, the prior registration fee was \$2.00 per night; the above fee was reduced upon a request by the Employee Advisory Council. Also, it is important to note that terminated employees who have been discharged for cause by the YP&C Co. or N.P.S. are not permitted as guests in Employee Housing.

Three important points are made in the above: 1) The facilities in which we live are designed to accommodate the number of present occupants, if every employee had a guest the use of these facilities would be doubled, 2) We must respect the privileges and privacy of our fellow employees, 3) The dollar registration fee is small.

If you have any questions or suggestions please call ext. 451 or stop by the Employee Housing Office. Thank you.

"The worst crime against working people is a company which fails to operate at a profit."

Samuel Gompers
 Founder of
 The American Federation of Labor

Yosemite Recreation

MOVIES

MAY 3 — JESUS CHRIST SUPERSTAR
Starring Ted Neeley, Carl Anderson, Yvonne Elliman. Magnificent film version of the incomparable rock opera. The motion picture is hip and reverent, contemporary and biblical, religious yet lay, traditional and iconoclastic. (G)

MAY 10 — FRENZY

Starring Jon Finch, Barry Foster, and Billie Whitelaw. Alfred Hitchcock once again proves himself the master of suspense as he exploits the trickle of fear that lies in every man's soul. This tidy little tidbit of organized perversion yields a villain who picks his teeth with a diamond stickpin at one glance and strangles lovely ladies with his necktie at the next; all the while building a trap of implication for an old friend. (R)

FOR SALE

8' x 34' trailer. Best offer. Call Kris Montgomery at 379-2622.

1970 Toyota Corona Mark II Sedan, automatic transmission, radio, heater, air conditioning, 8-track tape deck, new tires, rebuilt engine, runs good. Sacrifice \$1,200 or offer. Phone 375-6481.

Basketball Results

TUESDAY, APRIL 20th

Super Squirts +2 - 41 Village Hacks - 30
Led by John Poe and Ron Skelton, the "Squirts" defeated the "Hacks", scoring 21 and 11 points respectively. Dave Wolf and Steve Medley each had 10 points for the losers.

General Office Sloths over O-Zone Mighty Maids

The "Sloths" started their schedule on a winning note by taking a "tough" forfeit victory over the Mighty Maids.

Clockwork Orange - 40, Trouble Shooters - 21

Led by the League's leading scorer, James Peggins, the "Orange" handed the Trouble Shooters their second loss of the season. Peggins scored 23 points, and Randy Readers had 12 for the winners. Marty Anderson paced the losers with 14 points.

LEAGUE STANDINGS

	W	L
Clockwork Orange	2	0
Super Squirts +2	2	0
Lodge Louts	1	0
General Office Sloths	1	0
Village Hacks	0	2
O-Zone Mighty Maids	0	2
Trouble Shooters	0	2

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

FRIDAY, APRIL 30:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.

SATURDAY, MAY 1:

BIKE RALLY — MAY DAY ELECTION *** VOTE!**
Spring Bike Rally & Awards Ceremony Curry Village — 9 a.m.
Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 5:30 p.m.
Worship Service Wawona School — 6:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, MAY 2:

BIKE RALLY
Spring Bike Rally & Awards Ceremony Curry Village — 9 a.m.
Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 9 & 11 a.m.
Worship Service Chapel — 9:30 a.m.
Bike Rally Picnic Elementary School — Noon
Southern Baptist Service Chapel — 6:30 p.m.

MONDAY, MAY 3:

Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
Yosemite Sam's Klan Elementary School Gym — 7 p.m.
MOVIE "Jesus Christ Superstar" Visitor Center — 8 p.m.

TUESDAY, MAY 4:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Mental Health Clinic Yosemite Medical Group — 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
TOPS Meeting El Portal School — 7 p.m.
Volleyball Visitor Center — 9 p.m.
Yosemite's Yesterdays Class Indian Village — 7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 5:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
Basketball Yosemite Elem. School — 6 p.m.
Natural History Course Yosemite Elem. School — 6:30 p.m.
Volleyball Visitor Center — 9 p.m.

THURSDAY, MAY 6:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Christian Gathering Chapel — 7:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, MAY 7:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.

SATURDAY, MAY 8:

Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 5:30 p.m.
Worship Service Wawona School — 6:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, MAY 9:

MOTHER'S DAY
Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 9 & 11 a.m.
Worship Service Chapel — 9:30 a.m.
Southern Baptist Service Chapel — 6:30 p.m.

MONDAY, MAY 10:

Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
Yosemite Sam's Klan Elementary School Gym — 7 p.m.
MOVIE "Frenzy" Visitor Center — 8 p.m.

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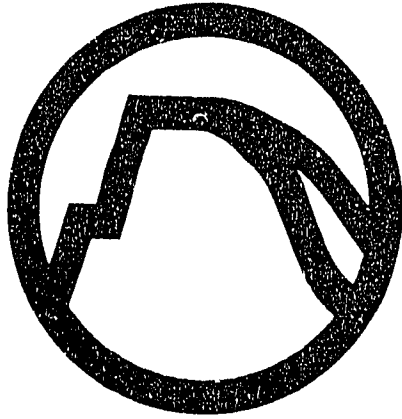
The Sentinel is happy to run your For Sale or Wanted ads at no charge to all Park employees and their families. If you have something you would like to sell, an item you would like to find, or a service to offer, either drop it in the mail to Yosemite Sentinel, Yosemite Park and Curry Co., Yosemite National Park, Ca. 95389 or call 372-4611, ext. 445. Ads must be in no later than the Monday before the Friday publication date.

P.E.T.

A class in Parent Effectiveness Training (P.E.T.) will be taught by Dick Zimmerman, Head of the Mariposa County Office of Mental Health, at the El Portal School multipurpose room starting May 5. The class will run four Wednesday evenings from 7:00 to 9:30 p.m. There is no charge or pre-registration. All interested persons are welcome. For further information call Carol Peterson, 379-2619 or Diana Abrell, 372-4233.

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ELECTION RESULTS INCONCLUSIVE

The results of the National Labor Relations Board election conducted on May 1, 1976, were inconclusive, and as such, no determination has been made regarding the question of whether our employees wish to be represented by either of these two unions or if they wish to represent themselves.

The ballot results were as follows:

197 NEITHER UNION
220 S.E.I.U. LOCAL #250
43 TEAMSTER'S LOCAL #386
115 CHALLENGED

The MLRB is in the process of clearing up those contested (challenged) ballots. At the conclusion of this process, the results may determine one of the following:

- (1) Neither Union will have received a majority of the ballots cast and subsequently no union will represent our employees.
- (2) Local 250 will have received a majority of the ballots cast and, as such, will be the sole and exclusive representative of the employees of the Yosemite Park and Curry Co.
- (3) No determination will be made and, as such, there will be a run-off election between "Neither Union" and "Local 250". If this is the case, the election will probably be held in June of 1976.

There were 115 votes challenged during the May 1, 1976 election. The Yosemite Park and Curry Co. did not challenge anyone's right to vote, as we have always believed that anyone with an interest in this matter should have been given the opportunity to vote.

AN ENCORE FOR THE BICENTENNIAL KIDS



by Anne Hendrickson

Mommies and daddies usually see the programs presented by their progeny as great moments in the theatre. Parental pride is to be expected, of course, although it frequently has no direct relationship to talent or stagecraft. Some local youngsters recently produced a bicentennial program which, in keeping with this tradition, was warmly received by proud parents and older siblings. This time there was a difference, however, in that the presentation was of sufficient merit that requests have been received for repeat performances.

The next presentation, by popular demand, will be at the Visitor Center on Wednesday, May 12, at 7:30 p.m.

While this campaign has been long and tiring, it appears that it will be a while longer before it is resolved. Unfortunately, due to the rules governing elections, we will be prohibited by law from making any changes in your present terms and conditions of employment until such time as this election is concluded. In the mean time, we should all concentrate on providing the best service possible to the visitors of Yosemite.

Produced and directed by Dee Doyle, Inez Glatz, and Pauline Trabucco, the program features the children in kindergarten through fourth grade at Yosemite Elementary. In fifty minutes the children move in song and spoken narration through our country's history. They show the struggles from Revolutionary times through the Civil War to civil rights. It is a well-prepared presentation by poised youngsters who more than live up to parental expectation. In addition, it's very likely that the children have learned a lot of U.S. history in the course of their stage career.

In the program, members of the Yosemite Elementary Drama Workshop — which consists of 4th through 8th grade students, perform "A Bicentennial Skit". The students developed and improvised comic pantomimes based on key events in our nation's history. The illusion of silent film newsreels is accomplished by the use of a strobe light. Shiera Brady introduces and narrates the short program.

The program is free, the public is invited, and hopefully it will be enjoyable for all — even if one isn't the parent of a performer.

WOMEN'S CLUB

All women of the Yosemite community are invited to join the Yosemite Women's Club in their activities. This May, the activities include a breakfast, election of officers, and a historical tour of Yosemite Valley.

The breakfast will be held on Wednesday, May 19 at The Ahwahnee at 8:30 a.m. Officers for the coming year will be elected, as well as plans for activities made. Mark the date now on your calendar, and bring your suggestions. Call Barbara Wendt at 372-4817 before Monday, May 17, to make your reservation.

Tuesday, May 25, is the date for the Picnic and Historic Tour. Shirley Sargent will be leading this tour of Yosemite Valley. Meet in front of the Post Office at 10:30 a.m. with your own picnic lunch and a bicycle. What better way to find out about the Grizzly Hotel and other interesting facts than with our own resident historian?

The Women's Club sponsors all types of activities throughout the year, ranging from float trips to cross country ski trips to luncheons.

Employee Housing Corner

RESIDENTIAL COMMUNITY COUNCIL

by Jerry Doyle

A recent article in the Sentinel discussed communications in Employee Housing. Generally, what the article was referring to is the complexities and difficulties encountered in dormitory-style living. With approximately 1,600 people living in 10 areas during the summer months, there are bound to be some problems. However, many of these problems can and will be corrected if they are brought to the attention of the Housing Office. Here again we arrive at the basic necessity of letting us know what the problems are, either by contacting your area Housekeeper or the Housing Office.

The Residential Communities in which we all live are our homes for the period of time which we work in Yosemite. The Employee Housing Office is committed to providing the best possible living conditions and to accommodating your needs, whenever practical, to insure you the happiest, most pleasant living experience. However, to make this possible, the Housing Office needs your input and your involvement in your Residential Community.

A recent publication suggested that residents were not consulted about housing improvements, and that their needs were not taken into consideration. Well, now is the chance to get involved, to have a voice about housing, and to get the fact about what is going on. How? Well, the Employee Housing Office is forming what will be known as the Residential Community Council. It will be composed of a volunteer Representative from each Residential area, the Housing Manager, and a Housekeeping representative. Its purpose will be to provide a means of communication for Residents about the Residential areas. It will provide a way to air suggestions, complaints, needs, and grievances. This will be your council, so get involved and let's see what we can accomplish. Anyone wishing to be a Representative, volunteer now.

For further information, or if you have any suggestions, please contact Jerry Doyle at the Employee Housing Office, or call ext. 451.

Local Schools Rate High in Annual Festival

Students from both El Portal and Yosemite Elementary Schools participated in the 18th Annual Peach Blossom Festival held on March 11, 1976, at California State University at Fresno.

Each of the El Portal School's six entries (three class, three individual) were rated "Superior" by the judges. Grades 1-3 performed the poem "20 Froggies" by George Cooper; Grades 4-6 did "The Snare" by James Stephens; Grades 7-8 recited "Abraham Lincoln 1809-1865" by Rosemary and Stephen Vincent Benet. The individual entries were Kay Lawson, Grade 8, "Casey at the Bat"; Lisa Skelton, Grade 7, "The Boy Who Laughed at Santa Claus"; and Sean Sinclair, Grade 5, "The Cat".

Yosemite School sent six students to perform individually, and all of them received ratings of "Excellent" or "Superior". The participants were Kathleen Krisko, Mike Brudenell, Jay Lindsay, Becky Wilson, Jennifer Downing, and Stacy McKenzie.

The Peach Blossom Festival is fast becoming a tradition for many schools throughout the area.

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8' x 34' TRAILER. Two-bedroom. Swamp cooler. Storage shed. Large yard. Best offer over \$2,000. Phone 379-2622. ALSO, 10-SPEED BIKE. \$45 or ?.

Mobile home for sale. 1972, 12' x 52' with expando living room. Two bedroom, fireplace. Space A-26. Call Doug or Karen at 379-2659 after 5:30 p.m.

WANTED

HELP!!!Babysitter, 4 days a week. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Discuss reasonable salary. Responsible person. Call 372-4716.

Interpreters Needed

The U.S. Magistrate is compiling a list of court interpreters. If you would like to be included, please submit your name, mailing and residence address, telephone number, name of employer, and language you speak. Mail to U.S. Magistrate, P.O. Box 575, Yosemite National Park, California 95389.

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"The Crow's Nest"



It never fails — if the Crow says Spring has arrived it snows. Actually snow is quite normal this time of year in Yosemite...come to think of it this is the only normal weather we have had all year!!

Political Update: How about Jerry Brown running for President?? Question: Does serving as Governor of California for less than a year qualify one as a candidate for President? Consider this — Richard Nixon ran for Governor and lost and he made it all the way to the White House. Sorry, Jerry, you're over-qualified. Isn't it reassuring to know how concerned your Governor is about California? And how about Governor Brown's sound fiscal policies like not living in the new Governor's mansion which you and I have already paid for.

Now that it's built and paid for, the Governor plans to let it go to waste. What's the old adage: "Penny wise, pound foolish." Does this mean he will refuse to live in the White House if elected President?

On the local scene, Friends of Fish Camp say they are still looking for a Mayoral candidate to back in the race to succeed incumbent John Ding-a-ling who has decided to form his own political party. The group says they will back the strongest Conservationist they can find. Question: Do they know the difference between a Conservationist and an Ecologist? A Conservationist is the guy who already has his second home at Lake Tahoe.

It's baseball season again. Look for the Crow's forecast in forthcoming issues. An early prediction — the Giants will remain in San Francisco for this season. (Sorry, Fish Camp, but have hope, the Chicago Bears are still looking to relocate.)

Who were the real losers in the recent Executive/Employee baseball tilt? The score indicates the Execs won but in the

WAWONA HOPS

by Stanley Valim

Yosemite National Park has quite a few items of historical interest — the Pioneer History Center, the Chapel, the Wawona Hotel, and the Pioneer Cemetery, to name just a few. Often we tend to think of "historical" as a term applying only to a building, place, operation, or person. Yet other things are historical too.

Take, for example the hops plant, a vine, which is grown to shade the porches that run around the hotel rooms. The hops were planted by the Washburns, who once owned the Wawona Hotel.

Each year, the hops grow from a dormant root stock. They come up in late April and May, depending on the weather, and grow 30 to 50 feet by July, and with ample water, stay green through September. The hops die back in late September and become dormant until the next year.

In late August and September, the top of the plant puts out lots of pale greenish-cream colored flowers with a mild scent. It is this part of the plant that is used in the manufacturing of beer.

With ample water and a support of heavy string or light cord, the hops vines are easy to grow from a dormant root stock in sun or half-shade. Hops are a good, fast-growing shade plant for mountain areas with a short growing season.

Come out this summer to the Wawona Hotel and enjoy the shade of the hop vines. It is another aspect of Wawona's history which helps to propel you back to the 19th century.

injured list department, Employees got the better of the Over-the-Hill-Gang. Steve Lew, torn ligaments; George Spach, sprained ankle; John Chesarek; pinched nerve, and the most serious injury — Dan Slusser, a burned thumb while cooking hamburgers after the game.

Congrats to the gals in the Tecoya Housing area who have decided to car pool to get to work in the General Offices as a means of saving energy resources! Who gave them that idea — Jerry Brown??

BARBEQUE CONTEST

by Jerry Doyle

Hello, out there in Barbecue land. Remember, the Yosemite Barbeque Contest is still in progress. For those of you who didn't hear about it yet, here's the scoop. Submit your favorite recipes to the Employee Housing Office. All recipes will be tried and tasted and in the first week of June, prizes will be awarded to 1st, 2nd, and 3rd places. Following are a few recipes already submitted:

TERIYAKI

Irene Flanagan

20 oz. bottle Kikkoman
20 oz. water
9 oz. brown sugar
12 oz. honey

Bring ingredients to a boil; let cool. Use with steak or shrimp — soak overnight.

BLACK NIGHT BARBEQUE SAUCE

Linda Plant

1 c. strong black coffee
1 1/2 c. Worcestershire sauce
1 c. catsup
1/2 c. butter
1/4 c. Lemon Juice
2 Tbsp sugar
1 Tbsp salt
2 tsp Cayenne Pepper

Combine ingredients; simmer for 30 minutes. Use with steak or chicken.

JELLY SAUCE

Corinne Elwart

1/4 c. Jelly (melted)
1/2 c. Catsup
3 Tbsp Vinegar
3 Tbsp Oil
2 tsp Worcestershire Sauce
1 tsp Garlic Salt
1 tsp Pepper

Mix well. Use with ribs, chicken.

Register to Vote

Are you registered to vote in the upcoming election? Monday, May 9, is the cut-off date for registration. This election is the State's Presidential Primary Election and will contain several other important matters as well.

Char Wilson is our local registrar of voters. If you want to vote in this election and are not registered, please call Char at 372-4741. Deadline is May 9!

Yosemite Recreation

MOVIES

MAY 10 — FRENZY

John Finch, Barry Foster, Anna Massey. Alfred Hitchcock's latest thriller takes place in modern-day London where a killer known as the Necktie Murderer terrorizes the city, catching up an innocent man in his net. The film is already being ranked as belonging to the Master of Suspense's classic set-pieces. (R)

MAY 17 — SERPICO

Al Pacino, John Randolph, Barbara Eda-Young. Frank Serpico is not your everyday cop. He's a devotee of opera and ballet. He dresses like a hippie, has no problem with women. What makes him different? He can't be bought; he's an honest cop! (R)

SPORTS

Summer is just around the corner, softball fans, and the time is now to start organizing your softball teams. The mens' league is scheduled to begin play on May 31st, with the womens' league to start play that same week. All rosters must be turned in to the Employee Recreation Office NO LATER THAN Wednesday, May 19th. Both the mens' and womens' teams should be made up of players that live or work in the same area or unit. On Friday, May 21st, there will be a captains' meeting for both the mens' and womens' teams. Attendance is MANDATORY for representatives from each team to discuss the league schedule and rules. See you there!

Basketball Results

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 28

O-Zone Mighty Maids 40 — Lodge Louts 31

Led by Ralph Howe's 29 points, the "Maids" handed the Lodge its first loss of the season. Dave Gardner also had 11 points for the winners. Tracy Helms and Dexter Lee combined for 27 points for the losers, who were in the game until the last few minutes.

Village Hacks 40 — Trouble Shooters 24

A potent offense and a tenacious defense brought the Village Hacks their first win of the season. Dan Garadella and Tom "T.O." Olivera led the "Hacks" with 24 and 12 points, respectively. The Trouble Shooters staged a comeback in the second half, but it proved to be too little too late. Marty Anderson and Rick Randle paced the losers with 14 and 10 points each.

Super Squirts +2 40 — General Office Sloths 24

The "Squirts" remained undefeated with a 40-24 win over the General Office. John Poe hit for 22 points and Mike Ehrhardt had 13 for the winners, who upped their record to 3-0. The "Sloths", featuring the razzle-dazzle passing of Jack "Slick" Hicks, were unable to overcome the Squirts lead. The Sloths were led by Dave Zdunich's 14 points.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

FRIDAY, MAY 7:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.

SATURDAY, MAY 8:

Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 5:30 p.m.
Worship Service Wawona School — 6:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, MAY 9:

Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 9 & 11 a.m.
Worship Service Chapel — 9:30 a.m.
Southern Baptist Service Chapel — 6:30 p.m.

MOTHER'S DAY

MONDAY, MAY 10:

Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
Yosemite Sam's Klan Elementary School Gym — 7 p.m.
MOVIE "Frenzy" Visitor Center — 8 p.m.

TUESDAY, MAY 11:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Mental Health Clinic Yosemite Medical Group — 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Yosemite Yesterdays Front of Visitor Center — 7 p.m.
Yosemite Sam's Klan Elementary School Gym — 7 p.m.
TOPS Meeting El Portal School — 7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 12:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
Basketball Yosemite Elem. School — 6 p.m.
Volleyball Visitor Center — 9 p.m.

THURSDAY, MAY 13:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
Yosemite Yesterdays Camp Curry sign, Curry Village — 7 p.m.
Christian Gathering Chapel — 7:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, MAY 14:

Mass Chapel — 8 p.m.
Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.

SATURDAY, MAY 15:

Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 5:30 p.m.
Worship Service Wawona School — 6:30 p.m.

ARMED FORCES DAY

SUNDAY, MAY 16:

Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 9 & 11 a.m.
Worship Service Chapel — 9:30 a.m.
Southern Baptist Service Chapel — 6:30 p.m.

MONDAY, MAY 17:

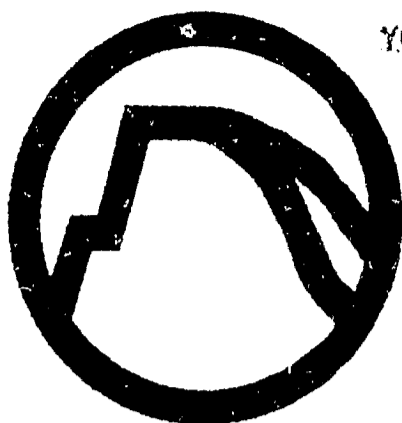
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LEADING SCORERS

NAME — TEAM	POINTS
Ralph Howe — O-Zone Mighty Maids	60
John Poe — Super Squirts +2	59
James Peggins — Clockwork Orange	50
Dan Garadella — Village Hacks	32
Mike Ehrhardt — Super Squirts +2	32

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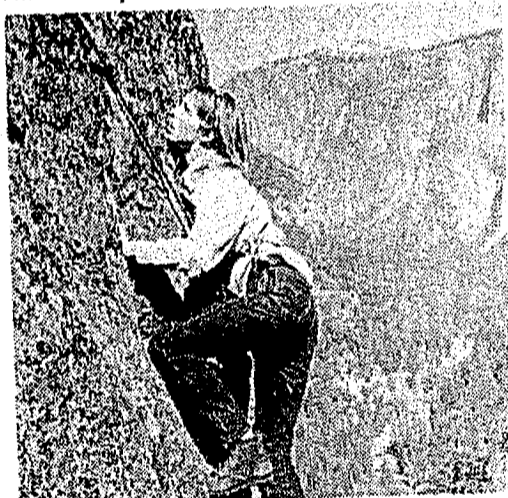
Yosemite National Park, CA.

WHAT TO DO IF YOU'RE NEW

For the many new employees that we have each summer, it's often hard to know what there is to do on your days or evenings off. Possibly this list can help you to know a little bit more about the Park you are working in.

SERVICES

• **VALLEY TOURS** — Becoming an employee of the Yosemite Park and Curry Co. entitles you to take the two-hour Valley tour for free. This is an excellent opportunity for a new employee to become familiar with the Park. A brief study of both the natural and human history of Yosemite are discussed, as well as descriptions and background on all the scenic wonders of the Valley. This tour serves as an introduction to the Park, and can help to stimulate interest in the various aspects of a national park.



• **MOUNTAINEERING SCHOOL** — Rock climbing is one of the most popular sports among employees and visitors. But, since the climbs in Yosemite generally start on a more advanced level than in other areas, it's a good idea to get a little training before you attempt it on your own. The Yosemite Mountaineering School is the top rated school in the country, and was founded by Wayne Merry, one of the original party to make the first ascent of El Capitan back in 1957. The teachers are selected from among the best rock climbers in the country and can teach you every aspect of safe rock climbing. YPCCo. employees receive half rate on classes.

• **SADDLE TRIPS** — The Yosemite Park and Curry Co. operates stables in Yosemite Valley, Wawona, Tuolumne Meadows and White Wolf. All rides from the stables must be guided; horses may not be taken out on your own. The stables offer two-hour rides at \$3.50 to employees, and half-day rides for \$5. The full-day rides that go to the top of Yosemite Falls, Glacier Point, or Half Dome via Vernal and Nevada Falls leave from the Valley stables and cost \$8 per employee. From Wawona this same ride goes to the Mariposa Grove of Giant Sequoias.

WALKS, TALKS AND CLASSES

• **CAMERA WALKS** — Visitors regard Dana Morgenson as somewhat of a celebrity, and his Camera Walks have become famous. The reason? Mr. Morgenson has lived here for over 30 years and entralls everyone with his talks and walks.

Normally, Camera Walks are Wednesday through Sunday at 9:15 a.m., going on such trips as the Old Big Oak Flat Road and the Illilouette Ridge from Glacier Point. Later this year, Sunrise Camera Walks will be added to his schedule. Going on one of the Camera Walks makes a great introduction to Yosemite, and even "old-timers" learn a thing or two. Be sure to check the Yosemite Guide for exact times and locations for the Camera Walks.

• **RANGER/NATURALIST WALKS & TALKS** — The Ranger/Naturalist walks are not just for the Park visitor. Actually these walks are an excellent way to get a better in-depth view of your Park — the geology; insect, plant and animal life; ecology; NPS park management philosophies; history of Yosemite; and survival. With this comprehensive information you'll have a better understanding of the place that you live, and possibly be able to make a Park visitor's experience more meaningful.

• **NATURAL HISTORY SEMINARS** — Garrett De Bell, YP&C Co. Environmental Specialist, will be leading some one- and perhaps two-day field trips this summer; as these are finalized, they will be announced in the Sentinel. Anyone who took Garrett's Natural History Course this spring can tell you he makes learning very easy and very fun.



• **INDIAN VILLAGE** — Have you visited the Indian Village in the Wildflower Garden behind the Visitor Center? The structures of the Miwoks and some dioramas are enhanced by the basket-weaving of Julia Parker. A complete Indian Village has been set up, from roundhouse and sweathouse to umachas and chuckahs. Currently undergoing remodeling and expected to open for the summer is the Indian Cultural Exhibit, located downstairs in the Valley District Building. The exhibit displays many of the artifacts of the Miwoks, including baskets and arrowheads.

SPORTS

Besides the organized sports that are sponsored by the Employee Recreation Department, here are a few other you might try:

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• RIVER RAFTING AND FLOATING

— Nothing could be nicer on a hot summer afternoon than floating down the Merced River in a raft or on an air mattress. For most of the way, the trip is a gentle, slow one, offering plenty of opportunity for studying plant and fish life in the river. But watch out for those rough areas! Be sure that you have a knowledge of the river and its quirks, as well as a fair knowledge of swimming before you attempt this.

• FISHING — The Merced River in the Valley and the Tuolumne River in the High Country offer fine trout fishing. German browns and rainbows are the most common in the Valley, while the brook trout are most prevalent in the higher elevations. Flies are suggested for early and late in the season. During the summer, some suggest the use of worms, eggs or grubs. Licenses are required and may be obtained at the Village Sport Shop, near the Village Store.

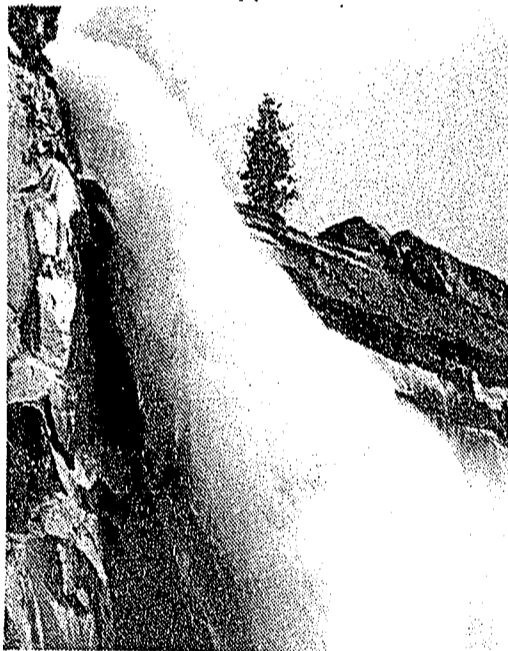
HIKES

• OLD BIG OAK FLAT ROAD — Though this hike is four-miles long from beginning to end, none of it is too strenuous for the beginning hiker and the views offered can be breathtaking. And, as with all the other hikes, only portions of the hike need be done at a time. This little-used trail begins at the parking area at the base of El Capitan, just before the El Cap Bridge turnoff. The chained-off road is the beginning of the trail, and was one of the two original stagecoach roads built into Yosemite Valley in 1857. The path that you follow is almost exactly that

which the first stages took to bring early visitors to Yosemite. Many spectacular views are to be seen along this trail, with Rainbow Viewpoint being one of the best.

• 4-MILE TRAIL — This trail to Glacier Point was originally built by James McCauley, an early Yosemite innkeeper, in 1871. The fee for hiking the trail even after the turn of the century was a steep 50¢ per person. This is an enjoyable hike that gains altitude gradually, beginning in an open area just west of Sentinel Rock and circling around and up to Glacier Point. Many dramatic views of El Capitan and Yosemite Falls are seen along the way, with the biggest reward of the hike being the view down into the Valley from Glacier Point.

• YOSEMITE FALLS TRAIL — For the hardier hiker, nothing can beat the view from the top of Yosemite Falls as you watch the seemingly quiet and deceptively small Yosemite Creek send its waters rushing over the edge and 2,425 feet down to the Valley floor. But the hike to the top is a steep one with many switchbacks and little shade near the top. For those not yet ready for the full hike, Columbia Point (a little less than half way up) offers a pleasant view down into the Valley and across to Half Dome. And just around the bend you can walk very near to the base of the upper falls.

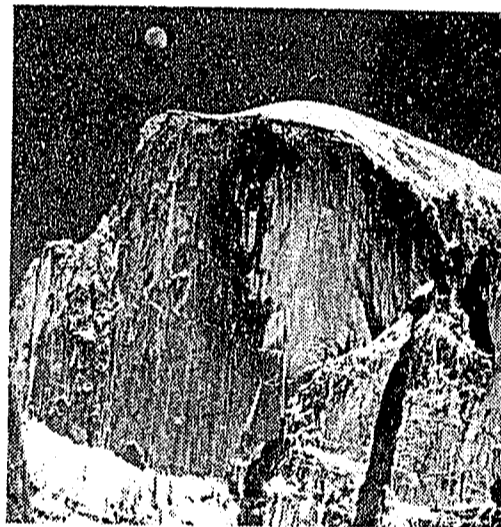


• HALF DOME VIA VERNAL AND NEVADA FALLS — Another ambitious, but rewarding hike begins at Happy Isles and takes you up the well-used trails to Vernal and Nevada Falls. Continuing on past these falls and beyond the turnoff to Little Yosemite, the trail takes you around behind Half Dome and around to the top of Quarter Dome. From here it's just a short, exciting climb up the cables to the top of the great dome. However, this final ascent should not be attempted during stormy weather, or prior to the time that the rangers put up the posts and the steps along the cables for reasons of personal safety.

MISCELLANEOUS

• ASTRONOMY — A nice way to enjoy an evening in Yosemite is to study the stars. Very few places offer clarity of view of some of the far off planets and constellations. Books are available on the subject at the library, and, from time to time, the Park Service sponsors an astronomy walk to introduce you to the wonders of star gazing in Yosemite.

• MOONLIGHT VALLEY TOURS — A full-moon night in Yosemite is different from most places you will ever be. The ethereal light makes the cliffs take on an almost two-dimensional effect and seems to cause the movement of the falls to stand still. On these special nights, YTS offers a different kind of Valley tour, complete with blankets. During the summer months, the tour stops at Yosemite Falls for a walk to the base of the lower fall. There, you are introduced to the spectacle of the moon bow — a white arc of light that bows in the mist of the crashing waters. The tour is \$4 to employees with privilege cards.



To Everyone

Chief Law Enforcement Officer Lee Shackelton wishes to relay the appreciation of his entire investigative staff for the outstanding community cooperation extended to the Park Rangers by dozens of YP&C Co. employees following the tragic homicide of Barbara Lynn Bentley.

While all of the details of this case cannot be revealed at this time, it must be said that the success of the investigation and the arrest of the suspect were largely the result of the outpouring of good information from the employee group. It is indeed gratifying to see the united force of this community when a crime is committed that offends us all. It is quite apparent that it makes little difference whether employees are hired for 10 days or 10 years; we are all committed to making Yosemite a safe place to work and live.

Your fine display of citizen responsibility and concern are to highly commended.

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Articles must be submitted to the Sentinel office at least 14 days prior to publication date. Short articles and ads will be taken up until 4 days prior to publication date, space and time permitting.

A NICKEL A CAN (OR BOTTLE)

Beginning on May 17, all soft drink and beer containers sold in Yosemite National Park, either over the counter or from vending machines, will carry a 5¢ deposit.

The Yosemite Park and Curry Co. is operating the pilot project in cooperation with the Environmental Protection Agency to help the EPA gain information on the effectiveness of a deposit system which may eventually be used at all Federal installations. The Curry Co. initially endorsed proposed EPA guidelines last year. When the guidelines were not finalized, our company offered to volunteer its services to run an experimental program here in Yosemite. The program starts on Monday.

The purpose of the program is to have less litter produced and more items recycled, thusly conserving energy. Each year the National Park Service has spent large sums of money removing beverage containers from the bed of the Merced River, and the Lions Club and other organizations have staged river clean-ups annually. Hopefully the need for such measures will decrease this year.

Containers with the special identifying mark may be redeemed for 5¢ each at the following locations:

YP&C Co. Recycling Center
 Degnan's Gift Shop
 Degnan's Deli
 Yosemite Lodge Apparel Shop
 Yosemite Lodge Service Station
 Employee Rec. Hall (Annex)
 Curry Village Gift Shop
 Curry Village Bike Stand
 Valley Stables
 Housekeeping Camp Store
 Crane Flat Store
 White Wolf
 Tuolumne Meadows Store
 Chinquapin Service Stations
 Wawona Service Station
 Wawona Store
 Wawona Golf Shop
 Big Trees Gift Shop

All non-redeemed deposits will be used to help cover the expenses of the project. Should there be any leftover monies, they will be used to help fund environmental programs in Yosemite. If you have any questions or suggestions for improving the program, please direct them to either Art Goertzen (ext. 253) or, if environmental in nature, to Garrett De Bell (ext. 479). Also, an EPA staff person will be in the Park next week to meet with interested employees and explain the program.

Tosado Feed

The Yosemite Women's Group is sponsoring a Tostada Feed this Saturday, May 15, with proceeds going to benefit the Hobby family of Mariposa.

The Hobby's home recently burned to the ground, and the \$50,000 loss was only partially insured. "Coach" Hobby is a teacher at Mariposa High School, and he, his wife, and their five children reside in the Mariposa area.

The Tostada Feed will begin approximately at 5 p.m. (after the track meet at the Elementary School is finished), and the community is invited. The price is \$1.25 for children, \$2.00 for adults.

If you would like to donate food or help, please call Clarissa Garza at 372-4548 or Gail Thompsen at 372-4518.

RECYCLING WEEK AT YOSEMITE SCHOOL

Monday, May 17, to Friday, May 21

A Recycling Center will be set up at the Yosemite School and all the students will be encouraged to participate in getting their homes to recycle all possible materials and have them brought to the school.

The Yosemite Park and Curry Co. Recycling crew will remove the recycled materials each day for storage and shipping, and the money from selling the recycled materials will be given to the school to help with its educational programs.

Parents with children in school are asked to help cooperate with this program by recycling material in their homes to encourage the students to recycle and teach them the value of recycling.

All materials listed below may be taken to the school for recycling during the week of this program.

Aluminum, bi-metal, tin cans; aluminum foil; disposable pie plates; glass; newspapers; and corrugated and flat cardboard.

The next time you see a can or bottle lying around, pick it up. It may be worth a nickel. Even if it's not, recycle it anyway, and do your bit to make Yosemite a clean, healthy place to live and work, or visit.

Hwy. 140 To Open

The construction work that was being done on Highway 140 between Yosemite Valley and El Portal will be completed on May 14th at 5 p.m. At that time the road will be open on a permanent basis to all residents and visitors.

Work on the \$5+ million sewer line construction project was begun in early May of last year and stopped for the summer season. Work on the project was restarted in the Fall and continued, excepting holiday periods, until today.

The project was begun by the National Park Service to remove sewage from Yosemite Valley to a treatment plant in El Portal.

With the completion of the road project the Main Post Office will resume its mail closure of 3:30 p.m. Monday through Fridays, noon on Saturdays, no service on Sunday or holidays. Check schedules posted at other offices for their closing time. Effective date is May 17, 1976.

TO AVOID LINES, MAIL EARLY AND OFTEN DURING THE DAY.

El Portal Community Association Potluck

The El Portal Garden Club will hold their May meeting on WEDNESDAY, MAY 26 (note day change). The potluck meeting will be at the Parkling swimming pool patio at noon. The drawing for the afghan will take place at this time.

Reminder to Garden Club members: The person selling the most tickets for the afghan will win a prize of \$5.

SAVE BY GIVING

THE YOSEMITE BLOOD BANK, sponsored by the local Lions Club, will be in the East Auditorium from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Wednesday, May 26. Pledge cards have been included in the YP&C Co. checks of May 14, and we urge you to give if you can. National Park Service Employees will be contacted by their supervisors. This credit is transferable to from the Yosemite Medical Group Clinic to anywhere in the U.S.A. ... truly a case where it is "better to give than to receive".

Refreshments will be furnished after your appointment. Should there be any questions, please contact the Postmaster or Assistant Postmaster at the Main Office in the new Village.

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May 24 — STRAW DOGS
 Dustin Hoffman, Susan George. Director Sam Peckinpah explores his favorite themes: Manhood requires rites of violence; home, and hearth are inviolate and must be defended by blood; and man must conquer other men to prove his courage. *Time Magazine* says: "A brilliant feat of movie-making. Hoffman is superb." (R)

Theatre Workshop Forming

How would you like to have your inner talents excited and brought out and learn new ways of expressing yourself? A new Theatre Workshop will be beginning on Monday, May 24 at 7 p.m.

In this Theatre Workshop, we will be teaching modern dance, improvisational theatre, mime, and juggling. Skills learned in this Workshop will be utilized in a summer production of the new show, "Instant Insanity", created by Spot Finch.

Anybody wanting further information should contact Spot Finch through Tecoya D-4 or contact Employee Recreation.

Basketball Results

WEDNESDAY, MAY 5, 1976

O-Zone Mighty Maids 40 — Clockwork Orange 31
 Led by the league's leading scorer, Ralph Howe, the Maids upset the previously unbeaten Orange. Howe scored 30 points despite defensive pressure from James Peggins. Randy Reader scored 16 points for the losers to keep them in the game. James Peggins was held to a season low of 9 points, 13 below his season average.

Super Squirts +2 40 — Lodge Louts 26
 In a game that featured a brilliant offensive and defensive battle between John Poe and Ken Whaley, the Squirts defeated the Lodge. Poe and Ron Skelton combined for 33 points to lead the winners. The Lodge's Ken Whaley led all scorers with 22 points, hitting all but four of his team's 26 points.

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Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
 Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.

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 TOPS Meeting El Portal School — 7 p.m.
 Outreach Yosemite Medical Group Dining Room — 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 19:

Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
 Women's Club Breakfast The Ahwahnee — 8:30 a.m.
 Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
 Basketball Yosemite Elementary School Gym — 6 p.m.
 Volleyball Visitor Center — 9 p.m.

THURSDAY, MAY 20:

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 Worship Service Wawona School — 6:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, MAY 23:

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 Worship Service Chapel — 9:30 a.m.
 Southern Baptist Service Chapel — 6:30 p.m.

MONDAY, MAY 24:

El Portal Community Association Potluck Community Hall — 5:30 p.m.
 Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
 Theatre Workshop Employee Training Room — 7 p.m.
 MOVIE "Straw Dogs" Visitor Center — 8 p.m.

General Office Sloths 40 — Village Hacks 36

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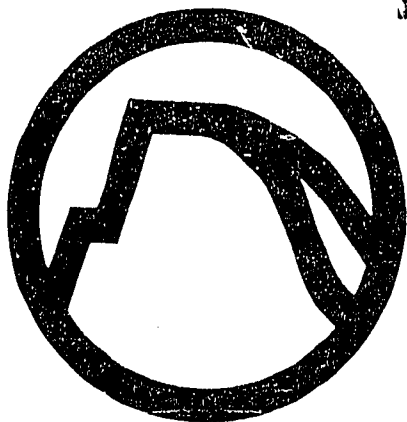
FOR SALE

1975, 750 BMW with frame-mounted fairing and rack. Excellent condition. \$2,600. Phone 379-2316.

Mobile home for sale. 1972, 12' x 52' with expando living room. Two bedroom, fireplace. Space A-26. Call Doug or Karen at 379-2659.

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New Community Members

Debbie Benton — Maintenance Secretary — a former San Diego resident, Debbie worked in the new accounts department for Allstate Insurance and attended Palomar College in San Marcos where she studied Business prior to coming to Yosemite. She enjoys horseback riding, water skiing, and snow skiing.

Mary Ann Clark — Retail Secretary — a native of Sheridan, Wyoming, Mary Ann was a medical transcriber in Porterville and Fresno for the past ten years. Her hobbies include sewing and horseback riding.

Erin Connell — Payroll Clerk — served as manager of a health food store in New Mexico and did public relations for Whittier College. Erin attended the University of New Mexico and colleges in Colorado and Hawaii before graduating with a degree in Fine Arts from the University of California at Santa Barbara. Her main interests center around the arts — painting and ceramics — but she also enjoys downhill skiing, swimming, and traveling.

Linda Cyphers — Secretary, Executive Office — came from Sacramento where she worked as a secretary for the Mission Oaks Recreation and Park District, and for Title Insurance and Trust Company. Linda attended Heald Business College in Santa Clara, and enjoys hiking, sewing, and backpacking.

Dianna Wessner — Office Clerk, Statistics — prior to coming to Yosemite, Dianna worked for Manufacturers Bank in Beverly Hills in the credit department. She attended classes at Pierce College in the San Fernando Valley, as well as the College of the Canyon in Valencia where she took classes in National Parks. Dianna is a painter and enjoys most outdoor sports.

SLUSSER PROMOTION



We are pleased to announce that Dan Slusser, Vice President of Administration for the Yosemite Park and Curry Co., has been appointed Vice President of MCA, Inc. Recreation Services.

As most of you know, Dan joined the Yosemite Park and Curry Co. in June of 1974, which was at a very critical period of our development. We were faced with the massive and immediate task of reorganizing the Company in a very short period of time. A strong foundation had to be built from which we could grow and simultaneously provide optimum service to the public and to our employees, and continue to work in conjunctive harmony with the National Park Service.

The task required not only a person with a broad knowledge of business practice, but equally important, one with the highest degree of personal integrity, dedication to purpose, and deep concern and understanding for his fellow man.

There is little argument that Dan Slusser more than amply demonstrated these qualities. We are fortunate that the

example he set will remain with us and hopefully will become our most valuable "service tool".

In his new capacity, Mr. Slusser will have overall responsibility for Industrial Relations and Personnel functions in the Recreation Services, Division of MCA, Inc., which includes Universal Studio Tour and Amphitheatre, Landmark Tours, and the Yosemite Park and Curry Co.

While Dan will be moving to MCA Recreation Services Headquarters in Universal City, he will continue as an officer, member of the Board of Directors and Vice President of the Yosemite Park and Curry Co. and will continue to play a key administrative role for the Company.

It is anticipated that Dan, his wife Grace, and four daughters will be leaving Yosemite in the late summer. I know each of you will join me in congratulating Mr. Slusser on his recent promotion.

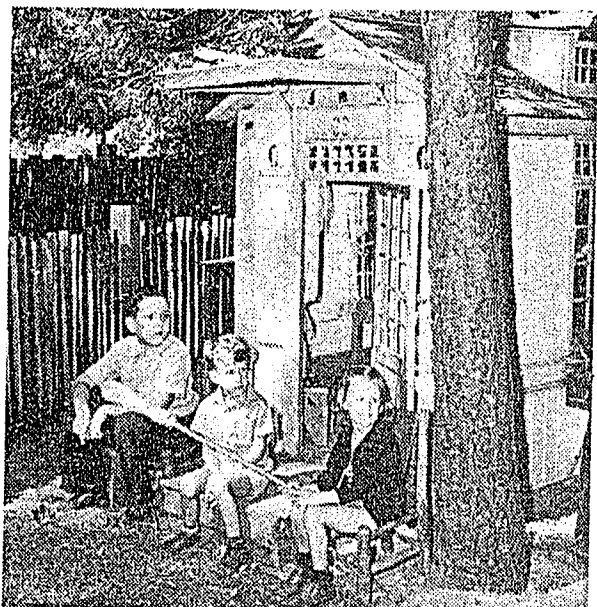
Edward C. Hardy
Chief Operating Officer

Watch For
**OUTREACH
FUND-RAISING
DANCE**

FRIDAY, JUNE 11
East Auditorium

**THE DAY BEFORE YESTERDAY
AT CAMP CURRY
Part III**

by Shirley Sargent



Next to the electric train, the playhouse was the biggest attraction to the children. [Nell Lane Miller Collection.]

After Camp Curry closed for the winter in 1914, Em Rogers, the zestful adventurer from Australia, took a job as governess to a wealthy family and traveled as far away as Mackinac Island, Michigan. From there she wrote a friend that autumn made her homesick for "dear, old Yosemite." Later she spent time in Redlands and Los Angeles, usually caring for other people's children while longing for some of her own. In 1918, Em fell in love with Charles A. Lane, a Chief Petty Officer stationed in San Pedro and they married that December. After his release from the Navy, they moved to Berkeley where their first child, daughter Nell, was born. At 36, Em was feeling so well and was so eager for the birth, she walked to the

hospital, delighted, she said, to feel labor pains. Two years later David Rogers Lane, whose name remembered David A. Curry and Emily's maiden name, was born. Em cherished her family but was left as sole parent in 1924 when her husband died. After an interlude with relatives in Australia, she returned to California and appealed to Jennie Curry, with whom she kept in close touch, for a job in Yosemite.

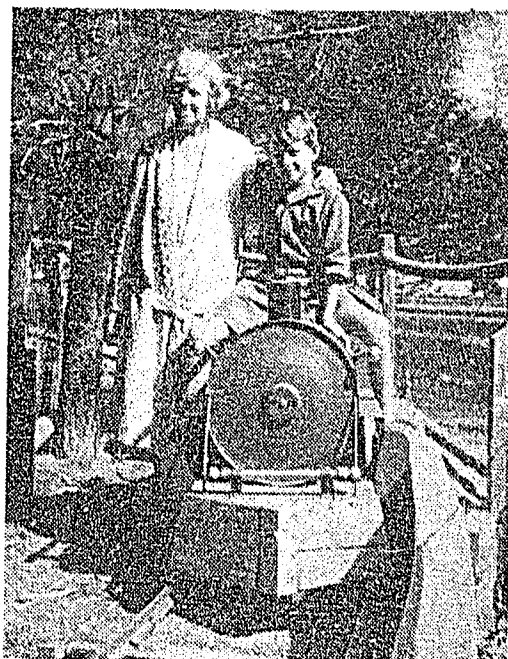
Mother Curry, a widow herself since 1917, knew just the right job for warm-hearted and capable Em Lane. She was hired to run the Kiddie Kamp, a still existent child care center established at Camp Curry in 1921 to allow guests free time for hiking or sight-seeing. By 1928, when Em took over, the circular, fenced area was equipped with swings, slides, sandpiles, and an electric train on which ecstatic children could ride. Nell and Roger Lane were soon trained to shut off the circuit breaker to the third rail as "passengers" had to step over it. Sometimes children stayed all day, so Mrs. Lane escorted them to the cafeteria for lunch between the morning and afternoon sessions.

As the Kiddie Kamp had no sanitary facilities, and Em had no help so she could escort youngsters to the nearest restroom, a large chamber pot was part of the equipment. Emptying it was one of Mrs. Lane's regular chores. Her salary was about \$20 a week, plus meals in the cafeteria and a private tent for herself and her children. Supervising from ten to a hundred children all day took energy, compassion, skills and patience. Em possessed all these qualities plus affection for children which they returned. "I adored Mrs. Lane," says ex-Kamper Marjorie Williams Woods, a granddaughter of Mother Curry's, "Kiddie

Kamp was just great when she was there." Although the playground existed for the convenience of Camp and Ahwahnee guests, it was patronized by local children as well. Among Em's daily charges were Marjorie and Bob Williams, Jr., Rosemary and Stuart Cross, cousins of Mrs. Curry's and children of Curry Company officials. Fun, games, stories, a playhouse, and the train were their daily routine. A hammock was strung between pine trees for Mrs. Lane, but she rarely had time to swing in it.

Instead of going to bed early as she must have longed to, Em worked from 8:30 to 11:30 as hat checker at the nightly dances because she needed the tips. "A saucer containing a few coins was placed as a hint that it was not a pre-paid service" daughter Nell recalls. "Sometimes, after my work in the dining room was over, I would take Em out on the dance floor, and soon found out why her Australian friends had called her 'fairy-foot' in her youth. She was a good dancer and we both loved dancing when there wasn't a madhouse crowd on the floor." Finally, as it neared midnight, Em ended her fifteen hour day.

As soon as Nell and Rog were teenagers, they began earning money, Nell as a waitress and Rog as a porter. Like their mother, and most of Camp Curry's employees, they possessed a love of Yosemite and developed a loyalty to Mother Curry, a sense of responsibility and duty that was inspired by their gentle boss and carried over to Mary and Don Tresidder. Compensation was in being part of a family who cared and helped in times of need. Christmas bonuses were only one of the ways the managers showed their appreciation, and summers were the best time of the year for the Lanes.



Em Lane and a train "engineer" at the Kiddie Kamp, [Nell Lane Miller Collection.]

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Letter To The Editor

On behalf of the East Bay Area Council of American Field Service, I would like to thank you and the Yosemite Park and Curry Co. for all that you did to help make the East Bay Area AFS Yosemite Weekend such a success.

When we praised Chairman Marti Edeal for the splendid organization of the weekend, including the pot-luck dinner, she was quick to point out that the help she got from Dan Slusser was instrumental in the smoothness of the weekend.

Yosemite families hosted 22 students from all over the world that weekend, and the tears on the bus as we departed on Sunday attest to the success of the experience. Each year the students say that the highlight of their exciting year in

America is the Yosemite trip. This year is no exception.

Enclosed please find a card for you from all the students. One story you might enjoy — the students through the year become quite familiar with pot-luck dinners. As Beth Calich of Brazil started down the well-laden table at the Women's Group pot-luck, she examined the packet of cutlery donated by your company. Her comment as she looked at it was, "Boy, this is the best organized pot-luck I've ever seen." Our thanks to you for that efficiency and for the interest and generosity behind it.

Harriett Burt, District Representative
East Bay Chairman
1976 AFS Yosemite Weekend

Refund System For Soft Drink and Beer Containers

This article is intended to provide information to those who live and work in Yosemite on the new program of refunds for soft drink and beer containers. If you have questions call Garrett De Bell at 372-4611 Ext. 479 or Art Goertzen at 372-4611 Ext. 253.

- The refund of 5¢ will apply to beer and soft drinks sold by the can or bottle at stores or vending machines in the Park.
- Refunds are available at stores and shops in Yosemite and at the recycling center near the Village Store.
- The program is an experimental one in cooperation with the Environmental Protection Agency, the Yosemite Park and Curry Co., and has the endorsement of the National Park Service.
- The purpose of the test is to see how the refund system increases the willingness of people to return containers for refilling or recycling.
- The EPA is monitoring the results to see what proportion of cans and bottles are returned.
- The goal is to reduce litter in Yosemite and to conserve the resources and energy needed to produce new containers.
- Money collected for containers that are not redeemed will be used for other environmental programs in Yosemite after covering cost of operating the program.

Job Opportunities

As of this writing, the positions listed below are now vacant and need to be filled. Appointments with the Personnel Office can be made through your unit manager or immediate supervisor. Men and women will be considered equally.

The Ahwahnee

BUSPERSONS — Must have neat appearance and pleasant manner. Hard work. \$2.30-\$3.00/hr.

Yosemite Lodge

SALAD MAKER — Desire to learn food preparation. Experience helpful. \$2.55-\$3.55/hr.

Wawona

GOLF SHOP ATTENDANT — Experienced golfer. Sales experience helpful. \$2.30-\$3.00/hr.

Bike Stands

MECHANIC/ATTENDANT — Experienced in all phases of bike maintenance and repair. \$2.55-\$3.55/hr.

Accounting

NITE AUDITOR — Experience on NCR 4200, other adding and posting machines. Neat appearance, courteous manner. \$3.00-\$4.20/hr.

- All refund containers will be marked on the bottom with a distinctive stamp indicating the 5¢ deposit. Only marked containers will get the refund.

Let's all get behind the program to reduce litter and conserve resources.



REViNg Around

by John Davis

It is still easy for me to remember the first time I ever felt old. I was 17. It was the night of our high school graduation and I had a small part in the opening exercises, which meant I had a seat on the stage of the city auditorium for the evening. As my classmates came forward and walked across the stage one at a time to receive their diplomas, much of my life was parading in front of me. The realization dawned that whether I was 17 or 100, from now on I would be too old to relive my childhood with these friends.

I have returned to Beaumont, Texas, many times since that night. And what I expected that night has proved true: There is no way to repeat the past, to become a child again. The great majority of that class of graduates I have not seen since graduation. Maybe that is something of what the novelist meant in giving the title **You Can't Go Home Again**.

Good news! While you can't turn the clock back and repeat the unrepeatable, you still can go home again. I mean you can return to those people who love you, who accept you for yourself — people before whom you do not have to prove a thing. They love you...and for such a beautiful reason: they have identified with you and anything that touches you touches them.

Home is not so much a physical place as it is the comforting, sustaining, and renewing environment of total acceptance by another. We all need to be "at home" all the time, wherever we are. If not, we begin to fracture.

I join you in gratitude for those persons, but mostly for that special Person who makes life both livable and joyous by His identification with us. Wouldn't it be something (WOW!) if each of us were equipped and able to give this kind of total acceptance to all others!

Don't Miss ...
El Portal Community Association Potluck
Monday, May 24
Community Hall — 5:30 p.m.

—
Garden Club Potluck
Wednesday, May 26
Parkline Pool — 5:30 p.m.

Bring a Dish

Yosemite Recreation

MOVIES

MAY 24 — STRAW DOGS

Manhood requires rites of violence; home and hearth are inviolate and must be defended by blood; and man must conquer other men to prove his courage and hold his woman. Dustin Hoffman and Susan George are put through this very situation; as both display acts of violence and courage, they also experience the conquest of human emotion. (R)

MAY 31 — SAVE THE TIGER

Jack Lemmon portrays a bewildered middle-aged dress manufacturer who is juggling books, scheming to commit arson for the insurance money, and using other devious methods to procure the almighty dollar. The blind terror he feels as his world collapses around him is a reflection of the malaise spawned by apathy, cynicism, and moral evasions of our Watergate Era. (R)

EMPLOYEE SPORTS

BASEBALL

This is to serve as a reminder for all those people interested in the men's and women's summer baseball leagues. All **completed** rosters (no players may be added after rosters are turned in) must be turned in to the Employee Recreation Office no later than 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 26. On Thursday, May 27, there will be a meeting in the Recreation Office for all team captains at 7 p.m. Each team must be made up of players that live or work in the same unit. Don't miss the fun. Sign up to ... play ball!

Basketball Results

WEDNESDAY, MAY 12

Super Squirts +2 over Clockwork Orange

In a game featuring the league's only undefeated teams, the Super Squirts +2 unended the Clockwork Orange by a score of 40-28. The Squirts got off to an early start behind the shooting of John Poe and Mike Ehrhardt to take a 20-12 half-time lead. James Peggins kept his team in the game, scoring 20 points, mostly from long range. Poe led all scorers with 21 points.

General Office Sloths upset the Lodge Louts

Displaying a potent offense and a tenacious defense, the G.O. Sloths trounced the Lodge Louts 40-24. John Chesarek scored 16 points for the

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

FRIDAY, MAY 21:
 Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
 Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.

SATURDAY, MAY 22:
 Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 5:30 p.m.
 Worship Service Wawona School — 6:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, MAY 23:
 Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 9 & 11 a.m.
 Worship Service Chapel — 9:30 a.m.
 Southern Baptist Service Chapel — 6:30 p.m.

MONDAY, MAY 24:
 El Portal Comm. Assoc. Meeting/Potluck Community Hall — 5:30 p.m.
 Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
 MOVIE "Straw Dogs" Visitor Center — 8 p.m.

TUESDAY, MAY 25:
 Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
 Mental Health Clinic Yosemite Medical Group — 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
 Women's Club Picnic & Historical Tour Post Office — 10:30 a.m.
 TOPS Meeting El Portal School — 7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 26:
 Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
 Garden Club Potluck Parkline Pool — 5:30 p.m.
 Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
 Basketball Yosemite Elementary School Gym — 6 p.m.
 Barber Shop Bible Study Barber Shop — 7:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, MAY 27:
 Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
 Christian Gathering Chapel — 7:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, MAY 28:
 Mass Chapel — 8 a.m.
 Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.

SATURDAY, MAY 29:
 Mass Visitor Center, W. Aud. — 5:30 p.m.
 Worship Service Wawona School — 6:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, MAY 30:
 New schedule of religious services in effect. See Yosemite Guide or bulletin boards for exact time and locations.

MONDAY, MAY 31:

	MEMORIAL DAY
Baseball	Elementary School Field — 5:30 p.m.
Yoga	Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
MOVIE "Save the Tiger"	Visitor Center — 8 p.m.

Due to space limitations, the Community Calendar will list only community type events. Please check the Yosemite Guide for schedules of other activities.

winners, as teammates Jack Hicks and Steve Hosler scored 14 and 10 points, respectively. The Lodge, who couldn't seem to find the range, was led by Tracy Helms, who scored 14 points.

O-Zone defeats Trouble Shooters

In the night's only other scheduled game, the Mighty Maids took a forfeit victory from the Trouble Shooters.

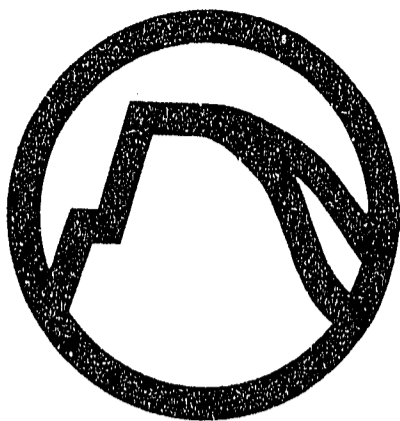
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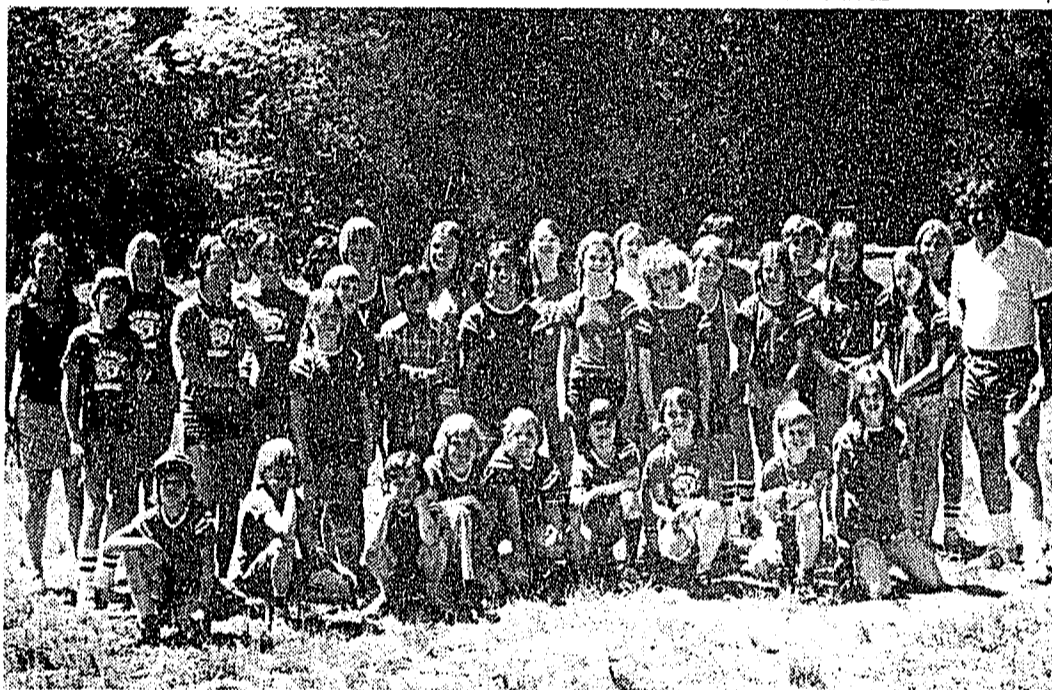


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LIONS CLUB TRACK MEET



The Yosemite Lions Club sponsored their Ninth Annual Track Meet Saturday, May 15, 1976, on the grounds of the Yosemite Elementary School. Participants from six schools took part in the meet, which included Yosemite, El Portal, Mariposa, Woodland, Wasuma, and Coulterville-Greeley Hill.

In the team standings, Mariposa and Wasuma, the two large schools in the meet, finished 1st and 2nd with 276 and 212.5 points, respectively. The Yosemite Badgers, with a greatly improved team performance, finished third with 135.5 points. In an earlier meet at Mariposa against the same competition, the Badgers managed only 56 points for a fourth place finish. Following Yosemite were Woodland with 130.5 points, El Portal with 73.5 points, and Coulterville-Greeley Hill with 49 points.

In high-point individual standings, honors went to:

Class "A" Boy — Chad Stanley, Wasuma
 Class "A" Girl — Melanie Rodrigues, Mariposa
 Class "B" Boy — Jim Woods, Greeley Hill
 Class "B" Girl — Tammy James, Mariposa

Class "C" Boy — TIE — Mark Lind, Mariposa—Joe Florida, Woodland
 Class "C" Girl —TIE— Sharon Wyly, Yosemite—Mary Florida, Woodland

Sharon Wyly from Yosemite was the only individual winner for the Badgers. Jim Beck, Class B Boy, and Michaela Pitts, Class A Girl, were in the running in their divisions but did not have enough points to catch the leaders. Coach Tony Caputo was pleased with the performance of the team, who gave it their best shot. "They gave it 100%, and that's all you can ask of any athlete," he stated.

The third running of the John Muir Marathon at Saturday's meet brought good showings from the smaller schools. Winners in the 1¼ mile race were: Class "A" Boy — David Alstrom, Mariposa; Class "A" Girl — Michaela Pitts, Yosemite; Class "B" Boy — Billy Florida, Woodland; Class "B" Girl — Barbara Riggs, Wasuma; Class "C" Boy — Joe Florida, Woodland; and Class "C" Girl — Heidi Domingues, El Portal.

Classes were determined by age, Class "A" consisting of students 13 and 14; Class "B", those 11 and 12; and age 10 and under were in Class "C".

New Director of Administration Named



On May 3, 1976, we welcomed to the Park Mr. Donald Quigley, who will assume the position of Director of Administration, reporting directly to Mr. Edward Hardy, Chief Operating Officer.

Mr. Quigley will be responsible for those Company activities currently handled by Mr. Dan Slusser, who will be leaving the Park to assume staff responsibilities at Corporate headquarters in Los Angeles.

The activities for which Mr. Quigley will be responsible include Personnel and Employee Relations; Security; Employee Housing, Recreation, and Benefits.

Mr. Quigley's background reflects extensive and broad experience at both the line and staff level in all phases of Personnel and Employee Relations. His most recent position was that of Vice-President, Industrial Relations, at 20th Century Fox Film Corporation.

Don is married and has four grown children, two of whom will be spending the summer in the Park with his wife Laura and him.

We welcome the addition of Don, Laura, and their family to our community, and look forward to a long and pleasant relationship.

Swim Lesson Time Again!

The Red Cross Swim Program will again be conducted this summer at the Lodge Pool, June 14 to 22, Monday through Friday. On Monday, June 14, class time will be from 1 to 4 p.m.; all other days, classes meet from 8:45 to 11:30 a.m.

Registration will be for those who are entering Kindergarten this fall through Swimmer's classes. Classes for Life Saving or Advance Swimmer are being considered. Call Jan Haag, 379-2384, on Tuesday or Wednesday, June 1 or 2, to register.

The program will be conducted by the following rules:

- No one who has registered for the program will be permitted in the pool area until their name is called for class.
- All who are enrolled in the program will leave the pool area when class is over and not reenter the pool area until all lessons are over at 11:30 a.m.
- We ask that parents of children who are enrolled in the program remain outside the pool area until all classes are over at 11:30.

Anyone interested in helping with the program, please call Jan Haag.

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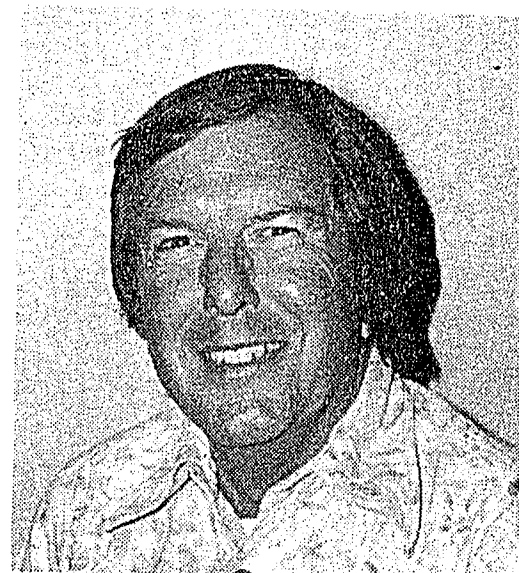
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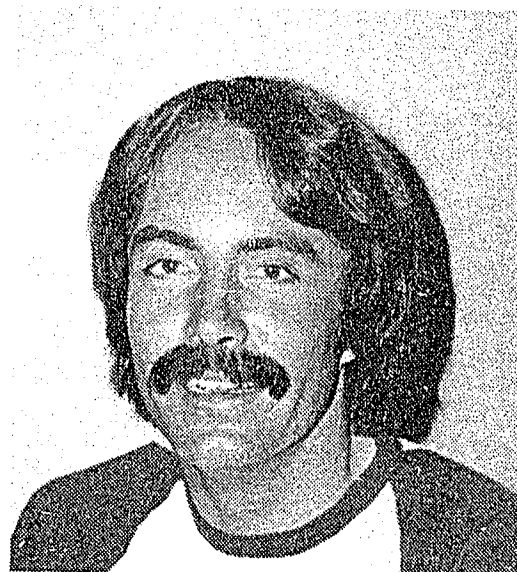
KEN ASHBURNER attended Fresno State College where he graduated with a degree in Commercial Recreation. Since joining the Yosemite Park and Curry Co. in September of 1973, Ken has served as Rec. Leader in charge of the operations of Yosemite Sam's, Recreation Manager, Bike Stands Manager, and Rental Shop Manager at Badger Pass. Mr. Ashburner's most recent assignment is to Manage the Loft Restaurant for the 1976 summer season.



GORDON LIENHARD first came to Yosemite in 1971 from Encinitas, Ca. where he had been the manager of retail and production for Surfboards Hawaii, and been owner of four different service stations. Since arriving here, Gordon has worked as a Service Station Lubeman, Service Station Asst. Manager, Lift Supervisor at Badger Pass, Service Station Supervisor, Mountain Manager at Badger Pass, Manager of Tuolumne Meadows Lodge, Asst. Manager of Badger Pass, and, most recently, Manager of Housekeeping Camp.



LUKE BRADSHAW joined the Company in May of 1965 as a Kitchen Helper. Since that time he has served as Relief Man, Buspendon, Room Clerk, Supplyman, Houseman, Chief Clerk, Relief Supervisor in Reservations, Asst. Manager of Housekeeping Camp, Cafeteria Manager, Asst. Manager of Yosemite Lodge, Food Supervisor at Badger Pass, Manager of Housekeeping Camp, and Asst. Manager of Curry Village. During a period where Mr. Bradshaw lived in the Bay Area, he managed a restaurant in San Francisco, and a restaurant/bar in Fremont. Luke attended Fresno City College where he majored in Business Administration. This summer Luke Bradshaw will be responsible for the operation of Curry Village, under the direction of Bill Germany.



BOB NUNES received a BA in Economics from Fresno State. Since joining Yosemite Park and Curry Co. in April of 1975, Bob has served as an office clerk in the Accounting Dept., Auditor, and Badger Pass Auditor, until his recent appointment as Manager of the Bike Stands.

HELP!

Mr. Abbott at the Village Store needs your help in returning shopping carts to the Village Store each time you take them home.

EPA:

The First Week

The first week of our new system of refunds of 5¢ on soft drink and beer containers went well. Observed during the first day:

- A little boy bringing three cans he collected in the grass around Degnan's in for his refund; he could barely reach the counter to hand them to the checker.
- A bigger boy, about 6', with a bag full of cans he had collected: "I don't have anything else to do while I'm waiting for some friends."
- Literally no cans or bottles on the ground around Yosemite Village; lots of people carrying cans with them until they reached one of the many redemption points (all retail outlets and the Recycling Center).
- By the end of the week, a number of people, young and not-so-young, were bringing in containers that they had collected or purchased.

The refund system was developed by Yosemite Park and Curry Co. and the Environmental Protection Agency as a pilot project to test the effectiveness of a 5¢ refund in getting a high proportion of beverage containers returned for refilling or recycling. Money collected for containers that are not redeemed will be used for other environmental programs in Yosemite after covering the cost of operating the program.

WANTED

Bike. Any speed. Contact Kathy at 372-9977, L-3.

WHAT'S COOKING

Summer is here again, and this week's recipe is cooling, easy-to-fix Strawberry Parfait — just right as an afternoon snack or as the crowning touch for dinner.

STRAWBERRY PARFAIT

- 2 3 oz. pkg. Strawberry Jello
- 2 c. Water
- 2 pt. Vanilla Ice Cream
- 1 basket Strawberries, quartered

Boil water and stir in jello until thoroughly dissolved. Stir in ice cream until completely melted, then add strawberries. Refrigerate until firm, stirring occasionally.

WHAT IS OUTREACH

Yosemite Outreach is a 24-hour counseling center which operates from mid-May through mid-September each year. The Outreach staff works to serve visitors and residents needing crisis intervention, information, and referral, as well as emergency shelter. The staff is an independent group of volunteers trained in Paraprofessional counseling methods and techniques.

Outreach was developed in the spring of 1973 under the auspices of the National Park Service as an independent liaison team to work between young Park visitors and the Park Service Rangers. It was originally envisioned to be a drug counseling center. However, the program, in its three summers of existence, has evolved into a 24-hour service, able to deal with a wide variety of emotional problems.

Last summer, Outreach provided approximately 200 hours of counseling services in the following areas: Drug and Alcohol Abuse, Rape, Suicide, Sexuality (birth control, venereal disease, unplanned pregnancy), and Relationship Problems (parents, spouse, girlfriend-boyfriend). The services were provided on a short term basis free of charge. Regular contact with Mental Health Services of Mariposa County provides case consultation and referral, if appropriate.

In past years, Yosemite Outreach has also been instrumental in providing a ride exchange, rap groups, and sponsoring a community baseball game between the National Park Service and the Yosemite Park and Curry Co. executives.

The Steering Committee is the administrative body of Outreach. It establishes, monitors, and evaluates the project, as well as hires the staff members to run the summer program. The Committee is comprised of representatives of the Yosemite Park and Curry Co., the National Park Service, Yosemite Medical Group, Mental Health Services of Mariposa County, and other interested community organizations. This group

Tostada Feed Successful

The Women's Group wishes to thank all of you who donated food and/or came to the Tostada Feed. The response was great from the community, and \$400 was raised to benefit the Hobby family. The Hobbys, who attended the Tostada Feed, recently lost their home in a fire. It is most gratifying to see the community come together to support those in unfortunate circumstances.

meets on the first and third Tuesdays of each month. The public is invited to attend these meetings.

Funds for the summer program are provided by the National Park Service, the Yosemite Park and Curry Co., and private donations.

The staff selected for this summer's Outreach program will be:

SANDRA SHEWRY — Program Coordinator — Currently doing undergraduate work at UC Santa Cruz in Psychology and Community Studies. Four years crisis counseling experience. One year working as a problem pregnancy counselor. Fourth year working with the Outreach program.

SHAWN COBB — Staff Member — Three years past experience in peer counseling, served two summers as a teacher's aide for the trainable mentally retarded. Currently enrolled at UC Santa Cruz, studying Psychology and Cultural Anthropology.

BOB COYLE — Staff Member — Receives MSW Degree from Fresno State in June; previously worked as a biochemist, earning his M.Sc. from California State University at Long Beach. Spent three years in Redding establishing and organizing a program to work with juveniles experiencing family problems. Did intake and counseling with the Fresno Mental Health Service and reality orientation therapy for the elderly at a convalescent hospital in Fresno.

To contact Outreach, just call 372-4301.

Babysitter Wanted

Babysitter in Valley (at your home), El Portal, or Wawona to care for four year old girl Monday thru Friday, 8 to 5 (approx.). To begin June 8th on permanent basis. Will consider teen-ager summer months. Contact Magistrate's Office, 372-4461 ext. 31.

Women's Group Hike

The Yosemite Women's Group will be hiking the Panorama Trail on Tuesday, June 3. All women are invited to come along for an interesting day. Meet at 8:30 a.m. at the Main Post Office in Yosemite Village. For more information, call Sally Goertzen at 372-4379.

Yosemite Recreation

MOVIES

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JUNE 7 — RACE WITH THE DEVIL

Peter Fonda, Warren Oates, Loretta "Hot Lips" Swift

Two married couples on a cross-country vacation witness a human sacrifice by a devil-worshipping cult. Trying to do the right thing, they report the incident to the local police. That begins the chase of the year. The cultists' never-ending search for the witnesses comes to a surprise ending in a small Texas town. Don't miss this one. (PG)

School Picnic to

Honor Inez Glatz

On Monday evening, June 7, at 6 p.m., students, parents, and friends of the Yosemite Elementary School will gather for the school picnic. This annual affair takes on added significance this year and an opportunity to pay tribute to Inez Glatz, first and second grade teacher. Mrs. Glatz' retirement at the end of the present school year brings to a close a forty-year teaching career. Parents will receive further details in a school bulletin. Others may make reservations with Mary Vocelka (372-4268). The community is invited to take part in the picnic and tribute.

FOR SALE

Parachute - modified 7TU-28. Complete: pack, rip cord, etc. Ideal for beginners to intermediate. \$75. Contact Chuck McBride at 372-4746.

Beautiful new Harmony guitar; picks, lesson books and case. \$75. Contact Chuck McBride at 372-4746. Will swap parachute or guitar for Women's 10-speed.

1969 Ford Falcon Sports Coupe. Factory air, automatic transmission, power steering, new radial tires. \$800 or best offer. Call 372-4226.

1970 Toyota Corona Mark II Sedan, Automatic Transmission, Radio, Heater, Air Conditioning, New Tires, 8-Track Tape Deck, Rebuilt Engine, Runs Good. \$1,200 or offer. Phone 375-6481.

Basketball Results

WEDNESDAY, MAY 19

Clockwork Orange over General Office Sloths

In the night's only game, the Orange men defeated the Sloths by a score of 40 to 29. The game featured a scoring battle between the Orange's James Peggins and John Chesarek of the General Office. Peggins scored a game high 28 points to lead his team, while Chesarek had 27 for the losers. The Orange took a 21-10 half-time lead, with Peggins and Chesarek each scoring 17 by intermission. However, the Orange pulled away in the second half, holding the Office to 10 second-half points.

In the other scheduled games, the Village Hacks and Super Squirts both picked up forfeit victories. The Hacks over the Lodge Louts, who dropped to 1-4, and the Squirts over the Trouble Shooters, who are now 0-5 for the season.

League Standings

	W	L
Super Squirts +2	6	0
Clockwork Orange	3	2
General Office Sloths	3	2
O-Zone Mighty Maids	3	2
Village Hacks	2	3
Lodge Louts	1	4
Trouble Shooters	0	5

BARBEQUE RECIPE CONTEST

The deadline is rapidly approaching for the Yosemite Barbeque Contest....and there will be three lucky winners. The contest is open to all Yosemite employees, so get those recipes turned in to the YP&C Co. Employee Housing Office. Some suggestions to get you started....foil-wrapped one-dish dinners, shish kabobs, and desserts (toasted marshmallows, anyone?). Dateline for Entry is June 11.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

FRIDAY, MAY 28:

Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.

MONDAY, MAY 31:

Softball Elementary School — 5:30 p.m.

Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.

MOVIE "Save the Tiger" Visitor Center — 8 p.m.

MEMORIAL DAY

TUESDAY, JUNE 1:

Mental Health Clinic Yosemite Medical Group — 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Softball Elementary School — 5:30 p.m.

TOPS Meeting El Portal School — 7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 2:

Moondance Coffee Shop GRAND OPENING Curry Village

Softball Elementary School — 5:30 p.m.

Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.

Barber Shop Bible Study Barber Shop — 7:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, JUNE 3:

Women's Group Hike — Panorama Trail Post Office — 8:30 a.m.

Softball Elementary School — 5:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, JUNE 4:

Softball Elementary School — 5:30 p.m.

Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.

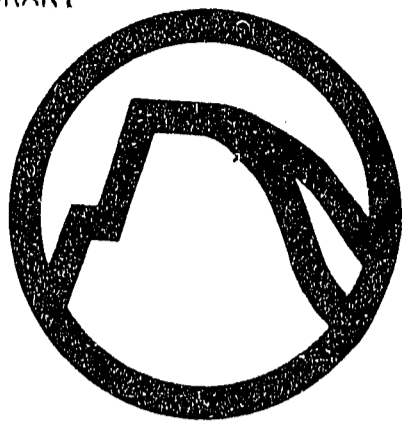
MONDAY, JUNE 7:

Softball Elementary School — 5:30 p.m.

Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.

School Picnic Elementary School — 6 p.m.

Due to space limitations, the Community Calendar will list only community-type events. Please check the Yosemite Guide for schedules of other activities.



COE RECEIVES AWARD



Badger Pass' perennial winter sports and race coordinator, Doug Coe, gained far west recognition as this year's recipient of the Far West Ski Association's Stan Walton Award for outstanding work as a Certified Ski Race Official. Doug and his wife Ora received the award at the annual convention-awards banquet of the Far West Ski Association, which they attended as delegates of the Yosemite Winter Club. The convention-awards banquet was held in San Francisco on May 1 and 2.

The Stanley Walton Award was established in 1969 and is awarded yearly to the individual whose interest, time, and personal effort made a major contribution to the Far West Ski Association's official program, during not only the year of award, but for outstanding service and dedication to the race officials program over a long period of service.

Doug and his wife Ora make their home near Oakhurst, from where he makes the almost-daily drive to Badger, as he has for many years, during rain, snow, or shine, and is usually the first to arrive for the day.

When Dr Don Tresidder founded the Yosemite Winter Club in 1928 "to encourage and develop all forms of winter sports", he must have had Doug Coe and his "hour glass" in mind! Doug learned to ski at Badger Pass in the 30's and 40's under Lugigi Foeger and along with another Yosemite old-timer, Johnny Hansen. In those days, he was pulled to the top in the old "Queen Mary", where he got his first look at the High Sierra. Between 1946 and 1950, he made four solo trips across the range in the dead of winter, starting at Mammoth and ending in Yosemite.

After retirement from the engineering department of Shell Oil Co., Doug moved to Oakhurst and took over the officiating of all races at Badger and inviting all who were interested to listen and attend his instructional racing clinics under the FWSA. He inspired Don Pearson to come up with the first digital radio timer used in ski racing in the Far West, and so continues Yosemite's reputation for fun and serious races well-run.

Outreach Dance

Yosemite Outreach is sponsoring a fund-raising dance on Friday, June 11 at the Curry Cafeteria at 9:00 p.m. Admission is \$2.

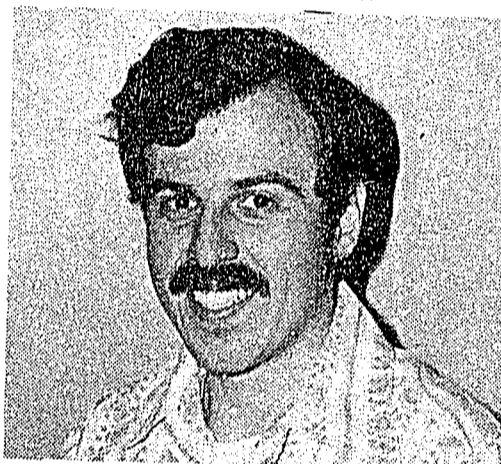
Refreshments will be offered, and, during the breaks, items will be raffled and auctioned off.

The purpose of this dance is to raise money to support this much used summer crisis intervention program.

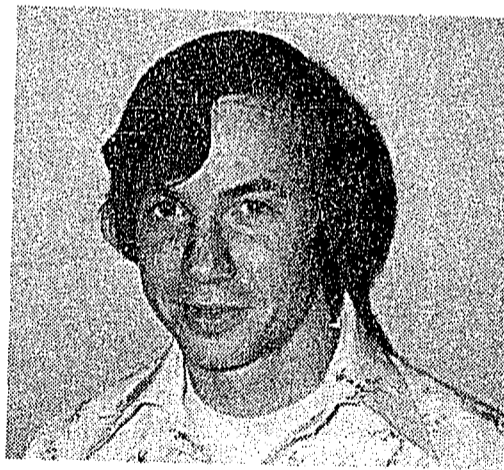
Tickets may be purchased at the Sentinel Office behind the Reservations Department in the General Offices, or at the door.

For further information, call 372-4611, ext. 445.

Promotions



LARRY LOPEZ joined the Yosemite Park and Curry Co. in July of 1974 as the Asst. Mgr. of the Village Store. He was later promoted to the position of Mgr. of Degnan's Deli. Larry came to Yosemite after working 5½ years for a speciality grocery chain in Southern California where he worked his way up from a boxboy to a management position. Mr. Lopez' latest promotion is to the position of Asst. Manager of the Retail Division reporting directly to John Graham.



SCOTT BETTIS has just been promoted to the position of Manager of Degnan's Deli to replace Larry Lopez. He will report directly to Art Goertzen. Scott joined the Curry Co. in March of 1975 as a clerk/cashier at the Deli and was promoted to Asst. Manager of the Deli in July of 1975. Prior to coming to Yosemite, Mr. Bettis worked for a restaurant in the Bay Area and attended Chico State where he majored in English.

THE DAY BEFORE YESTERDAY AT CAMP CURRY Part IV

by Shirley Sargent



Emily Rogers Lane, manager of the Kiddie Kamp from 1928 through 1943. [Nell Lane Miller collection].

By the late 1930's, Em Lane had become a fixture at the Kiddie Kamp and around Camp Curry. Like Mother Curry and other faithful employees, Em returned annually to Yosemite Valley in mid-May and remained until after Labor Day. During the Great Depression of the 1930's, the Lanes spent winters in Novato, and Em earned a living by caring for new babies and their mothers, took in borders, made and sold candied grapefruit rind, and worked in the grocery store. Mother Curry and an Aussie aunt helped out with checks, and, in the

bleakest year, Em's landlord reduced the rent to \$5.00 a month. Nell and Rog helped out by picking and selling walnuts and making Christmas wreaths. By the end of the Depression, Em had a salary of \$95.00 a month; Rog, a high school track star, entered USC on an athletic scholarship; and Nell was attending San Francisco State. The family's working summers in Yosemite ended after World War II began, as Rog became a U.S. Naval pilot and participated in crucial South Pacific battles, while Nell worked at USAF bases for three years and then joined the Naval Air Force.

In May of 1943, by train to El Portal and a YTS bus to Camp Curry, Em returned alone and found that Yosemite had gone to war, too, and Em's letters to Nell reflected the changes. Gas rationing had greatly reduced visitation, while food rationing made it difficult to secure edibles for what guests did arrive. Cy Wright, manager of Camp Curry, and the cooks had to stretch loaves and fishes to incredible lengths. One ingenious cook served cream of wheat with a delicious sauce as a dessert, Em reported. At other times, she complained that the food was "crud".

Camp Curry opened for the season on May 27, just in time for the traditionally overwhelming Memorial Day crowds, but the housecount was down to a third of 1942's total. "Can you imagine," Em wrote, "except for Degnan's (then across from the Yosemite Chapel), there isn't an eating place open between meals — no soda fountain or 'Greasy Spoon.'" For a while, there was no orchestra, just records, for the twice-weekly dances, and tips from the hat-check concession, which Em ran, were slender. Inevitably the headcount at the Kiddie Kamp was down, but one day 60 children came. At times, the youngsters tired Em as she admitted to Nell, "I surely lament the lasting endurance I used to have!" She was almost 61 and had troubles with her back, but still hiked and exclaimed that despite the changes, "YOSEMITE is as beautiful as ever, the azaleas more abundant than ever, and the air is lovely...."

Her relationship to Mother Curry, then 82, was still close, and they sometimes spent evenings together, chatting about the old days of 1910 and on, and of David Curry, 16, and Jeanette, 13, the third generation of Currys to work at the camp (John Curry, Jeanette's twin, began work in 1947). The labor scarcity, not family favoritism, allowed them to work so young. In fact, the bulk of employees

were high school youths as college-age students were in the service or held war related jobs. Once, while Mother Curry attended a Board of Directors meeting in San Francisco, Em stayed in her bungalow to keep a night-time eye on the grandchildren. After 15 successive summers of tent life, the rustic house seemed luxurious. "Oh, am I enjoying the bungalow," she enthused, "the grand bathrooms & such a comfy bed. . .the radio, a heater, and perfect reading lamp..."

Em was an eyewitness to the takeover of the luxurious Ahwahnee Hotel as a hospital by the U.S. Navy. On Sunday night, May 30, 1943, she wrote Nell, "I tried to go to dinner at The Ahwahnee, but they had cleared out all food but enough to feed their 30 guests who must go out after breakfast tomorrow morning ...I walked slowly and sadly through the rooms, then sat up on the balcony where the bar is, swallowing hard, took in every comfy chair, beautiful rug, flower arrangement, and lamp to tuck away as 'fond memories.'" She met other employees who were equally sad. "We all reminisced for awhile and cheered up the atmosphere by being really glad the boys about to use it had well-earned their enjoyment of it." After watching the Firefall from The Ahwahnee, she walked toward the entrance to the hotel and saw a mountain lion stroll past!

In mid-August, she reported that flags flew at half-mast because long-time Chief Ranger Forrest Townsley had died beside a lake named for him in the High Country. "A wonderful death for we who have climbed the heights," she observed.

Although 1943 was Em's last year at the Kiddie Kamp, she returned to Camp Curry in 1944, because she needed another season of work to make her eligible for Social Security payments. It was a cafeteria custom to "roll silver", i.e., place knife, fork, and spoon in a cotton-damask napkin, so Em rolled silver all summer, then returned to Novato, her garden, and dog. In June of 1948 Mother Curry, who died later in October of that year, asked Em to attend a reunion luncheon of faithful ex-employees at Camp Curry.

Em's retirement was happy and activity-filled. In her later years, Australian relatives urged her to return to the land of her youth, but her children and small grandchildren tied her to America. Besides, she said, "This is my adopted country — Yosemite and California, and here I shall remain." And she did until 1971, when, at the age of 88, her adventurous life ended.

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BICYCLE SAFETY Mental Health Notes

Courtesy of the National Park Service

by George Lovelace

There has been a great increase in the use of bicycles during both daylight and nighttime hours. An increase in the number of unsafe and improperly equipped bicycles in the Park has also been seen. We are asking your cooperation in complying with the rules and regulations concerning the SAFE operation of bicycles in our community. There are three main areas of concern:

1. Riding the wrong way on one-way roads.
2. Riding during darkness without a "lamp emitting a white light maintained as to be visible from a distance of 300 feet in front of the bicycle" (CVC 2120ld).
3. Riding a bicycle without the proper reflectors. The following reflectors are required by California law (CVC 21201.5 b & c).
 - a. White reflector on the front
 - b. Red reflector on the rear
 - c. Yellow or white reflector on each side forward of the center of the bicycle, and a red or white reflector on each side to the rear of the center of the bicycle.
 - d. White or yellow reflectors on the pedals so as to be visible from the front and rear at a distance of 200 feet.

A pamphlet outlining the basic bicycle laws for the State of California is available at the Visitor Center.

The laws are printed in full in the following books:

California Vehicle Code [CVC]
Division 11 Rules of Road
Article 4 — Operation of Bicycles
Section 21200-21207

Code of Federal Regulations [CFR]
Title 36
Chapter I — NPS
Part 4 — Vehicle and Traffic Safety
Section 4.3 — Bicycles

Although the above are our main areas of concern, we are also concerned with compliance of all the "Rules of the Road." Your cooperation will be appreciated. However, noncompliance could result in a citation. Therefore, for your safety, please check all of your bicycles to make sure they are properly equipped and are operated only if they are safe and have the proper equipment.

You may have noticed that MENTAL HEALTH CLINIC appears in the Community Calendar section of the Sentinel every week. I'll bet most of you have noticed but have quickly tried to ignore it. Most people who don't know what goes on at a mental health clinic feel it is catching, too. Actually, people go to mental health clinics when they have "problems in living". Not many of us can say we haven't had problems in living, but that doesn't mean you need your head "shrunk".

Most people seen at the Clinic experience problems that they have tried very hard to overcome but can't seem to. The Clinic offers help here. You don't come in and lie on a couch and tell your life's story. Mental health has come a long way since Freud, and today it is not as expensive, either. You might have heard that Freud took several years to "analyze" his patients. That is probably because he was new in the field and wasn't under the kind of pressure we all find ourselves under today. The average person doesn't come in forever, but rather gets right to the point. They express such things as having trouble with their relationships, inability to sleep, constantly having to hassle with their emotions, and the like.

As I said, most people have experienced some of these, and you no doubt know someone experiencing problems right now. Those people will do a great many things to help themselves, including some things that aren't really good for them, like denying the problem exists, replacing the problems with a different kind of problem, or generally getting worse before they get better. Fortunately, most people know very well how to care for themselves, and they eventually get around to solving their problems with the support systems they have. These productive ways of dealing with their emotional problems are very important and mental health recognizes them as the preferable way to deal with the everyday problems in living. Such productive means of dealing with problems are getting away from the situation for a while by taking a vacation, talking to friends who have gone through the same kinds of things, going to their doctor, or talking to their spiritual leader. These support systems, from talking to your hairdresser, through the more professional helpers such as doctors and ministers, are all good mental health resources.

If mental health can help with a personal problem, marital difficulties, or other "problems in living", give us a call at 966-2000 or contact your doctor for a referral. If we cannot help with the problems, we will find you someone who can.

There comes a time, however, when each of us needs help and does not know where to find it. That is the point when the passage of time seems to make things worse and no one you know seems to really understand or help with the problems as you see it. When the usual support systems have failed and you need a professional problem solver, you'll understand why MENTAL HEALTH CLINIC is on the Community Calendar.

THE AHWAHNEE HOTEL

Summer is rapidly approaching and with Summer comes a necessary reminder to the employees, the residents, and their dependents. The Ahwahnee is truly one of the most beautiful and regal hotels that has ever been constructed. Visitors come from all over the world just to have an opportunity to enjoy The Ahwahnee and the splendor of Yosemite. Due to its size and limitations, we have again asked our employees, the residents, and particularly the younger people of Yosemite Valley, to exercise consideration for the guests that visit this grand hotel. The use of the swimming pool, the game rooms, television rooms, and the Great Lounge are restricted to the use of the visitors that are registered at The Ahwahnee. Likewise, employees wishing to dine in the Dining Room should make their reservations at either 6:30 or 8:30 p.m. to leave the busier dinner period for the Park visitor. Our consideration for their convenience and enjoyment of the Park is greatly appreciated and will go a long ways toward making their stay in Yosemite an enjoyable one. I would request that each of us remember, GUEST SERVICE is our business.

Thank you.

DON'T FORGET...
SCHOOL PICNIC
MONDAY, JUNE 7th
6 P.M.

Yosemite Recreation

MOVIES

JUNE 7 — RACE WITH THE DEVIL
Peter Fonda, Warren Oates, Loretta "Hot Lips" Swit

Two married couples on a cross-country vacation witness a human sacrifice by a devil-worshipping cult. Trying to do the right thing, they report the incident to the local police. That begins the chase of the year. The cultists' never-ending search for the witnesses comes to a surprise ending in a small Texas town. Don't miss this one. (PG)

JUNE 14 — AMERICAN GRAFFITI
The misadventures of four California teenagers on one late summer night in 1962 became a focal point for an audience trip back to the last innocent year of the 50's and early 60's — the year before the hopelessness of political assassinations, the drug scene, Vietnam, and Watergate. (PG)

MOONDANCE OPENS

On Wednesday, June 9th, the Moondance Coffee House will open for the season. Again the Moondance will feature a variety of coffees, teas, and assorted home-baked goods. The Moondance will also feature live music. Anyone that is interested in displaying their musical talents at the Coffee House is urged to contact the Employee Recreation Department at Ext. 475. For those of you who are not familiar with the area, the Moondance is located behind the Curry Village Cafeteria, adjacent to the House-keeping Office.

The Moondance will be open weekly Wednesday through Sunday, from 7 p.m. to Midnight. See you there!

BASKETBALL

Wednesday, May 26

Finishing out their season last week with a perfect 6-0 record, the Super Squirts +2 became the champions of the 3-Man Basketball league. The Squirts, with Dick and Mike Ehrhardt, John Poe, and Ron Skelton, finished in first place over three teams that tied for second. The General Office Sloths, Clockwork Orange, and the O-Zone Mighty Maids all finished the season with identical 4-2 records. Finishing in order were the Village Hacks at 2-4, the Lodge Louts at 1-5, and the Trouble Shooters, who finished the season at 0-6.

Scoring honors went to Ralph Howe of the O-Zone Mighty Maids. Ralph, playing in only four (4) games, scored a total of 119 points for a 29.5 average. In second place was James Peggins of the Clockwork Orange, with 116 points for a 19.5 average.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

FRIDAY, JUNE 4:
Softball Elementary School — 5:30 p.m.
Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.

MONDAY, JUNE 7:
Softball Elementary School — 5:30 p.m.
Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
MOVIE "Race with the Devil" Visitor Center — 8 p.m.

TUESDAY, JUNE 8:
Mental Health Clinic Yosemite Medical Group — 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Softball Elementary School — 5:30 p.m.
TOPS Meeting El Portal School — 7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 9:
Softball Elementary School — 5:30 p.m.
Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7 p.m.
Barber Shop Bible Study Barber Shop — 7:30 p.m.
Masonic Lodge Meeting Masonic Hall — 8 p.m.

THURSDAY, JUNE 10:
Softball Elementary School — 5:30 p.m.
MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7 p.m.

FRIDAY, JUNE 11:
Softball Elementary School — 5:30 p.m.
Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7 p.m.
OUTREACH DANCE Curry Cafeteria — 9 p.m.

SATURDAY, JUNE 12:
MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7 p.m.

SUNDAY, JUNE 13:
MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7 p.m.

MONDAY, JUNE 14: FLAG DAY
Softball Elementary School — 5:30 p.m.
Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
MOVIE "American Graffiti" Visitor Center — 8 p.m.

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G.O. Sloths over Trouble Shooters

The General Office Sloths finished the season at 4-2 with a 40-33 victory over the Trouble Shooters. The Sloths, with John Chesarek hitting 20 points and Jack Hicks with 14, outdistanced the Trouble Shooters, who played their best game of the season. The Shooters were led by Tom Anderson with 20 points.

Clockwork Orange defeats Lodge Louts

George Spach scored 14 points, and James Peggins and Paul Greene had 11 and 10 points, respectively, to spark the Orangemen to a 40-26 win over the Lodge. The Louts, playing the entire

game short-handed, were finally worn down by an aggressive Orange defense. Tracy Helms paced the losers with 20 points.

O-Zone Mighty Maids 41 — Village Hacks 24

Ralph Howe, the league's scoring champ, scored 29 points to lead the O-Zone to a victory over the Hacks. Jody Gaul contributed 12 points to help Howe with the scoring load. The Hacks, playing without Dan Garadella and Tom "T.O." Olivera, were led by Dave Wolf and Bob Calkins, scoring 18 and 6 points, respectively.



UNION ELECTION RESCHEDULED

**FRIDAY, JUNE 25, 1976 and
SATURDAY, JUNE 26, 1976**

As we are all aware, the results of the National Labor Relations Board election conducted on May 1, 1976, were inconclusive and as such, no determination was made regarding the question of whether our employees wish to be represented by either of these two unions, or if they wish to represent themselves.

On Thursday and Friday, June 3rd and 4th, a conference was held at the National Labor Relations Board Offices in San Francisco, and 90 of the 116 challenged ballots were cleared up, resulting in the following vote tally:

NEITHER UNION	.....	238	—	(43.3%)
JANITORS	.....	246	—	(44.7%)
TEAMSTERS	.....	46	—	(8.4%)
CHALLENGES	.....	20	—	(3.6%)

As you can see from the above tally, none of the positions on the ballot received a clear majority (50% + 1 vote). For this reason, the National Labor Relations Board has scheduled a run-off election between the two top choices, NEITHER UNION and the JANITORS.

While the hearing did not result in a determinative vote, it did clear up a number of challenged ballots which were cast by returning employees, regularly scheduled part-time employees, seasonal supervisors, and other who had a genuine interest in their right to vote. The Yosemite Park and Curry Co. did not challenge anyone's right to vote, as we have always believed that anyone with an interest in this matter should have been given the opportunity to vote.

A number of our employees have recently returned to Yosemite and others have joined us for the first time, and for this reason you should be aware of some of the background regarding the union organizing effort that has gone on for the past nine (9) months.

On November 13, 1975, the Janitors Union Local 250 wrote a letter to Yosemite Park and Curry Co. claiming to represent a majority of the Yosemite Park and Curry Co. employees and demanded that we recognize their union and start negotiations immediately without an election. After reviewing this claim, the Yosemite Park and Curry Co. notified Local 250 by letter on November 17th, that we had serious doubts that the Janitors did, in fact, represent a majority of our employees. We suggested that the best way of determining whether such a claim was true or not was to give our employees a chance to vote in a secret ballot election conducted under the supervision of the National Labor Relations Board.

Hearings were scheduled on December 22nd and 23rd at the Federal Building in San Francisco. At these hearings, the Teamsters, Chaffeurs, Warehousemen, and Helpers Union Local No. 386 and the Culinary, Cooks, Bartenders and Hotel, Motel Service Employees Local No. 62, informed the National Labor Relations Board that they also represented a substantial number of employees of the Yosemite Park and Curry Co. Since that time, Local No. 62 has withdrawn.

The Company representatives requested that a Summer election be held to determine what union, if any, did in fact represent the majority of our employees and that this election be held in July of 1976 in order to provide our returning and new Summer employees with an opportunity to vote. This request was made for one reason.

The Yosemite Park and Curry Co. has approximately 300 to 400 employees who return to work during the Summer and approximately 700 new Summer employees each year. These returnees are people who have worked for the Company for two, three or four years, and in some cases, in excess of ten to twenty-five years. It is our belief that if such an important decision is to be made,

one that will effect all of our employees for years to come, then everyone should be given their democratic right to vote.

During these hearings, the Janitors and Teamsters demanded that the election be held immediately and claimed it was not necessary that our returning new Summer employees be given an opportunity to cast their ballots.

On December 23rd, the hearings were not concluded and re-scheduled to be continued in Yosemite on January 19th and 20th at the Visitors Center. These hearings continued for two days with the Janitors and Teamsters arguing vigorously that there was no need to have returning or new Summer employees vote in this election. Company representatives maintained their position, that returning and new employees should be given the right to cast a ballot. These hearings were again concluded at 4:30 p.m. on Saturday, January 24, 1976.

This case was decided and the National Labor Relations Board determined that an election should be held on April 10, 1976. On April 6, 1976, the National Labor Relations Board notified the Yosemite Park and Curry Co. that the election date of April 10th had been postponed, as the Washington, D.C. Office would require additional time to consider the Yosemite Park and Curry Co.'s request for review. After being advised of the postponement, we again

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FREE SPEECH rights don't guarantee a worker his job back after he tries to "destroy" his company, an arbitrator rules. He refuses to reinstate a suspended worker who tried to persuade a city council to cancel a contract with his employer. "He has burned the bridge he asks this arbitrator to lead him across," the ruling declares.

UNION ELECTION RESCHEDULED

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asked the National Labor Relations Board to consider changing the March 14, 1976 cut-off for eligible voters.

On April 16, 1976, the National Labor Relations Board in Washington, D.C., advised us that our request for review had been denied and that the union election would be scheduled for May 1, 1976. There was some good news in this decision; it meant that the 250 employees that had been hired since March 14, 1976 were given an opportunity to vote.

The election was held on May 1, 1976, and the results were inconclusive, and as such, no determination was made regarding the question of whether our employees wish to be represented by either of these two unions, or if they wish to represent themselves.

There were 115 votes challenged during the May 1, 1976 election. On Thursday and Friday, June 3 and 4, a conference was held at the National Labor Relations Board Offices in San Francisco, and 90 of the 115 challenged ballots were cleared up. While the hearing did not result in a determinative vote, it did clear up a number of challenged ballots which were cast by returning employees, regularly scheduled part-time employees, seasonal supervisors, and others who had a genuine interest in their right to vote. The Yosemite Park and Curry Co. did not challenge anyone's right to vote, as we have always believed that anyone with an interest in this matter should have been given the opportunity to vote.

Once again we are requesting that the

National Labor Relations Board and the Janitors agree to a new eligibility list for the June 25th and 26th election. It is true that we do not believe that any union is appropriate or necessary for Yosemite. More importantly, we believe that anyone who will be affected by this election should have an opportunity to vote in it. You will be affected; unions normally require a "Union Shop Clause", and such a clause would require all employees to become members of a union, whether you want to or not. For this reason, you should be given an opportunity to vote in an election which will have an effect on your terms and conditions of employment.

We urge you to ask these union organizers, who claim to be interested in the rights of Yosemite Park and Curry Co. employees, why they have spent many thousands of dollars trying to prevent our returning seasonal and new Summer employees from voting. Also ask them why they challenged so many of our other employees during the balloting process, thus preventing their vote from being counted. Please ask these unions (who profess to be democratic) why they have worked so hard to keep so many of our employees from voting. Also ask your fellow employees who may have been swayed by this union propaganda, why they are supporting a union that has tried to eliminate everyone's right to vote with a letter demanding that we recognize their union, why they worked so hard to eliminate Summer employees, and then, after that, challenged many other people at the polls to prevent them from having their ballot counted.

Go to the polls on June 25th and 26th; it is important to you!

In the meantime, good luck, and we hope you will enjoy Yosemite. And above all, please remember, GUEST SERVICE is our business.

LIONS CLUB SAYS THANKS

The Yosemite Lions Club would like to thank all those who so generously donated to the Central Valley Blood Bank, which the Club sponsored....the Yosemite Medical Group now has 55 pints as a credit for the community.

Writers Needed

If you have a piece of prose, an article on history or natural history of Yosemite, or even an idea for an article, why not submit it to the Sentinel office for consideration. We're happy to publish articles by employees. If you have an article you would like us to consider either mail it to the Sentinel Office YPCCo., or come by and visit us in the General Offices.

EMPLOYEE HOUSING CORNER

by Jerry Doyle

Why do we have Fire, Safety and Maintenance inspections? The answer to this question is in the title itself. We are looking for fire hazards and maintenance problems that, if corrected, will make Employee Housing a better place to live.

The purpose of this article is to cover two points: The probable causes of fire in Employee Housing, and to announce a schedule for inspections. The probable causes for fire in Employee Housing are:

1. Candles left unattended.
2. Candles not in holders.
3. Combustible items left near oil stoves.
4. Combustible items left against lighting fixtures.
5. Excessive use of extension cords and impromptu wiring by employees.
6. Cooking in rooms which are not equipped for this purpose.

If you have any of the items listed above, you should correct these. If you think there is a hazard in your room, please contact the Housekeeper in your area.

There will be quarterly inspections, such as the ones now in progress, by Housekeeper in your area, and a safety committee member. These inspections are for your own safety and will be announced with a memo to all employees, five days in advance of the inspection. They will occur on or around the first of March, June, September, and December. In addition, there may be other inspections solely at the discretion of the National Park Service.

If you have any questions on this subject, or any other subject, come by my office in the General Offices, or call me at ext. 451.

WE GOOFED

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by Anne Hendrickson

There's a spring in her step. On the playground she seems as agile as the first and second graders she leads in play. It's hard to believe this sprightly lady could be ready for retirement. But it's true. Inez Glatz has decided to leave the classroom at the close of the present school year, thus ending a forty-year teaching career.

Forty years! It is staggering to think how many young lives this person has touched in her lifetime as a teacher.

Inez Glatz grew up in Colorado, where she began teaching in September 1927 at the same rural school she herself had attended as a child. Her responsibilities there included shoveling the snow, firing the stove, and spanking when necessary.

After five years of teaching and the birth of a daughter, Mrs. Glatz resigned to concentrate on homemaking. But in 1941, following the family's move to southern California, she returned to her profession; and for the next twenty-eight years she taught in and around Los Angeles. Several years she combined serving as principal with teaching thirty-five seventh and eighth graders.

The Glatzes came to Yosemite in 1969, and since then she and her husband Walter have become a familiar sight on their daily walks around the valley. Regardless of weather, they rarely miss their strolls. Even a hip fracture from an ice skating fall in 1971 slowed her down only temporarily.

Mrs. Glatz's selection in 1974 as "One of the Outstanding Elementary Teachers in America" came as no surprise to local parents who have seen her in action here in Yosemite. Mention her name and the words of praise start to flow. Her skill in her profession and her love for the children have been demonstrated over and over in her classrooms and in the lives of the hundreds of children fortunate to have shared some portion of these forty years with Inez Glatz, teacher.

A NICKEL A CAN (OR BOTTLE)

The Yosemite Park and Curry Co. is operating the pilot project in cooperation with the Environmental Protection Agency to help the EPA gain information on the effectiveness of a deposit system which may eventually be used at all Federal installations. The Curry Co. initially endorsed proposed EPA guidelines last year. When the guidelines were not finalized, our company offered to volunteer its services to run an experimental program here in Yosemite. The program starts on Monday.

The purpose of the program is to have less litter produced and more items recycled, thusly conserving energy. Each year the National Park Service has spent large sums of money removing beverage containers from the bed of the Merced River, and the Lions Club and other organizations have staged river clean-ups annually. Hopefully the need for such measures will decrease this year.

Containers with the special identifying mark may be redeemed for 5¢ each at the following locations:

YP&C Co. Recycling Center
 Degnan's Gift Shop
 Degnan's Deli
 Yosemite Lodge Apparel Shop
 Yosemite Lodge Service Station
 Employee Rec. Hall (Annex)
 Curry Village Gift Shop
 Curry Village Bike Stand
 Valley Stables
 Housekeeping Camp Store
 Crane Flat Store
 White Wolf
 Tuolumne Meadows Store
 Chinquapin Service Stations
 Wawona Service Station
 Wawona Store
 Wawona Golf Shop
 Big Trees Gift Shop

All non-redeemed deposits will be used to help cover the expenses of the project. Should there be any leftover monies, they will be used to help fund environmental programs in Yosemite. If you have any questions or suggestions for improving the program, please direct them to either Art Goertzen (ext. 253) or, if environmental in nature, to Garrett De Bell (ext. 479). Also, an EPA staff person will be in the Park next week to meet with interested employees and explain the program.

The next time you see a can or bottle lying around, pick it up. It may be worth a nickel. Even if it's not, recycle it anyway, and do your bit to make Yosemite a clean, healthy place to live and work, or visit.

Yosemite Recreation

MOVIES

JUNE 14 — AMERICAN GRAFFITI
The misadventures of four California teenagers on one late summer's night in 1962 becomes a focal point for an audience trip back to the lost innocent years of the 50's and early 60's, the year before the hopelessness of political assassinations, the drug scene, Viet Nam and Watergate. (PG)

JUNE 21 — ANIMAL CRACKERS
After years of legal hassles, which kept it out of circulation, one of the funniest Marx Brothers' movies of all is back. If you follow their movies and enjoy their humor, you will appreciate this 1930 filming of *Animal Crackers*. Literally a filming of the four brothers' (Zeppo's in this one too) hit play, *Animal Crackers* is a classic of screen history and as uproariously funny as it was 40 years ago. (G)

Brownies Visit Kitchen



Yosemite Valley Brownie Troop 151 had the opportunity to visit "behind the scenes" at The Ahwahnee kitchen recently. The girls, pictured with June Rasmussen, Dining Room Manager, got a better understanding of food preparation and restaurant operation in this fine hotel. The girls, needless to say, particularly enjoyed the aroma of the bakery and cold dessert section. After the kitchen excursion, the girls were treated to refreshments. All of the Brownies, including Troop Leader Ann Burchill, want to express their appreciation to June and to George Spach, who manages The Ahwahnee, and especially to the Yosemite Park and Curry Co. for making the tour possible. Pictured from left to right are Ann Burchill, Lisa Williams, Ellen Riegelhuth, Sarah Vocelka, Jenny Little, Alyson Sansum, and Jennifer Downing. The Brownies were unanimous in their surprise to find how complex and highly organized commercial kitchens really are.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

FRIDAY, JUNE 11:

Softball Elementary School Field — 5:30 p.m.
Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7 p.m.

SATURDAY, JUNE 12:

MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7 p.m.

SUNDAY, JUNE 13:

MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7 p.m.

MONDAY, JUNE 14:

FLAG DAY

Softball Elementary School Field — 5:30 p.m.
Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
MOVIE "American Graffiti" Visitor Center — 8 p.m.

TUESDAY, JUNE 15:

Mental Health Clinic Medical Clinic — 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Softball Elementary School Field — 5:30 p.m.
TOPS Meeting El Portal School — 7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 16:

Softball Elementary School Field — 5:30 p.m.
Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7 p.m.
Barber Shop Bible Study Barber Shop — 7:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, JUNE 17:

Softball Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7 p.m.

FRIDAY, JUNE 18:

Softball Elementary School Field — 5:30 p.m.
Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7 p.m.

SATURDAY, JUNE 19:

MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7 p.m.

SUNDAY, JUNE 20:

FATHER'S DAY

MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7 p.m.

MONDAY, JUNE 21:

Softball Elementary School Field — 5:30 p.m.
Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
MOVIE "Animal Crackers" Visitor Center — 8 p.m.

Due to space limitations, the Community Calendar will list only community-type events. Please check the *Yosemite Guide* for schedules of other activities.

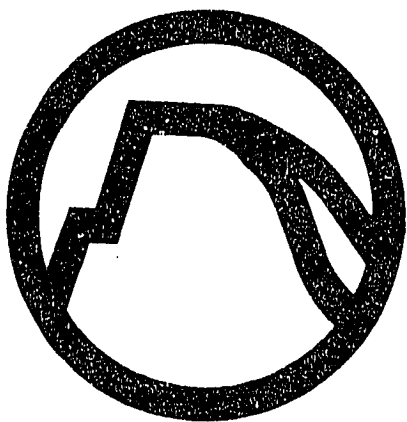
SOFTBALL TEAM TAKES SECOND

The Yosemite Park and Curry Co. representative in the Oakhurst Recreation League took second place in the 8-team Fast Pitch Softball Tournament held recently at the Oakhurst Elementary School field. The YP&C Co. team posted wins over Shettler Tire by a score of 18-8 and over Sierra Tire 16-12 to gain a berth in the championship game. Two costly errors in the final inning cost the team the game as Fresno Air Conditioning won by a score of 4-3.

The team received a second place trophy for their efforts.

The YP&C Co. team will be playing ten home games this season on Sundays at the Yosemite Elementary School Field. The women's games will be played at 2:30 p.m. and the men's at 4:30. Their next scheduled game is:

JUNE 13
Yosemite (Men's) vs Danny's Tractor
4:30 p.m.



MEAL SELECTION PROGRAM

In late October of 1974, the Yosemite Park and Curry Co., in conjunction with the Employee Advisory Council, started on a program to change its existing mandatory meals program to an optional program giving the employee a choice. In order to accomplish this certain steps had to be taken.

- 1. Red Tag Meals** were eliminated. This was a system where the employees were restricted as to what they could eat. This was accomplished in late 1974 and now an employee can eat the same exact food as our guests.
- 2. Side Halls** had to be constructed to provide the employees with an opportunity to be away from the guests and avoid lines prior to going to work. The Ahwahnee, the Loft, Wawona, and Tuolumne had side halls and in May of 1975, the Curry Cafeteria opened and the employee's cafeteria was put into operation. During the latter part of 1975, and the early part of 1976, two separate attempts were successful due to the fact that we required more than 100 seats and the space available was insufficient. This did not stop us; in May 1976, we converted the Broiler Room into an employee side hall serving breakfast and lunch.
- 3. Menu Variety** was an important part of our program as our employees eat here day in and day out while our guests are only here for a short while. To deal with this we asked our employees to make suggestions as to the type of food they would prefer and as a result of this a number of different meals have been served. If you have other suggestions, please let us know.
- 4. Mandatory Meals** were necessary for certain groups of our employees, those individuals assigned to food-service units and employees being hired for the first time by the Yosemite Park and Curry Co. The rationale behind food service person-

nel is a basic one and consistent with normal industry practice, however, it is an area we will continue to work on in the months ahead. The 90 day mandatory meal provision for new employees was required by the absences of an adequate number of kitchens in the various housing areas, in addition to the fact that our new employees were unfamiliar with the eating and living conditions of Yosemite. Since we started on this problem, we have added kitchens in the Ahwahnee dorm, Lost Arrow and Camp #6. In addition, we have expanded our orientation programs to detail the dangers of storing food in tents and housing areas and the fire and safety hazards that must be avoided.

Having accomplished this, we then evaluated the first part of the 1976 seasonal meals program and have discontinued the 90 day mandatory provision. This leaves us with one more phase of a four phase program.

Prior to making your selection to go on or off meals, it is important that each of you give careful consideration to your individual circumstances. Our dormitories and living areas do not provide adequate cooking facilities to accommodate all of the occupants of these areas. The storage of food in improper containers and in unauthorized areas can lead to spoiled items and attract wild animals causing danger to your health and safety. An additional factor which you should consider is the location in which you work and its geographical proximity to eating facilities.

Employees who elect to be on meals will have a deduction or meal credit of 50¢ per hour charged against their hourly rate. This deduction or meal credit has a maximum impact of \$20.00 per week, which represents the total cost to the employee for his or her meals. Meal credits and/or deductions will be at the discretion of the Company under this program.

You will be able to make a selection four times a year which will take place in the first week of each quarter such as October, January, April and July and so on each year. Once a selection is made it will be irrevocable for the duration of that quarter. However, should an employee select not to participate in the meal program and find that he or she has encountered difficulty in eating properly, consideration will be given to altering that selection.

Individuals electing to be on meals will be provided with meal cards; these cards will be enclosed in their paychecks each week for the following week and will be valid for a period of 7 days.

Should you desire to make a change in your present status, this can be accomplished between June 14, 1976, and June 30, 1976 in our Personnel Office between the hours of 1:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Should you require any clarification regarding our meals programs, please contact Steve Hosler in our Personnel Department.



Sixth Army Band to Perform

The Sixth U.S. Army Band, headquartered at the Presidio of San Francisco, will be giving a concert at the Curry Village Amphitheater on Monday, June 21, at 7 p.m.

The Band will perform light classical and popular music, including selections by Dvorzak, Ravel, and Rodgers.

There is no charge for the program, which is an opportunity you will not want to miss!!!!

Director of the band is SFC John Kailer.



A Thank You Message

Many, many people visit Yosemite to enjoy its beauty and uniqueness. However, few have the privilege of knowing the greatness, beauty, and kindness of the people living in the Valley. How very thankful I feel that I could be the recipient of this discovery.

In case some of you were unable to attend the fantastic celebration of my fortieth year of teaching, please come past our home to see the marvelous scrap book given to me. The forty years of teaching seems like reading the most exciting and interesting story one has ever read. But the cover of the book will not be closed as the little characters still live on.

Walter joins me in thanking everyone who participated in making this a wonderful closing chapter to our stay here in Yosemite these seven years.

My deepest thanks,
Inez Glatz

FREE BABY SPIDERS

For a neat, clean, interesting pet that requires no feeding or special care, try a spider. I have a web full of young baby funnel-web spiders (Agalenidae) that are about ready to strike out for themselves. You'll get a kick out of watching these cute little fellows wrestle a huge mosquito to death. For one or more free spiders, call Garrett at 372-4611 ext. 479.

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California Primary Results

The California State Primary elections were held in Yosemite on June 8, and 296 of Yosemite's eligible voters turned out at the polls. The results have been tabulated, and the following is how our community voted:

FOR PRESIDENT

REPUBLICAN	
Gerald Ford	54
Ronald Reagan	37
DEMOCRAT	
Edmund Brown, Jr.	117
Jimmy Carter	32
Morris Udall	13
Frank Church	11
Fred Harris	2
Ellen McCormach	2
George Wallace	1
Birch Bayh	1
Uncommitted	4

FOR SENATOR

REPUBLICAN	
S.I. Hayakawa	28
Alphonzo Bell	23
Robert Finch	21
John Harmer	6
Walter Hollywood	4
James Ware	3
Clyde Tracy	2

DEMOCRAT	
Tom Hayden	85
John Tunney	78
Lois Bodle	5
Howard Gifford	4
Frank Thomas	2
Ron Williams	2
Milford Slover	1

THE PROPOSITIONS

	For	Against
# 1 (State school bond)	189	82
# 2 (Veterans bond)	183	84
# 3 (Drinking Water)	205	61
# 4 (Community Colleges)	164	102
# 5 (Banks, Corps., Ins. Co. Taxation)	179	82
# 6 (Insurance Co. Tax Deduction)	190	67
# 7 (Tax on Historic Properties)	196	58
# 8 (Deposit of Money in S & L's)	197	55
# 9 (Bingo)	183	78
#10 (Refund State Indebtedness Bond)	135	107
#11 (Motor Vehicle Tax)	174	77
#12 (Interest Rate)	115	118
#13 (Property Tax Postponement)	159	87
#14 (Misc. Constitution Revisions)	186	53
#15 (Nuclear Power Plants)	183	104

Yosemite Scholarship

The Yosemite Scholarship Commission extends congratulations to all of our high school graduates on the successful completion of their high school careers, and invites all eligible young persons to apply for the annual Yosemite scholarship.

Any graduates whose parent or guardian is employed on a year round basis in Yosemite National Park is eligible to apply. The scholarship of \$75.00 per month is supported entirely by the Yosemite Community Council. The following items are taken into account in making the selection: scholastic ability, financial need, leadership, personality, health and general aptitude. There is no particular significance in this order nor does one qualification have any special weight.

Information as to applications and procedure may be obtained from Marian Woessner, Secretary of the Commission, or Leroy J. Rust, Postmaster, Chairman. Applications will be accepted until about July 15, 1976, and the scholarship awarded in late August for the school year 1976-1977.

Women's Group Doings

The annual Wawona Playday will be held at the Wawona Hotel on Wednesday, June 30. Golf, tennis, swimming, bridge-by-the-pool, and just plain relaxing will be featured.

After a buffet luncheon, Marian Ash will discuss informally Women's role in Government today. Mrs. Ash is the State's Senior Election Analyst in the Office of the Secretary of State, March Fong Eu. She is an expert on Legislative Process and Election Law and served as a special consultant on Voter Education prior to her appointment last year.

Cost for the luncheon is \$3.25. For reservations, please call Mary Frances Wyly at 372-4390 by June 25.

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On July 10, the Women's Group is planning a moonlit train ride on the Yosemite Mountain-Sugar Pine Railroad, just south of Fish Camp. Highlight of the ride will be a steak barbeque under the full moon. Reservations for this evening must be made with Gail Thompsen, 372-4518, by July 1.

VOTER BREAKDOWN

Republicans	95
Democrats	186
American Independent	2
Non-Partisan	13
TOTAL	296

TEAMWORK JUN 21 1976

In sports or business, the secret of success is for each player to put the team's goals first. "Quarterbacks don't win or lose football games," says Fran Tarkenton, veteran quarterback of the Minnesota Vikings, "teams do."

Football is a team game. The same is true in the world of business. When everybody pulls together, the team wins and everybody benefits. When the team loses, nobody wins.

Teamwork is easier to talk about than to produce. Each of us has his own likes and dislikes, personal ambitions, and share of fixed ideas about how things should be done. Also, rivalries are bound to crop up between individuals in different jobs, no matter how much we wish they wouldn't. A lot of people tend to think their contribution is more important than the next fellow. However, when differences do arise, it's hard to put your interests second and do the best for the outfit. Nevertheless, it's the only way to have a good team or a good company.

A good way to start is to get into the habit of thinking of yourself and everyone else in the Company as working towards the same goal, backing each other up to get the job done. How well you cooperate

Employee Benefit Corner

by Jim Edeal

BEREAVEMENT LEAVE

Employees with over one year's continuous full time employment are entitled to up to three working days of bereavement leave with pay to arrange for or to attend a funeral of a member of the employee's family.

The immediate family is defined as spouse, child, mother, father, sister, brother, mother-in-law, father-in-law, grandparents, grandchildren, step-children or step-parents.

An employee may be asked to supply documentation or other proof of a death in the immediate family and of the employee's relationship to the deceased. For purposes of overtime computations, bereavement leave will not be considered time worked.

Wanted

Two wheel bicycle for a five year old. Phone 372-4830.

Wanted to buy Canon camera or comparable type. Call 372-4204.

to this end is an important measure of your value. Some people won't cooperate because they think they'll be taken advantage of and wind up doing more than their share. Others think someone else might grab the credit for their efforts. A few don't cooperate because they think that other people's work isn't as important as theirs. One excuse is as short-sighted as the other. None of them will help make you or your company a winner.

Your cooperation is important to the success of this company, and the Company's success is important to you. Every organization needs people working together. If the chef doesn't cook the meal, the waiter can't serve it, and the customer can't eat it. We sink or swim together.

Without each of us doing our specific share in a cooperative manner, there is no way that we can provide the visitor to Yosemite with the best guest experience possible. When one thinks or realizes that our only purpose for being in Yosemite National Park is to devote a team effort to making the guests' stay a most enjoyable experience, we really have no alternative but to pull together as one big team, dedicated to the guest.

Hobby's Say Thanks

Dear Friends,
We would like to thank you for all of the love than you have shown to our family. Your warmth has really touched our hearts, and we are anxious to return to see all of you.

The tostadas were great, and the evening was such fun. It was really good for us to get away and laugh a little. We really appreciate all of your work and your generosity!

Thank you for being part of God's plan to supply all of our needs according to his riches (Phil. 4:19).

Love,
Loyd & Bonnie Hobby and family

EDITOR'S NOTE: Mr. Hobby is a coach and biology teacher at Mariposa High School. The family lost their home in a fire this spring, and the proceeds from the Tostada Feed sponsored by the Yosemite Women's Group were sent to them to help them in their time of need.

Employee Residential Community Council

On May 7, 1976, the first meeting of the Employee Residential Community Council took place in the Training Center. Several areas were represented, and a wide range of topics was discussed. Anyone interested in the minutes of these meetings may obtain them at the Employee Housing Office in the General Offices.

Some areas were not represented: Boystown, Terrace, Ahwahnee, and O-Zone. The next meeting is scheduled to be held in the Training Center at 7:30 p.m. on June 24, and we would certainly enjoy seeing representatives from these areas. Remember, these are your housing areas. GET INVOLVED TODAY.

Below are the representatives' names from your areas. You are invited to go directly to them with any questions you may have.

John Bohn	Tecoya	D-26
Mike Roth	Camp 6	#20
Sue Scott	Tecoya	E-307
Brian Seymour	Camp 6	#45
Paula Negley	Annex	K-9
Jim Fitch	Camp 6	#77
Ann Butts	Tecoya	E-209
Tim Arnst	Annex	2022

These are area representatives to the Employee Residential Community Council, a self-help organization for input and information about housing.

Always remember, your area housekeeper is the first line supervisor for housing questions and problems. Always see them first for specific help.

TO THE RESIDENTS OF EL PORTAL TRAILER VILLAGE:

Now that the weeds are drying up, I would like to remind you of the fire danger to mobile homes — yours and mine! Fire breaks of cut grass and/or weeds will now be required 10 ft. around all units to protect both your home and your neighbors'.

A last reminder — Office Order No. 12 states that "animals shall be leashed or contained within employee's yard". You may not mind your pet messing in your yard, but most of your neighbors sure do when they see them in their yards.

Compliance with the above requirements is expected as a condition of continued occupancy privileges in this village.

DAVID O'KANE
NPS Housing Officer, Site G-13

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1967 VW Sedan. 1500 cc. \$550. Contact Ken Cottrell at 379-2436.

THE CURRY TRADITION

The Curry tradition of warm friendly hospitality began with the Curry's original seven tents in 1899. Each guest who visits any of our facilities is to be treated as a guest in our own home, because, in actuality, this is our home. Sometimes it's easy to lose sight of this goal. Following are some important points which have been emphasized since the Curry Co.'s early days and should be remembered continually.

1. A guest is not dependent upon us, we are dependent upon him.
 2. A guest is not an interruption of our work, he is the purpose of it.
 3. A guest does us a favor when he calls; we are not doing him a favor when we serve him.
 4. A guest is part of our business, not an outsider.
 5. A guest is not a cold statistic; he is a flesh and blood human being with emotions like our own.
 6. A guest is not someone with whom to argue nor with whom to match wits.
 7. A guest is a person who brings us his wants; it is our job to fill these wants.
 8. A guest is deserving of the most courteous and attentive treatment we can give him.
 9. A guest is the person who makes our salary possible, whether we are a dishwasher, a busboy, a department head, or Chief Operating Officer.
 10. A guest is the life blood of this and every other business.
 11. A guest likes to trade with a progressive hotel that is the social and civic center of its community.
- Warm and friendly hospitality is the Yosemite Park and Curry Co.'s way — make sure you are continuing this tradition.
12. Finally, we have always said the most important person is our employee, but the most important person to that employee is the guest, whoever he is or wherever you might be serving him.

Edward C. Hardy
Chief Operating Office, YPCCo.

Personnel Records Available

Pursuant to a recently enacted law which is effective January 1, 1976, employees of the Yosemite Park and Curry Co. have the right to examine their personnel records.

The spirit and intent of this legislation is to create openness in dealings between employers and employees and to assure that records are accurate and fair.

It is the intention of the Yosemite Park and Curry Co. to support the full spirit and intent of this legislation. Like any new legislation, there are areas which remain ambiguous and yet unclear; however, in order to avoid any confusion or interruption in the operation of our Personnel Department, we have established the following criteria under which we will provide this service to the employees of the Yosemite Park and Curry Co.

1. Personnel records will be available for examination during the hours of 10 a.m. and 12 noon on any business day on a first-come first-serve basis.
2. The Personnel Manager will assign a specific member of the Personnel Department Staff to review the record with the requesting employee in the Personnel Department.
3. No records will be permitted to leave the Personnel Department at any time.
4. All employees are entitled to examine any information or material relating to qualifications for employment, promotions, pay raises, and disciplinary matters.
5. Specifically excluded from disclosure are letters of reference and information relating to criminal investigation.

If after an employee has had an opportunity to review his or her personnel record and that employee has any questions with regard to its contents, an appointment should be scheduled with the Personnel Manager for a more detailed review.

Employees will be encouraged to avail themselves of this opportunity to ask any questions they may have regarding their records and employment status.

Name Tags

Yosemite is, of course, a beautiful place, and each year many people come to Yosemite to see its beauty. The visitors leave behind their homes, friends, routine, and city, and come to nature. Nature, when one is not used to it, can at times seem unfriendly, or even remote. Some visitors feel lonely, because they are all alone when in Yosemite — whether in groups of people at a ranger talk or by themselves on a forested path. Yosemite Park and Curry Co. is in the hospitality business, and we strive to make our visitors feel at home in Yosemite and with nature. One way we can do this is to be sure to wear our name tags to work every day. This will also give you a means to easily establish a close service rapport.

Your supervisor will be able to supply you with your name tag. Your name and hometown, such as Los Angeles, Fresno, or Boise, will appear on your name tag.

Throughout Yosemite Park and Curry Co.'s long history, one of our most important assets has been the hospitable welcome and guest rapport our employees have demonstrated. Wearing your name tag daily continues this tradition.

Employee Housing

by Jerry Doyle

Sharing a room with someone is not always easy. It requires patience and understanding, to keep the peace when you become annoyed at something your roommate has done. It is necessary to talk things over with them. If he or she does something that bothers you, tell them so nicely. People generally do not know they are annoying you unless you tell them so. Very seldom do people do things just to annoy another person. Talking things over releases the tension and clears the air. Often you may find that after telling them what was bothering you, it doesn't seem to bother you any more, or as William Blake put it "I was angry with my friend: I told my wrath, my wrath did end. I was angry with my foe: I told it not, my wrath did grow." Airing your feelings and listening to their's makes a sort of partnership for both of you — and most people would rather share a room with a partner than a stranger. Get to know your roommate's tastes in music, books and sports. If you do get mad about something they did, remember that anyone who likes your favorite whatever can't be very bad at all. If you don't agree on many things, remember what Gary B. Wright said, "Personal differences are often a great stimulus to monumental collaborations." Only the sky is your limit.

Employee Benefit Corner

by Jim Edeal

STOCK INVESTMENT

The established MCA, Inc. Stock Investment Plan is available to eligible Yosemite Park and Curry Co. employees to provide an opportunity to acquire MCA, Inc. common stock and to encourage and assist them to save on a regular basis.

Your contributions are forwarded monthly to the Trustee of this plan. The Trustee is the main Los Angeles Bank of America.

Participation in this plan is voluntary. Eligibility consists of certain full-time salaried employees who have completed one year of continuous service with our Company.

Designated employees per above eligibility may become a participant the first day of any January, April, July or October by submitting an application to the Employee Benefit Office.

Participating employees may choose to contribute by payroll deduction 1, 2, 3, 4, or 5 percent of his or her regular salary. Yosemite Park and Curry Co. adds 40% to the employees contribution each month.

Upon notice an employee is permitted to withdraw all or any part of balance of his or her account. Upon the employee's withdrawal, the Company's 40% contribution will be forfeited for the 24 months prior to the withdrawal date. If you were a participant for four years at the time of withdrawal, you would receive the value of your four years contribution and dividends, plus the first two years of the Company's contribution and dividends.

Employees of our Company are notified at the beginning of each participation period. Those who have not chosen to participate at that time are eligible to sign up and participate at any quarter, providing they continue to meet the eligibility requirements. If you have any further questions, please contact the Employee Benefits Office.

FOR SALE

Studio bed, complete with slipcover and bolster. \$45. Call 372-4870.

Remington portable typewriter, good condition. \$20. Call Brady, 372-4255, evenings.

A Thank You From Outreach

Dear Mr. Hardy,

I wanted to take this opportunity to thank you and the Curry Company for your help in the Outreach dance and to mention some of the people who put in the actual hours that it requires to have such a successful fund raising activity. It appears that our profit will be approximately \$1,000, which will more than cover the \$200 "hole" in our budget. We could not have made near that amount without a lot of help.

Marci Lew was my co-chairperson, and she and Steven were great. She was responsible for selling many advance tickets, and Steven was invaluable as bar supervisor at the dance. Ellie Nelson helped Marci sell tickets, and Ellie and Ann Graham both worked most of the evening "manning" the door — a difficult task.

Of course, the people at the Curry Village Cafeteria were incredible. Bill Germany, Luke Bradshaw, and a gentleman called "tiny" helped set up and worked right through clean-up. They also helped arranging such things as getting the beer cooled and the like. I think they were responsible for the candles at the tables, and they certainly added to the already conducive atmosphere.

John Graham and Elizabeth Shepard were responsible for obtaining some wonderful items that we used at the "chance" table, which was managed by Nancy Germany and Colleen Bradshaw.

Thank you for your offer to tend the bar and arranging your own replacement. Many people would not have been that responsible. John Crofut, Dan Slusser, Jerry Doyle, and Michelle Orfetel worked hard.

Kris Crofut was my main source of moral support, and she helped everywhere, as did Paula Negley. Kris also added some back strength when it came to transporting beverages.

I am sure there are a few people I have inconsiderately forgotten and possibly didn't even notice; however, they all deserve my heartfelt thanks and gratitude. If the effort and work these people showed towards a community project like Outreach is an indication of the quality of your employees, I can only commend their leader.

Thank you again.

Sincerely,
Linda Plant
Yosemite Outreach Steering Committee

Yosemite Recreation

MOVIES

JUNE 21 — ANIMAL CRACKERS
After years of legal hassles, which kept it out of circulation, one of the funniest Marx Brothers' movies of all is back. If you follow their movies and enjoy their humor, you will appreciate this 1930 filming of *Animal Crackers*. Literally a filming of the four brothers' (Zeppo's in this one, too) hit play, *Animal Crackers* is a classic of screen history and as uproariously funny as it was 40 years ago. (G)

JUNE 28 — LADIES AND GENTLEMEN...THE ROLLING STONES
This concert film, which was taken from the great 1972 USA tour of the Rolling Stones, features Mick Jagger performing their greatest hits...Brown Sugar, Jumpin' Jack Flash, Gimme Shelter, Satisfaction, and much, much more!!!

BASEBALL SCOREBOARD

MONDAY, JUNE 7

Annex Addicts 18; Boystown Flyers 15
The Annex Addicts began their league schedule with an 18-15 win over the Boystown Flyers. With the game tied in the last inning, the Addicts' Al Sawyer smashed a two-run homer to left field, and Jeff Luster provided an RBI single to pace the Addicts' win. Tough defensive play in the bottom of the inning preserved the win for the Addicts, who are 1-0 for the season. Boystown are now 0-2 for the year.

TUESDAY, JUNE 8

Over The Belt Gang 59; F.D.S.B. 14
In a record-breaking game in the YP&C Co. slow pitch softball history, the Over the Belt Gang trounced the F.D.S.B. 59 to 14. With a third inning record breakers (or batting practice), the Over the Belt Gang totaled 21 runs for 16 hits. Scoring led by Eddie Anderson with three homeruns, Steve Hosler with two homers, and Bob Calkins and John Chesarek with one apiece. On the injured list, Tony (Gimp) Caputo put a shot to right field and managed to make his way around the bases to score his first homer of the season — with a full leg cast!

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 9

Curry Village Husslers forfeit to Camp Six Strikers

The Camp Six Strikers awaited the Curry Village Husslers. At 5:45 p.m., the Strikers took their first win, due to

forfeit. Come on, ladies, arrange time to have fun — Play Ball!

THURSDAY, JUNE 10

Mariposa Express vs. Curry Cafes rained out
"Precipitation difficulty" — The first Rain Out of the league. With both teams eagerly awaiting the Umpires' decision, the game was called due to flood. The game will be rescheduled at the end of the season.

FRIDAY, JUNE 11

Annex Alkies 13; Bionic Ahwahnees 12
In a close game that must have set a record for the most walks, the Annex Alkies defeated the Bionic Ahwahnees by a score of 13-12. The Annex, led by the power of Jerry Slater, Vickie Bumgarner, and Monica Ramos, were able to hold off a later rally by the Ahwahnees. Carey Timmer paced the losers with three hits, including a home run and a double.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

FRIDAY, JUNE 18:

Women's Softball Elementary School Field — 5:30 p.m.
Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7 p.m.

SATURDAY, JUNE 19:

MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7 p.m.

SUNDAY, JUNE 20

FATHER'S DAY

Hulbert's Harem (Yos) vs Raymond's Chicks Elem. School Field — 2:30 p.m.
Yosemite (Men's) vs. Raymond's Broncos ... Elem. School Field — 4:30 p.m.
MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7 p.m.

MONDAY, JUNE 21:

Men's Softball Elementary School Field — 5:30 p.m.
Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
MOVIE "Animal Crackers" Visitor Center — 8 p.m.

TUESDAY, JUNE 22:

Mental Health Clinic Yosemite Medical Group — 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Men's Softball Elementary School Field — 5:30 p.m.
TOPS Meeting El Portal School — 7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 23:

Women's Softball Elementary School Field — 5:30 p.m.
Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
Theater Workshop Elementary School Gym — 6 p.m.
MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7 p.m.

THURSDAY, JUNE 24:

Men's Softball Elementary School Field — 5:30 p.m.
MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7 p.m.

FRIDAY, JUNE 25:

Reservations due for Women's Group
Women's Softball Elementary School Field — 5:30 p.m.
Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7 p.m.

SATURDAY, JUNE 26:

MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7 p.m.

SUNDAY, JUNE 27:

MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7 p.m.

MONDAY, JUNE 28:

Men's Softball Elementary School Field — 5:30 p.m.
Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
MOVIE "Rolling Stones" Visitor Center — 8 p.m.

Due to space limitations, the Community Calendar will list only community-type events. Please check the Yosemite Guide or your local bulletin board for schedules of other activities.



VOTE

This union organizing attempt has been going on for the past nine months. A lot of different people with different points of view have been pushing at you and talking to you regarding what they think is in your best interest.

In the beginning it was the Cullinary Union, the Teamsters Union and the Janitors Union all telling you that they each had a better deal for you. Since that time the Cullinary people have withdrawn, the Teamsters came in third on the three party ballot and now they are out of it and there will be a run off election on June 25 and 26. This time you will be asked to make one of two choices: NO UNION or the Janitors Union. What exactly is it you're being asked to do?

- If you vote for the Janitors you will be agreeing to hire someone to represent you. You will have to pay them, with your dues and initiation fees, to go and talk to the Yosemite Park and Curry Co. on your behalf.

- If you vote for NO UNION you will be saying that I am capable of talking to the managers of this Company on my own and I don't need to pay someone to do it for me.

It is true that over the past nine months each of these three unions have attempted to tell our employees that they are here because they think it's in your best interest. Well, let's stop and think about it! When you have three different groups making you promises, telling you what they are going to do and how much better it will be, then obviously there must be something in it for them. You're right, there is....Money! Using the figures the Janitors have published, this could represent as much as \$100,000.00 a year in dues, initiation fees, fines, and assessments. When you look at it this way, it is easy to see why they have spent so much time telling the employees

of this Company how bad we are and how good they are. It also explains why they have spent many thousands of dollars on this campaign, more than likely in excess of \$50,000.00.

This union has stated many times over that MCA is a big company and you need a strong union to deal with them. What they haven't told you is that they are not trying to organize MCA, they're trying to organize the Curry Co., a rather small company by anyone's standards. In fact, MCA is a large company and for that matter a successful one, and that should make all of us feel good to realize that our parent company is healthy. What they failed to tell you is that this union has approximately 460,000 members. If each one of them only pays \$10 per month in dues (which is probably a low average) this represents \$4.6 million per month or more than \$55,000,000.00 a year. That's a lot of money.

We do not believe that this union is good for Yosemite, nor do we believe you should have to pay union dues initiation fees to work here. It is true that it is very easy for these union people to talk to our employees and make vague promises or anti-Company statements because there isn't any way of judging if they're telling you the truth. But on the other hand it is easy to judge the Yosemite Park and Curry Co., because our accomplishments are a fact.

IT IS A FACT:

- that YP&CCo. is the highest paying concessioner in the National Park System.
- that YP&CCo. has spent in excess of \$1,200,000.00 on wage increases since January of 1974.
- that YP&CCo. spends approximately \$350,000.00 per year on housing improvements and rent subsidies.

- that our recreation programs, transfer policies, promotional opportunities, medical programs, vacation policies, retirement plan and sick benefits are far superior to what this union has negotiated in other areas where they have contracts.

The simple point is that it is easy to criticize when you can not be held accountable.

Please vote — the outcome of this election will be important to you, your friends, and to the Park. If you believe that you need a union and that strikes and labor unrest are something we need in Yosemite, then vote for whatever you believe is in your best interest. If you believe, as we do, that you are capable of talking to the management of this Company on your own and working with us for the betterment of our employees and our visitors, then you should clearly vote "No Union". Whatever you do — please vote....it's important.

Sincerely,
Edward C. Hardy
Chief Operating Officer
Yosemite Park and Curry Co.

Barbeque Contest Results

Thank you for your participation in the Barbeque Contest. The response to the contest showed your interest and enthusiasm for a project of this type.

The lucky winners of the contest are listed below:

1st place — Two large Fillet Mignons
Irene Flanagan, Ahwahnee Bar Staff

2nd Place — Two T-Bone Steaks
Linda Plant, Hospital Staff

3rd Place — Sour Dough Cook Book
Cate Hayden, General Offices

FREE!

Have you ever seen the remains of the Terminal Moraine that were left at the west end of the Valley by the third glacier to cover Yosemite Valley? Though its size was reduced by early settlers who felt that its dam-like action kept the Valley too marshy, the remains are still noticeable. Or has anyone pointed out to you the massive boulder on the road near Bridalveil Fall that was the key to John Muir's theory that Yosemite was glacially formed? The boulder is of a type of granite found only on Cathedral Peak, 23 miles away in the High Country. Or have you heard that there might have been a third Cathedral Spire?

The Valley Floor Tour offers you more information than just the names and heights of the various points of scenic beauty. The tour is designed to give you, as an employee, a better understanding of the place that you call home.

As an employee of the Yosemite Park and Curry Co., you are entitled to take a free Valley tour. All that you have to do to get your free tour is....

- 1) Make a reservation at the transportation desk at either the Yosemite Lodge, Curry Village or The Ahwahnee.
- 2) Ask your supervisor for a pass and have him or her sign it.
- 3) Take this pass to the transportation desk at the time that your tour is to go, and board the tour vehicle.

Not only can this experience give you more information about the natural and human history of the Park, but it may help you give a Park visitor a more enjoyable Yosemite experience as well.



RE Ving Around

by John Davis

Not long ago, there was some unusual excitement at the Arizona State Prison. A lawyer from Chandler, Wayne Lewis, made an error in determining where the prison airstrip was. He landed his small plane in the two-tenths of a mile long clearing between the prison wall and the main building, missing the prison airstrip that was about half a mile east. A crane had to be brought in from 50 miles away to get the plane out of prison! Warden Harold Cardwell wanted Lewis punished for endangering the lives of 2,000 men, but the Pinal County attorney would not accept charges; he said it was simply a mistake.

I just finished reading *Born Again*, the autobiography of Charles Colson, former President Nixon's White House "hatchet man". And, if you will allow me an awful pun, he never intended to land in prison either.

Actually, this is a well-written and absorbing detailing of the inner life and motivations of Mr. Colson. In the book he talks of his conversion to Jesus Christ and what that did to change his response to Watergate and how it affected his time in prison. From the Bible, he became convinced that since the soul of a person lives forever, any person is more important than any nation, for a nation's life is brief when compared to that of a person. And that meant that Dr. Daniel Ellsberg's privacy was more important than covering up what embarrassed an administration! Mr. Colson does an excellent job of sharing with the reader his new insights and their effect on his life.

Reading the book was a good lesson for me, for I remember my gratitude — perhaps it bordered on glee — at seeing the Ervin and Rodino committees sock it to those bad guys in the White House. Now, there is for me another perspective from which to understand Watergate. There is a new appreciation in discovering again that wrong can appear to be right ... that condemning another person is risky business. Why risky? Because something in the chemistry of the universe demands that the standards whereby I evaluate others be applied fully to me as well. And that, friends, makes me glad to introduce the element of compassion.

WHERE AND WHEN YOU CAN VOTE

FRIDAY — JUNE 25, 1976

- [a] FIRE HOUSE (Yosemite Village)
7:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.
12:00 noon to 2:30 p.m.
5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
- [b] YOSEMITE LODGE RECREATION HALL (Annex)
7:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.
12:00 noon to 2:30 p.m.
5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
- [c] CURRY VILLAGE (Demo Tent)
10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon
3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

SATURDAY — JUNE 26, 1976

- [a] FIRE HOUSE (Yosemite Village)
9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
- [b] WAWONA (Annex Lounge — Sun Room)
9:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon
- [c] BIG TREES (Dispatcher Office)
2:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.
- [d] GLACIER POINT (Rear of Food Stand)
4:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- [e] TUOLUMNE MEADOWS (Guest Tent)
7:00 a.m. to 8:30 a.m.
- [f] GLEN AULIN (Guest Tent)
11:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon
- [g] WHITE WOLF (Guest Tent)
3:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- [h] CRANE FLAT (Gas Station)
5:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.
- [i] EL PORTAL (Community Center)
2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

If you are unable to vote in your designated polling place, you may vote a CHALLENGED BALLOT in another area. This will be cleared up at the time the ballots are counted.

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Employee Benefit Corner

by Jim Edeal

SOCIAL SECURITY

Forty years ago the federal government established a system of old-age benefits for workers, and public assistance to dependent children, needy aged and the needy blind. This many-faceted program is usually only thought of as a retirement plan, but it is much more.

YOUR PAYROLL DEDUCTION—

The past several years have reflected several major increases in benefits for workers and families. These benefit increases for 1974 totaled 11%. The Social Security law provides for increases each year, based on cost of living increases. As the benefits increase, so have your payroll deductions. However your employer matches dollar for dollar your contribution. For example:

If your gross weekly salary is \$110.00, your Social Security contribution for the year will be \$334.62. Your employer also contributes \$334.62 on your behalf, so that your total Social Security credit equals \$669.24 for the year.

After you have been employed for several years, you should periodically request a check of your Social Security earnings. This can be accomplished by contacting your local Social Security Office securing Form OAR-1004. Complete the information required and mail; a statement of your total earnings will be returned to you at no charge.

ANNUAL WAGE ADJUSTMENT

On January 1, 1976, for the second year in a row, the Yosemite Park and Curry Co. implemented an annual wage adjustment for their employees. Our wage plan is designed and intended to keep the Yosemite Park and Curry Co. and its employees in a progressive upward direction. It is designed to create an environment which stimulates people in their jobs and fosters the Company's progress. It is our intention to provide levels of compensation which are equal to or better than wages and salaries paid for similar jobs in our industry or in labor markets in which we are required to compete for top-quality personnel. Our program recognizes individual achievement and years of service with Yosemite Park and Curry Co. Salary levels within Yosemite Park and Curry Co. are based on three major factors: Annual salary

YOUR FAMILY'S PROTECTION

Social Security isn't just for the elderly... It can mean a lot to young families.

For example, there is the case of the young father killed in an accident, leaving a wife and two young children under age five. His average earnings covered under Social Security were \$500 a month. His widow and children are entitled to about \$549 each month or \$6,588 each year. By the time the older child reaches 18, the family could have received over \$75,000 or more at present rates; not including the cost of living increases. Furthermore, the widow could again receive monthly benefits when she reaches 60. The children could receive benefits until age 22 if they remain in school as full-time students — and are unmarried.

Some of the other situations your benefits cover are:

1. The disabled worker and his dependent family.
2. In some cases the divorced wife or widow and dependent children.
3. And if your disability is caused by blindness.

However, when you feel you might be eligible for Social Security benefits, detailed questions can be directed to the Social Security office for the proper requirements and available benefits.

adjustments of all wages on January 1st of each year, the job function performed by the individual and the wage grade assigned to it, and the length of service the employee has had in his particular position with Yosemite Park and Curry Co.

It is our intention to remain a leader in the hospitality industry. This can only be accomplished by dedication, effort, and guest service that our employees have demonstrated in 1975 in making the visitor's stay in Yosemite National Park one that we can all be proud of.

Should any employee have a question related to his or her wage grade, proper payment or any problem whatsoever, they should contact the Personnel Department to get it cleared up.

ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

As we enter the summer season, there are many of you new to the Park who may not yet be fully aware of the environmental programs of Yosemite Park and Curry Co. As Environmental Advisor to YP&C Co., Garrett De Bell has overall responsibility for maintaining the highest level of environmental awareness in all operations of the Company. Any employee should feel free to call him at 372-4611, ext. 479 for further information on our programs or to relay any problems they might perceive.

Major programs include:

RECYCLING: A major goal is to eliminate garbage through total recycling of all wastes. Cardboard is shipped to the baler at the warehouse where recycling attendants bale it into 500 pound bales which are then hauled to Fresno for recycling. Presently about a ton a day is being baled. A major expansion of the program occurred recently when YP&C voluntarily put into effect a refund system for soft drink and beer containers in cooperation with the EPA. This resulted in a dramatic increase in the volume of glass and aluminum processed. In the first two weeks of the program, more aluminum was processed than in all of the previous year. Other materials that are recycled are tin, bi-metal cans, newspaper, copper, brass, batteries, scrap iron, and grease. Any areas you see that are recycled are tin, bi-metal cans, put your mind to work devising a system to make it work and give Garrett De Bell or John Selkirk, the Recycling Supervisor, a call.

STOCKING:

Products in stores are scrutinized for environmental effects and objectional ones are not stocked. A major phaseout of fluorocarbon aerosols is just reaching completion. In some areas the direction has been to provide more desirable products alongside ones that are marginally acceptable like Styrofoam cups (permanent cups and paper cups are now stocked in the same area so the public can express its environmental awareness.)

INSPECTIONS:

All areas of the Company are inspected for environmental quality and you should feel free to call in any situation that concerns you and you can be sure it will be reviewed.

Yosemite Recreation

MOVIES

JUNE 28 — ROLLING STONES

"Ladies and Gentlemen, the Rolling Stones." This concert film, taken from the great 1972 U.S. tour of the Rolling Stones, features Mick Jagger (without Angie) performing their greatest hits — Brown Sugar, Jumpin' Jack Fish, Gimme Shelter, and more!!!

JULY 5 — TO BE ANNOUNCED

BASEBALL SCORES

MONDAY, JUNE 14:

Tecoya Schlitzes, 26 — Boystown Flyers, 3

The Tecoya Schlitzes routed the Boystown Flyers 26 to 3 in a game of power, speed and great pitching by Dave Tanner. Tecoya took charge in the 4th inning with Mike Ehrhardt, Tanner, and Danny Gade choice shots. Ramone Willis and James Peggins also contributed to the win with excellent speed in base running. Flyers captain Dave Huntley tried desperately to find a team, making nine substitutions during the game, but to no avail. The Flyers are now 0-2 for the season.

TUESDAY, JUNE 15:

Over The Belt Gang, 25 — Camp Six Twigs, 25

In a game that will be rescheduled for a future date, the Over the Belt Gang and the Camp 6 Twigs played to the 25-25 tie. An error by the scorekeeper resulted in the tie game, which will be finished during the regular season.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 16:

Kalamity Klutzes, 14 — Curry Village Hustlers, 13

The Kalamity Klutzes won their first game of the season over the Curry Village Hustlers by a score of 14-3. The Hustlers were in the game all the way, with Carmel Brantley hitting 5 for 5, Mary Kay Moore and Elysa Hammond also doing an outstanding job, both offensive and defensive. However, the Klutzes ended each inning with a constant trace of runs. The great hitting abilities for the Klutzes was headed by Inky Ringrose, Marsha Lee, and Jan Kennedy. Finally in the bottom of the 7th inning, the Klutzes scored the winning run with three tagging home to win the game.

THURSDAY, JUNE 17:

Mariposa Express, 13 — Annex Addicts, 6

The Mariposa Express defeated the Annex Addicts by a score of 13-6. The 3rd inning was highlighted with a homer by John Wallbon, which was the only homer of the game. Joe Evans and J.D. Swed contributed 3 hits apiece; Fred

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 23:
 Women's Softball Elementary School Field — 5:30 p.m.
 Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
 MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7 p.m.

THURSDAY, JUNE 24:
 Men's Softball Elementary School Field — 5:30 p.m.
 MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7 p.m.

FRIDAY, JUNE 25:
 ELECTION ***** VOTE!!!
 Reservations due for Women's Group Wawona Playday
 Women's Softball Elementary School Field — 5:30 p.m.
 Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
 MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7 p.m.

SATURDAY, JUNE 26:
 ELECTION ***** VOTE!!!
 MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7 p.m.

SUNDAY, JUNE 27:
 MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7 p.m.

MONDAY, JUNE 28:
 Men's Softball Elementary School Field — 5:30 p.m.
 Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
 MOVIE "Rolling Stones" Visitor Center — 8 p.m.

TUESDAY, JUNE 29:
 Mental Health Clinic Yosemite Medical Group — 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
 Men's Softball Elementary School Field — 5:30 p.m.
 TOPS Meeting El Portal School — 7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 30:
 Women's Group Playday Wawona
 Women's Softball Elementary School Field — 5:30 p.m.
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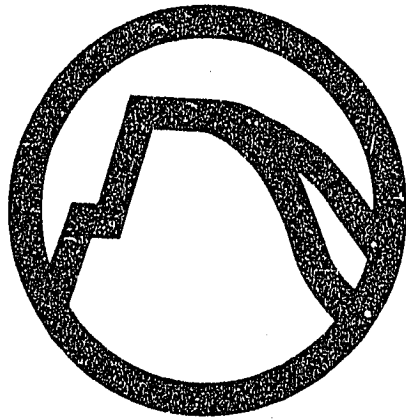
MONDAY, JULY 5:
 Men's Softball Elementary School Field — 5:30 p.m.
 Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
 MOVIE — To Be Announced Visitor Center — 8 p.m.

Due to space limitations, the Community Calendar will list only community-type events. Please check the *Yosemite Guide* or your local bulletin board for schedules of other activities.

Hemphill, Dick Ehrhardt, and Doug Martin contributed two hits apiece. Winning pitcher was John Caukins, who is 1-0 for the season.

FRIDAY, JUNE 18:

General Office Operators forfeit to The Loft Loonies



NOTICE Election Results Inconclusive

The results of the National Labor Relations Board election conducted on June 25th and 26th were inconclusive, and, as such, no determination has been made regarding the question of whether our employees wish to be represented by the Janitors Union or if they wish to represent themselves.

The balloting results are as follows:

NO UNION	173	(16.7%)
JANITORS	269	(25.9%)
VOID	2	(00.2%)
CHALLENGES	593	(57.2%)

In a few short days, the National Labor Relations Board will begin the process of clearing up those contested (challenged) ballots. At the conclusion of this process, the results may determine one of the following:

(1) No union will have received a majority of the ballots cast, and, subsequently, no union will represent our employees.

(2) The Janitors will have received a majority of the ballots cast, and, as such, they will be the sole and exclusive representative of the employees of the Yosemite Park and Curry Co.

There were 593 votes challenged during this election. The Yosemite Park and Curry Co. did not challenge anyone's right to vote, as we have always believed that anyone who will be affected by this election should have been given an opportunity to cast an unchallenged ballot.

We believe that the proper democratic thing to do is to open and count the 593 challenged ballots. We have asked representatives of the Janitors Union to join us in doing this so that we may be

Promotions



STEVE HOSLER attended Bowling Green State University in Ohio where he received a B.S. in Business Administration while majoring in Personnel Management. Following his graduation, Steve joined the Peace Corps. With the Peace Corps, Steve served two years on the Truk Islands in Micronesia as Business Advisor to the government Economic Development Office there. After the Peace Corps, Mr. Hosler traveled around the world for a year prior to coming to Yosemite in September of 1975. In his new position, Steve Hosler will serve as Personnel and Wage Administrator.



NANCY LYON has recently been promoted to the position of Employment Manager, replacing Marge Cromer who retired from the Yosemite Park and Curry Co. at the end of May. Nancy joined the Company in February of 1973 as the Secretary to the Manager of the Yosemite Lodge. Nancy has also worked as Office Supervisor at Badger Pass, Secretary and then Sales Coordinator in the Sales Department, and, most recently, Secretary for the Purchasing Department. Ms. Lyon was also General Manager of the Drakesbad Guest Ranch at Lassen and served as Night Manager of a restaurant in Santa Barbara. She received a B.A. in Archeology from Stanford University and studied in that university's overseas program in France.

able to determine what the true will of the majority is. Once this is determined, then we all have an obligation to abide by that choice.

We would like to thank each of you for your understanding and tolerance during this difficult period. Regardless of whatever your particular feelings on this issue may have been or whatever the final outcome may be, it is important that we bear in mind that Yosemite is our community and a National Park that has

been set aside for the use and enjoyment of the people. We are only the temporary custodians, and it is our responsibility to provide an enjoyable experience for our guests and to preserve for those who follow us the sensitivity and beauty of this Park.

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Sincerely,
Edward C. Hardy
Chief Operating Officer



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Outreach

During the summer months, the Yosemite Outreach Steering Committee will be meeting the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 7:30 p.m. at the Yosemite Medical Group dining room. All interested persons are invited to attend.

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RE Ving Around

by John Davis

The nightmare: You are alone and isolated. The temperature is extremely cold and you will freeze to death tonight before the would-be rescuers arrive tomorrow. You had thought that there was no fuel for a life-saving fire tonight...but then you remember the ten thousand \$100 bills in your backpack — your life savings. How much mental anguish would it be for you to burn that incredibly expensive fire that possibly could save your life? (Would you rather die a millionaire or live as a broke ex-millionaire!)

Value is the perceived worth of something to someone. If beauty is in the eye of the beholder, value is bestowed or withheld by persons...and perspective on value does have a way of changing. Time has a way of clarifying the worth of events, persons, and other ingredients of our past that have helped forge who we now are.

A question of interest to me is "how many dollars is a sermon worth?" In the summer of 1964, when I was a student minister at Fishing Bridge in Yellowstone National Park, I devised a formula to provide the answer: Take the attendance and divide it into the offering. That summer the weekly attendance averaged about 400 and the offering about \$125. Thus, I must have been dispensing 31¢ sermons. You probably won't be shocked to read that for the sake of my ego it has seemed wise to abandon that formula.

A deeper lesson that I have since learned: Treat with reverence the treasures of another. What has come to mean much to you, I may have no understanding or appreciation of...and vice versa. So, let us resolve to respect what others have learned to value and cherish. And, through it all, let us be searching and open to what (or shouldn't we say Who?) brings unifying, ultimate value to us all. The reason this is absolutely paramount is, as we have already seen, true value can never be self-asserted; it must be bestowed by Another. Receiving both the Giver and the Gift that provide abundant life means being released to a life of increasing value and worth.

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FREE KITTENS. Long and short hair, male and female. Most are gray and white. Phone 379-2630.

SOS * SOS * SOS

SOS is an organization established to assist families who need help under emergency circumstances. Examples could be a lost child, an accident or death, etc. This service is not for indigents or drug abuse problems.

It is once again time to update the SOS files. If you can provide any of the services listed below, we welcome your help. July and August have proven to be the months when our services are most needed, so we would like to have files ready to go by June 30.

Please return this form as soon as possible to Mrs. JoAnn Rees, P.O. Box 3, Yosemite National Park, CA 95389.

I can serve on _____
(days of week)

I can help SOS by supplying the services checked below:

- _____ Child care
- _____ Provide a meal
- _____ Housework for the sick
- _____ Transportation to clinic or hospital
- _____ Provide meal & visit to shut ins
- _____ Provide lodging
- _____ Will donate money
- _____ Used clothing (indicate children's size and sex)
- _____ Will do emergency laundry
- _____ Will donate blood _____ Type (hospital will type blood if desired)
- _____ Provide emergency transportation to Fresno or Merced

Familiarity with foreign language: _____

Familiarity with illnesses (diabetes, epilepsy, etc.): _____

Other ways and ideas in which we could serve: _____

Name _____

Address _____

Telephone _____

Yosemite's Religious Services

The Church Bowl: Located between Yosemite Village and The Ahwahnee.
The Chapel: 300 yards west of Sentinel Bridge Shuttle Bus stop.
Visitor Center: Park Headquarters in Yosemite Village.

CATHOLIC MASSES

Resident Pastor: Father James Anthony Murphy

Yosemite Valley:

Saturdays at 5:30 p.m. Visitor Center, West Auditorium
Sundays at 8, 9, 10, and 11 a.m. Visitor Center, West Auditorium.
Confession before Masses.

Daily Mass (Tuesday through Friday) 8:00 a.m. Chapel.

Wawona: "Schoolhouse" on Chilnualna Road - Saturdays at 5:30 p.m.
May 29 - Sept. 4.

Tuolumne Meadows - Dana Campfire Circle
Saturdays at 6:00 p.m., June 26 to Sept. 4

PROTESTANT SERVICES

Rev. John Cohron Davis, Resident Pastor Telephone 372-4885

Yosemite Valley:

Sunday; 9:00 a.m., Service of Worship, Lower River (#7) Campground Amphitheater.

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Sunday; 6:00 p.m., "A Christian Gathering", Chapel

Tuesday; 8:00 p.m., "A Christian Gathering", Chapel

Thursday; 8:00 p.m., "A Christian Gathering", Chapel.

Wawona:

Sunday; 8:30 a.m. Service of Worship, Campground Amphitheater (Circle "C").

Sunday; 10:30 a.m., Service of Worship, Hotel (Hill's Studio).

Sunday; 6:30 p.m., Service of Worship, "Schoolhouse"

Tuolumne Meadows:

Sunday; 10:00 a.m., Service of Worship, Dana Campfire Circle

Crane Flat and White Wolf Campgrounds (See Area Bulletin Boards)

JEWISH SERVICES

Yosemite Valley: Friday at 8:00 p.m., Chapel

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST

Yosemite Valley:

Saturday; 10:00 a.m., Sabbath School, Church Bowl.

Saturday; 11:00 a.m., Church Service, Church Bowl.

LUTHERAN [MISSOURI SYNOD]

Yosemite Valley: Sunday, 11:00 a.m., Service of Worship, Chapel

MORMON SERVICES

Yosemite Valley:

Sunday, 1:00 p.m., Sacrament Meeting, Chapel

Sunday, 2:00 p.m., Priesthood Meeting, Chapel

SOUTHERN BAPTIST SERVICES

Rev. Bill Simms

Telephone 379-2428

Sunday, 8:00 p.m., Service of Worship, Yosemite Valley Chapel.

El Portal Baptist Chapel;

Sunday Bible Study, 10 a.m.

Morning Worship Service, 11 a.m.

Wed. Evening Bible Study - El Portal Community Hall, 7:30 p.m.

Yosemite Parents' Group

FOR SALE

The Yosemite Parents' Group will meet Tuesday, August 17, at 7:45 p.m. at the Yosemite School to discuss the past year's test results, curriculum, and school organization for the coming year. The new principal, Scott Brown, will be at the meeting.

New Kenmore Washer and Dryer. Heavy-duty, large capacity. Avocado green. \$350 for pair. Call 372-4745.

New bunk beds, steel frame. \$100. Phone 372-4745.

Resident Photography Course Offered

The Ansel Adams Gallery will once again offer courses in beginning and intermediate photography to all Park employees and their dependents.

Each course will consist of three Wednesday night sessions from 7 to 10 p.m. and will teach all the basics of black and white photography. Proper exposure, composition and other photographic techniques that will make your camera a creative tool will be discussed. The first series will begin on July 7, the second on July 28, and the third and last series on August 18. The fee for each series of three sessions is \$15. Registration must be done in advance at the Ansel Adams Gallery. Please bring your course fee with you at that time.

On Thursday evenings, beginning on July 8, the Ansel Adams darkroom will be open to a limited number of employees and dependents from 7 to 10 p.m. The fee for each three hour session, including assistance in printing, developing and enlarging techniques, is \$3. Reservations for these times must be made in advance at the Gallery, and those taking the photography course will be given priority.

This year's course instructor, Brian Jacobs, has attended both the Mannheim University in Germany; University of Mexico, and received a B.A. in Art and Photography from California State University in Los Angeles. Brian has won awards for his photographic work from the George Eastman House, Foothill College Library and Cal State University, to name a few. He has also written two books on photography and has spent the past five years teaching this subject.

Did you ever wonder why two specific shades of both blue and green have been used extensively throughout the YP&C Co., such as on signs, shuttle buses, and recycling cans? These four colors were chosen to reduce sight pollution. The dark green color is representative of the core of the earth, the light green the earth's surface, light blue is for the inner atmosphere, while the dark blue stands for the universe.



SOFTBALL SCOREBOARD

MONDAY JUNE 21

Curry Cafes, 22 vs. F.D.S.B., 3
 Curry Cafes upset F.D.S.B. (Fire Department- Security Boys) 22-3 in a discouraging Monday night confrontation. The Curry Cafes jumped ahead in the first inning with top of the line-up Pat Driffield, Frank Faren, and Rid Whitfield saturating all areas of the field with choice shots. F.D.S.B. started the game with a 7-man line-up (and no third baseman) which inspired Curry to take advantage, and they did; with a 3rd inning rally, they bombarded the F.D.S.B. once again, this time down the 3rd base line, putting 8 more runs on the board.

TUESDAY, JUNE 22

Over the Belt Gang, 9 vs. Tecoya Schlitz, 5

In the upset of the season, the Over the Belt Gang defeated the Tecoya Schlitz 9 to 5 in a three-up, three-down ball game. Bob Calkins, big stick of the game, with the only homer for the Gang, also played an excellent game at shortstop. The game featured some excellent defensive plays by both teams. In the 5th inning, the Schlitz razzled the Gang with a devastating triple play, which gave somewhat of a lift to the Schlitz. Once again off the injured list came Tony Caputo, who found a hole in the defense and capitalized with a ripping shot to right field.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 23

Camp Six Strikers Upset Bionic Ahwahnees 13-6

The Camp Six Strikers defeated the Bionic Ahwahnees on Wednesday's confrontation. The first inning, the Strikers jumped ahead six runs with four hits by Pat Conley, Mary Rigel, Lori Head, and Linda Thomas. In the second inning, the Ahwahnees jumped up, trailing the Strikers 6-5, but the initiative of the Strikers' infield and outfield slowed them down. In the third inning, the Strikers came on strong again with seven hits, which brought the final defeat to 13-6 for the rest of the game. The honored pitcher for the Strikers was Debbie Nask.

THURSDAY, JUNE 24

Mariposa Express, FF - Boystown Flyers, FF

Mariposa Express won their second game of the season due to forfeit by the Boystown Flyers.

FRIDAY, JUNE 25

Curry Hustlers Upset Annex Alkies 30-18

The Curry Hustlers routed the Annex Alkies in Friday's confrontation. In the second inning, the Hustlers scored eight

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

FRIDAY, JULY 2:

Women's Softball Elementary School Field — 5:30 p.m.
 Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
 MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, JULY 3:

MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, JULY 4:

INDEPENDENCE DAY
 Fast-Pitch Softball Games Elementary School Field
 Men's Game — 2:30 p.m.
 Women's Game — 4:30 p.m.
 MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7:30 p.m.

MONDAY, JULY 5:

Men's Softball Elementary School Field — 5:30 p.m.
Over the Belt Gang vs. Curry Cafes
 Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
 MOVIE - "Abbott and Costello Meet Frankenstein" .. Visitor Center - 8 p.m.

TUESDAY, JULY 6:

Mental Health Clinic Yosemite Medical Clinic — 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
 Men's Softball Elementary School Field — 5:30 p.m.
Boystown Flyers vs. F.D.S.B.
 TOPS Meeting El Portal School — 7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 7:

Women's Softball Elementary School Field — 5:30 p.m.
 Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
 MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, JULY 8:

Men's Softball Elementary School Field — 5:30 p.m.
Camp Six Twigs vs. Annex Addicts
 MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, JULY 9:

Women's Softball Elementary School Field — 5:30 p.m.
Annex Alkies vs. Camp Six Strikers
 Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
 MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, JULY 10:

Women's Group Moonlight Train Ride Yosemite Mountain
 MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, JULY 11:

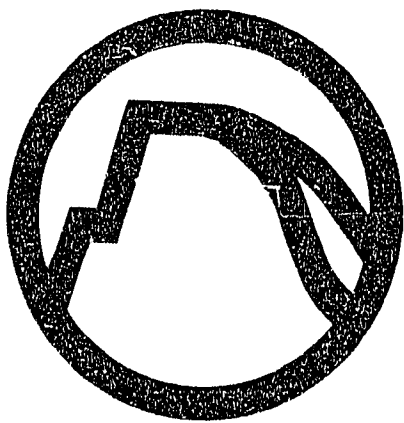
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 Men's Game — 4:30 p.m.
 MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7:30 p.m.

MONDAY, JULY 12:

Men's Softball Elementary School Field — 5:30 p.m.
Tecoya Schlitz vs. Curry Cafes
 Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
 MOVIE - "Nashville" Visitor Center — 8 p.m.

runs to the Alkies' one run. The heavy bitters for the Hustlers were Hollis Gillespi, Arlene Malers, Zoe Yonar, and Tammy Scott. In the fourth inning, the Hustlers scored another six runs to the Alkies no-run inning. Although the

Alkies were trailing, they proved their hitting capacity with home-run hitter Jerry Slater, which was the only home run of the game. The honored pitcher for the Hustlers was Mary K.



GO CLIMB A ROCK!



YOSEMITE MOUNTAINEERING SCHOOL STAFF — front row [l to r] Mike White [part time instructor], Allen Bard, Bruce Brosman. Standing [l to r] Bob Ashworth, Michael Breitenbach, Chris Falkenstein, Dave Burcheff, Loyd Price.

Each year, hundreds of climbers and scramblers are drawn to Yosemite's magnificent cliffs to try their hand at climbing.

To provide the experience necessary to ascend the great rock walls safely, the Yosemite Mountaineering School offers classes in beginning, intermediate and advanced rock climbing techniques. The school, rated #1 in the nation, is staffed by some of the most experienced climbers in the country:

LOYD PRICE — Director — a native Alaskan, Loyd first came to Yosemite ten years ago to work as a cook at The Ahwahnee and begin his climbing career. He was the first guide for the Yosemite Mountaineering School when it opened in 1968. Among his climbing credits, Loyd has done at least one route on all the big walls in the Valley, including a three day ascent of the Salathe Wall on El Capitan, and climbing the Northwest Face of Half Dome in one-and-a-quarter days. In the winter, Loyd teaches both downhill and cross-country skiing. He is also an experienced hang glider, and is one of the leaders in search and rescue in the country.

DAVE BURCHEFF — Chief Guide — Dave, like Loyd, has been climbing in Yosemite for about ten years, and has worked with the Mountaineering School for four years. Among the climbs that Dave has done in Yosemite are the Salathe Wall and the Shield on El Cap, Half Dome Direct, the Arrow Direct, the Prow on Washington's Column, and two new routes on Fairview Dome (IV, 5.10—A4). In Canada he has climbed in the Bugaboos, Glacier Provincial Park, and the North Face of Athabasca — a 1,000 ft. ice climb.

TM HERBERT — One of the pioneers of Yosemite climbing, TM has been climbing in and around Yosemite for about 19 years. He made the first two-man ascent of El Capitan (Muir Wall) with Yvon Chouinard, the first ascent of the West Face of El Cap, the Chouinard-Herbert route on Sentinel, the third ascent of Half Dome, second ascent of Mt. Conness, many fist ascents at Lover's Leap, the second ascent of the Totem Pole in the Four Corners area. During the off-season TM is a grade school teacher in Oakhurst.

CRAIG PATTERSON — He's been

working at the Mountaineering School both summer and winter for the past four years. Craig started by teaching snow camping, and has progressed to becoming an expert climber, and cross-country skier. Along with Wayne Merry and Loyd Price, Craig developed the Alpine Survival course that he also teaches for the School. He is in the process of writing a book on mountain survival that should be completed sometime this year.

BOB ASHWORTH — a native of Oregon, Bob has done much climbing and mountaineering in the Pacific Northwest. Among the places that he has climbed are Mt. Rainier, Glacier Peak, Mt. St. Helena, Mt. Triumph, Snow Creek Wall, Mt. Hood, Mt. Jefferson, winter ascent of Three-Fingered Jack, first ascent of the West Face of Monkey Face, and El Capitan, Sentinel Rock, Rostrum, Outer Limits, Nabisco Wall, New Dimensions, and Catchy Continuation in Yosemite. Bob teaches the Snow and Ice Climbing classes.

BRUCE BROSMAN — Bruce started climbing in Colorado nine years ago and has taught at the School for two years. Among the harder routes that Bruce has done are Outer Limits, the Meat Grinder, the East Buttress of El Cap (all free), and two first ascents in Tuolumne Meadows area — one on Mariuolumne Dome and On The Lamb (first girdle traverse in the Park) on Lamb Dome. Bruce has also climbed in Joshua Tree and Mexico (a 17,800 ft. volcano).

ROBERT STEVENS — Known as Drone, he has climbed extensively in Mexico and South America during the off-season. He's climbed in Yosemite for about seven years and done many of the very hard combination-type climbs in the Valley.

ALLEN BARD — comes from Santa Clara and has taught at the school for three years. Allen has climbed Mt. Whitney, El Capitan, Sentinel Rock, Washington's Column, the Leaning Tower, Middle Cathedral Rock and

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specializes in extremely hard off-width crack problems. Allen has done many first ascents of 5.10 free climbs.

CHRIS FALKENSTEIN — started climbing in the Shawangunks in New York. One of the top climbers in the Valley now, Chris has done many 5.11 climbs including Death Crack, Do Or Fly (first ascent) in Tuolumne, and Boot Flake (first ascent) on The Nose of El Cap.

MICHAEL BREITENBACH — new to the School this season, Michael has climbed various routes on El Capitan and Half Dome, the Rostrum, Sentinel Rock, Washington's Column, and the Nabisco Wall. He has done some snow and ice climbing in the Northwest, as well as climbing in Wyoming and Colorado.

RON KULK — Also new this season, and the youngest of the instructors, Ron took his first climbing instruction at the Yosemite Mountaineering School. Although he has only been climbing for three years he is considered to be one of the finest free climbers in the country today. Among the 5.11 routes that Ron has done are Crimson Cringe, Nabisco Wall, Butterballs (first continuous ascent), Fish Crack, and Hot Line (first free ascent).



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Employee Housing

by Jerry Doyle

As employees, housing in Yosemite is one of our greatest concerns — single housing even more so. The question that is asked most frequently by employees is, "How do I get a single dormitory room?" The answer to that question is often misunderstood and often misquoted. It is the purpose of this article to clarify the criteria for eligibility for single dorm rooms and hopefully clear up some of the confusion.

First, it is important to understand that there is a very limited number of single dormitory rooms. In the Tecoya area, there are 78 single rooms. These are the only true single rooms in Employee Housing. There is also a limited number of double-occupancy cabins, dorm rooms, and tents that are set aside as singles. These total 12. As you can see, we have a total of 90 single rooms. This is indeed a very limited supply.

Now, how is the eligibility for these rooms determined? Each job title has a corresponding Wage Grade Letter. The letters range from A to N, with A being the highest, N being the lowest. If you are not sure of your Wage Grade, look at your employment form, ask your supervisor, or come to the Employee Housing Office for a detailed explanation of your eligibility.

How does an employee get a single room?
CRITERIA FOR AWARDS

- 1. JOB TITLE** (Job Responsibilities)
This is used to establish wage grades.
- 2. LENGTH OF SERVICE** (Amount of service you have with YP&C Co.)

3. NEED

Your hours of work and unusual need for privacy.

The last two items are used mainly as tie-breakers and are not primary considerations. After the employee's eligibility is determined, the person with the greater responsibility will be offered the available room, and that person has the option of accepting or declining.

There is a general misunderstanding regarding our list of those people who have applied. We do maintain a list, but it is only for the purpose of recording the names of people that apply for single housing. It does not mean that there is an automatic rotation; it does mean that if you are number 3 on the list today and tomorrow someone with greater job responsibilities and longer service may apply, you could become number 4.

These are commonly the most misunderstood concepts about private rooms. If you have any questions about eligibility or would like any problems explained, please come in and see me at the Housing Office or call ext. 451.

We have seen how much housing is available and the process by which it is assigned. Ultimately, however, the most important factor is availability. Being eligible does not guarantee you a private room. Often there are no rooms available, so keep in mind we have a limited number of them. It is also important to remember that private rooms do not automatically go with any position, nor does your overall time with the Company guarantee you a room.

DID YOU KNOW THAT...

...if every aluminum can sold in Yosemite were recycled, approximately 375,000 kilowatt hours of electricity would be saved?

...it is more ecologically sound to use recycled aluminum than it is to start off with the raw materials?

...the deposit program in Yosemite is almost two months old? And that it is sponsored by the Environmental Protection Agency and the Yosemite Park and Curry Co., and endorsed by the National Park Service?

...there will be a special test conducted from July 12 to July 28 to test what percentage of the vending machine cans are being returned, and that these cans will be marked with red ink?

...many of the people collecting the deposit refund cans in the Park are also returning non-refundable cans and bottles to the Recycling Center as well?

...any unclaimed deposits will be used to cover operating costs of the refund program and any money left over will be used for other environmental programs in Yosemite?

...Yosemite is much cleaner than in previous years and there is not so much litter around?

...if you will return your cans, not only will you be richer monetarily, but you will also have contributed to making Yosemite and the world a better place to live?

...the success of the program depends on YOU.

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Although this program is directed towards women, men are also welcome to attend.



The Yosemite Park and Curry Co., represented by Chief Operating Officer Ed Hardy, presented the Thomas Hill painting "Big Tree" to the National Park Service recently. The painting, which has hung for many years in the main building of the Wawona Hotel, was bequeathed to the NPS' Yosemite Museum. Accepting on behalf of the National Park Service are [l-r] Asst. Superintendent John Good and Superintendent Les Arnberger.

Grooming Standards

In the hospitality business grooming and hygiene are important factors. Creating a good impression when dealing with the public means presenting a pleasing image as well as a pleasant personality. For this reason the Yosemite Park and Curry Co. has an established policy which deals with dress, grooming, and hygiene standards.

In order that we may all understand the policy, the following is a recap.

I. DRESS

A. All employees are required to observe and practice good taste in dress and appearance, emphasizing a conservative style and avoiding extremes that may be offensive to others.

B. Uniforms, where applicable, may only be worn during the hours an employee is on an assigned work shift. The wearing of an incomplete uniform is not acceptable.

C. Undergarments are required and clothing should be loose enough to allow an employee to work in comfort. Dresses, skirts, and pantsuits are acceptable.

D. In all cases the garments worn by employees during working hours are to be neat and clean. Uniforms are the property of the Yosemite Park and Curry Co. and should be maintained in the condition in which they were received.

II. GROOMING

A. Hair

1. Women's hair should be neat, combed, and contained in a style that does not permit it to fall loosely about while serving the public.

2. Men's hair should be neat, combed, shaped, styled, and not simply cut off. The length of hair should not extend below the base of the neck or beyond the collar. The style of their hair should not permit it to fall loosely about while serving the public.

3. Wigs are not acceptable.

B. **BEARDS** are not permitted, the only exceptions are as follows, and will require stated approval of the Director.

1. Cosmetic reasons

2. Occupational exemptions such as an entertainer.

C. **SIDEBURNS** are acceptable, but they should not extend below the ear, should be well trimmed and avoid the appearance of being bushy. Mutton chops of any form are unacceptable.

D. **MUSTACHES** are acceptable, but they should not extend beyond or below the opening of the mouth and should be neatly trimmed at all times.

III. HYGENE

All employees are expected and required

To Inez Glatz on Her Retirement

By Pauline Trabucco

[With apologies to Longfellow]

In the State of Colorado,
There beneath the mountain's shadow
Her quest for knowledge ever reaching,
There she first began her teaching.

There she found such inspiration,
Found in teaching such elation,
When she met her charming Walter,
And he led her to the altar,
Placed the gold ring on her finger,
That she wanted still to linger.

But together they departed
From that State, and soon were started
For a home among the orange trees
Not very far from ocean breeze.

To the house that Walter brought her,
Later came a dark-eyed daughter,
Named Naomi, nick-named Patty,
A true delight to Mom and Daddy!

When she started kindergarten,
Mon's career was also startin!
Teaching Lutheran schools was great,
In every grade from one through eight.

And part of this long interval,
Mrs. Glatz was also principal!
And by this time her family'd grown,
Naomi had two of her own.

The children were both fair and bright,
Who gave their grandma much delight,
And grandpa too who's now retiring,
But Inez heard that they were hiring
A teacher for a National Park —
And now our heroine felt the spark —
A call to once again begin
The work she found such pleasure in.

So Walter brought our Inez here.
They planned to stay for just a year,
But seven passed and still they stayed.
And all those seven years we prayed,
That she would not think of retiring,
For her work was most inspiring.

All the children loved her dearly,
And progressed in all ways yearly.
The other teachers loved her too,
And the parents, it is true.

So dear Inez, we want to say,
We only wish that you would stay.
It has been wonderful to know you
We hope these lines above will show you

to report to work bathed properly, with clean and neat clothes, bearing in mind that offensiveness to others is not conducive to our public image and not in keeping with the spirit and presentation required in the Hospitality Industry.

Yosemite Recreation

MOVIES

JULY 12 — NASHVILLE

Nashville is five days in the lives of twenty-four unforgettable people during the mid-seventy's of America. Nashville is a movie which ranges from Rock singing to Country Western. The movie also deals with how artists reach their peak in show business and their traumatic experiences while doing so. Some of the stars in Nashville include Keith Carradine, Gwen Welles, Michael Murphy, Henry Gibson, and Barbara Baxley. If you enjoy open, honest people and much humor, then see Nashville. (R)

JULY 19 — DUCK SOUP (Marx Brothers)

Duck Soup, a pointed political satire, is the Marx Brothers purest and most insane film — that is to say, no time-consuming tenors, no ingenues, no instrumental solos, no irrelevant music numbers, just the real thing. One of their zaniest films, Duck Soup contains most of the Brothers' most famous sequences. The lemonade stand, a masterpiece of slow burn, the mirror scene, most famous of all.

SOFTBALL SCOREBOARD

MONDAY, JUNE 28

Camp Six Twigs, 35 Curry Cafes, 19
Camp Six Twigs won their first game of the season, ripping the Curry Cafes 35 to 19. The Camp Six attack was led by Dennis Ceccarelli and Steve Angel, both who had four hits, including one homer apiece. The Game stayed close until the fourth inning, when Camp Six exploded for eight more runs. Curry's attack was led by John Carter and Lawrence Quinley.

TUESDAY, JUNE 29

Annex Alkies Over F.D.S.B. by Forfeit
The Annex Alkies registered their second win of the year when F.D.S.B. neglected to put a starting team on the field.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 30

Loft Loonies Forfeit to Kalamity Klutzes
The Kalamity Klutzes won by forfeit to the Loft Loonies. There have been more forfeits than games — come on, ladies, get out and Play Ball!

THURSDAY, JULY 1:

Mariposa Express, 25 Tecoya Schlitz, 15
Doug Martin supplied the power as the Mariposa Express exploded for ten second-inning runs and went on to defeat the Tecoya Schlitz 25-15. Mike Durr and Steve Medley added four hits apiece for the winners. Tecoya was led by James Peggins and Scott Swyner. Both men homered. Dwyner also had three hits. If

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

FRIDAY, JULY 9:

Women's Softball Elementary School Field — 5:30 p.m.
Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7 p.m.

SATURDAY, JULY 10:

Women's Group Moonlight Train Ride Yosemite Mountain
MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7 p.m.

SUNDAY, JULY 11:

Women's Fast Pitch Softball Elementary School Field — 2:30 p.m.
Men's Fast Pitch Softball Elementary School Field — 4:30 p.m.
MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7 p.m.

MONDAY, JULY 12:

Men's Softball Elementary School Field — 5:30 p.m.
Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
MOVIE "Nashville" Visitor Center — 8 p.m.

TUESDAY, JULY 13:

Mental Health Clinic Yosemite Medical Clinic — 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Women's Group Picnic/Annual Day at McClendon's Beach
Men's Softball Elementary School Field — 5:30 p.m.
TOPS Meeting El Portal School — 7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 14:

Women's Softball Elementary School Field — 5:30 p.m.
Volleyball Camp 6 — 6 p.m.
Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7 p.m.

THURSDAY, JULY 15:

Men's Softball Elementary School Field — 5:30 p.m.
MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7 p.m.

FRIDAY, JULY 16:

Women's Softball Elementary School Field — 5:30 p.m.
Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7 p.m.

SATURDAY, JULY 17:

MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7 p.m.

SUNDAY, JULY 18:

Women's Fast Pitch Softball Elementary School Field — 2:30 p.m.
Men's Fast Pitch Softball Elementary School Field — 4:30 p.m.
MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7 p.m.

not for Danny Gardella making some remarkable catches in left field, the score could well have gotten out of hand.

TOO MANY FORFEITS!!

FOR SALE

1972 Yamaha 650. \$850. Call 379-2329.

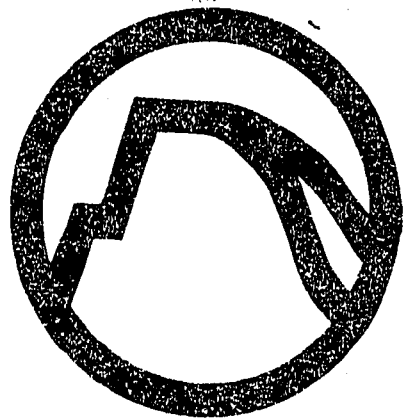
1970 Ford Super Van; automatic, air conditioning, 8-track, paneling, carpeting, more. \$1,700. O-Zone, Tent 47.

GE electric room air conditioner. 115 volts; 7,000 BTU. \$85. Phone 379-2286.

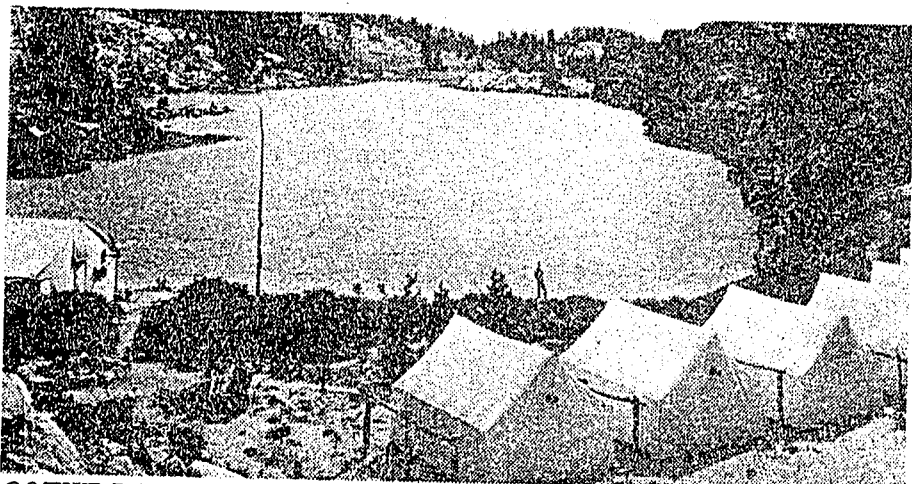
WATERPOLO

The Employee Recreation Department is organizing the cool summer sport of Water Polo. This sport will probably be underway within the next couple of weeks. Those interested are to contact the Employee Recreation Dept. at Ext. 475 for sign-ups.

If anyone would like to volunteer their time, the Recreation Staff is looking for someone to offer his or her talent in refereeing.



Sixty Years of Comfort in the High Country



BOOTHE LAKE HIGH SIERRA CAMP was built on the shores of Boothe Lake in 1924. It was later moved twice because of mosquito encounters.

Yosemite's unique and famed High Sierra Camps first got started in 1916 when D.J. Desmond of the Desmond Company built mountain "chalets" at Tenaya Lake, Tuolumne Meadows, and Merced Lake. One 18' x 84' building housed the lounge, dining room, and kitchen, while sleeping quarters were separate. The price of \$3 a day was 50 cents more than at Camp Curry, but comparable to the Sentinel Hotel, where rates were from \$3 to \$5 per day. In addition, rowboats could be rented at both Tenaya and Merced Lakes — and there was a boat launch at Tenaya Lake!

Use of the lodges was suspended during World War I. In 1921, A.B.C. Dohrmann opened the buildings at Merced Lake for a boys' camp. (Dohrmann was head of the Yosemite National Park Company, which was a reorganization of the Desmond Company). By 1923, the lodges had become "Hikers' Camps", and Park Superintendent W.B. "Dusty" Lewis assigned NPS naturalist Carl P. Russell to find sites for five other camps to be included in a circuit for hikers. Two camps were built the following year, bringing the total to 5 camps.

One was Boothe Lake, which, due to sewage and mosquito problems, was moved up the mountain twice and is now known as Vogelsang. The other, Little

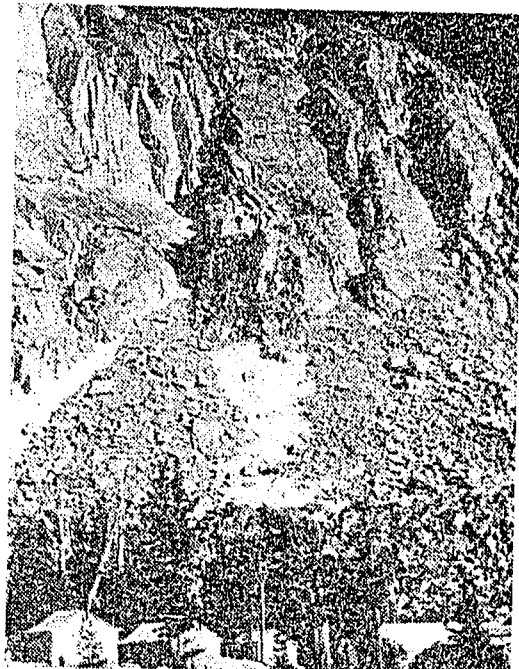
Yosemite, was built near the top of Nevada Falls, and only operated for a few years. In Shirley Sargent's book, *Yosemite and Its Innkeepers*, she states, "They were an innovative concept and a shining example of a joint effort between the Park Service and a concessionaire to encourage visitors to 'climb the mountains and get their good tidings'."

In 1925, the Yosemite National Park Company and the Curry Camping Company merged to form the Yosemite Park and Curry Co. One of the several new projects for the combined companies was the building of Glen Aulin High Sierra Camp in the spring of 1927. It had quickly been seen that saddle parties, as well as hikers, would use the camps, and so the name was changed from "Hikers' Camps" to "High Sierra Camps".

In 1938, the May Lake High Sierra Car. replaced the Tenaya Lake Camp, and in 1951, White Wolf Lodge was bought by the YP&C Co. and included in the High Country operations.

For many years, the Tresidders enjoyed the High Sierras, particularly in the vicinity of the Sunrise Lakes. Mary Curry Tresidder's hoped-for dream of a High Sierra Camp there came about in 1961 — partly financed by her personal funds.

With the exceptions of World Wars I and II when all the camps were closed, Tuolumne Meadows Lodge has been open since 1916, and thus holds the record of the longest-running camp. (Merced Lake had been used as a private camp when it was a boys' camp.)



VOGELSANG HIGH SIERRA CAMP replaced the Boothe Lake Camp. Fletcher Peak in background.

Of the sites selected in 1923, only the Lyell Fork (Mount Lyell) has not hosted a High Sierra Camp. Mr. Russell, who selected the sites that year, wrote in his book, *100 Years in Yosemite*, that "Superintendent Lewis advocated the creation of a service that would enable the hiker to enjoy the wonders of the Yosemite high country and yet be free from the irksome load of blankets and food necessary to the success of a trip away from the established centers of the park." The High Sierra Camps have well fulfilled their calling. Few guests have faced what Stephen T. Mather, first Director of the NPS, described when he said, "Scenery is a hollow enjoyment to a tourist who sets out in the morning after an indigestible breakfast and a fitful sleep on an impossible bed."

CURSES!! FOILED AGAIN



Old fashioned melodramas are just plain old fashioned fun. As a member of the Golden Chain Theatre audience, you play a vital role in the production. The fun really takes off when you hiss and sneer at the despicable villain, and shake the rafters with cheers for the dashing hero!

Born of big dreams and small means, the Golden Chain Theatre has, in eight years, grown to wide recognition as a regional institution. Their success story is a graphic tribute to the countless local volunteers whose "labor or love" has made it all possible — and to the loyal support of the ever growing audiences.

This season the theatre is offering two

productions — "Jenny, the Mail-Order Bride", which will be seen on Fridays and Saturdays through August 7th, and "Deadwood Dick", which begins on August 12 and plays every Friday and Saturday through September 25. Admission to all performances is \$4 per person and includes a basket of popcorn.

Reservations may be made by calling 683-7112 or stopping by the Golden Chain Theatre in Oakhurst on Hwy. 41 across the street from the Snowline Restaurant. Box Office hours are 1 to 6 p.m.

Groups of 25 or more may obtain tickets at a discount. Call the reservation office for further details.

Bestseller Goes Paperback

Shirley Sargent's best-selling history of the concessioners in Yosemite, "Yosemite and Its Innkeepers", has recently been printed in a paperback edition. The book chronicles concession operations from the opening of the first hotel in Yosemite, Lower Hotel in 1856, through to the present.

The paperback edition will be the same dimensions as the hardbound edition but with a soft cover. It will include the same 176 pages of facts, stories, and photographs that made the original edition so popular.

The book is available at all Valley gift shops in hardbound for \$15 and \$9 for the new softbound edition.

Dear Friends:

Thank you so very much for the many kindnesses you have shown me since my recent illness. I wish I could thank each of you personally to tell you how much your cards, letters, and gifts have meant to me. If you happen by Madera, my door is always open.

Bertha Allen

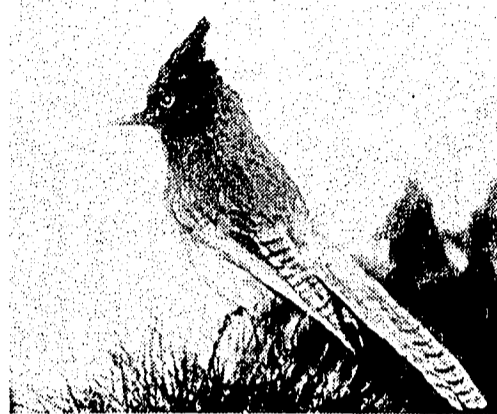
Wanted

Preschool teacher for 3 and 4 year old children, two mornings a week, 9:45 to 11:45 at the El Portal School, September through May. Qualifications: No credentials necessary, but some background or training in early childhood education helpful. Salary: \$7.50 per hour. Contact 379-2668 or 372-4826.

FOR SALE

All wool CARPET 11'10" x 17'9", pea green. Almost new, good condition. Ductless KITCHEN VENT. Call 372-4816 after 6 p.m.

STELLAR'S JAY



Before you're in Yosemite too long, you'll make the acquaintance of this lively, friendly-appearing bird. The dark blue body and black head and crest give the Stellar an easily-recognized form.

This jay's total length, including the 5¼" to 6½" tail, is about 12 to 13 inches. The dark blue wings and tail are crossed with narrow black bars.

One interesting habit of the Stellar's jay which you will notice is that he climbs a tree by hopping from branch to branch, like climbing a ladder or sometimes like a circular staircase. After reaching its observation point, the bird then spreads its wing and tail and glides to the base of another tree.

One of the most enjoyable aspects of this blue jay is the wide variety of calls it has. Most often the Stellar is heard scolding; it also has a whistle-type call, as well as crackling and squeaking calls. Fortunately, though, are those who hear the song of the Stellar's jay, one of the loveliest of all the birds' songs.

Although the natural diet of the Stellar's jay consists of seeds, nuts, acorns, and insects, the best place to see them is around outdoor eating sites. Often appearing tame, the birds may scold you and, after you leave, glean bits of bread and other foods from the table. As with all Park animals, the Stellar's jay is a wild animal and should be discouraged from forming the habit of eating people food, as the birds survive the winter much better after finding their own food all summer.

At times, it may seem that Yosemite's Stellar's jays are here because of people; however, it's really because people and jays both like the Yellow Pine and Lodgepole Pine belts with their coniferous forests. The jays, however, prefer homes of modern mud-and-twigs, with interiors decorated in needles or grass. Views are a must, and so the nests are built in conifers anywhere from 8 to 40 feet above ground.

Spring is the time when 3-5 greenish eggs with dark olive spots appear in the nest, and soon another generation of Stellars are out to make their way in the world.

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Complete The Circle JUL 19 1978

How many times do you go to the Village Store or to get your mail? How many of those times do you go to the Village straight from your room or tent? Did you ever stop to think how easy it would be to pick up your recyclable "trash" and drop it off at the Recycling Center on your way?

Why recycle? Because we want a nicer world. We want less smog — everywhere. We want more trees and living things. We want a prettier place for the whole population of the Earth to live in. And by recycling, we can complete the circle which will make this possible.

Raw materials are mined, processed, and become the basics of packaging — such as aluminum, paper, tin, and cardboard. They then go to the manufacturer and become cans and boxes. They are filled with their particular type of goods and are distributed to the consumer — you. After use, you and you alone have the option of completing the circle or starting another one. If you choose to recycle, the material is processed again and begins the cycle over. If you toss, that much more raw materials will be have to mined — whether it be from the ground or from the forest. For example, every ton of paper that is recycled saves 17 trees.

Why the EPA Deposit Program? It was estimated that over 920,000 cans were used in Yosemite in 1974 — approximately 45,000 pounds of aluminum. Think of all the energy that goes into making that 45,000 pounds of aluminum — quite a bit! Over 17,000 kilowatts of electricity are used for each ton of aluminum manufactured from raw materials. When enough people recycle, you will benefit — utility companies will have more electricity and thus will reduce rates or cut back on production; containers will cost less, and the savings will be passed on to you. It works this way not just with aluminum, but with all cans, glass, and paper products.

PLEASE, redeem your 5¢ deposits by returning your cans to any of the locations listed below. And next time you're going by one of the recycling centers, take some recyclables to drop off there.

Locations for redeeming your cans and bottles are:

YP&C Co. Recycling Center
Degnan's Gift Shop
Degnan's Deli
Yosemite Lodge Apparel Shop
Yosemite Lodge Service Station
Employee Rec. Hall (Annex)



BILL RAMSEY came to Yosemite in January of 1975 as an Internal Auditor. Bill was raised in Chicago where he attended Wright College, majoring in Accounting. While in Chicago, Bill was involved in theater workshops and singing. Mr. Ramsey has been employed in the hospitality industry since 1966 and has worked for the Oxford Hotel, the Imperial Inn, the Water Tower Hyatt House all in Chicago, the Beverly Hills Hotel in Beverly Hills, and, most recently, at the Rodeway Inn in Claremont. In his new position as Chief Auditor, Mr. Ramsey will be responsible for auditing of all revenue, control of office equipment, and implementing and maintaining accounting records, and will report to Bill Letts.

Curry Village Gift Shop
Curry Village Bike Stand
Valley Stables
Housekeeping Camp Store
Crane Flat Store
White Wolf
Tuolumne Meadows Store
Chinquapin Service Station
Wawona Service Station
Wawona Store
Wawona Golf Shop
Big Trees Gift Shop

By the way, all non-redeemed deposits will be used to cover the operating costs of the EPA program. And, if any money is leftover, it will be used on environmental programs in Yosemite. Redeem your containers — you'll benefit the environment!!!!

Any suggestions you may have for the EPA Deposit Program should be directed to Art Goertzen at ext. 253. If you have something environmental in nature, discuss it with Garrett De Bell, our Environmental Specialist, at ext. 479.

PROMOTIONS



BOB CALKINS joined the Yosemite Park and Curry Co. in May of 1975 as a Produce Clerk in the Village Store. A native of Washington State, Bob served in the Air Force as a Radar Maintenance Man for four years. After moving to California, Mr. Calkins attended both Cypress College and Cal State Fullerton where he majored in Economics. Following college, Bob managed a modular housing factory, and then went into partnership in two produce markets. Since joining the Company, Bob Calkins has also worked as Office Clerk in the Village Store and Shuttle Bus Auditor prior to his recent promotion to YTS Dispatcher.

Darkroom Session Open to Park Employees

For the many Park employees who are photo enthusiasts, but have not been able to find a place to do their own processing and printing, the Ansel Adams Gallery is opening its darkroom on Thursday evenings from 7 to 10 p.m.

Anyone who has studied photography, or is now enrolled in the Gallery's resident photography course, may use the darkroom on Thursdays for \$1 per hour. Reservations for use are required. Stop by the Gallery to reserve space, or call 372-4579. A trained instructor will be on hand to answer any questions that you might have while you are working on your photography.

Women's Group Doings

SKETCH WALK

Gayle Sleznick will lead the Women's Group on a sketch walk on Tuesday, July 20. Bring your sketch pad, pencils, and picnic lunch, and meet in Superintendent Arnberger's yard at 10 a.m. You don't have to be a Rembrandt or Picasso — come and join in the fun.

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MOVIES

JULY 19 — DUCK SOUP (Marx Brothers)

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JULY 26 — THE WIND AND THE LION

The Wind and the Lion is first and foremost a colorful, magnificent, and exuberant adventure spectacular. It is based on a little known turn-of-the-century event in which President Teddy Roosevelt sent in the Marines to rescue an American citizen kidnapped for a ransom by a Moroccan sheik. The provocative hint of romance between the kidnapped lady (Candice Bergen) and her abductor (Sean Connery) that evolves not into sex, as the formula demands, but mutual respect. (PG)

NEW YOGA CLASS

The Employee Recreation Department is offering a new beginner's Yoga class Monday, Wednesday, and Friday in the Curry Co. Employee Training Center, located by the Beauty-Barber Shop next to the Village Store. Meeting at 6 p.m., the class is open to all Park employees and their families.

Instructor Bob Ashway emphasizes the importance of taking it "slow and easy", as no beginning student is expected to have the strength, flexibility, or balance to accomplish any of the complete postures.

The exercises also help relieve tension and keep wrinkles away as they relax you after a day at work. Being rested and refreshed, you can think more clearly, work better, and have more energy. The course will also focus on nutrition and living hints.

Join us for a dramatically different 10-week program that unlocks the secrets of a lifetime of health, beauty, and profound peace of mind.

SOFTBALL SCOREBOARD

MONDAY, JULY 5

The Over the Belt Gang won their third game of the season, defeating Curry Cafes 18 to 15. The Gang, rising to the occasion, gave the Cafes a run for their

money. Paul Peters and Eddie Anderson hitting back-to-back homers gave spark to the offense. Excellent fielding by Tom Williams, Tom Bumgarner, and Anderson held the Cafes to a low attack. Pat Duffield going 4 for 4 aided the Cafes. Winning pitcher was Ed Hardy.

TUESDAY, JULY 6

F.D.S.B. gave a forfeit to the Boystown Flyers. Boystown, registering their first win of the season, are now 1 and 3 for the season.

THURSDAY, JULY 8

The Annex Addicts upset the Camp Six Twigs 16-8 while stepping into third place. The Annex took charge in the first inning wit Al Sawyer, Jeff Luster, and Ralph Howe reaching base safely. The Power was led by Howe Sawyer and Bruce Shennen, who gave the Annex the padding they needed. Up until the fourth inning, it had been a shutout game; then, Gig Demall put a grand slam shot to left field, putting 4 on the board for the Twigs.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

FRIDAY, JULY 16:

Women's Softball Elementary School Field — 5:30 p.m.
MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7 p.m.

SATURDAY, JULY 17:

MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7 p.m.

SUNDAY, JULY 18:

Women's Fast Pitch Softball Elementary School Field — 2:30 p.m.
Men's Fast Pitch Softball Elementary School Field — 4:30 p.m.
MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7 p.m.

MONDAY, JULY 19:

Men's Softball Elementary School Field — 5:30 p.m.
Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
MOVIE — "Duck Soup" Visitor Center — 8 p.m.

TUESDAY, JULY 20:

Mental Health Clinic Yosemite Medical Clinic — 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Women's Group Sketch Walk Superintendent's Yard — 10 a.m.
Men's Softball Elementary School Field — 5:30 p.m.
TOPS Meeting El Portal School — 7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 21:

Women's Softball Elementary School Field — 5:30 p.m.
Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7 p.m.

THURSDAY, JULY 22:

Men's Softball Elementary School Field — 5:30 p.m.
MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7 p.m.

FRIDAY, JULY 23:

Women's Softball Elementary School Field — 5:30 p.m.
Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7 p.m.

SATURDAY, JULY 24:

MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7 p.m.

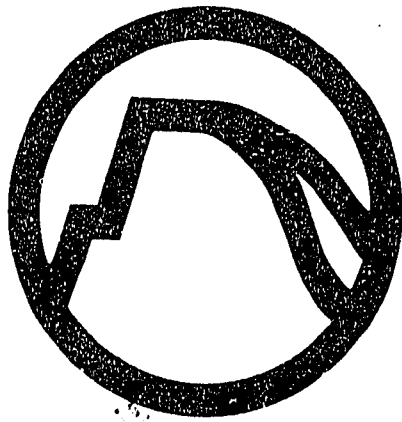
SUNDAY, JULY 25:

Women's Fast Pitch Softball Elementary School Field — 2:30 p.m.
Men's Fast Pitch Softball Elementary School Field — 4:30 p.m.
MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7 p.m.

MONDAY, JULY 26:

Softball Elementary School Field — 5:30 p.m.
Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
MOVIE — "The Wind and the Lion" Visitor Center — 8 p.m.

Due to space limitations, the Community Calendar will list only community-type events. Please check the Yosemite Guide or your local bulletin board for schedules of other activities.



A DAY AT WHITE WOLF



The two Meyer brothers were out chasing Indians high in the Sierras one day in the 1870's when they came upon a beautiful meadow. John Meyer stayed at White Wolf, which he named after the resident Indian Chief, and used the area for a summer range for his cattle. By 1882; the Great Sierra Wagon Road — forerunner of the Tioga Road — was built to run through the property, and after 1926, when John's son turned the family home into a wayside inn, White Wolf was a popular resort. "Oddly, the occasion of White Wolf's greatest prosperity, 1938, was caused by the building of a new road that bypassed it," noted Yosemite historian Shirley Sargent. The new Tioga Road and World War II diminished trade so that finally, in 1951, Wilson Meyer, John's grandson, sold the structure and the property to the National Park Service to be run by the Yosemite Park and Curry Co. as a High Sierra Camp.

Today, because of that same off-the-road location, we can enjoy White Wolf as a quiet refuge on a day off. Located just about 30 miles from Yosemite Valley, the area is easily accessible by either car, bicycle, or YTS bus. The bus leaves the Yosemite Lodge daily at 8 a.m., arriving at White Wolf at 9 a.m. Cost of the round-trip bus ride is only \$3.90 to Curry

Co. employees with a privilege card. Since the bus doesn't begin its return trip to the Valley until 3:30 p.m., this leaves you with an entire day to discover White Wolf!

In the early morning you can have a cup of coffee on the porch and watch the deer and chipmunks in the meadow before taking off on a day hike, fishing trip, or saddle trip.

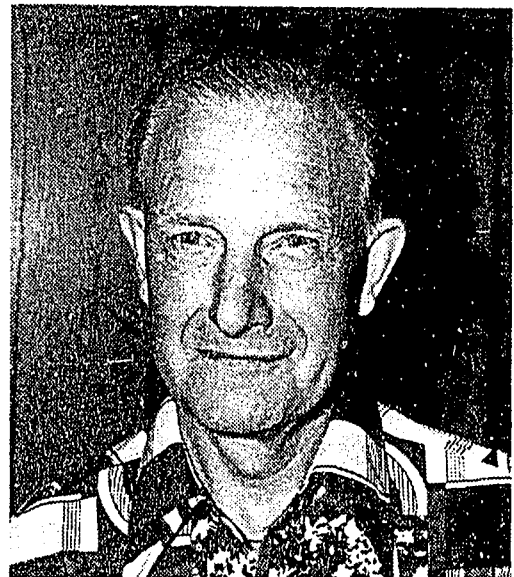
A full-day hike can take you from the lodge past Harden Lake and Harden's Gardens to the overlook of the Grand Canyon of the Tuolumne. For the fisherman, there's plenty of trout in Harden Lake, and the botanist will delight in Harden's Gardens — believed by some to be one of the most beautiful wildflower gardens in the Sierras. This is a ten-mile round-trip hike.

For a shorter trek you can either take the five-mile round-trip hike to Luken's Lake, or just wander down White Wolf Creek and view its waterfalls and pools, and fish or swim.

For those who like their activities more organized, Ranger Ginger Burley offers naturalist walks during the day as well as afternoon demonstrations and evening campfires. These activities begin around the campground area at White Wolf.

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WOELBING RETIRES



On June 14, 1946, a young man arrived in Yosemite from Long Beach, California, to work for just one summer season. His name: Clarence (Red) Woelbing. Now, 30 years later, Red Woelbing is retiring from the Yosemite Park and Curry Co. with an employment record which, it is safe to say, is unequalled in the history of our company. Red Woelbing started out with the Company as a Kitchen Helper in the Curry Village kitchen, but by the end of 1946, he had transferred to the Yosemite Lodge kitchen, where he has remained ever since. In all his 30 years with Yosemite Park and Curry Co., he has never missed a day's work nor has he ever been late for work. Red's day started at 5 a.m. in the kitchen, although he was always there by 4:30 a.m. Once, not too long ago, Red recalls he showed up at 4:40, and a night cleaner proclaimed that at last Red had showed up late for work. "No," remarked Red, "I'm just 20 minutes early, instead of 30 minutes early like I usually am."

Red Woelbing's work record is one that he can be proud of an one which we should try to emulate. Red, his wife Louise, and sons Keith, Chris, and Mark, will be moving to Sebastopol where he has bought a home, and I know each of you join with the YP&C Co. in saluting Red Woelbing for his 30 years of faithful service to Yosemite Park and Curry Co. and wishing him much success in the years ahead.

NAME THAT VALLEY

by Steve Harrison

The world today generally accepts and uses Yosemite as the name for the valley through which the Merced River flows. But the difference on how to spell and pronounce the name has varied so much since its effective discovery in 1851 that it rivals the number of different botanical names for the giant sequoias.

An article that appeared in the *Daily Alta California* on April 4, 1851 reported on the Mariposa Battalion's efforts to capture the "O-sem-etes" and move them to the Chowchilla reservation. This spelling may have been a typographical error in which the type-setter left the y off the beginning of the word. Another article which appeared on April 23 refers to the Indians that occupied the valley as the "Yo-Semitees" which, even with the y dropped, still varies from the word the paper had used just weeks before.

Dr. Lafayette Bunnell must have taken along a dictionary of unused place names when he accompanied the Mariposa Battalion, as he claims to be the originator of nearly every name for every feature of the valley. In his account of the discovery of the valley published in 1880, he modestly wrote that he suggested to the members of the Battalion "that we give the valley the name of Yo-sem-i-ty.." By a voice vote, "...it was almost unanimously adopted." But Lieutenant Moore who wrote the report of the expedition single-handedly modified the decision and substituted an e for the y.

Not only does history have the "expert", Dr. Bunnell, to deal with but four years later, along came another egotistical expert, James Hutchings. In company with several other men, including the artist Thomas Ayres, he led what is considered to be the first tourist party in to the valley. Actually, it was a business trip, and when Hutchings published one of Ayres' sketches of a waterfall, he spelled it "Yo-Hamite." Hutchings claimed that the Indians had told him the correct pronunciation was "Yo-Ham-i-te" or "Yo-Hem-i-te." But he humbly acquiesced to use Bunnell's form which had since been modified to "Yo-Semite." Then in his typical self-righteous style, he insisted on using the form "Yo Semite." When Congress granted the valley to the State of California in 1864, they used "Yo Semite."

To add to the confusion, a third stubborn-headed personality in Yosemite's history came on the scene, Josiah Whitney. When his survey of the area was published in the 1860's he titled it *The Yosemite Guide-Book* and thus was introduced the present usage. As Hutchings' publishing zeal died down during the following decades, "Yosemite" became the accepted name for the great valley which the Indians had called Ahwahnee.

MOVIES

JULY 26 — THE WIND AND THE LION

The Wind and the Lion is first and foremost a colorful, magnificent, and exuberant adventure spectacular. It is based on a little known turn-of-the-century event in which President Teddy Roosevelt sent in the Marines to rescue an American citizen kidnapped for a ransom by a Moroccan sheik. The provocative hint of romance between the kidnapped lady (Candice Bergen) and her abductor (Sean Connery) evolves not into sex, as the formula demands, but mutual respect. (PG)

AUGUST 2 — THE GREAT WALDO PEPPER

The war was over, and the world's greatest flyers had never met in combat. But Waldo was going to change all that — even if it killed him. With the potential of being one of the greatest pilots of his time, the Great Waldo Pepper (played by Robert Redford) encountered some tragic, but yet some real gratifying, moments. The ultimate stunt had not been accomplished, and Pepper wanted to be the first. After being grounded by the Flying Commission, he used every trick in the book to get his wings back.

Cashiering Class Offered

The Employee Training Department will be offering a course in cash handling procedures that will be open to all employees of the Yosemite Park and Curry Co.

This class will teach procedures on handling cash, checks, credit cards, travelers' checks and imprest funds, as well as cash deposits with respect to banks.

A training film produced by the National Educational Media entitled "Handling Money" will be an integral part of the program. The film deals with a lot of the everyday transactional problems that can be encountered and such specialized situations as the "quick change" artist and counterfeit money. Customer relations in most cash handling situations are examined and proper ways of handling these situations shown.

The initial ten classes will be for those employees presently working in cash handling positions. Subsequent classes will be open to all employees on a space available basis. Schedules will be listed in future issues of the Sentinel.

This is the first of a series of classes that are part of a continuing education and training program. The educational series being planned at the present time will cover other areas of the hospitality business.

There will be no tests or grades for these courses. Every time an employee participates in one of the classes, it will be recorded in his personnel file. Then when a position opens that one or all of these classes has prepared the employee for, the class will act as a credential to help in getting the job.

FOR SALE

1975 360cc Bultaco Frontera motorcycle; only 400 miles on it, like new. Make offer. Phone 742-7321.

19 cu. ft. side-by-side refrigerator-freezer, all frost-free Sears Coldspot, three years old, in excellent condition. Also Whirlpool portable dishwasher, works with any sink. Refrigerator: \$250; Dishwasher: \$60; Both: \$300. Contact Hank Johnston, Box 71, YNP, leave phone no.

All wool carpet, 11'10½" x 17'9". Pea green, almost new, good condition. Call 372-4816 after 6 p.m.

1971 American Motors Jeep. Good condition. \$1,200 or best offer. Call John at 372-9915, G-4.

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Resident Photography Course Offered

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A DAY AT WHITE WOLF

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The Ansel Adams Gallery will once again offer courses in beginning and intermediate photography to all Park employees and their dependents.

Each course will consist of three Wednesday night sessions from 7 to 10 p.m. and will teach all the basics of black and white photography. Proper exposure, composition and other photographic techniques that will make your camera a creative tool will be discussed. The series will begin on July 28, and the last series on August 18. The fee for each series of three sessions is \$15. Registration must be done in advance at the Ansel Adams Gallery. Please bring your course fee with you at that time.

On Thursday evenings, the Ansel Adams darkroom open to a limited number of employees and dependents from 7 to 10 p.m. The fee for each three hour session, including assistance in printing, developing and enlarging techniques, is \$3. Reservations for these times must be made in advance at the Gallery, and those taking the photography course will be given priority.

This year's course instructor, Brian Jacobs, has attended both the Mannheim University in Germany, University of Mexico, and received a B.A. in Art and Photography from California State University in Los Angeles. Brian has won awards for his photographic work from the George Eastman House, Foothill College Library and Cal State University, to name a few. He has also written two books on photography and has spent the past five years teaching this subject.

5-Man Basketball

The Employee Recreation Department is sponsoring a 5-man outdoor basketball league, beginning Wednesday, August 11. Games will begin at 5:30 p.m. at the Yosemite Elementary School Basketball Court. Games will be played Wednesday and Friday nights, and team rosters must be turned in to the Employee Recreation Office no later than Wednesday, August 4, at 5 p.m. There will be a 10-man roster limit per team.

Wanted

5- or 10-Speed Bicycle, short. Contact Terrace, Tent 57.

GARAGE SALE: Mary Tanner will be having her annual Garage and Patio Sale on Friday and Saturday, July 30 and 31, at Riverside Haven in El Portal. Both old and new merchandise will be for sale.

The White Wolf Stables, managed by wrangler Ed Bailey and located just behind the lodge, offer two-hour, half-day, and all-day rides. The two-hour takes you to either Luken's or Harden Lake at an employee cost of \$3.50. The half-days go to the overlook of the Grand Canyon of the Tuolumne for \$5, and the all-day rides travel through a variety of life zones to the Ten Lakes area for \$8. Reservations are suggested by calling 372-4398.

For those who don't take the 3:30 p.m. bus back to the Valley and can stay and partake of the evening's entertainment, there is good food, fine music, and some educational programs. Paula Strangmeyer, the chef at White Wolf, cooks some of the finest food around. While you're waiting for dinner, you can enjoy a glass of wine on the porch and watch the sun go down. During the meal hours there is often entertainment — either by lodge employees like Dana Curry (granddaughter of Foster Curry) at the piano, or by lodge guests who seem to come up with guitars, banjos, and kazoos out of nowhere. Anyone's invited to bring an instrument and join in. Or there are the campfire programs held each night at the campground where the Ranger discusses various aspects of the Park.

FOR SALE

Honda CB 350. 1973. Rebuilt engine, front disc brakes, Jardene headers, backrest and rack. 750 headlight. New tires. \$500. Camp 6, Tent 43, ask for Jim.

5-Speed *Western Flyer* Bicycle. Good condition. \$50. Call 372-4223.

X-90 Harley Davidson motorcycle. Good condition. \$400. Call 372-4223.

Remington Mohawk 600 243 w/3X Weaver Scope, 100 rounds ammo., RCBS dies. Like new. \$150. Call 379-2662.

200 mm lens, with case, A-1 skylight filter, and Pentax adapter. \$125 or trade. Contact Camp 6 Office or Box 1571, Yosemite Lodge.

1975 VW bus. AM-FM-8-Track Stereo. Plus snow tires. \$4,900. Call 372-4830.

Ductless kitchen vent. Call 372-4816 after 6 p.m.

R.E.I. Framed Backpack: orange, padded shoulder straps and hip belt, five external pockets, rides very comfortably. *ALSO* R.E.I. Dacron Sleeping Bag. Temperature range down to 20°. Must sell. Will take best offer. Contact Mike or Sherry at Loft or Tecoya A-24.



MARTHA MILLER, in her second season as White Wolf's manager, has spent the greater part of her life in the Sierras. She brings to the lodge a background in music and hotel and resort experience that give White Wolf its warm, congenial atmosphere.

If it ends up getting a little too late to go back, there are 9 tent cabins and 4 redwood cabins to rent; however, reservations are recommended for these. Or bring along your sleeping bag and stay at the campground and catch the bus back the next day.

The days at White Wolf are slow and easy....the life is simple....and it's a great place to spend a day off.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Historic data provided by George Harlan and Shirley Sargent.

the place to go... MOONDANCE COFFEE SHOP

The Moondance Coffee Shop has developed a mellow atmosphere. Moondance is a place to go to have peace of mind, relaxation, and enjoy the finest coffees of the land. An open-air room is located in the back of the shop where one can enjoy the cool breeze of the evening, along with the home-baked goodies and coffees. Those interested in playing music are welcome to come down and share their talents with all. Various coffees, teas, cider, and all kinds of baked goodies can be purchased for minimum cost. Chess, checkers, and other games are made available to those who come to the shop. The Moondance Coffee Shop is located in Curry Village and is open from 7 p.m. 'til 12 Midnight, Wednesday through Sunday.

1968 Plymouth Fury III Green with blue vinyl top, 318 V-8 Engine. Body, engine, upholstery, everything in great condition. Ask for Ken Anderson in Gov't. Tent #11, Camp 6, or call Ken at a pay phone nearby, 372-9924.

Two baby carry-alls. Phone 379-2615.

SOFTBALL SCOREBOARD

FRIDAY, JULY 9

Camp 6 Strikers upset Annex Alkies 23-13

The Camp six Strikers claimed victory over the Annex Alkies in Friday night's game. The strikers seemed to go through their whole batting order each time at bat. In the first inning, the Strikers jumped 10 runs to the Alkies' 2 runs in that inning. The Strikers seemed to have it together, holding the Alkies' two runs until the third inning. The Strikers averaged a four-run scoring capacity every inning due to such batters as JoDean Jones, Pat Candy, Linda Thomas, Nancy Carlson, and Mary Arrigo. The winning pitcher for the Strikers was Debbie Maske.

MONDAY, JULY 12

Tecoya Schlitz Upset Curry Cafes 16-8

Tecoya took Curry to victory in Monday night's game. In the second inning, Tecoya scored 10 runs and held Curry to only 3 runs in that inning. The hard-hitting batters for Tecoya were Danny Gardella, Mike Erick, Neil Osborn with a homer, and Steve Pittman. Curry also had heavy hitters, such as Don Hines, Frank Ferrinni, and John Carter, but couldn't overtake the power of the Tecoya Schlitz team.

TUESDAY, JULY 13

Mariposa Express Upset Curry Cafes 17-5

Tuesday night's rematch due to a rain-out proved to be an interesting game. In the first inning, Mariposa scored only one run and Curry scored two runs, which looked like it may be a close game. The defense and offense played a tremendous part on both teams. In the 5th inning, Mariposa turned on and scored eight runs, with Curry trailing 5 runs. Hard-hitting batters for the Express team were Jon Wallblom with two triples, Doug Martin 3 for 5, J.D. Snead 4 for 5, and Terry Swift 3 for 5. At this point of the game, the Curry team was contained and only scored five runs the whole game.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 14

Loft Loonies over Bionic Ahwahnees 21-20

The Loft Loonies took the Bionic Ahwahnees in a victory of 21-20. Wednesday night was the closest game of the Ladies' League this season. The Loonies kept the bionic skills of the Ahwahnees to a minimum during the game. Heavy hitters for the Loonies were Leslie Landers, Ann Bowls, Karen Burke, and Patty Philips. Hitters for the Ahwahnees were Carey Linmer, Lori Loury, Sandra Buyer, and Diane Lee.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

FRIDAY, JULY 23:
Softball Elementary School Field — 5:30 p.m.
MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7 p.m.

SATURDAY, JULY 24:
MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7 p.m.

SUNDAY, JULY 25:
Women's Fast Pitch Softball Elementary School Field — 2:30 p.m.
Men's Fast Pitch Softball Elementary School Field — 4:30 p.m.
MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7 p.m.

MONDAY, JULY 26:
Softball Elementary School Field — 5:30 p.m.
Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
MOVIE "The Wind and the Lion" Visitor Center — 8 p.m.

TUESDAY, JULY 27:
Mental Health Clinic Yosemite Medical Clinic — 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Softball Elementary School Field — 5:30 p.m.
TOPS Meeting El Portal School — 7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 28:
Softball Elementary School Field — 5:30 p.m.
Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7 p.m.
Theatre Workshop Elementary School Auditorium — 8 p.m.

THURSDAY, JULY 29:
Softball Elementary School Field — 5:30 p.m.
MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7 p.m.

FRIDAY, JULY 30:
Softball Elementary School Field — 5:30 p.m.
Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7 p.m.

SATURDAY, JULY 31:
MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7 p.m.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 1: FRIENDSHIP DAY
Women's Fast Pitch Softball Elementary School Field — 2:30 p.m.
Men's Fast Pitch Softball Elementary School Field — 4:30 p.m.
MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7 p.m.

MONDAY, AUGUST 2:
Softball Elementary School Field — 5:30 p.m.
Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
MOVIE "The Great Waldo Pepper" Visitor Center — 8 p.m.

Due to space limitations, the Community Calendar will list only community-type events. Please check the Yosemite Guide or your local bulletin board for schedules of other activities.

THURSDAY, JULY 15

OTBG, 10 — Annex Addicts, 7

The Over the Belt Gang edged the Annex Addicts 10-7 in a very close and competitive match. The Annex was led by Al Sawyer, Casey Christeff, and Ralph Howe. The victors — the Gang — excelled as a team and also showed a lot of outstanding individual effort. Steve Hosler supplied the power, along with Paul Peters and Tony Caputo. Playing

one of his best games, in right field, Tom Bumgarner made some clutch catches for the Gang.

FRIDAY, JULY 16

Kalamity Klutzes and Annex Alkies rained out

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Beverage Deposit System Works in Yosemite

The pilot program of refundable deposits on soft drink and beer containers by Yosemite Park and Curry Co., which has been in effect since May 17th of this year, seems to be well accepted by the public. At latest count, 72% of all containers sold are being returned, a rate that compares favorably with experiences in Oregon and Vermont where state law requires a deposit be charged on beverage containers.

The Yosemite program was voluntarily instituted by the Curry Co. in cooperation with the Environmental Protection Agency and the National Park Service to test proposed EPA guidelines which would make a deposit system mandatory at all Federal facilities if the guidelines become final.

Yosemite is currently the only place nationally where the guidelines are being tested. The program involves the placement of a five-cent deposit on each container of beer or soft drink sold in the Park. The deposit is refunded when the empty containers are returned to any one of the 18 Park redemption centers. So far, more aluminum cans are returned for recycling per week now than were returned to Curry Co. Recycling Centers in all of the previous 12 months.

The Curry Co. committed its own funds to test the proposed EPA guidelines, with the test running through September 19, 1976, although Company officials indicate they may voluntarily extend the program beyond the test period.

Fire Renovation Completed

"At approximately 11:54 p.m. on Friday, May 2, 1975, a siren sounded that would mark the beginning of a five-hour seige for Curry Co., NPS, and other community fire fighters.

A fire, shooting flames twenty feet into the air, had broken out in the Curry Village Mountain Shop and spread through the Mountaineering School headquarters, hamburger stand, and visitor lounge area.

Firefighters fighting from both inside and outside of the blazing structure contained the fire within about one hour and 45 minutes. However, hardworking crews fought on until well after 5 a.m. dousing the smouldering embers."

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The renovation of that fire gutted building was completed with the reopening of the Mountain Shop last week.

The remodeling, done by the firm of Smith and Williams, made use of the existing trusses (hardware) from the old Mountain Shop, with the one exception of the original building design being the addition of clerestory lighting. This change, which features a row of windows in the ceiling, was approved by the National Park Service because it serves as an energy saving device. The clerestory allows continuous natural light for the entire length of the building, thus reducing the amount of artificial lighting needed. This feature also allows the visitor a visual experience as the window looks up to Glacier Point.

Materials used in the remodeling are much the same as those used in the Curry Dining Pavilion — natural woods with little or no painting or staining,

hardwood floors, and natural wood display fixtures. Earth tones were emphasized throughout in an effort to bring the outdoors in.

The Mountain Shop still features a full range of climbing gear mountaineering apparel for every season; Sierra Design and North Face tents; Sierra Design, North Face and Alpine Products sleeping bags in both down and Polarguard (machine washable and dryable); a variety of brands of daypacks and backpacks; fishing gear; buck knives; Victorinox Swiss Army knives; as well as a full selection of footwear — Adidas, Puma, Vasque, Pivetta, Lowa, Galibier, Chouinards, PA's, RD's, and over 200 pairs of EB Super Grattons ranging in size from 36 to 47.

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LEAVE ONLY FOOTPRINTS

*"Let your footprints be obscure
Let your voice not overwhelm the still air
Let your leavings go out in your pack
That meadows and forests and mountains
And all therein may persist
Towards zero impact."*

Leah Oliver Good

Sensitivity to the natural resources is always important in Yosemite, but it becomes imperative when you are out hiking or backpacking. Minimum impact use is more than a technique or a set of rules defining appropriate behavior. Minimum impact is an attitude! It is more than a commitment to environmental quality within the Park. It is a commitment to the Earth and to the integrity of its natural systems. Man, as a temporary visitor, should leave no permanent imprint, and the forces of nature must be allowed to continue to dominate the landscape.

You can minimize your impact by practicing the following good mountain manners:

HIKING

When traveling through the wilderness, try to stay on the trails. Most of us have seen the shortcuts or alternate routes that others have taken — cutting switchbacks, side-by-side trails. Because we can see them, they are scars on the land and will probably take quite some time to disappear. It's best for the land if we stay on the maintained trails whenever possible.

DON'T PICK THE POSIES!

Wildflowers are very fragile plants, and their blooms are so shortlived that they should be left intact for someone to enjoy another day. Besides, their brilliant blossoms wither within an hour or so after being plucked anyway, so they're best enjoyed in the ground, where they can continue the reproduction cycle.

MAKING CAMP

Site selection is of the utmost importance in the minimum impact principle. Your camp should be:

- at least one trail mile from any road and four trail miles from Tuolumne Meadows, Yosemite Valley, Glacier Point, and Wawona.
- where terrain permits, camp at least 100 feet from lakes and streams to prevent water contamination and loss of protective bank vegetation.
- at least 100 feet from the trail to avoid visual pollution of areas adjacent to travel routes.

Wherever possible, it is best to select a site for sleeping such as a flat rock or the smooth area under a tree that doesn't have much growth to trample. The meadow may look soft and inviting, but not only will you make a lasting impression on it, you'll probably find it very damp at night.

Try to choose an area that requires as little rearrangement as possible. You'll almost always have to move a few rocks or twigs, but try to replace them when you leave. "Improvements" to your site, — such as brushing, leveling, or trenching — detract from the wilderness setting and cause serious disruption of the ground surfaces.

Please, leave your campsite cleaner than you found it!

FIRES

Campfires for cooking or heating should only be made in designated campfire rings in the high country. Before you go on your trip, check at the Visitor Center to find out if there will be a campfire area near where you plan to go. If so, use only dead and down wood for firewood. Standing trees, alive or dead, are part of the scenery. They should never be cut. Small dead branches still on the tree (called "squaw wood") aren't legal either.

The best way to leave no impact at all is to carry one of the small gas stoves such as SVEA or Optimus. They are more

dependable and convenient than a wood fire and offer you the freedom to stop at areas other than those with designated campfire rings.

The proliferation of fire-rings, blackened rocks, and trash is a blight on those qualities that travelers seek in a wilderness environment: About 300 fire-rings were found at Upper and Lower Cathedral lakes in a 1972 survey.

PROTECTING YOUR WATER

If you want to be able to drink the water where you hike, then it's up to you to keep it fresh. The chemicals found in biodegradable and nonbiodegradable soaps and detergents, and the bacteria that grows on the body's surface pollute backcountry lakes and streams. Water for cleaning pots, washing clothes, bathing, or for personal hygiene should be carried 100 feet away from all bodies of water in a bucket or plastic basin. Dirty water should be thrown in a wide arc, preferably uphill, and well away from any water sources.

SANITATION AND LITTER

Litter is not only an unsightly intrusion on a wilderness experience but can cause serious ecological problems if not dealt with correctly. All trash including paper, cans, bottles, foil, unused foodstuffs and garbage must be packed out. DO NOT burn or bury trash or scatter organic waste. Always carry plastic bags with you for trash hauling.

Though the digging of latrines used to be popular for a number of years, it has been learned that this heavy concentration of waste is more difficult for the environment to decompose. The biologically active layer of the soil, the layer that decomposes things, is usually only about ten inches deep. For this reason each individual should select his own area at least 50 yards from any trail, camping area, stream, lake or dry stream course, dig a hole 5 to 6 inches deep and 8 to 10 inches across. After use, be sure to burn toilet paper for aesthetic reasons and cover hole tightly with soil and duff removed from hole.

WILDERNESS PERMITS

Just a reminder...Wilderness Permits are not just for Park visitors; they're for everyone. Not only do they help the National Park Service control the use of the backcountry, but they also let someone know where you are at all times on your trip. Should you become lost or injured, this allows rescue teams to know where to look for you. This simple precaution could save your life.

Remember: most wilderness areas are fragile. So, take only memories and leave only footprints.

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WOMEN'S Group ^{AUG 4 1978} **"The Crow's Nest"**
News

July saw a number of interesting and successful activities sponsored by the Yosemite Women's Group. Among them were the fine barbeque and train ride by moonlight at Rudy Stauffer's Yosemite Mountain Railroad near Fish Camp, the picnic and swim afternoon at McClendon's Beach, a day hike into Cathedral Lakes to view the scenic splendor — with a little excitement added by an approaching lightning storm, and, finally, Gail Sleznick's sketch walk.



The Crow has been away from his nest for sometime — well, after all, it's an election year and someone has to keep an eye on all those politicians.

I've been doing some checking, and word is that Carter campaign staff members are working for "peanuts". There is also a rumor that Crest Toothpaste stock hit an all-time high the day after Jimmy Carter was nominated as Presidential candidate.

The Republicans gather in Kansas City next month to select their candidate — someone has suggested the fight between President Ford and Ronald Regan would make a great western movie. Does this mean the former Governor of California has the edge? Too bad, Jerry, you should have been a movie star first!

It is not true that Jimmy Carter has offered to mediate the Republican convention.

Mayor John Dingaling of Fish Camp plans to be in Kansas City and says he will place the name of Richard Nixon in nomination. The Mayor's colleagues think he is a real wit. They are only half right.

Prediction from the Crow's Nest: Either a Republican or a Democrat will be elected President; the Vice President may be from the same party. We will probably know the answers to all the above on November 5. Personal pick: Carter/Mondale in a landslide or Ford/Reagan in a landslide or Carter/Mondale by a close margin or Ford/Reagan by a close margin or....

How about all the Washington scandals of late? The play for pay is so common, even Washington's ladies of the evening are seeking secretarial work on Capitol Hill.

How about this heat in California — it's so dry, even the cactus are looking for water.

Speaking of water, what about the guy who strung his clothesline across the top of Yosemite Falls not too long ago — I've heard of being "hung out to dry", but that's going too far. Rangers had a difficult time getting the wire walker to come down, and as you might imagine, no one was volunteering to go out and get him. Finally, when one ingenious ranger appeared on the scene with a pair of wire cutters, the daring tightrope artist saw the wisdom in coming down.

The Crow is winging toward Kansas City, and we will have reports from there for you.

Here are the events planned for the month of August:

AUGUST — If enough interest is shown, the Group will sponsor an adult beginners swimming class for women at the Lodge pool. The hours and days for this have not yet been decided, so anyone interested in such a class should call Merry Hinson at 372-4223.

AUGUST 18 & 19 — PARKER PASS OVERNIGHT — Diana Abrell is coordinating this hiking event. Children with the ability to hike six miles a day are invited to join their mothers on this hike. Please contact Diana at 372-4233.

AUGUST 22 — TENAYA LAKE REGATTA — This will be a repeat of last year's highly successful event. This year, however, every family is asked to bring their own food. Games and competitions will be organized for everyone. Come anytime, but gather for the picnic at the northwest picnic area around 11:30 a.m. For further information call Carolyn Gastellum at 379-2635.

OIL CHANGE

Many employees change their car's oil themselves. This creates the problem of what to do with the waste oil which will pollute the Park if it is improperly disposed of. The environmentally sound way to take care of the oil is very easy: Drain the oil into a can and take it to the Curry Company garage in the Village or the Lodge or Wawona Gas Stations, and ask where to put it. Just dump the oil into the funnel there and put the empty container into a dumpster if you have no further use for it. The oil will then be pumped out and taken to the Central Valley for recycling or use as road oil on ranches. Do your part to protect Yosemite.

Garrett De Bell
 Environmental Advisor, YP&C Co.

RECEPTION FOR NEW PRINCIPAL

A reception will be held on Sunday, August 8 from 5 to 7 p.m. for Scott Brown, the new principal at the Yosemite Elementary School. All local parents and any interested community members are invited to meet Mr. and Mrs. Brown and welcome them to the community at this party to be held on the lawn of Al Garza's house in the Government housing area near the school. For more information, call Diana Abrell at 372-4233.

Want to rent small house or apartment for two persons who are full-time employees at Yosemite Nat'l Park. Please contact Anna Hayen, General Delivery, Main Post Office, Yosemite Nat'l Park, California 95389.

SHAKLEE meeting. Anyone interested in natural health foods and food supplements? There will be a meeting on August 18 at 2 p.m. Contact Bob Bradford at 372-4391 or Ben Savage.

OVERNIGHTER

If you're over 14 years of age and are interested in exploring a truly wild and little known part of Yosemite while learning about outdoor survival and gourmet cooking in the wilds, then join in one of the overnight backpacking trips led by Ranger-Naturalists Theresa Kervin and Bill Wiley.

Trips will be leaving from Yosemite Valley on Thursdays August 5 and 19, and September 2 at 1:30 p.m. and will return at approximately 1 p.m. the following day. To sign up for these trips, come to the Happy Isles Trail Center any day prior to departure between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Remember, numbers are limited, so sign up early.

If you'd like further information about the trips, call Bill or Theresa at 372-4461, ext. 61. If neither one is available, leave a message and they will return your call.

Yosemite Recreation

MOVIES

YOUNG FRANKENSTEIN — Aug. 9th
Mel Brooks' hilarious spin-off on your favorite monster features Marty (Eyes) Feldman as Igor (pronounced Eye-gor) as the bent-over butler; Gene Wilder is the good doctor-scientist; Madeline Kahn as the purity pushing fiancée; Peter Boyle is an innocent monster and Cloris Leachman as the horse faced Fraw Blucher. N.B.C.'s ace movie critic, Gene Shalit, says it's the year's funniest movie so don't miss it!

THREE DAYS OF THE CONDOR — Aug. 16th

Starring Robert Redford. An excellent film dealing with the operation of a C.I.A. department Redford, as a decoding expert, uncovers a plot that involves a foreign power and the United States. He finds that doing his job can jeopardize his friends lives as well as his own. The film features a surprise ending that can leave you guessing about the operations of the government.

SLOWPITCH SOFTBALL

Men 8th week

JULY 19 Monday

Boystown forfeit to Camp 6 Flyers.

JULY 20 Tuesday

Over the Belt Gang 28, Camp 6 Twigs 13. The OTBG claimed victory over Camp 6 in Tuesday nights confrontation. In the first inning the Gang scored 10 runs leaving the Camp 6 team trailing with no runs. The Gang achieved their defeat using their belting skills through most of the game. Hard hitters for the Gang were Tom Bumgardner 5-5, Paul Peters with one homerun, and 4 triples, Eddie Anderson 4-6, Tony Caputo 3-5 and John Chesareck one homerun and 4 base hits. The winning pitcher for the Gang was Tony Caputo. The Camp 6 team scored most of their runs the last inning but could not surpass the Gangs team skills.

WOMEN

JULY 21 Wednesday

General Office Operators forfeit to Camp 6 Strikers.

JULY 23 Friday

Rescheduled due to lack of players
Bionic Ahwahnees vs. Curry Village Hustlers.

WATER POLO

Looking for something cool to do on one of these hot summer nights? Why not try water polo. The Employee Recreation Department has begun a co-ed water polo program at the Yosemite Lodge Pool. You can get in on the fun every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday night from 7:30 p.m. until dark. All you need is a swimsuit; equipment is available in the pool area.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

FRIDAY, JULY 30:

Women's Softball Elementary School Field — 5:30 p.m.
Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7 p.m.

SATURDAY, JULY 31:

MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7 p.m.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 1:

FRIENDSHIP DAY

Women's Fast Pitch Softball Elementary School Field — 2:30 p.m.
Men's Fast Pitch Softball Elementary School Field — 4:30 p.m.
MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7 p.m.

MONDAY, AUGUST 2:

Men's Softball Elementary School Field — 5:30 p.m.
Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
MOVIE "Young Frankenstein" Visitor Center — 8 p.m.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 3:

Mental Health Clinic Yosemite Medical Clinic — 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Men's Softball Elementary School Field — 5:30 p.m.
Self-Defense (Basic) Elementary School Aud. — 6:30 p.m.
TOPS Meeting El Portal School — 7 p.m.
Water Polo Lodge Pool — 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 4:

Women's Softball Elementary School Field — 5:30 p.m.
Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7 p.m.
Water Polo Lodge Pool — 7:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 5:

Men's Softball Elementary School Field — 5:30 p.m.
Self-Defense (Basic) Elementary School Aud. — 6:30 p.m.
MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7 p.m.
Water Polo Lodge Pool — 7:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 6:

Women's Softball Elementary School Field — 5:30 p.m.
Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7 p.m.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 7:

MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7 p.m.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 8:

Women's Fast Pitch Softball Elementary School Field — 2:30 p.m.
Men's Fast Pitch Softball Elementary School Field — 4:30 p.m.
MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7 p.m.

MONDAY, AUGUST 9:

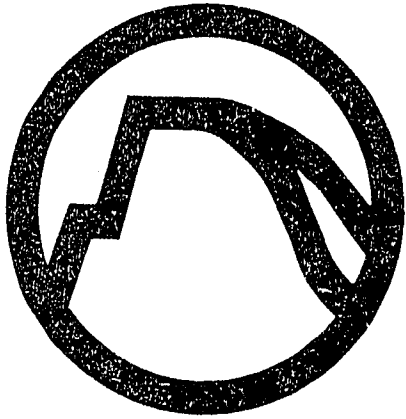
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SOFTBALL LEAGUE STANDINGS

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Mariposa Express	5	0
Over the Belt Gang	5	0
Tecoya Schlitz	4	2
Annex Addicts	3	2
Camp Six Twigs	2	3
Curry Cafes	1	4
Boystown Flyers	1	4
Fire Dept.—Security Boys	0	6

ATTENTION: SELF DEFENSE CLASS [BASIC]

A class in basic self-defense will be held from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday nights at the Elementary School Auditorium. The class is free to all employees; all interested persons please attend. The instructor for this course is Donnie Hines.



NEW FACES...NEW PLACES



GEORGE SPACH NEW MANAGER OF PURCHASING

George Spach, former Manager of The Ahwahnee, has been transferred to the position of Manager of Purchasing. Mr. Spach joined the Curry Co. in October of 1972 as Assistant Manager at Yosemite Lodge. He later became Assistant Manager of The Ahwahnee of The Ahwahnee in July of 1973.

Prior to coming to Yosemite, Mr. Spach was Assistant Manager of Jackson Lake Lodge and was involved in hotel management for four years in the Virgin Islands.

Mr. Spach majored in liberal arts at Fordham University and graduated from San Francisco State with a degree in Theater Arts. He then taught acting for three years at Stephens College in Columbus, Missouri, where he met and married his wife Tricia. The Spachs have 5 children.

Tom Williams, who served as Acting Manager of Purchasing when the vacancy occurred, will continue his regular duties as Manager of Guest Activities.



GARY DIXON NEW AHWAHNEE MANAGER

Gary Dixon, new Manager of The Ahwahnee, brings to the Curry Co. many years of experience in hotel management. Most recently, Mr. Dixon was the Northwest Regional Manager for Romney International, a subsidiary of Western Savings. In that position, he was in charge of six Ramada Inns, one in Spokane, two in Montana, and one each in Idaho Falls, Wyoming, and Colorado.

Prior to that, Mr. Dixon was associated with the Mariner Corporation in California. He was responsible for the Holiday Inn in Fullerton and supervised two other properties in El Centro and San Diego. He was with Holiday Inn for eight years. Mr. Dixon was also affiliated with Colony Inns in Birmingham, Alabama, and the Hilton Hotel Corporation.

In 1969, the hotel that Mr. Dixon was managing in Miami received the "Inn of the Year" award.

Mr. Dixon attended the University of Miami, where he majored in Business Administration.

We know all of you join the Sentinel in welcoming Mr. Dixon, his wife Joyce, and their daughter Dawn in Yosemite.

**Lions Club
28th Annual**

**MOSQUITO
FESTIVAL**

**Wednesday,
August 18**

Sentinel Beach

6 p.m.

**Steak, prizes,
etc.**

\$6 per person

**Tickets available
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RUMMAGE SALE

The El Portal Community Hall is the location for a Community-wide Rummage Sale on Saturday, August 21. If anyone would like to donate items for the sale, please call 379-2307 or 379-2484.

Refund System For Soft Drink and Beer Containers

The EPA Deposit Program is now three months old, and below are listed a few points about the program.

If you have an questions please call Art Goertzen at 372-4611. ext. 253, or Garrett De Bell at ext. 479. Let's all get behind this program to reduce litter and conserve resources.

- The refund of 5¢ applies to beer and soft drinks sold by the can or bottle at stores and vending machines in the Park.
- Refunds are available at stores and shops in Yosemite and at the Recycling Center near the Village Store.
- The program is an experimental one in cooperation with the Environmental Protection Agency and has the endorsement of the National Park Service.
- The purpose of the test is to see how the refund system increases the willingness of people to return containers for refilling or recycling.
- The EPA is monitoring the results to see what proportion of cans and bottles are returned.
- The goal is to reduce litter in Yosemite and to conserve the resources and energy needed to produce new containers.
- Money collected for containers that are not redeemed will be used for other environmental programs in Yosemite after covering the cost of operating the program.
- All refund containers are marked on the top with a distinctive stamp indicating the 5¢ deposit. Only marked containers receive the refund.

Let's all get behind the program to reduce litter and conserve resources.

A YOSEMITE OLDTIMER



Rangers at rest - 1923. Left to right, Bill Irwin, Bert Sault, Unknown, and Homer Hoyt. (Shirley Sargent Collection)

by Shirley Sargent

Ex-Ranger Bert Sault's long life ended on July 25, 1976, when he died of cancer, eight years and twenty days short of a century. Despite pain, he was active until the day of his death. During his almost 92 years, he worked as a ranch hand, a storekeeper, a ranger, and an employee of the National Automobile Association. His Yosemite tenure in the rough and ready 1920's, when rangers wore and used six-shooters, was the most exciting and memorable part of his nine-plus decades, and, although he never wrote a book about his experiences, he tape-recorded many of his memories and gave copies to the Yosemite Reference Library. These tapes reveal the life of a patrol ranger, without any communication apparatus in the back country, to be rugged, sometimes dangerous and often lonely, but not without humor.

Before joining Yosemite's small ranger force on May 1, 1922, Bert's only experience in law enforcement had been as a temporary mounted patrolman in San Jose after the catastrophic 1906 earthquake. In Yosemite, however, he acquired almost instant on-the-job training with such lawbreakers as bootleggers, poachers, IWW labor agitators, escaped convicts, and bears. At Chinquapin, he did nightly battle with hungry bears, and once, while chasing one in snow, slipped and slid right underneath the fleeing animal. When short of food, he would ride west to a lumber camp on the logging railroad to buy flour and canned goods from the commissary. One night, he was called there to arrest an IWW agitator who was talking strike to the lumbermen until Rangers Westfall and Sault arrived.

Near Huckleberry Lake, Bert and Al Solinsky were asked to share a cow-puncher's stew at a cattle camp and ate

mightily. Next morning, after breakfasting on sourdough biscuits and more stew, they saw a fresh coyote hide nailed on the barn and realized what the chief ingredient had been.

Yosemite's ranger force had been established in 1916 when Forrest S. Townsley was named Chief Ranger, a position he retained until his death in 1943. When Bert signed up, the force was a loyal, hard-working, fun-loving band which included Billy Nelson, John Bingaman, Charlie Adair, Homer Hoyt, Jimmie Lloyd, Frank Ewing, Gus Eastman, Carl Danner and Billy Merrill.

Adair prided himself on his excellent eyesight, and one day near Hetch Hetchy, he pointed to a cabin about a mile away and said, "See that fly?" "No," Bert admitted honestly, putting his hand to his ear, "but I can hear him."

While stationed at Chinquapin, Bert and a ranger named Silva engaged in a wrestling match just after daybreak. By the time they sauntered out to raise the flag, one had lost a pajama top, the other a bottom, but neither expected onlookers at such an early hour. A bus load of tourists, awaiting removal of the entrance gate, hooted at their costumes, and the two rangers shot back to the cabin. Soon thereafter Townsley sent word that uniforms should be donned before the flag was raised.

Customarily, two rangers patrolled together, and each had a saddle horse and pack horse, often mares. "Many times," Bert recalled, "they were like all girls and wanted to go home at nights. Now, no gentleman would let a lady go home alone, so you'd find yourself afoot if you didn't stake them."

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YOSEMITE OLD TIMER

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In those days, there were outpost cabins at Tuolumne Meadows, Mather, the Hog Ranch (better known as Hetch Hetchy), Crane Flat, Chinquapin, and the Merced Grove of Big Trees. They were equipped with iron cots, lumpy mattresses, and stoves, but no cooks. After discussion that was often heated, one ranger was picked to take care of the horses, while the other was in charge of the cooking. Bert insisted that Homer Hoyt burned more toast than wood. "When we left Cascades after two weeks one winter," Bert claimed, "the toast scrapings out back were 18 inches high."

One time Bert plunked a mud hen, salt, pepper, and a small grindstone into boiling water. "I figured that when we could stick a fork into that grindstone," he said, "the mud hen would be done." Another of his unusual recipes concerned the preparation of the brown trout, which he described as a pretty, bone-filled fish. "The simplest way to prepare it," he said, "was to cut the head off and throw the rest away."

Highway 140, the All-Year Road from Merced to Yosemite Valley, took years to build, primarily because prisoners were used for laborers. A number of them escaped. In May, 1924, Zollie Clements, a convicted killer who had boasted, "I like murders", escaped from the prison camp at El Portal, and the rangers were alerted. For several days and nights, Bert was in on the search, and there were times when he was plenty scared. About dawn one morning, he began following definite tracks up hill and over mountains from Alder Creek. Ultimately he discovered he was tracking the captain of the guards, who had traversed the same territory earlier. Bert was weary and disgusted, stating, — at age 90 — "Chasing that guy around shortened my life!" Clements was captured while sleeping near Mariposa six days after his escape.

Both Chief Ranger Forrest Townsley and Ranger Sault were unattached but dating good-looking gals in those days. At one time, they both liked the same girl, and

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King-size Water Bed. Includes frame, headboard, pedestal, liner, heater. \$125. Phone 372-4735.

5-Speed *Western Flyer* Bicycle. Good condition. \$50. Call 372-4223.

X-90 Harley Davidson Motorcycle. Good condition. \$400. Call 372-4223.

1975 VW Bus. AM/FM/8-Track Stereo. Plus snow tires. \$4,900. Call 372-4830.

Bert's ranger friends bet him five dollars he wouldn't dare take her out on a date. "Well, I took her to a dance at Camp Curry," he remembered, "had a good time, pocketed my five bucks, and about 2 a.m. walked back to the Rangers Club where I found sealed orders on my bed. The directive was signed Townsley and said, 'Report to Merced Grove for patrol duty. Depart at 5 a.m.' Well, Merced Grove was so remote, we considered it to be the Siberia of Yosemite, and that's where my five bucks and I spent the next month."

Eventually Bert courted the local schoolmarm, pretty, slim Helen Mickie, who had put herself through Cal waiting tables at Camp Curry. They were married in 1926, and 24 years later, their daughter, Shirley, worked at Camp Curry and met her husband-to-be. Similarly, in the 1930's, Bert's daughter by his first marriage, Juanita or "Salty", worked at Lewis Memorial Hospital where she met her future husband, Dr. Joe Ferrabee. Son Jack Sault put in several summers with the Yosemite Lumber Co., the Curry Co., and the Park Service before he became a dentist in the Bay Area. Son Bill is also a Yosemite fan. To this day, the Sault clan returns "home" for visits and backpack trips.

Bert Sault's last visit was September 30-October 1, 1974, when he attended the Oldtimer's Reunion held in connection with the Park Service's 84th anniversary. At 90, Bert was the oldest man present and blew out the candles on the cake. As mementos of the occasion, the 195 celebrants took home distinctive place markers, with a sketch of a mounted ranger and Half Dome, that had been made by ex-Ranger Sault.

"The oldtimers considered it an honor to have lakes and mountains named after them," Bert explained in 1973. "Of course, I never had a mountain named after me, but I had a lot of little old duck ponds and dried-up ponds called salt lakes. You won't find them on maps, though." Bert Sault's name may not be on peaks, but it's high in the memories of many loving friends and relatives.

Yosemite

Parents Group

The Yosemite Elementary School Parents Group will meet Tuesday, August 17, at 7:45 p.m. in the school multi-purpose room. The meeting is to discuss curriculum, test results, and classroom organization for the coming school year.

Animal of the Month



It's dusk; night is setting in. Somewhere you hear a bird calling, "cheep-cheep". Only that's not a bird — it's a mammal of the order Chiroptera — that's a bat.

Bats measure from 1½ to 3 inches head and body length, with a 1½"-2½" long tail and wingspread of 8 to 15½ inches. The large variations in size are due to the combining of the nine or more species of bats that inhabit the Sierras.

The wing structure of bats is rather amazing. Basically, it is an arm and hand with thin webs of skin inbetween. The "thumb" is clawed and does not have any webbing attached. There is also a web between the hind legs and the tail. Not only do the "thumbs" have claws, but the back toes do as well.

Bats are the only true flying mammals (the flying squirrels actually only glide) and are related closest to mice. Since the bat's diet is of night-flying insects, his nightly flights among the trees or in the open become hunting trips. The ears of the bat are very large, delicate, and paper-thin. The short bursts of supersonic sound which we all have learned bats emit are echoed back from the forms of their prey, and from these echoes the insets are found and caught. The human radar system was developed and works in much the same way.

Yes, bats actually do hang by their hind claws in the daytime, either singly or in groups. Some are in caves and some in buildings, but most hang in dark crevices in trees or rocks. In winter, depending on the species, they either hibernate or migrate.

With nine species, bats range from the San Joaquin Valley to the Great Basin, at all elevations. Fortunately for us, though, the Vampire bats all live in South America and none in our area are harmful.

The Fair is Coming!

The 1976 Mariposa County Fair opens its gates at 4 p.m. on Friday, September 3, with displays, demonstrations, rides, games, and rodeos through the Labor Day Weekend, climaxing with Fireworks on Monday, September 6 at 9:30 p.m.

Entries Sought

Did you ever consider entering something in the Fair yourself? There are many categories of exhibits — and one just right for you. The Sentinel Office has entry blanks and a premium book on hand. All entry blanks must be at the Fair Office by August 26; Ag entries may be turned in until August 30, and Floriculture until August 31. Entry blanks should be sent to P.O. Box 187, Mariposa, CA 95389, along with the entry fee. Entry fees generally range from 25¢ to \$2, depending on the division. The actual entries are due at the Fairgrounds the week prior to the Fair: check the premium book for due dates for each division.

Some ideas for entries are below:

Baked Foods and Confections

Breads, Rolls, Cakes, Cookies, Pies, Pastries, Candies

Clothing and Textiles

All types of Wearing Apparel, Afghans, Bedspreads, Quilts, Rugs, Tablecloths, Pillow Slips, Doilies, Needlepoint, Crewel, Gift Items, Kitchen and Bath furnishings

Preserved Foods

Fruits, Vegetables, Jams, Jellies, Juices

Fine Arts

Divided into Amateur, Advanced Amateur, and Professional Paintings, Sketches, Collage

Handcrafts and Hobbies

Divided into Amateur and Professional
Beadwork, Candles, Ceramics, Wood Carving, Christmas Ornaments and Crafts, Decoupage, Jewelry, Leather work, Metal work, Mosaics, Pottery Sculpture, Weaving, Collections, Woodwork

Photography

Divided into Amateur and Professional and by subject matter
Color; Black and White; Slides

Gem Stones and Lapidary Arts

Lapidary Arts, Mineral Specimens, Special Displays

Floriculture

Divided into Beginners and Advanced
Dry Flower Arranging, Plaques, Swags, Collages

Horse Show

Stock, Trail, Junior Saddle, and many others

Get your entry blanks at the Sentinel Office in the General Office Building of

Cashiering Class Offered

The Employee Training Department will be offering a course in cash handling procedures that will be open to all employees of the Yosemite Park and Curry Co.

This is the first of a series of classes that are part of a continuing education and training program. The educational series being planned at the present time will cover other areas of the hospitality business.

There will be no tests or grades for these courses. Every time employees participate in one of the classes, it will be recorded in their personnel file. Then when a position opens that one or all of these classes has prepared the employee for, the class will act as a credential to help in getting the job.

This class will teach procedures on handling cash, checks, credit cards, travelers' checks and imprest funds, as well as cash deposits with respect to banks.

A training film produced by the National Educational Media entitled "Handling Money" will be an integral part of the program. The film deals with a lot of the everyday transactional problems that can be encountered and such specialized situations as the "quick change" artist and counterfeit money. Customer relations in most cash handling situations are examined and proper ways of handling these situations shown.

For those interested in taking Cashiering I, the schedule of classes is posted outside the Employee Training Office on the bulletin board. To register, please contact the Employee Training Center by calling 372-4611, ext. 448.

FOR SALE

Graco M.X. Bike. Good condition. Front and back shock suspension. One year old. Call Mike at 372-4866.

Motorola portable STEREO. \$50. See Pete, Cabin 103, Boystown.

WANTED

Tape Recorder Repairman. Sophisticated equipment needs professional to repair. Contact Jerry Rodiger at 372-9915.

YP&C Co., and who knows — maybe you'll bring home the Blue!

NPS Opens Indian Museum



PHOTO BY JOE BLACKBURN

The new Indian Cultural Museum will open on Saturday, August 14, in conjunction with the third annual Kalnga (Indian Day). The museum, located on the first floor of the Valley District Building (next to the Visitor Center), has been in the planning and construction stages for three years.

Craig Bates, supervisor of the Indian Cultural Program, states "It will be the only museum to depict the cultural history of the Miwok and Paiute People from pre-Caucasian times to the present day." Numerous artifacts on loan from major museums throughout the U.S. will be shown, and many items — including a portion of the James Schwabacher Collection of Indian baskets — will be on display for the first time since the old Yosemite Museum closed in 1966. Several of the baskets on exhibit are of a type so rare that only one or two specimens exist. Julia Parker has woven these replicas to be identical with those used by the Indians in the 1840's.

As part of the Kalnga, some of the ancient Sacred Dances of the California Indian People will be performed in the Ceremonial Roundhouse behind the Visitor Center. It is a special privilege to view these dances, which will be executed on Saturday afternoon and evening and Sunday morning, and the dancers ask that you conduct yourselves as you would for any other religious occasion. There will be Cultural Demonstrators present to answer any questions.

Many people have been involved in the preparation of the Indian Cultural Museum since the beginning of the idea three years ago. It is due to their efforts that the Indian Cultural Museum opens tomorrow.

"The Crow's Nest"



Well, now that the Olympics are over, the fun and games shift to Kansas City, where you will soon see a modern-day version of "Gun Fight at the O.K. Corral".

The former Governor from California shook everyone up with his early announcement of a running mate. Now that's what I call confidence.

Speaking about confidence and Olympics, what about Nadia — she arrived home to a tumultuous welcome but was upset because one of her dolls got broken on the flight back to Romania. One sportscaster from ABC commenting on her Olympic performances noted that Nadia has the fear of a 14-year-old — she doesn't have any!!!

Back to KC — Now that Reagan has picked his running mate, only one question remains — will he get the nomination? And, of course, everyone is wondering who President Ford will select as his running mate. The list of potentials includes Connally of Texas, Reagan of California, Brown of California (if he can be convinced to switch), Humphrey of Minnesota because Mondale is already taken, and Schweiker of Pennsylvania should he decide to leave the Reagan camp.

All things considered, the Republican Convention promises to be a real donneybrook. Each candidate is already claiming a first ballot nomination victory, and if each has the delegates he claims to have, there will be 1,000 more delegates at the convention than were expected.

By the way, what ever happened to Nelson Rockefeller? I mean, think about it, when was the last time you heard anything about Rocky?? The Crow's pick — a Ford-Connally ticket on the second ballot.

ROOTIN' TOOTIN' MELLER



"Deadwood Dick -or- The Game of Gold!" opened last night at the Golden Chain Theatre in Oakhurst. The old-fashioned, but entirely new, melodrama is the second of the year produced by the Theatre.

You can get in on booing the villain and cheering the hero of "Deadwood Dick" any Friday or Saturday night through September 25. Admission to the show, which begins at 8:15 p.m., is \$4 per person. Reservations may be made by calling 683-7112 or stopping by the Golden Chain Theatre in Oakhurst on Highway 41 across the street from the Snowline Restaurant. Box Office hours are from 1 to 6 p.m.

To make your evening even more fun, get a group of friends together. Groups of 25 or more may obtain tickets at a discount. Call the reservation offices for further details.

Seats go fast, so be sure to make your reservations early.

First Aid Classes

CPR Refresher and Recertification Class. Four-hour course — 6:30 to 10:30 p.m. on August 16, 17, or 18. Must have valid Heart Association CPR card to attend. Call Security at ext. 458; sign up by August 15. Chuck McBride, Certified Instructor.

Red Cross Multi-Media First Aid Course. This training is based on the Standard First Aid Course. Nine hour unit, August 30, 31, and Sept. 1, from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. Must attend all three evenings. \$8.00 charge for training aids and first aid books. Call Security at ext. 458 by August 29. Chuck McBride, Certified Instructor.

WOMEN'S GROUP

The Women's Group is winding up the summer with an overnight to the Parker Pass area and the annual Regatta at Tenaya Lake.

AUGUST 18 & 19 — PARKER PASS OVERNIGHT — Diana Abrell is coordinating this hiking event. Children with the ability to hike six miles a day are invited to join their mothers on this hike. Please contact Diana at 372-4233.

AUGUST 22 — TENAYA LAKE REGATTA — This will be a repeat of last year's highly successful event. This year, however, every family is asked to bring their own food. Games and competitions will be organized for everyone. Come anytime, but gather for the picnic at the northwest picnic area around 11:30 a.m. For further information call Carolyn Gastelum at 379-2635.

FOUND: \$3,000+

What would you do if you found a lady's purse which contained \$3,104.97 in cash?

On Monday, July 26, 1976, YP&C Co. employee John Simmons found a purse with that amount of money in it, and he turned it in to Bill Thompsen, Manager of the Yosemite Lodge. The purse was soon claimed by its rightful owner.

Mr. Thompsen wrote a memo commending Mr. Simmons, and in it he stated, "John Simmons' act of honest should serve as an inspiration for all of us in the hospitality industry." It does.

HELP US HELP

The Sentinel would like your input on what we can do, as individuals, employees, and residents, to reduce environmental impact in Yosemite. What are your ideas for conserving our resources? Don't worry about something being too simple-sounding. For example, we can all cut down on our own gas bills by observing the speed limits in Yosemite. At 35 mph, cars use less gas than at 45 mph — and since the brakes won't have to be slammed on quite so often, you can get more mileage out of each brake job — and the rubber saved on your tires! That's quite a lot of savings, monetarily and ecologically, from one idea. Either send your ideas to "Yosemite Sentinel, Yosemite Park and Curry Co." or call us at ext. 445. WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!!!!!!

Yosemite Recreation

MOVIES

August 16 — **THREE DAYS OF THE CONDOR**

Starring Robert Redford. An excellent film dealing with the operation of a C.I.A. department. Redford, as a decoding expert, uncovers a plot that involves a foreign power and the United States. He finds that doing his job can jeopardise his friends' lives, as well as his own. The film features a surprise ending that can leave you guessing about the operation of the government.

August 23 — **MONKEY BUSINESS**

As stowaways on an ocean liner, the brothers emerge from four barrels marked "Kippered Herring". Groucho proceeds to verbally rape an alluring Thelma Todd, in the process getting entangled in a plot involving gangsters and bathtub gin. The Marxes try to disembark by passing themselves off (all four of them) as Maurice Chevalier and wind up at a society party that exists to be destroyed. Also, as a note to Harpo lovers, this film contains his fullest and most extended role.

August 30 — **EARTHQUAKE**

SOFTBALL SCOREBOARD

MONDAY, JULY 26

Camp Six Forfeits to Mariposa Express

TUESDAY, JULY 27

Boystown Flyers Forfeit to Over the Belt Gang

WEDNESDAY, JULY 28

Camp Six Strikers, 18 — Loft Loonies, 10
The Strikers took the Loonies in Wednesday night's confrontation 18-10. The first couple of innings looked like a close game, until the Strikers turned on in the 4th inning, scoring nine runs. Hard-hitters for the Strikers were Candy Williams, Mary Arrigo, Linda Thomas, and Cassie Harrison.

THURSDAY, JULY 29

Tecoya Schlitz, 18 — Annex Addicts, 15
The Tecoya Schlitz team defeated the Annex Addicts in Thursday's confrontation. This game was one of the closest games of the season, with both teams playing tremedously. Tecoya overpowered the Annex in the 5th and 6th innings and gained the extra three runs to win the game. Hitters for the Schlitz team were Danny Gardella, James Peggins, Steve Pittman, and Ray Willis with two home runs.

FRIDAY, JULY 30

Bionic Ahwahnees forfeit to Kalamity Klutzes

MONDAY, AUGUST 2

Forfeit: FDSB to Camp Six Twigs

TUESDAY, AUGUST 3

Forfeit: Boystown Flyers to Curry Cafes

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 4

Forfeit: General Office Operators to Annex Alkies

THURSDAY, AUGUST 5

Mariposa Express, 13 — Over the Belt Gang

The Mariposa Express upset the Gang 13-3. The first two innings looked like it might be a close game, but the Express overpowered the Gang in their defense. The Express gained most of their runs in the 5th and 6th innings to win the game 13-3. Hitters for the Express were Jon Wallblom, Terry Swift, and Dorey Martin. Winning pitcher was John Caukins.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

MONDAYS

Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
MOVIE (See column) Visitor Center — 8 p.m.

TUESDAYS

Mental Health Clinic Yosemite Medical Clinic — 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Basketball Elementary School Court — 5:30 p.m.
Self-Defense (Basic) Elementary School Aud. — 6:30 p.m.
TOPS Meeting El Portal School — 7 p.m.
Water Polo Lodge Pool — 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAYS

Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7 p.m.
Water Polo Lodge Pool — 7:30 p.m.

THURSDAYS

Basketball Elementary School Court — 5:30 p.m.
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Water Polo Lodge Pool — 7:30 p.m.

FRIDAYS

Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7 p.m.

SATURDAYS

MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7 p.m.

SUNDAYS

MOONDANCE Coffee Shop Curry Village — 7 p.m.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Sat and Sun., Aug 14 & 15 KALNGA — Indian Garden

Mon., Tues., Wed., Aug. 16, 17, 18 CPR Refresher Course

Tues., Aug. 17 ... Yosemite Parents Group Meeting, Elem. School — 7 p.m.

Wed., Aug. 18 Annual Mosquito Festival, Sentinel Beach — 6 p.m.

Wed. & Thurs., Aug 18 & 19 Women's Group Overnight Hike

Sat., Aug. 21 Rummage Sale — El Portal Community Hall

Sun., Aug. 22 Women's Group Regatta — Tenaya Lake

Mon.-Wed., Aug 30 to Sept. 1 Multi-Media First Aid Course

LABOR DAY WEEKEND

Sept. 3-6 Mariposa County Fair

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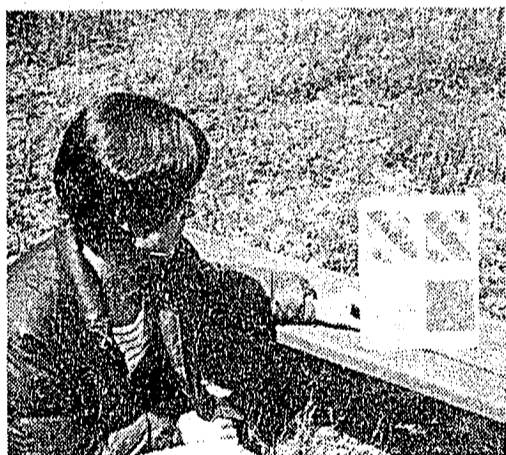
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MERCED COLLEGE OFFERS FALL CLASSES AT Y.N.P.

by Diana Abrell

Many adults in the Yosemite-El Portal area will be returning to classes along with the school children this semester as Merced College extension classes begin the second week of September. The offering this fall will be eight courses ranging from Art to Auto Mechanics and including languages, science, and physical education.

Several requests for a French class have resulted in the recruitment of Bill Scoble to teach a beginning and intermediate French conversation class. Bill has an M.A. in French from the Sorbonne in Paris and has taught French for many years. Ruth Jette will teach the chorus, which will practice and present a Christmas program, possibly the Messiah.



Colleen Bradshaw designed and painted this color and abstraction project in the Art Design class taught by Linda Abbott last spring.

Subject A English will be taught by Diana Abrell. This class will offer a review of grammar and usage and frequent practice in writing. Garrett De Bell, Environmental Advisor for YP&C Co., will teach Ecology. This class will emphasize the ecosystem, the community concept and ecological succession, development and distribution of populations, and ecological problems confronting the human species.

Class	Instructor	Starting Day	Time	Day	Units	Place*
Chorus	Jette	9/13	7-10	M	0	Yos
Auto Mechanics	Fraley	9/13	7-10	M	0	E.P.
French	Scoble	9/14	7-10	T	2	Yos
Art Workshop	Rogers	9/7	7-10	T	0	E.P.
Body Dynamics for Women	Habecker	9/15	7-9	W	1	Yos
Subject A English	Abrell	9/15	7-10	W	3	Yos
Ecology	DeBell	9/16	7-9	Th	2	Yos
First Aid in the Home (6 weeks only)	Reynolds	10/7	7-10	Th	0	E.P.

*Yos stands for Yosemite Elem. School and E.P. for El Portal Elem. School

Judi Reynolds, an emergency R.N. and parent educator, will present a six-week class called First Aid in the Home. This course teaches parents what action to take if their child is ill or injured. Body Dynamics for Women will be taught by Donna Habecker. The emphasis will be on exercise and individual physical fitness programs for each student.

Two classes which have proved popular and will be repeated this fall are Auto Mechanics taught by Jim Fraley and Art Workshop taught by Earl Rogers. Both of these classes will be held in El Portal.

In the above class schedule, note that all classes begin the week of Sept. 13 except Art Workshop (Sept. 7) and First Aid in the Home (Oct. 7). All classes end the week of Jan. 20, except First Aid (Nov. 11).

Registration is at the first class. There is no tuition charge. Textbooks may be purchased at the first class. For further information call Diana Abrell, Co-ordinator, 372-4233.

Wilderness Permits A Reminder

As the summer backpacking season draws to a close, you should remember that wilderness permits are required for all overnight backpacking trips. The permit system is designed to ensure that each of the backcountry areas in Yosemite gets only the amount of use that is within its carrying capacity. The permit system also gives the Park Service an opportunity to alert you to any particular restrictions in the area you are planning to go.

As we move into the fall, the days become shorter and storms more likely, and it is particularly important to be sure you are properly equipped and that you notify a reliable person of where you are going and when you plan to return so that they can notify the Park Service if you do not return on time. The Wilderness Permit is not a registration system and won't automatically trigger a search if you don't return.

New Principal at Yosemite School

Scott Brown, M.S., is the new teaching-principal at Yosemite Elementary School. Mr. Brown has taught in the intermediate grades for five years and graduated from Humboldt State.

Mr. Brown, his wife Karen, and their two children, Jess, 5, and Molly, 2, recently moved to the Park and met many of the parents at a reception held for them on August 8.

COUNTY FAIR THIS WEEKEND

The Mariposa County Fair will be held this weekend, September 3, 4, 5, and 6, at the fairgrounds in Mariposa. This will be the first time that Mariposa County has had a four-day fair. Admission to the fair is \$1 on Friday and Monday and \$1.50 on Saturday and Sunday; season tickets are \$4, and children under six years of age are free.

The theme is "Golden Memories of 200 Years", and with all the events, demonstrations, and displays, "Golden Memories" is what everyone will have of the fair.

See you at the fair!

WORK WANTED

Experienced housecleaning, babysitting, cooking, and sewing. Carol Haggard, General Delivery, Yosemite Nat'l Park, CA 95389.

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Preschool Registration

by Diana Abrell

Yosemite and El Portal will have a combined preschool this year to be held at the El Portal chapel building on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 9:30 to 11:30.

The steering committee has interviewed applicants and hired a teacher. She is Patricia Parker, who has coursework in bilingual education and early childhood education and has been the teacher co-ordinator of a preschool in San Diego for three years.

There will be a charge of \$1.00 per child per session to cover the cost of the teacher's salary. Also two or three mothers will be helpers each session, and all mothers will be expected to take their turn.

Children who will be three yrs. old by Dec. 2, 1976 are eligible. The program will be structured for 3 and 4 yr. olds. Children old enough for kindergarten will not be accepted.

The registration and mothers' meeting will be Friday, Sept. 10 at 10:00 a.m. at the El Portal chapel. Preschool will start Sept. 21. Call 379-2634 or 372-4826 for further information.

Save a Life

RED CROSS MULTI-MEDIA FIRST AID COURSE

Public demand qualifies another of these popular courses. Nine hours of basic first aid. Classes September 13, 14, and 15 from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. Must attend all three evenings. There is an \$8.00 charge for training aids and books. Classes at Yosemite Park and Curry Co. training room. Call Security at 372-4611, ext. 458, by September 8 to sign up. Chuck McBride, Certified Instructor, American Red Cross.

FULL COURSE ON CARDIO-PULMONARY RESUSCITATION

The famous life-saving technique that has saved thousands from an early death by heart attack, drowning, asphyxiation, and electrocution. Classes held 7:00 to 10:00 p.m., September 20, 21, and 22. Must attend all three evenings to qualify. Sign up by September 15th. Call Security at 372-4611, ext. 458. Classes held at Yosemite Park and Curry Co. training room. No charge. Chuck McBride, Certified Instructor, American Red Cross and American Heart Association.

NPS May Use Dogs In The Future To Find Lost Parties



Photo by J. Mark Blackburn

The National Park Service is currently looking at the possibility of using dogs in law enforcement and search and rescue work here in Yosemite.

Ranger Sandy Bryson and her four-year-old German Shepard Hobo are now on patrol in Yosemite in an attempt to determine whether or not the use of such dogs is practical for the Park.

The 31-year-old Ms. Bryson, who hails from South Lake Tahoe, trained Hobo herself, beginning at 10 weeks. Hobo is a police dog fully protection and attack trained. However, he has some other pretty impressive credentials. He is also search and rescue trained for work in wilderness, avalanche, or major disaster (i.e., flooding).

Ms. Bryson says she feels very confident with Hobo at her side. Well, she should, for it is doubtful that any harm will befall her with Hobo present. If you would like to get a peak at this magnificent working dog, Ms. Bryson and Hobo are staying in Camp 6 during their tour of duty with the National Park Service, although you probably would be wise to make it known in advance that you are friendly and mean no harm to Ms. Bryson.

FOR SALE

1972 Honda 350. Low miles. Excellent condition. New tires. \$500. Call 372-4265.

Graco M.X. Bike with front and rear shock suspension. Call 372-4866.

Nice Gitane lady's 10-speed bike, lights, reflectors, and rack. \$60. Phone 372-4746 evenings.

Bike Rally September 25

The 1976 Fall Bike Rally will be held on Saturday, September 25. The format will be changed a bit from past Bike Rallies — instead of a two-day event, the Rally will be held on Saturday only and will be followed by the all-you-can-eat picnic at 2:30 p.m. at the Yosemite Elementary School. Club and distance awards will be presented at the picnic.

Checkpoints will open at 9 a.m. on Saturday, and registration will take place at the Curry Village Bike Stand. You may also pre-register by writing to "Yosemite Bike Rally, YP&C Co., Yosemite National Park, California 95389" or by seeing Bob Nunes at the Curry Village Bike Stand.

Patches and certificates will be given to all those who register, even if they do not complete the 14-mile loop around the Valley on Saturday.

The picnic menu includes foot-long hot dogs, chili beans, corn on the cob, salad, soft drinks, and milk, and costs \$2.50 for adults and \$1.50 for children under 12.

Relax, stretch your legs a little bit, and enjoy a day of fun at the Bike Rally!

Potluck September 26

There will be a potluck for the entire family to welcome new residents to the area Sunday, September 26. Festivities will begin at 4 p.m. at the El Portal Elementary School.

In addition to sharing a meal together, volleyball, croquet, and baseball will be available for all energetic souls.

Everyone is asked to bring a main dish and a salad or dessert, plates, utensils, and beverages (please remember: no alcoholic drinks are allowed on school property).

Come on out and join in some old-fashioned fun and games while getting acquainted with your new neighbors.

The man identified as "unknown" in the photo with Bert Sault (Aug. Sentinel) is D.A. Miller, an NPS employee for many years who was a blacksmith at the time of his retirement. Our thanks to the Wendell Otters for the identification.

Winter Club Gets Geared For Winter



LEROY "RUSTY" RUST, Yosemite Postmaster, crosses the finish line at last year's Ancient Jocks Race.

The Winter Club, oldest organized winter sports organization in the Sierra (founded in 1928), is ready for another winter season and has elected a new slate of officers.

Bill Thompsen will serve as President and is urging everyone to join the Winter Club this year. A new membership dues structure means \$5 for a single membership and \$10 for a family.

Perhaps you have thought about joining the Winter Club but decided against it because you don't ski and that the Winter Club is only for skiers. Not so — the Winter Club is for everyone who loves the outdoors and was founded and established to further the cause of all Winter sports activities in Yosemite. As an example, here are some of the things the Winter Club will be offering this season:

- Fondue Party
- Hans Brinker family night at Curry Ice Rink
- Broom hockey, ice skating lessons
- Pre-season ski exercise class
- Beginners' group lessons — cross-country and downhill
- Overnight cross-country ski trip
- Bus trip to another ski area
- Monthly Winter Club days at Badger Pass
- Ancient Jock's Race and Banquet at The Ahwahnee

If you want to know more about the Winter Club, be sure and attend our annual Kick-Off Dinner on October 6, 1976. The doin's will be held on the Ahwahnee Meadow at the Ashburner's home — \$3.75 gets you BBQ Prime Rib dinner, beer, and wine, beginning at 5:30 p.m. Make your reservations now by writing Yosemite Winter Club (YWP, CA), or by calling Gail Thompsen at 372-4518, or by sending in the attached membership application.

In addition, your membership entitles you to a free ski lift pass, ski lesson, ski equipment rental (downhill or nordic), a free pass to the ice rink, and much more, worth well over \$20.00. The benefits of membership are many and varied. If you are a winter sports participant, or if you would like to become one, or even if you just enjoy getting together with other people, then you should take advantage of all the Winter Club has to offer, and join this season. Married, single, resident, or visitor, if you enjoy being outdoors in Winter and enjoy what the season has to offer, you are sure to find it offered by the Winter Club.

-----TEAR OFF AND RETURN-----

I want to join the Yosemite Winter Club:

NAME _____ Family _____ Single _____
(\$10.00) check one (\$5.00)

ADDRESS _____

TELEPHONE _____ Family member first names _____

Please find my _____
(check, money order, BankAmericard or Master Charge Card number)

in the amount of \$ _____.

We plan to attend the Kick-Off dinner October 6, 1976.

Number in party _____ at \$3.75 each - \$ _____ enclosed.

THINK SNOW

A Salute to Julie Apgar

YTS driver Ms. Julie Apgar has been commended for her courageous efforts while operating a bus in the Fresno vicinity on August 2, 1976, by Chief Operating Officer Ed Hardy. His letter to Ms. Apgar follows:

It is a pleasure for me to extend to you my sincere thanks and appreciation on behalf of the Yosemite Park and Curry Co. for your courageous efforts while operating a YTS bus in the area of Fresno, California, on August 2, 1976.

You are to be commended for your actions. Your quick-minded decision and professional driver handling of the bus you were operating in the face of severe hazard is without doubt the reason that the bus did not overturn and that our passengers escaped without serious injury.

We are proud to have you as an employee of the Yosemite Park and Curry Co. Your courage and concern for the safety of our passengers should serve as an example to us all.

Again, my appreciation on behalf of the Company.

We know you join Mr. Hardy and the Sentinel in saluting YTS Driver Julie Apgar.

El Portal Community Association Helps

The El Portal Community Association was formed to provide a means by which the residents could improve their community. Under the auspices of the Association, many projects for the improvement of the community have been or are nearly completed: grill and horseshoe pits, fencing the tennis court, landscaping and irrigating the Tot Lot, etc.

Through the time and effort of a few, the entire community has been enhanced, but — there is more needed. Have you thought about recreational activities for our teenagers? Can the Community Hall be used more effectively, more often? With your aid and assistance, we can make this fine community even better.

The third Monday of each month is the regularly scheduled meeting date. This month's meeting is September 20 at 7:30 p.m. in the Community Hall. See you there!

THANKS TO YOU..

"Thanks to you, it's working", the United Way's Fund Drive slogan, could also be applied to the EPA Beverage Container Deposit Test Program being conducted in Yosemite National Park this summer.

As I am sure you all know, each soft drink or beer container sold in the Park at Yosemite Park and Curry Co. facilities carries a 5¢ deposit on it, which is redeemable at any one of 18 redemption centers throughout the Park. We have had a 72% return rate most of the summer, which is favorable to return rates in Oregon and Vermont. Since most visitors are here only 2 or 3 days, we have had to quickly "indoctrinate" them about the deposit program — and this is where you, our employees, come in. It has been through your explanations and patient answers to the same questions over and over that the visitors have redeemed their deposits. It has also been you returning your containers that has helped to give a high return rate.

A side benefit of the program that few people really thought of happening is that the amount of roadside debris and litter in the Park has been reduced. Because of the deposit, people are stopping to think before they throw their trash away and are making sure it goes into a garbage container and not on the ground.

In case you're wondering what will happen to the other 28% of the deposits on beverage containers, they will be used to help cover the costs of the program, and should there be any money left over, it will be used on other environmental programs in the Park.

WOMEN'S GROUP

Luncheon and Fashion Show
On Wednesday, September 15, the Women's Group will host a luncheon and fashion show at The Ahwahnee from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. The fashion show is sponsored by "Clothes Hanger" of Mariposa. Reservations are necessary by September 8; cost of luncheon will be approximately \$4.00. Call Margene van Wagendonk at 379-2668 to make your reservations. Also, babysitting will be available — let Margene know if you need it.

Membership dues of \$2 will be collected and will include a chance for door prizes!

The Yosemite Women's Group is open to all women living in or near Yosemite. Join them for an afternoon of fun.

Crow's Nest



The Crow is back from Kansas City where Republican delegates selected Gerry Ford and Robert Dole as their ticket.

President Ford, in a 42-minute acceptance speech, gave one of his better talks. Then following that, he called on Governor Reagan to speak, who said in five minutes what it took the President 42 minutes to say. Ronnie always did believe in one-upmanship.

It looks like California's current Governor is back to being Governor — at least for the time being (1980 is already marked on his calendar). Question: When is California going to get a Governor who wants to be Governor and not President?

Now that convention politicking is over for the moment, we can get down to more serious business — after all, the NFL is in its pre-season. Soon the Monday night airways will be filled with the voice of Howard Cosell — the man with the six million dollar vocabulary. Howard can talk for hours and say nothing. Ever think about going into politics, Howard? Then, of course, we have the excellent (?) play-by-play from Frank Gifford. But the man who holds it all together as did Dandy Don when he was there is Spanky Karris, who still uses words like it, the, and if, we or our, which completely confuses Howard Cosell. Have you ever met anyone who is so much of an expert on so many topics? Yes — Bobby Riggs!! Enough, enough.

Someone has suggested that here in the mountains it should be Sierrandipity instead of, well, you get the picture.

Elizabeth Ray, we're told now, will try acting as a career — isn't that what she was doing all along?

Bumper sticker of the month, spotted on the back door of a horse trailer hauling two horses: "Don't be what you're looking at — drive safely."

Flag Football '76

Football season is just around the corner. Kickoff for the first game of the 1976 YP&C Co. Flag Football will start September 28 at 5:30 p.m. All games will be played on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. All those who will be representing as Team Captain should have your rosters (15 man limit, same unit) in as soon as possible so scheduling for the season can be done in advance. For a highly competitive experience, get your name on a roster and prepare for a winning season.

Lions Club News

On August 18th, we had our annual Mosquito Festival. Over 100 Lions and friends enjoyed themselves again this year. Lion Leroy ("Rusty") Rust was in charge of the barbeque. The one word to sum up this year's festival — "fantastic".

Coming up in September will be our 2nd annual river clean-up. This year Lion Bill Wendt will be charge, and he hopes to outdo Dan Sholly's record last year of 40 bags of litter. Watch for the time and date in the Yosemite News, posters, etc.

It's not too early to start digging into your closets, garage, etc., as October brings our annual Rummage Sale. This yearly event is one of the great ways for both the Club and you to get a few extra \$\$ for the Holidays — or even do some early Christmas shopping.

Lion Jacques Crozemarie from Paris, France, was a recent visitor to the Park and wishes all the members well.

As always, we are on the look-out for new members. We meet the first and third Thursdays of each month for lunch and program at the Ahwahnee Hotel, 12 Noon to 1:30 p.m., and interested men are welcome to attend.

ATTENTION:

Boys 7 to 10 Years

It's almost school time (Oh, no!) One of the great things you can participate in is Cub Scouting.

Increase your knowledge of nature, crafts, fellowship, and just plain good times by joining one of the dens.

Watch the school paper for sign-up dates.

GARAGE SALE: Saturday and Sunday, September 4 and 5, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tecoya H-105, or call 372-4845.

Animal of the Month



STRIPED SKUNK

The *Mephitis mephitis* is about the size of a house cat and is common from the San Joaquin Valley to the Yellow Pine belt on the west slope of the Sierra. Striped skunks are also found at the base of the Sierra on the east side, including the Lake Tahoe basin. They range in size from a total length of 22½" to 30", including a feathery tail about 10½" to 13", and can weight over 8 pounds. The short legs and small head, combined with a stout and fairly long body, gives the skunk an immediately recognizable form. The stripes, for which this skunk is famous, begin at the nose as one line; they then continue over the forehead and back to the shoulders, where they divide into two stripes, which continue to the base of the tail.

Most people can tell when a skunk has been in the area — the defensive scent of the skunk will remain for several days. The object that was sprayed will be perfumed for a week or even longer.

Skunks enjoy grasshoppers, beetles, and other insects, mice, pocket gophers, wood rats, squirrels, low-growing berries, plant materials, and once in a while a reptile or amphibian. Normally skunks do not dig their own burrow but take over either a ground squirrel's or badger's or find a nice hollow log, rock crevice, or crawl space under a building — preferably deserted — to call home.

Litters of five are born in the spring, and even though many are killed by poisoned baits for farm predators or trapped for fur, skunks are still common many places.

Going Out of Business Sale I have eight cute baby rats, assorted colors, one size fits all. Lowest price in town. Act now while the selection is good. Sale ends when all the merchandise is gone. Call Eric Abbott, 372-4700.

Employee Golf Tournament

Due to foul weather, the Employee Golf Tournament, originally scheduled for Sunday, August 22, has been postponed. The new date for this annual Employee event is Sunday, September 19th.

The tournament, which will be held at the Wawona Golf Course, will offer trophies for low gross score and low net score for both men and women. In addition, some surprise awards will also be given away. The tournament will be followed by a steak barbeque and dinner.

All employees are invited to attend. Sign-ups will begin on Wednesday, September 1, at the Employee Recreation Office. Entry fee is \$4 per person, and must be paid in advance. If you wish to play with friends, please sign up by foursomes. All single players will be placed in foursomes at random. Deadline date for sign-ups is Friday, September 27.

For more information, please contact the Employee Recreation Department at Ext. 475. DON'T MISS IT!!!

Theatre Workshop Alive and Well

Every Wednesday night, the Employee Recreation Department is sponsoring a Theatre Workshop. All employees are welcome, and for an excellent night of entertainment, you should come and partake in the excitement and fun. The seminar is held at the Elementary School Auditorium at 7:30 p.m.

Employee Discounts

Planning a trip to Southern California or the Bay Area? To make your trip a little more enjoyable and a little less expensive, stop by the Employee Recreation Office and pick up some Employee Discount Cards. These cards, which are free to any employee with a privilege card, offer discounts on many attractions throughout California. Busch Gardens, Universal Studios, Disneyland, Marine World-Africa U.S.A., Knott's Berry Farm, and Magic Mountain are just a few of the amusement parks that offer discounts on parking, entrance fees, and reduced rates on rides and attractions. In addition, some discount cards also offer reduced rates on Avis and Hertz car rentals and on lodging at any Howard Johnson's motor lodge. So stop by Employee Recreation (located by the Barber-Beauty Shop) and get your cards today; they're free for the asking.

Yosemite Recreation

MOVIES

Sept. 6 — SUNSHINE BOYS (PG)

Sept. 13 — LUCKY LADY (PG)

Sept. 20 — WILLIE WONKA AND THE CHOCOLATE FACTORY (G)

Sept. 27 — SILENT RUNNING (G)

October 4 — THE COCOANUTS (G)

SOFTBALL SCOREBOARD

Monday, August 9:

Tecoya Schlitz defeated the Over the Belt gang by a score of 13-10.

Tuesday, August 10:

Mariposa Express ran through the Annex Addicts by a score of 18-5.

Monday, August 16:

The Over the Belt Gang edged the Annex Addicts 15-14 in the 1976 Playoffs.

Tuesday, August 17:

MARIPOSA EXPRESS REPEATS AS CHAMPS!

In a closely played game for the championship of the 1976 Softball League, the Mariposa Express defeated the Tecoya Schlitz by a score of 13-8. Tecoya began the game with a bang, exploding for four runs in the first inning. Mariposa came up with 5 runs in the third to take the lead at 5-4. In the fourth inning, Mariposa scored three more runs on singles before Tecoya could retire the side. Tecoya came right back in the 5th to close the gap at 9-7.

In the 6th inning, the Mariposa Express rallied again to push four more runs across the plate to take a 13-8 lead. Despite a leadoff single in the top of the seventh inning, Tecoya was unable to score, and Mariposa repeated as champs of the Curry Co. Softball League.

Yosemite Olympics

The Third Annual Yosemite Olympics will take place on Sunday, September 12. The Olympics will be divided into two groups: Swimming and Track & Field.

The swimming events will take place at the Yosemite Lodge Pool beginning at 9:00 a.m. The events will include the following for both men and women:

- 50 meter freestyle
- 100 meter freestyle
- 100 meter medley
- 200 meter free relay
- 200 meter medley relay

The Track & Field events will begin at Noon and will be held at the Yosemite Elementary School Field. The events will include the following for both men and women:

- Running Broad Jump
- 50 yard Dash
- 100 yard Dash
- 440 Run
- Shot Put
- Softball Throw
- Mile Run
- 440 Relay
- Discus

A team trophy will be presented to the unit which scores the most points in the Olympics. Defending champs, the Ahwahnee Hotel, are among the favorites in this year's Olympics. Refreshments will be provided for all participants and awards will be given for the top contestants in each event. For further information, call the Employee Rec. Office at Ext. 475.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

MONDAYS

Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
MOVIE (See column) Visitor Center — 8 p.m.

TUESDAYS

Mental Health Clinic Yosemite Medical Clinic — 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Pick-Up Soccer Elementary School Field — 5:30 p.m.
Basketball (Sept. 7 & 14 only) Elem. School Field — 5:30 p.m.
Self-Defense (Basic) Elementary School Aud. — 6:30 p.m.
TOPS Meeting El Portal School — 7 p.m.
Water Polo (Sept. 7 & 14 only) Lodge Pool — 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAYS

Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.
Theatre Workshop Elem. School Aud. — 7:30 p.m.
Water Polo (Sept. 8 & 15 only) Lodge Pool — 7:30 p.m.

THURSDAYS

Pick-Up Soccer Elementary School Field — 5:30 p.m.
Basketball (Sept. 9 & 16 only) Elem. School Court — 5:30 p.m.
Self-Defense (Basic) Elementary School Aud. — 6:30 p.m.
Water Polo (Sept. 9 & 16 only) Lodge Pool — 7:30 p.m.

FRIDAYS

Yoga Employee Training Room — 6 p.m.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Labor Day Weekend, Sept. 3-6 Mariposa County Fair
Mon., Sept. 6 Labor Day
.....OUTREACH Closes for season at 6 p.m.
Tues., Sept. 7 Art Workshop Class starts, El Portal — 7 p.m.
Wed., Sept. 8 School Begins
Thurs., Sept. 9 Admission Day
Fri., Sept. 10 Preschool Registration, El Portal Chapel — 10 a.m.
Mon., Sept. 13 Auto Mechanics Class starts, El Portal School — 7 p.m.
.....Chorus Class starts, Yosemite School — 7 p.m.
Mon. to Wed., Sept. 13 to 15 First Aid Class, YPC Training Room — 7 p.m.
Tues., Sept. 14 French Class starts, Yosemite School — 7 p.m.
Wed., Sept. 15 Women's Group Luncheon/Fashion Show — 11:30 a.m.
.....Body Dynamics for Women Class starts, Yosemite School — 7 p.m.
.....Subject A English Class starts, Yosemite School — 7 p.m.
Thurs., Sept. 16 Lions Club, The Ahwahnee — Noon
.....Ecology Class starts, Yosemite School — 7 p.m.
Sun., Sept. 19 Golf Tourney, Wawona Golf Course — 11 a.m.
Mon., Sept. 20 El Portal Community Assoc., Comm. Hall — 7:30 p.m.
Mon. to Wed., Sept. 20 to 22 ... CPR Course, YPC Training Room — 7 p.m.
Tues., Sept. 21 Preschool Begins, El Portal Chapel — 9:30 a.m.
.....Parents' Group Meeting, Yosemite School — 7:45 p.m.
Sat., Sept. 25 Jewish New Year
.....Bike Rally
Sun., Sept. 26 Welcome Potluck, El Portal School — 4 p.m.
Tues. to Thurs., Sept 28-30 Flag Football, Elem School — 5:30 p.m.

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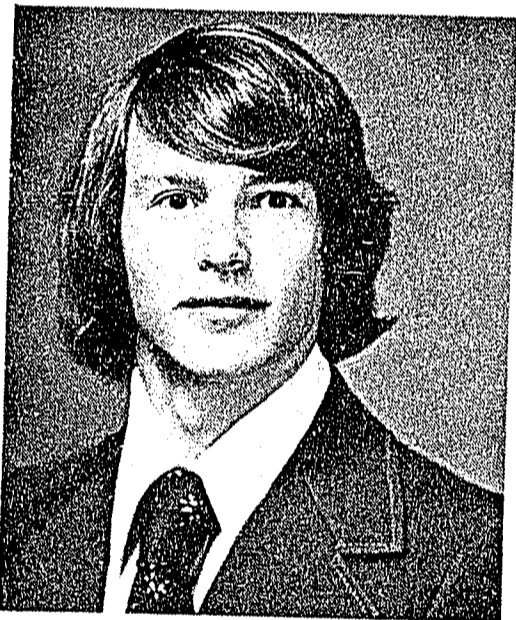
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SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED TO YOSEMITE STUDENTS

Two students from the Yosemite area have received scholarships for their college education. The Yosemite Scholarship Commission selected Phillip

Downing as the recipient of the Yosemite Scholarship for 1976-1977.



Phillip, son of Mr. and Mrs. David Downing, was born and raised in Yosemite National Park, attending the Yosemite Elementary School and Mariposa County High School. While in High School, Phil excelled in sports and at the same time received several scholastic and activity awards. He was chosen Boys' State Representative in his Junior year, and in his Senior year, received the Scholar-Athlete Award, as well as being listed in "Who's Who Among American High School Students" for the year 1975-1976. He graduated from Mariposa High last June.

Phil has entered Cal State University, Chico, this fall, where he plans to pursue a Business major. His father is the Vending Supervisor for YP&C Co., and his mother is employed by the Post Office.

The Yosemite Scholarship, which was first presented in 1934, is awarded to a deserving high school graduate whose parent or guardian is employed on a year-round basis in Yosemite National Park. It is supported entirely by the Yosemite Community Council.



Miss Penny Fraley of El Portal has been awarded a \$2,700 California State Scholarship, a \$1,000 scholarship from Pepperdine University at Malibu, and the privilege of obtaining another \$1,000 through a National Direct Loan. Penny, in her sophomore year at Pepperdine, will be able to renew each of these awards for two additional years of college if she maintains the required grade point average. She is majoring in specialized teaching and sociology.

Miss Fraley, oldest daughter of Jim and Louise Fraley, worked as a food checker and cashier for the Yosemite Park and Curry Co. grocery stores this summer while living at home in El Portal. Her father is a dispatcher for the National Park Service, and her mother works in the Accounting Office of Curry Co.

Emergency Care For Children

A new class available to parents is care of the sick or injured child. It is taught by Judi Reynolds, a childbirth and parent educator and emergency room nurse.

The class will be held from 7 to 10 p.m. at the El Portal School on Thursday evenings from October 7 through November 11.

This class is a type of first aid that will cover a variety of problems, such as breathing difficulties in asthma, croup, colds, or choking; fever, vomiting, and diarrhea; indigestion, burns, cuts, infection, head injury, rashes, bug bites, etc. The stress will be on what to do and how to make judgements--a positive approach. It includes safety, prevention, and CPR (cardio-pulmonary resuscitation).

The class is not intended to take the place of a doctor but to augment his care. It is meant to give parents the know-how for immediate care, diminish fear and panic, and give them some basis for decisions if their child gets sick or injured.

The class, sponsored by Merced College, is open to anyone. Registration will take place at the class.

For further information call Judi at 372-4801 (before Oct. 2, call her at 372-4806). The course is free.

Turn Your
Clocks Back
An Hour
On Sunday
October 24

Return Of A Native

- by Shirley Sargent

"It all seems like a dream and a wonderful dream," Mae Kenney Butler, who neither looks or acts her ninety years, described her recent visit at the Ahwahnee Hotel, "all too short." Along with her niece, Helen Kenney Dutt, and Mrs. Dutt's husband, Brooks, Mrs. Kenney stayed in a VIP room on the sixth floor September 6 and 7 as guests of the Curry Company. It was singularly appropriate that Mrs. Butler inhabit the 49-year-old hotel, for on May 30, 1886, she was born on what was to be its future site.

At that time, the place was a settlement of houses, barns and corrals called Kenneyville, all attendant to Coffman and Kenney's Yosemite Stables. From 1885 till 1916, the thriving, highly necessary enterprise was operated by some member of the Kenney and Coffman families. In 1916, the Desmond Company took over, only to be succeeded by the Yosemite Park & Curry Co. in 1925. By then the need for extensive stables was over, so new, smaller quarters (still operating) were built adjacent to public campgrounds and Kenneyville was demolished to make way for the six-story hotel.

When Mae Kenney was growing up, however, Kenneyville boasted an enormous population of horses, mules, and burros plus stagedrivers, stable assistants, cowboys and men who ran, the blacksmith and saddle shops. The Kenney family swelled the human population, for George Walter Kenney and his wife Anna, a Coulter of Coulterville, had five daughters and three sons. "We had a five bedroom house," Mae remembered, "and my mother had Chinese to help with the cooking and housework. We had a

garden and chickens, and of course, plenty of horses to ride." Mae, her brothers and sisters, Walter, George, Charles, Alice, Blanche, Anne and Oniska, attended the Yosemite School, which was on the south side of the Merced above Sentinel Bridge, during summers, and a school in Madera, winters.

After she grew up, Mae left Yosemite but stayed in the Sierra, for she married Archie Butler who was a firechief in the Forest Service Fire Reserve at Lake Tahoe as well as winter postmaster at Camp Richardson. For 47 years, Mrs. Butler has been a leading figure in South Lake Tahoe where she was a charter member of many organizations. Now widowed, she lives alone at the Lake, where she celebrated her 90th birthday in May. "Blowing out birthday candles," reported the Tahoe Daily Tribune, "seems a simple task for one who has braved Tahoe winters when roads weren't plowed and skis were the only mode of transportation."

During her Yosemite visit, Mrs. Butler and Mrs. Dutt, daughter of Walter Kenney who was Mrs. Butler's brother, were interviewed by Jack Gyer, NPS Curator of the Yosemite Archives, Steve Medley, Reference Librarian, and Shirley Sargent. The two ladies gave a number of Kenney family photos, news clippings and other valuable and important historical material to the Reference Library where it will be enjoyed and consulted by researchers.

Everyone from historians to desk clerks, who met the lively and enthusiastic Mrs. Butler, hopes she will return to her birthplace many more times.

FUND SET UP

Donna Pritchett Injured

Donna Pritchett, long-time Yosemite resident, was seriously injured in an automobile accident several weeks ago in Nevada and is hospitalized in Reno. At the present time, Donna is paralyzed from the neck down and is scheduled for surgery in the near future. It looks like she will be in the hospital for a long time.

Donna's friends have set up a fund in her behalf which is being kept in the Superintendent's Office. Contributions can be made through Bobbie Brudenell (ext. 57), or John Dill (ext. 24), or Larry Moore (ext. 79). The phone number for the National Park Service is 372-4461.

Cards and visits from friends will mean so much to Donna. Her address is: Washoe Medical Center, Room 331, 77 Pringle Way, Reno, Nevada 89502; (702) 785-4100.

Become A Race Official

Be a Race Official at Badger Pass this winter! Come to the Clinic on Wednesday nights, November 3 and 10, at 7 p.m. Dr. Chuck Woessner, assisted by Doug Coe, will be the instructor. The Clinic will be held at either the Elementary School or the Visitor Center--watch for exact locations on bulletin boards and in the Yosemite News.

Employee Housing Corner

by Jerry Doyle

Why do we have Fire, Safety, and Maintenance inspections? The answer to this question is in the title itself. We are looking for fire hazards and maintenance problems that, if corrected, will make Employee Housing a better place to live.

The purpose of this article is to cover two points: The probable causes of fire in Employee Housing, and to announce a schedule for inspections. The probable causes for fire in Employee Housing are:

1. Candles left unattended.
2. Candles not in holders.
3. Combustible items left near oil stoves.
4. Combustible items left against lighting fixtures.
5. Excessive use of extension cords and impromptu wiring by employees.

6. Cooking in rooms which are not equipped for this purpose.

If you have any of the items listed above, you should correct these. If you think there is a hazard in your room, please contact the Housekeeper in your area.

There will be quarterly inspections by the Employee Housing Manager, the Housekeeper in your area, and a Safety Committee member. These inspections will be for your own safety and will be announced with a memo to all employees in March, June, September, and December. In addition, there may be other inspections solely at the discretion of the National Park Service.

If you have any questions on this subject, or any other subject, come by my office in the General Offices or call me at ext. 451.

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Articles must be submitted to The Sentinel Office by the 18th of the month preceding publication. Short articles and ads will be taken up until the 27th of preceding month, space and time permitting.

Lions Club Happenings

River Clean-Up Oct. 2

On October 2, the Lions Club under the direction of Bill Wendt will offer to the Community another free service--our Second Annual River Clean-up. Everyone is welcome. We will meet behind the Village Store at 9 a.m. Gunny sacks, hack saws, rakes, etc., will be provided. Wear old clothes, as it will be necessary to go into the river. There will be a free "All-You-Can-Eat" Barbeque following the clean up for all those who participated. Remember, that's THIS Saturday, October 2, from 9 a.m. to approximately 3 p.m.

Rummage Sale Oct. 27 & 28

Lion Tom Bumgarner wishes to announce that the Rummage Sale this year will be Oct. 27 and 28. Pick up your tickets at the Village Store office. Newcomers, this is how it works:

1. Assemble items you wish to sell.
 2. Pick up numbered tags at the Store.
 3. Tag and label your items, keeping your half of the tag.
 4. Bring your items to the Visitor Center between 8 and 10 a.m. on the 27th, as the doors open at Noon.
 5. We will sell your items and keep 20% of your selling price.
 6. Pick up your unsold items by 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 28th.
 7. Any items not sold or picked up at this time will be donated to charity.
- This sale is a great way to sell unwanted or outgrown items--a real shoppers' bonanza!

Eyemobile

Thanks to Lion Bill Breckenkamp for his time and effort in getting the Eyemobile to the Park on Sept. 18. Bill wishes to give a special thanks to all those who helped, and especially Nurses Kathy Loux and Irene Sanders from the Yosemite Clinic for their help.

Lions Club

October is also membership drive month. This year Lion Luke Bradshaw is our committee chairman.

Pioneers In Petticoats Class

Noted Park historian Shirley Sargent will teach an intensive weekend workshop, entitled "Pioneers in Petticoats - Yosemite's Early Women", on Saturday and Sunday, October 23 and 24.

The course is co-sponsored by University of California Extension, U. C. Davis, and Columbia Junior College District Community Services. It will examine the role and historical significance of the intrepid women pioneers of the Yosemite region, which is too often overlooked by California historians. As different as they are resourceful, they came from various backgrounds to endure the hardships and privations of frontier life. Set against such odds, their story is one

of fierce determination and courage; their triumphs and defeats more than footnotes in history books.

The class will be held at the East Auditorium of the Visitor Center in Yosemite Village. On Saturday, the 23rd, the workshop will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and continues from 7 to 10 p.m. The course winds up on Sunday, October 24, 9 a.m. to Noon. Fee for the class is \$25. Please fill in the application below and mail to the Extension Office at U. C. Davis by October 15.

Author of eight books on Yosemite history and over half a dozen books for children, Miss Sargent is well qualified to instruct the course.

UNIVERSITY EXTENSION, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA
DAVIS, CALIFORNIA 95616

ENROLLMENT APPLICATION

(Please Print)	(Name (First, Mid. I., Last))	Social Security Number
Home Address	City	Zip
PIONEERS IN PETTICOATS	(62K38)	\$25
Course Title	Section Number	Fee

- Enclosed is my check made payable to "Regents of the University of California"
- Please Charge my BankAmericard Account Number

Halloween Carnival October 29th

The Yosemite School Parents Group is sponsoring a night of food, fun, games, and prizes in the East Auditorium Friday, October 29, 5 to 9 p.m. During the evening, many super items will be raffled, including a \$100 certificate for Alpine Products, beautiful handcrafts by local artists, and many other gifts and certificates from merchants, organizations and individuals. All carnival and raffle proceeds go to supplementing school activities and supplies. Any community member or organization wishing to help with the event, please call Clarissa Garza, 372-4548, or Jody Wurgler, 372-4725.

Community Service

There are two openings for Community Service in El Portal.

A Junior Girl Scout Leader is needed for about 10 girls in the 4th, 5th, and 6th grades.

Cub Scout Den #2 is in need of an Assistant Den Mother for about six 7 and 8 year old boys.

Anyone interested in these openings or in need of more information, please call 379-2384.

Avon Calling

Ridgley Reece is the new AVON representative for Yosemite Valley, taking over for Cindy Fiore. If you have any questions or would like to see the exciting new line of AVON products for Fall, call Ridgley at 372-4716.

School Board Candidates

On November 2, voters of Yosemite "West" (Yosemite Valley west of Indian Creek), Coulterville, Greeley Hill, and Exchequer will elect a candidate to the County School Board to represent District 2.

William Shimer, the incumbent, has served on the Board for 18 years. Mr. Shimer is a native of Coulterville, having been born there in 1911, and he and wife Grace are still residents and landowners in Coulterville. Their two sons and four grandchildren (three of which are in school) also reside in the Coulterville-Greeley Hill area. Now retired, Mr. Shimer was for many years Assistant

Forest Ranger (now titled "State Forest Ranger 1") with the California State Division of Forestry.

The challenger is Robert Tischmacher, a Foresta homeowner for the past 7 years and a Yosemite resident since May 1975. A native of Madera, he attended college in Visalia. Bob has been in the construction business for 23 years, as both owner and General Contractor. He is Foreman of the YP&C Co. Carpenter Shop, while his wife Lucy is an NPS employee. They have two children and one grandchild. Prior to moving to Yosemite, they were active in community affairs in Orange County for 23 years.

Winter Club Benefits Many

As the winter season approaches, you might say to yourselves, "Why should I join the Winter Club this season?" The question is valid, and I will attempt to give you some reasons for joining this year.

If you enjoy being out-of-doors in the winter and would like to participate in winter sports with others; or if you would like to learn to ski, skate, or cross-country, it's more fun to do it with others in YWC organized groups; or if you just enjoy the gatherings afterwards, the Winter Club will give you a chance to share these activities.

If you believe in supporting organized competition in winter sports through Far West Ski Association races sponsored by the YWC, our own junior race team, traditional area races such as the Silver Bee and Ancient Jocks' Race, or contributions made by the YWC to support National Nordic and Alpine teams, then the Winter Club is for you.

If you wish to uphold the tradition of winter sports in Yosemite, join the YWC, which has been active in fostering skiing and skating since 1928.

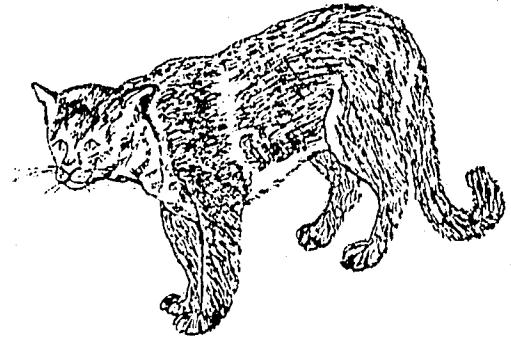
In order to encourage greater participation in winter sports, Yosemite Park and Curry Co. is making the following benefits available to members of the YWC:

- A. Two (2) free skating sessions at Curry Village Ice Rink.
- B. One (1) half-day Alpine ski equipment rental at Badger Pass.
- C. Forty per cent (40%) discount on Nordic ski lesson, basic or intermediate class. Reservations required one week in advance.
- D. Twenty-five per cent (25%) discount on Nordic ski equipment rental.
- E. One (1) half-day Alpine ski lesson (group) at Badger Pass.
- F. One (1) complimentary lift ticket--valid on all lifts all day.

NOTE: Free benefits not available on weekends or during holiday periods.

So you see you can't lose. By joining YWC, you are supporting local and national competition in both Nordic and Alpine skiing, benefiting from complementary activities, and enjoying organized instruction and events sponsored by the oldest winter sports club in California with people who share your enthusiasm.

Animal Of The Month



The Mountain Lion (*Felis concolor*) is not an animal you are apt to see--even if you live in its territory. It is not because the lion is nearing extinction; far from that, it is merely that the big cat is quiet and secretive and tends to keep away from man. Despite legend, it is very rare for a lion to attack man--it much prefers the staple of its diet, the Mule Deer. The lion can consume a large quantity at one setting or may eat only a small portion and bury the rest.

The lion--or catamount, puma, or cougar--weighs in between 84 and 165 pounds (80-100 for females) and is the largest mammal in the Sierra next to the Black Bear. Standing 2½ feet tall and 4 feet long, the heavy paws will leave tracks up to 4½ inches long.

The young of the Mountain Lion are called kittens, and normally a litter consists of two or three of the spotted fluff-balls. The kittens are born in March or April and stay with their mother for most of the first year.

Two of the names for the Mountain Lion have an interesting history. Catamount comes from catamountain, which originally was "cat of the mountain"; cougar, after tracing its evolution through three languages, gets its meaning from the Tupi, where it means "similar to a deer", as both share the same rich brown color.

Should you be fortunate enough to see a mountain lion, enjoy its wildness--its "living free".

For Sale

DURST F60 Enlarger for \$115. Package includes two condensers, two glassless negative carriers, stand, 50mm lens, plus 8x10 easel. Accommodates both 35mm and 2¼ x 2¼ formats, with rotating head for wall projection. Please call ext. 424 and leave a message with Audrey for Rose.

Complete and return to
YOSEMITE WINTER CLUB
Box 1504, Yosemite, CA 95389

Family Membership \$10.00

Singles \$5.00

Full Name(s) of Adult(s) _____

Name(s) and Age(s) of
Children under 21 _____

Mailing Address _____

Telephone Number _____

Amount enclosed _____

I will attend the Kick-Off Party, October 6, 1976, at the Ashburners' on the meadow. Prime rib dinner, beer & wine, \$3.75 per person. No. in party _____

Employee Golf Tournament

Sunny skies and warm temperatures provided perfect conditions for the Third Annual Wawona Open (Employee) Golf Tournament. The tournament, open to both men and women, attracted 34 participants, all of whom were in the running for the trophies and prizes (and a few just for the barbecue). The standings were as follows:

Low Net Score - Men

Bob Cromer 69
Bob Tischmacher 75

Low Gross Score - Men

Bob Bluemreich 86
Don Quigley 89
Bob Nunes 90

Low Net Score - Women

Marge Cromer 71

Low Gross Score - Women

Elsie Quigley 121
Ann Burchill 136
Laura Quigley 137

SPECIAL AWARDS

Sportsman's Award

Bill Bergen

Duffer's Award

Tom Bumgarner

In addition to the regular trophies, two "Special Awards" were also presented. The Sportsman's Award went to Bill Bergen as the player who seemed to have the most "fun" at the tournament. The Duffer's Award went to Tom Bumgarner, who shot a course record, 124 over-par (194 for 18 holes).

The tournament was followed by a steak barbecue and was free to all the participants. Thanks to the staff at Wawona and to all who helped make this year's tournament a success.

SUMMER OLYMPICS

On Sunday, September 12, 1976, the YP&C Co. held their 3rd Annual Summer Olympics. The day was filled with fun and entertainment for the many participants and people who viewed the games. The morning was brisk, so the swimming events were cancelled. However, this did not take away from the highly competitive and fun experiences of the afternoon.

The Track and Field events, with 50 participants, proved to be highly competitive. The Women's events ended up a little one-sided, with Carey Timmer placing first in four of the six events. The Men's events proved to be evenly matched, with Ray Beasley and James Peggins tying for high point male.

Overall Team honors went to defending champs, The Ahwahnee, with 37 team points. Runner-up Yosemite Lodge scored 29 points in the Track and Field events. The Service Division took third place with 9 points, followed closely by Wawona and the Loft, with 7 and 2 points respectively. Congratulations to all winners and participants in this year's Olympics.

EVENTS

MEN'S

50-yard dash	5.5	Ray Beasley	James Peggins	Eddie Anderson
100-yard dash	10.5	James Peggins	Ray Beasley	George Acoya
440-run	58.7	James Peggins	Ray Beasley	Dana Bernier
Mile Run	5:23	Peter Pellgrin	David Weller	Dana Bernier
Shot Put	47 ft.	Jim Roldan	Bruce Davidson	Eddie Anderson
Softball Throw	256'9"	Bruce Davidson	James Peggins	Len Hammond
Running Broad	17'3/4"	Ray Beasley	Bruce Davidson	Neal Osborne
Jump				
440 Relay	55	Yosemite Lodge	Service Division	The Ahwahnee

WOMEN'S

50-yard dash	7.6	Carey Timmer	Sharlene Caputo	Pat Westbrook
100-yard dash	13.5	Carey Timmer	Diane Merritt	Barrie Burnham
440 Run	1.27	Barrie Burnham	Mary Beth Carlson	Diane Merritt
Shot Put	30'3"	Carey Timmer	Vicki Bumgarner	Mary Beth Carlson
Softball Throw	157'4"	Vicki Bumgarner	Carey Timmer	Mary Beth Carlson
Running Broad				
Jump	11'11"	Carey Timmer	Mary Beth Carlson	Kay Carpenter

Scores

TEAM RESULTS

1. The Ahwahnee 37 points
2. Yosemite Lodge 29 points
3. Service Division 9 points
4. Wawona 7 points
5. The Loft 2 points

High Point

MEN

Ray Beasley and James Peggins,
Each with 10 points

WOMEN

Carey Trimmer, 14 points

October With The Yosemite Women's Group

Tues., Oct. 12

On Tuesday, the 12th of October, the Women's Group will host Allean Berg of the Fresno League of Voters who will present the League's non-partisan information on the Propositions to be voted on in the upcoming November 2 election. This proved to be a most informative meeting four years ago when the representative spoke. There will be ample time for questions and discussion. This will be a bring-your-own-bag lunch, with coffee provided. The session will

begin at 12 noon in the Visitor Center Auditorium.

Sat., Oct. 30

Come one, come all to the Annual Halloween Dance to be held in the East Auditorium of the Visitor Center on Saturday, October 30, from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. The music will be provided by the Fairchild Band from Fresno, with tickets priced at \$2 per person. Following tradition, costume prizes will be awarded for the winners in these three categories: Most Original Idea, Clever-

est Couple, Outstanding Individual Costume. Anyone needing further information or willing to help with ticket sales, please contact Ann Burchill (372-4867).

Thurs., Nov. 18

November 18 will see a repeat of last year's successful Craft Show. Anyone interested in having a booth at the Show, please contact Mary Francis Wyly at 372-4390. There will be a small charge for booths this year.

Yosemite Recreation



October 4 - *Cocoanuts*

The plot, such as it is, concerns a Florida hotel mismanaged by Groucho (to some unpaid employees: "You want to be wage slaves? Wages! I want you to be free!") with some stolen jewels thrown into the pot.

Cast: The Marx Brothers, Margaret Dumont, Mary Eaton, Kay Francis. (G)

October 11 - *Play It Again, Sam*

After his wife leaves him for "insufficient laughter", neurotic film critic Woody Allen turns to married friends for help in establishing a meaningful relationship with the opposite sex. He conjures up shades of his idol, Humphrey Bogart, who gives him bits of hard-boiled advice on how to handle dames.

Starring Woody Allen, Diane Keaton, Tony Roberts, Susan Anspaugh, Jerry Lacy (PG)

October 18 - *Conrack*

To a small island off the coast of South Carolina, untouched by modern technology or education, comes a white idealistic teacher with a briefcase full of unorthodox teaching methods for his black grade school students. Realizing traditional education methods will fail, he initiates the unusual. All of this however, doesn't sit too well with the crusty old superintendent who knows just how to deal with teachers who revolt against the "traditional method".

October 25 - *Eiger Sanction*

International intrigue and mountain climbing--stars Clint Eastwood, George Kennedy, and Jack Cassidy.

A retired professional assassin who turned toward the calmer pursuit of art collecting suddenly forced out of retirement finds himself hunting a deadly double agent who murdered his close friend. The hunt takes Eastwood on a breathtaking journey up the Swiss Alps with a team of mountain climbers. One member of the team is the man he seeks, though his identity is not yet known.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

MONDAYS

Flag Football Elementary School Field - 5:30 p.m.
Auto Mechanics Class El Portal - 7 p.m.
Chorus Class Yosemite Elem. School - 7 p.m.
MOVIE (See Column) Visitor Center - 8 p.m.

TUESDAYS

Mental Health Clinic Yosemite Medical Group - 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Soccer Elementary School Field - 6 p.m.
TOPS Meeting El Portal School - 7 p.m.
French Class Yosemite Elem. School - 7 p.m.
Art Workshop El Portal Elem. School - 7 p.m.
Volleyball Visitor Center - 9 p.m.

WEDNESDAYS

Flag Football Elementary School Field - 5:30 p.m.
Body Dynamics Class Yosemite Elem. School - 7 p.m.
Subject A English Class Yosemite Elem. School - 7 p.m.

THURSDAYS

Soccer Elementary School Field - 6 p.m.
Ecology Class Yosemite Elem. School - 7 p.m.
Emergency Child Care Class El Portal Elem. School - 7 p.m.
Volleyball Visitor Center - 9 p.m.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Sat. Oct. 2 Lions Club River Clean-up, Village Store - 9 a.m.
Mon. Oct. 4 Yom Kippur
Wed. Oct. 6 Winter Club Kick-Off Dinner -
at Ashburner's (On the Meadow) - 5:30 p.m.
Thurs. Oct. 7 Lions Club Luncheon, The Ahwahnee - Noon
Yosemite Elem. vs. Mariposa Flag Football -
Elementary School Field
Outreach Steering Committee Meeting, Medical Group - 7:30 p.m.
Mon. Oct. 11 Columbus Day
Tues. Oct. 12 Women's Group Luncheon, Visitor Center - 12 Noon
Wed. Oct. 13 Masons Meeting, Masonic Hall - 8 p.m.
Sat. Oct. 16 Sweetest Day
Mon. Oct. 18 El Portal Community Ass'n Meeting, Com. Hall - 7:30 p.m.
Thurs. Oct. 21 Lions Club Luncheon, The Ahwahnee - Noon
Yosemite Elem. vs. Mariposa - Volleyball - Elementary School
Sat. and Sun. Oct. 23 & 24 Pioneers in Petticoats Class, Visitor Center
Mon. Oct. 25 Veteran's Day (Observed)
Wed. and Thurs. Oct. 27 & 28 Lions Club Rummage Sale, Visitor Center
Thurs. Oct. 28 Yosemite Elem. vs. Mariposa - Volleyball
Fri. Oct. 29 Yosemite Parent Group Halloween Carnival,
Visitor Center - 5 to 9 p.m.
Sat. Oct. 30 Women's Group Halloween Dance
Visitor Center - 9 p.m. - 1 a.m.
Sun. Oct. 31 Halloween
Tues. Nov. 2 Election Day - VOTE
Thurs. Nov. 4 Lions Club Luncheon, The Ahwahnee - Noon
Outreach Steering Committee Meeting, Medical Group - 7:30 p.m.

For Sale

C Flute; VW Camper Unit. Camper unit has electric-propane and 12-volt refrigerator with sink, storage area, and storage seat; fits VW bus. Phon 379-2293.

45 watt Realistic Tuner/Amplifier. \$80. Phone 372-4313.

Turntable (Realistic Lab 24), Magnetic Cartridge. \$50. Phone 372-4313.

1969 - 350 CL Honda Motorcycle. Good condition. \$430. Phone 372-4313.

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LAST MINUTE NEWS

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SWINE FLU VACCINE
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THE SWINE FLU VACCINE will be given without charge by the local doctors at the Yosemite Medical Clinic. Distribution dates and recommendations as to who should get the shots have not been set yet; watch the Yosemite News and the Yosemite Sentinel for further information.

CHILI DINNER AND CAKE WALK

The El Portal Chili Dinner and Cake Walk will be at the Community Hall in El Portal on Friday, Nov. 19, from 5 to 7 p.m. Cost: Adults, \$1.50; Children, 75¢.

YOSEMITE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
ATHLETIC SCHEDULE

Flag Football:
Mariposa Elem. at Yosemite,
October 7

Volleyball:
Yosemite at Mariposa Elem.,
October 21
Coulterville/Greeley at Yosemite,
October 28

Track:
At El Portal, October 30

FOR SALE:

35 RD Olympus Camera with case, in excellent condition. Call 372-4716.

Autos for sale (2):
1972 Colt, 2-door. "Cream Puff".
Only 28,500 miles.
1972 Chevrolet Station Wagon, some work needed. Both priced for quick sale. Phone 372-4524.

FIRST AID CLASSES OFFERED:

Chuck McBride, Certified Instructor for both the American Red Cross and the American Heart Association will be conducting first aid classes later in October. To register, call 372-4611, ext. 448 day or night (a recorder will accept message after hours).

"First Aid" - A 9 hour multimedia based on the Standard First Aid Course. Class will be held the evenings of October 25, 26, and 27, from 7 to 10 p.m. at the YP&C Co. Training Room (next to the Barber Shop). An \$8.00 charge for Red Cross Training Aids is required. Register by Oct. 22.

"Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation" - Your current CPR card can be renewed at this recertification class. One evening only, October 28, from 6:30 to 10:30 p.m. Must have a valid card to enroll. Sign up by calling the above number by October 25.

CASHIER TRAINING CLASS OFFERED

The Employee Training Center is offering a course entitled "Cashiering 1" (B:C-1). The schedule for the classes is listed below, and all employees are welcome to register for one of these sessions.

Attendance records will be kept (you need attend only one session), and verification of your completion of the class will be placed in your Personnel file. Should you later wish to apply for a position involving the handling of cash, your attendance at the class may help you get that position.

These classes will last approximately 90 minutes (an hour and a half), and the classes will be held in the Employee Training Center.

B:C-1 SCHEDULE:

October 6	Wednesday	7:00 p. m.
October 13	Wednesday	10:00 a. m.
October 19	Tuesday	1:00 p. m.
October 27	Wednesday	3:00 p. m.
November 4	Thursday	2:00 p. m.
November 9	Tuesday	9:00 a. m.
November 17	Wednesday	1:00 p. m.

To register for the class, call Don Hartley at ext. 448.

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EL PORTAL CROSS COUNTRY RACE will be held on Saturday, October 30, 1976, with the first race beginning at 10 a. m. This is the fourth year for the annual race. In addition to the races for children from 16 schools in grades 1 through 8, an adult race will also take place. Anyone who does not qualify for the elementary races can enter the adult race. The adults will run "The Saddle", a grueling 1 3/4 mile course. For more information and to sign up, call Ms. Joanne Davis, Principal, El Portal Elementary School, at 379-2382.

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The Employee Recreation Department will be sponsoring a Halloween Costume Party. Watch your bulletin boards for more information as All Saints' Eve approaches.

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Don't forget the General Election on Tuesday, November 2, 1976. It's your chance to vote on everything from Presidential candidates to State Propositions to School Board members. If you haven't registered to vote yet, you may do so until OCTOBER 4. Please call Char Wilson at 372-4741 to register--and please do so by MONDAY.

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PROMOTIONS



TONY CARRA was promoted to Executive Chef at The Ahwahnee in September. He first worked here for a season in 1971 and then worked in France and at a Newport Beach Country Club before he returned in April of 1973, as a Relief Cook at The Ahwahnee. In May of 1974, Tony was promoted to Chef at Yosemite Lodge, and he and his wife Janet were married at Wawona in July of that year. Tony attended Orange Coast College in Costa Mesa, where he majored in Hotel/Motel Restaurant Management and the Culinary Arts.



B. B. (CAROLYN) FINN came to Yosemite in February of this year as a maid at The Ahwahnee and held that position until her promotion to Inventory Clerk at the Purchasing Office this fall. B. B. hails from Covington, Louisiana (near New Orleans). While in Louisiana, she spent a year at a private art school and then attended Auburn and Louisiana State Universities. B. B.'s artistic talents are geared toward painting, specifically in the acrylic medium. Her favorite projects include mural work.



GINNY FLEMING was first employed here as a Reservations Clerk in July of 1974. Like so many of us, she was here on vacation with her family and dropped by Personnel "just to see what they had." Later she was promoted to The Ahwahnee Reservations Desk and is now the Tour Supervisor. Ginny went to college in Virginia for two years at Virginia Poly Institute and State University and majored in Geology. Her two favorite sports are swimming and cross country skiing, with photography another of her interests.



LANA RENFROE is the new Ahwahnee Reservationist, stepping up to fill the vacancy left by Ginny Fleming's promotion. Lana joined the Company as a Reservations Clerk and was advanced to the Deposits Desk before her new position. A native of San Francisco, she lived in Sacramento and attended Sacramento City College before coming to Yosemite. Lana also worked in Sacramento as a typist-clerk for Inn Keepers-Dohrmann, the hotel equipment suppliers. Lana's hobbies include batiking, hiking, and bicycling.



LINDA VANDERWATER takes over as Assistant Manager, Reservations. She has worked here as a Maid, Cafeteria Server, Telephone Operator, Room Clerk, Cashier, Head Cashier, Reservations Clerk, Supervising Reservations Clerk, Chief Clerk at The Ahwahnee, and most recently as Tour Supervisor. Linda has always wanted to be an interior decorator, and she enjoys architectural and clothes designing. She also likes cooking, gardening, hiking, and swimming near her home in El Portal.



ADOLPH WEINBERG is now the Chef at Yosemite Lodge. This past summer he worked at Tuolumne Meadows as Asst. Manager in charge of Food Service. He has also worked for two seasons at both Badger Pass and Wawona and has held several different "Cook" positions at The Ahwahnee since first coming here in 1970. A native of Germany, Adolph also has been employed by the Beverly Hilton, Century Plaza, Hillcrest Country Club, and other private clubs in the Los Angeles area. He enjoys soccer and loves sports.

Football Favorites

How would you like to see a team composed of all your favorite football players from all levels of football, school through pro? The Sentinel is going to compile a team roster of the favorite players of our readers--not necessarily the best players, but the ones you like the best. Just submit your favorites (either for a few positions or a full team) to the Yosemite Sentinel, Yosemite Park and Curry Co., Yosemite National Park, California 95389, or drop your list by the Sentinel Office in the General Office building. The roster of favorite players will be published in a future issue of the Sentinel. PLEASE be sure to let us know your favorites by December 15.

THANKS!

The Lions Club would like to thank everyone for their participation in the Rummage Sale on October 27 and 28. All of the clothing that was donated is being sent to Chile and the Philippines. NPS-turned-Peace Corps Dottie Anderson is stationed in the Philippines, and she reports the clothing will be most welcomed by the natives.

FOR SALE:
1962 Olds Cutlass. Good work car. \$200.
Phone 372-4836.

M I S E R Y !

By Bill Wendt, Chief Ranger, NPS

I'm tired of this business. Recently three Park residents have died from a variety of causes. Two of the deaths resulted from motor vehicle accidents and the other from an overdose. In at least two of the cases, alcohol was involved. In order to drive the roads in Yosemite National Park and elsewhere, you have to have all of your wits about you. The act of driving an automobile or motorcycle requires rather refined coordination which is quickly lost with a few drinks. The old refrain, "If you drink, don't drive, and if you drive, don't drink", still holds true.

appreciated somewhere by someone. Even if you do consider your own life lightly, think of those who will grieve your absence, and please don't combine drinking and driving.

Retail Cashiering Class Offered

The Employee Training Center will be offering a course on Retail Cashiering which is open to all employees. The course will cover all aspects of Cashiering in a retail outlet within Yosemite Park and Curry Co. This will not include food service or front desk cashiering procedures.

Each class will be limited to 15 people, with the first class scheduled for Wednesday, December 1, at 2 p.m. Other sessions will be given at regular intervals; check the bulletin board by the Training Center or with your supervisor for times and dates. To register for the class, call ext. 448 at any time, day or night.

One of the painful aspects of my particular job is notifying the next of kin. I don't know whether you realize it or not, but someone out there loves you. Of course, we say "It is never going to happen to me", but when it does happen to you, I have the unfortunate task of notifying your next of kin. If you could see the heartbreak and anguish that you cause people by taking your life so lightly, then you might think twice about it. One of the fortunate things about living in a relatively isolated area is that every human being has value and is known to other members of our community. You have value and are

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Articles must be submitted to the Sentinel Office by the 16th of the month preceding publication. Short articles and ads will be taken up until the 29th of preceding month, space and time permitting.

BADGER PASS SEASON PASSES NOW ON SALE!

Snow conditions permitting, Badger Pass will open on a daily basis beginning November 25. Our winter program will again offer rental ski equipment, ski lessons, NASTAR races, ski attire and equipment in the Ski Shop, snacks at the Deli and the Hamburger Stand, and après ski refreshments in the Snowflake Room.

This year's Season Pass rates are the same as last year's:

A Season Pass allows you unlimited skiing on all Badger Pass lifts. You may write to Badger Pass for a Season Pass application, or you may apply for a pass on your first day of skiing.

Here's to a splendid 1976-77 ski season---think snow!

	If Bought Before Dec. 1	Dec. 1 and after
Single Pass	\$125	\$150
Couple Pass (any two family members)	\$190	\$215
Each Additional Pass (more than two family members)	\$60	\$70
Privilege Card Holder	\$62.50	\$75

Women's Group Happenings



Carl Stephen's greenery is always a favorite with plant lovers.

CRAFT SHOW AND SALE

On November 18, the Yosemite Women's Group will again sponsor a Craft Show and Sale in the Visitor Center Auditorium. There will be featured woven articles, silk screenings, Indian jewelry, plants, leatherwork, photographs, paintings, and Christmas ornaments. The Show will run from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m., with food available at lunchtime. This is a great place to meet and greet friends and neighbors, as well as becoming aware of how much talent we have in this community. Please direct any questions to Mary Francis Wyly (372-4390) concerning availability of booths. See you there!



Home-spun by Judy Durr, artistic weavings command a closer look.

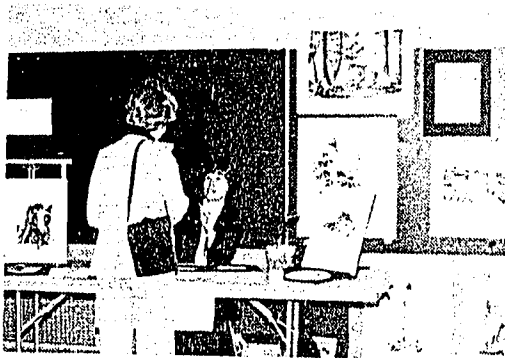
DON'T FORGET

Tonight is the first of two nights of Clinics to become a Race Official at Badger Pass for this winter. The Clinics, both on Wednesdays, Nov. 3 and 10, will begin at 7 p.m. at the Yosemite Elementary School. Dr. Chuck Woessner will be the instructor, with assistance from Doug Coe.

Winter Club Pre-Season ski conditioning classes, Tuesdays and Thursdays at 5:30 p.m. at the Yosemite Elem. School.

DRY FLOWER ARRANGING

December 2 will see interested persons again gathering in the East Auditorium for Dry Flower Arranging demonstrations and lessons with Carl Stephens. Each person is asked to bring her own container, and there will be a \$4.50 charge for flowers. The hours are from 1 to 3:30 p.m. on Dec. 2.



The beautiful paintings of Gayle Sleznick's, shown here at last year's show, are a lovely addition to any home.

Volunteer Ski Instructors Wanted

Every year, school kids from Yosemite, El Portal, and East Madera County Schools have ski instruction lessons at Badger Pass.

Over 300 students from the East Madera County Schools go to Badger every Tuesday afternoon, and some 50 volunteer ski instructors are needed for them. To be an instructor, you don't need to be the world's greatest skier--just some ability, a willingness to be there each and every Tuesday, and attendance at the Instruction Clinics are required. To volunteer your services on Tuesdays, contact the Mountain Area Ski School, Yosemite Mountain, Fish Camp, CA 93623.

Ski days for students from the Yosemite area are on Wednesday afternoons. For more information on assisting with the classes, for these students contact the schools involved.

RIDE NEEDED:

Ride needed to Merced on November 5. Will pay gas and \$15. Call Bob Hansen at Yosemite Institute Office, 372-4441.

ANSEL ADAMS GALLERY is seeking a full time professional, experienced bookkeeper. Apply in person, salary open.

Employee Housing Corner

- By Jerry Doyle

Every day employees come to the Housing Office with questions about their housing. A good many of the questions they ask relate to their rights and privileges in housing--What can I do and what can't I do in housing? Conversations among employees seem to add to the confusion by creating more fancy, fiction, and fable than fact. So, for your benefit and education, the answers about Employee Housing rules and regulations have been set forth in the *Housing Guidelines* and the *Yosemite Experience*, documents you received during the registration and orientation process, the *Housing Guidelines* are available from the Employee Housing Office and the booklet *Yosemite Experience* is available from the Training Office.

To clarify a few of the more commonly misunderstood regulations and policies, the items below may be of interest to you:

1. Irons, ironing boards, and vacuums are available from the Housekeeper.
2. Cooking is not allowed in the rooms.
3. Pets are not allowed in the tents and dormitories.
4. Quiet Hours are from 11 p.m. to 7 a.m.; however, excessive noise is not permitted at any time.
5. Overnight guests must register with the Housekeeper.
6. If there is a vacancy in your room, you may recommend your choice of a roommate, but you must do so within 48 hours or one will be assigned to you.
7. Some Housing areas are near Guest Accommodations. You must be considerate of the Guest at all times.

If you still have questions after reading the *Housing Guidelines*, please come to the Housing Office for explanations. Don't be a victim of the rumor machine - get the straight scoop.

The Pre-School in Yosemite Valley would appreciate any unwanted toys or supplies. Please phone 372-4204 or 372-4716.

Yosemite's Pioneer

Touring Service

- By Shirley Sargent

"...Useful, progressive, blunt-nosed mechanical beetles," John Muir's term for automobiles, were first allowed into Yosemite Valley "to mingle their gas-breath with the breath of the pines and waterfalls" beginning August 25, 1913. Before snow blocked the steep, rutted stage road, 127 cars chugged in. By October 19, 1915, 739 autos came, followed by 2,270 in 1915. Obviously "Detroit" was here to stay. No fewer than 60 Park Service regulations were posted for drivers, so travel was restricted to daylight hours, designated roads, and low speed. Maximum speed was 10 miles per hour.

By June 12, 1915, when Yosemite Lodge began operation for the first time, even horses were used to the "blunt-nosed beetles", and they were no longer a novelty. Joe Desmond, concessionaire for the new Lodge which competed with Camp Curry, drove a sporty Locomobile and thought his guests should be similarly mobile. He directed that a rental car service be set up in the Valley. Elgin Theodore Hittell, who had worked for San Francisco's Brown Cab Company (forerunner of the Yellow Cab Co.) for over two years, was hired for \$60.00 a month and "found", i.e., room and board, and soon headed the pioneer touring service. His grandfather, Theodore Hittell, was a noted historian and author; grandson Elgin, at 18, was an experienced businessman. His tape-recorded memories provide basis for this article. Elgin recalled that he was in charge "of a great fleet of cars" consisting of two "pretty old and decrepit" Ramblers and a Coe Aerial 8 which was "in good condition." These autos were leased from their owners who received \$300 per month, found, and gas and oil for their use. In return, they picked tourists up at various camps; drove them around to the many points of interest, and acted as tour guides. "The drivers," Hittell remembers, "developed a good line of talk, and the service was successful. We had three full cars pretty near every morning and we had to make two trips, one early in the morning and one just before noon." Sometimes a tourist would drive one of the "fleet" for a fee of \$4.00 an hour. Profit to the Desmond Company was low because the cars needed frequent repairs to keep them running.

ANIMAL OF THE MONTH



Chipmunk

Chipmunks are easy to tell from squirrels because of the stripes running along their backs and on their cheeks. Chipmunks are also smaller than ground squirrels. They all have in common a whitish spot behind each ear, a whitish-colored undersurface, a brush-like and flat tail, and yellowish to reddish brown hair.

Generally the chipmunk burrow is hidden; it usually is underground, although a few have been found in decaying stumps. In the higher elevations, the burrow is used for hibernation, as well as for sleeping, raising the young, and as an escape shelter. The chipmunks' enemies include snakes, hawks, and weasels.

In July, a young man came to Hittell's office, which was a tent in Old Village, and offered to rent his lowbed White truck and services as driver. He had equipped the bed with wagon seats to carry twelve sightseers at once. "I really had no authority", Hittell says, "but I hired him on the spot" because that one truck could carry three times as many people as the unreliable Ramblers could. He convinced Desmond's accountant that hiring truck and driver at \$250 a month would be profitable. After that, the White truck was used for tours, the Ramblers and Coe for hire by individuals.

Highlight of the summer was the first trans-Sierra passage by autos of the old Tioga mining road. Rights to it had been purchased by Stephen T. Mather, dynamic first director of the National Park Service, and his wealthy friends.

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The main diet of the chipmunk consists of seeds, plant materials, nuts, berries, and occasionally a few insects. The chipmunks have pouches inside their cheeks where they store food while gathering it. Some food is eaten then or placed in the burrow; the rest of it is put into a hole dug by the chipmunk. When

spring comes and food is scarce, the chipmunk will retrieve his food supply, leaving "pugholes" behind. Chipmunks are very active, and when not working hard gathering food, they can be seen chasing each other in play.

There are eight different species of chipmunks in the Sierra Nevada, although only two, or sometimes three, species live in the same area. It is possible to tell the species apart by meticulously observing size, coloration, sounds made, surrounding terrain, and area where they are seen. Three species you may see in the Park now are the Lodgepole, Allen, and Long-Eared Chipmunks.

The Lodgepole Chipmunk is the smallest, being 4½ to 5 inches long, with a tail of about 3½ inches. They weigh up to about 2½ oz. and are the brightest colored of all chipmunks, with brilliant reddish brown sides and white stripes. Ranging from 5,000 to 11,000 ft. in the Lodgepole-fir and Subalpine belts, their voice is high and shrill, and their call, *whisk*, is repeated.

The Allen and Long-Eared Chipmunks are both 5¼ to 6 inches long, but the tail of the Allen Chipmunk is longer (about 4-4½ inches) than that of the Long-Eared Chipmunk (3½-4 inches). The Allen Chipmunk is a dull, grayish brown color and ranges from 3,300 to 9,000 ft., mostly in the Lodgepole-fir belt. His voice is a single, sharp *psst*, or a periodic hollow *bach*.

As the name implies, the Long-Eared Chipmunk has taller ears than the other chipmunks, along with larger white spots behind them. The Long-Eared weighs more than the Allen by 3/8 of an ounce. A rich ruddy brown color, he ranges from 3,200 to 7,500 ft. in the upper Yellow Pine and Lodgepole-fir belts; unlike the Allen and Lodgepole Chipmunks, he rarely climbs trees. His voice is similar to the Allen's.

The Golden-Mantled Ground Squirrel resembles a chipmunk, but if you remember that the chipmunk's stripes continue onto the cheeks, you'll always be able to tell the squirrels from the chipmunks.

Little Ones From Big Ones

By Sandy Dengler

Prison convicts no longer spend their idle days with sledge hammers making little rocks out of big ones, so jokes about breaking up rocks have slipped into disuse. But the process is still very much going on, albeit without the convict's help. "Weathering" is the geologic term for the methods by which mighty rock massifs are eventually ground up into soil.

(Incidentally, weathering and erosion are two different things--weathering disintegrates rock, erosion moves it somewhere else.)

Here in the Yosemite, weathering is particularly interesting to observe, mostly because there is so very much to weather, and evidences are all around.

There are two major processes, physical and chemical. Chemical weathering is hard for the casual observer to discern because it appears that nothing is happening. When mineral constituents of rock are oxidized, reduced, or hydrated, they often expand, so that bits and pieces come loose. Plants and bacteria produce chemicals that add to the breakdown. While we can't see all this going on, we do note its effect; climbers come across "rotten" rock that crumbles when grasped or trodden and fails to hold artificial chalk.

The real fun is in recognizing physical processes.

The lowly mosses and lichens do an impressive job. Their chemical by-products decompose the rocks to which they cling, and their very clinging separates the grains.

But most impressive are the larger plants that appear to grow from solid rock. They don't really. They rooted in some little crevice and now their roots are wedging deeper, working the cracks imperceptibly wider. Other plants will invade. Water will seep in and freeze.

There is POWER in an ice cube! Water expands 9% when it freezes and can exert up to 30,000 pounds of pressure per square inch. The sharp rubble so common in the high country was broken up by the frost-shattering.

Exfoliation, imperfectly understood, is probably caused by a combination of these processes.

SKIING IS FUN!

The newly fallen snow is white!
The wind is brisk; the sun is bright!
My skis are waxed until they glow!
One little push and away I go!
Gliding toward the mountain crest,
Sensing motion at its best.
I'm very good! I mean it! Really!
I ski as well as Jean-Claude Killy!
Dashing, gliding, swerving, swooping,
Jumping drifts with loud war whooping!
What's this? A sign of danger?
Placed there by some chicken Ranger?
Surely it can be ignored;
This is so easy, I'm getting bored.
Oh, Oh! The mountain's getting steeper!
Someone landed in a heap here!
Perhaps I had better stop
And head back toward the coffee shop.
Now I remember! For goodness' sake!
Skis don't have an emergency brake!
It would seem that their inventor
Should have Ralph Nader for a mentor.
Another sign! I feel a chill!
What do they mean by "Dead Man's Hill?"

A sudden weakness hits my knees!
The slope now tilts at 50 degrees!
I'm really moving! Faster! Faster!
Apparently toward sure disaster!
Whoever called this skiing "Fun"
Must get his jollies with a gun!
Rocks and trees on either side;
One slip would be suicide!
I've done it now! I took a chance,
And soon I'll be riding in a hearsel!
Oh, Lord, a Christian I will be
If Thou will help me miss that tree!
But now I pay for my past sins;
One branch connects across my shins!
They hear me cry, "I want my mother!"
As I go one way, skis another.
There's nothing pretty about flight
Accompanied by screams of fright.
And he who said that snow is soft
Must have weak timbers in his loft!
I hit and bounce; land in a pile,
Demonstrating unique style.
My other fate cannot be topped;
No matter how, at least I've stopped.
When consciousness returns to me,
I'm lying there for all to see,

Once water, plants, and chemical change have started the ball rolling these forces and others will work on bits and smaller bits until the rock is reduced to soil-sized particles. The sum of all of the organic debris, tiny rock particles, and a few stray chemicals is what we term "soil".

As you travel the Yosemite, watch for the evidences of weathering. Reflect on the centuries past and the effects weathering will have on centuries to come.

Torn and battered like a bum,
And feeling as if my time had come.
The Rangers come and carry me
To a door marked "Emergency".
It is there that I now lie;
Too sore to live, too dumb to die!
I have wounds for all occasions;
Bruises, fractures, and abrasions,
And I have learned that my poor back
Now lacks a sacroiliac.
I only hope my limbs can master
Moving in their casts of plaster,
For I want all my friends to see
How much fun it is to ski!

By Wilson Dillard
California Farmer

Volunteers Give Time, Effort



Volunteer Fire Dept. Members (l to r): Tom Kroon, Yvonne Stark, Doug Haywood, Craig Johnson, and Ray Green.

The Yosemite Park and Curry Co. operates a Volunteer Fire Department to serve as back-up to the National Park Service Fire Crew. Under the supervision of William "Bucky" Stephan, these employees volunteer their time to many hours of training, and replacement crews assure full staffing at all times.

Currently on duty as Firemen are Dave Gardner, Storeperson, Yosemite Lodge; Rodger Gardner, Security; Ray Green, Houseperson, The Ahwahnee; Doug Haywood, Lead Custodian, Village Store; and Craig Johnson, Assistant Manager, Degnan's Deli, Engineer and Training Instructor is Tom Kroon, Asst. Mgr., Village Store. Serving as Assistant Engineer is Yvonne Stark, a Clerk/Cashier at Degnan's Deli.

Frank Noli of Wawona substituted for the vacationing Mr. Stephan last month, and Mr. Noli was very impressed by the professionalism, enthusiasm, and dedication of the Volunteers.

Yosemite Recreation

Co-Ed Soccer

The Employee Recreation Dept. is sponsoring a Co-ed Pick-up Soccer Event. This event has been running for nearly 2 months and has been successful so far. We encourage all employees to participate in the fun and exercise. Action starts at 5:45 p.m. at the Elementary School Field on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Dress warm and come to have fun.

Flag Football

The first game of the 1976 Flag Football season started off with a *dud* on Oct. 13. Wednesday's game between the Tecoya Wrecking Squad and the Bay Area Rough Riders ended up with the Bay Area Rough Riders forfeiting because of lack of players.

A draft system has been initiated in completing the team rosters of 15 members. If there are any employees interested in playing on a team, you can place your name on the draft list in the Employee Recreation Office. The draft will be held every Monday during the Noon hour by the captains of the teams.

Pioneer Touring Service

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After rudimentary repair and cleaning, the grand opening was held July 28, 1915. Park dignitaries drove up to Tioga Pass to meet Mather and several carloads of VIPs from Washington, D. C., including U. S. Senators, who were driving up from Owens Valley. Hittell dispatched his "fleet", led by Desmond in his Locomobile, even though he doubted that the Ramblers would make it. To assure an ample supply of water for boiling cars, Hittell had most of the seats removed from the White truck and installed four 50-gallon drums of water in their place. Sure enough, "the Ramblers and Locomobile didn't get halfway up the mountainside," but the Coe and the truck made it over the Pass. By the time the truck's driver siphoned water out of barrels into the car radiators, "half the water had bounced out because of the rough road." Mather, Secretary of Interior Lane, and Desmond arrived triumphantly in the Valley in the Locomobile, and very few people knew that it had not negotiated Tioga Pass.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

MONDAYS

Flag Football (through Nov. 15) Elementary School Field - 5:15 p.m.
Auto Mechanics Class El Portal - 7 p.m.
Chorus Class Yosemite Elem. School - 7 p.m.
MOVIE - To Be Announced Visitor Center - 8 p.m.

TUESDAYS

Mass Chapel - 8 a.m.
Mental Health Clinic Yosemite Medical Group - 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Sack Lunch Bible Study Girls' Club - Noon
Soccer Elementary School Field - 6 p.m.
TOPS Meeting El Portal School - 7 p.m.
French Class Yosemite Elem. School - 7 p.m.
Art Workshop Class El Portal School - 7 p.m.
Volleyball Visitor Center - 9 p.m.

WEDNESDAYS

Mass Chapel - 8 a.m.
Flag Football (through Nov. 17) Elementary School Field - 5:15 p.m.
Body Dynamics Yosemite Elem. School - 7 p.m.
Subject A English Class Yosemite Elem. School - 7 p.m.
Dance Lost Arrow Lounge - 8 p.m.

THURSDAYS

Mass Chapel - 8 a.m.
Soccer Elementary School Field - 6 p.m.
Ecology Class Yosemite Elem. School - 7 p.m.
"A Christian Gathering" Chapel - 7:30 p.m.
Dance Lost Arrow Lounge - 8 p.m.
Volleyball Visitor Center - 9 p.m.

FRIDAYS

Mass Chapel - 8 a.m.

SATURDAYS

Mass Visitor Center, West. Aud. - 5:30 p.m.
Worship Service Schoolhouse, Wawona - 6 p.m.
College Age Christian Fellowship Chapel - 8 p.m.

SUNDAYS

Mass Visitor Center, West. Aud. - 9 & 11 a.m.
Worship Service Chapel - 9:30 a.m.
Worship Service - Southern Baptist Chapel - 6:30 p.m.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Thurs., Nov. 4 Lions Club Luncheon, The Ahwahnee - Noon
Emergency Child Care Class, El Portal - 7 p.m.
Outreach Steering Committee Meeting, Medical Group - 7:30 p.m.
Thurs., Nov. 11 Basketball - Yosemite Elem. at El Portal School
Emergency Child Care Class, El Portal - 7 p.m.
Mon., Nov. 15 El Portal Community Assn. Meeting,
Community Hall, 7:30 p.m.
Thurs., Nov. 18 Women's Group Craft Show, Visitor Center,
10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Lions Club Luncheon, The Ahwahnee - Noon
Basketball - Yosemite Elem. at Coulterville-Greeley
Mon., Nov. 22 Flag Football Playoffs, Yosemite Elem., 5:15 p.m.
Wed., Nov. 24 Flag Football Playoffs, Yosemite Elem., 5:15 p.m.
Thurs., Nov. 25 THANKSGIVING DAY
Thurs., Dec. 2 Lions Club Luncheon, The Ahwahnee, Noon
Outreach Steering Committee Meeting, Medical Group - 7:30 p.m.

Coop Begins Recycling Program

The Yosemite Coop has started a recycling program. Collection containers will be provided at the Coop for glass and aluminum and metal cans. Should

this not work well, then a 5c deposit will be required per container. The Coop will be closed November 15 to 19 and December 13 to 17.

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SKI DAY PROGRAM IN 35TH YEAR



by Fran Scoble

The 35th season of the Wednesday Ski Program for students at Yosemite and El Portal Schools will take place at Badger Pass this winter.

Through the combined participation of the Yosemite community, the Badger Pass staff, and the Yosemite Park and Curry Co., the program offers children who take part an opportunity to learn to ski at an early age, with the additional benefits of outdoor exercise and fresh air.

Children participating are offered rental equipment (if needed), lift tickets and transportation to and from Badger Pass on YTS busses for \$1.25 per week.

Yosemite Ski School Instructors offer a clinic for all Ski Day instructors before the program begins.

additional free lift ticket, good any day of the week it is earned. The ticket is void if not used by the following Wednesday. All volunteers who participate in the

program--bus mothers, porch mothers, and the instructors--receive a free lift ticket for each Ski Day, plus one

Yosemite Park and Curry Co. and the management at Badger Pass view the children's Ski Day Program as a fine volunteer community effort, and we are pleased that we can participate in and support such an outstanding opportunity for the children of Yosemite and El Portal. Anyone interested in being a Ski Day Volunteer should contact the Yosemite Elementary School at 372-4791.

Annual Service Awards Banquet

HONORED EMPLOYEES

Dear Employees:

The Yosemite Park and Curry Co. is now in its 77th year of providing for Yosemite visitors.

On Tuesday, November 23, we held our Annual Service Awards Banquet to honor those employees who have over the past years faithfully provided the quality guest service Yosemite visitors expect.

While these most recent years have been a difficult time in your company's history, good guest service has remained our number one goal. I am delighted with the service which has been given to Yosemite Park and Curry Co.; it is an outstanding accomplishment and one which all of you can be proud of.

On the 23rd, we presented 30 awards representing a total of 265 years of service. For the last six years we have given a total of 189 awards, which represents 1,940 years of service to Yosemite Park and Curry Co. This record is one you can all take pride in.

It is with pride I tell you how pleased I am to be part of such a fine organization. The length of service given by our employees to serve others is clearly a commitment to the hospitality industry and to helping visitors enjoy this great National Park to its fullest.

On behalf of the Yosemite Park and Curry Co., I personally want to thank each of you for past years of service, and I look forward to many more years of being with you.

Edward C. Hardy
Chief Operating Officer

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5 Years of Service, 1971

- Campbell, Robert
- Carter, Darvin
- Christenson, Patricia
- Eichenhorst, Gertrude
- Fleak, Thomas
- Hunter, George
- Johnson, Donald
- Kelly, Patrick
- McDonald, James
- Mayes, Larry
- Nester, Wilhelmina
- Noyes, Richard
- Nulman, Sandra
- Rollo, Allen
- Valim, Stanley
- Wehring, Margaret
- Willis, Ray

10 Years of Service, 1966

- Franklin, Benjamin
- Hammond, Douglas
- Jones, James
- Miller, Paul
- Paquette, Paulette
- Raspotnik, Margrith
- Woods, Howard

15 Years of Service, 1961

- Giles, Jack
- Hibbs, William

20 Years of Service, 1956

- DeSandres, Louis
- Jacobs, Robert
- Manley, Eva
- Westmoreland, Joseph

Retiring This Year

- Cromer, Marjorie
- Cromer, Robert
- Woelbing, Clarence

**HONORABLE MENTION FOR OVER 15 YEARS OF SERVICE
Not Receiving Awards**

16 Years of Service, 1960

- Holm, Chester

17 Years of Service, 1959

- Edeal, James
- Paquette, Claude
- Paquette, Joseph

18 Years of Service, 1958

- Cloward, Ivola
- Tavener, Isabel

19 Years of Service, 1957

- Simpkins, James

21 Years of Service, 1955

- Downing, Dave
- Jacobs, Berneice
- Stone, Robert

23 Years of Service, 1953

- Chick, Richard

27 Years of Service, 1949

- Fiore, Nic
- Whitfield, Eldridge
- Wilson, Raymond

28 Years of Service, 1948

- Melton, Willard

32 Years of Service, 1944

- Harders, Adrian
- Morgenson, Dana

- YL Bartender November 29, 1971
- YL Night Cleaner July 28, 1971
- CV Housekeeper August 30, 1971
- Ahwahnee Gift Manager June 10, 1971
- Maintenance Carpenter August 16, 1971
- Ahwahnee Houseperson May 25, 1971
- YTS Driver July 21, 1971
- YL Waiter May 8, 1971
- Reservations Manager May 25, 1971
- Maintenance Painter April 19, 1971
- Wawona Grocery Manager April 10, 1971
- YL Pantryperson June 17, 1971
- Tour Sales Manager October 1, 1971
- Ahwahnee Lobby Porter December 16, 1971
- Wawona Hotel Houseperson December 25, 1971
- General Cashier May 11, 1971
- Ahwahnee Bellperson February 17, 1971

- Garage Service Person May 26, 1966
- YL Bellperson August 10, 1966
- YTS Freight Semi Division June 1, 1966
- Service Station Manager April 4, 1966
- YL Housekeeping Inspectress October 1, 1966
- Ahwahnee Waitress November 23, 1966
- Central Warehouse Foreman April 7, 1966

- YL Bellperson June 12, 1961
- Maintenance Painter June 22, 1961

- YTS Driver July 29, 1956
- Ctrl. Whse. Senior Warehouseman June 16, 1956
- Ahwahnee Waitress July 12, 1956
- YTS/Garage Supervisor June 17, 1956

- Employment Manager October 31, 1960
- General Cashier October 5, 1953
- YL Cook July 30, 1946

- YTS Driver July 1, 1960

- Employee Benefits July 29, 1959
- VS Receiving Clerk May 19, 1959
- Accounting March 27, 1959

- YTS Driver August 1, 1958
- Accounting September 7, 1958

- YTS Driver February 24, 1957

- Vending Manager January 31, 1955
- YL Lost and Found September 3, 1955
- Ahwahnee Auditor March 15, 1955

- Potwasher May 2, 1953

- Ski School & HSC Manager May 16, 1949
- Utilities Manager May 16, 1949
- Ahwahnee Kitchen Steward September 30, 1949

- Laundry Whse. Supervisor April 14, 1948

- Stables Supervisor September 20, 1944
- Guest Supervisor December 19, 1944

Dime-A-Dip Dinner And Ski Swap

The Yosemite Parents' Group and the El Portal Parent-Teacher League will sponsor a combination "Dime-A-Dip" Dinner, Christmas Bake Sale, and Ski Swap. The event will be held in the multi-purpose room at Yosemite School on Friday, December 3, beginning at 5 p.m.

Everyone is encouraged to bring outgrown ski or skating equipment, clothes, etc., to sell or trade. No charge will be made to the seller. The public is invited -- come enjoy dinner, get yourself some Christmas goodies, and maybe even make the bargain of your life!

Ski Tune-up Special

The Badger Pass Rental Shop is offering a special employee rate on a pre-Christmas ski tune-up. This offer includes sharpening edges, waxing, mounting new bindings, and getting you ready for skiing at Badger Pass. This special is good on December 6, 7, 8, and 9 only. Prices vary according to needs. For more information, call Ken Ashburner at the Rental Shop at 372-4691, or just come up to Badger on those four days.

Busy Fall For Brownies

The Yosemite Brownie Troop #151 has gone on several nature walks this fall, taken a bike ride, and made cookies and Halloween decorations.

On Monday, November 22, an Investiture Ceremony was held for all Brownie Girl Scouts and their families to welcome into the troop Jennifer Andress, Michelle Edeal, and Catherine Reynolds. Jenny Little, Stacey McKenzie, Ellen Riegelhuth, Belynda Uptain and Sarah Vocelka, who were active in Brownies, last year, received their membership star pins, and all the girls learned a new song for this special occasion.

Ice Skating Rink Open

The Ice Skating Rink at Curry Village has been in operation since November 19, and many people have already enjoyed gliding across the ice under the gaze of Half Dome this season. A warm fire, with refreshments available, completes the winter scene. At night, the soft glow of lights creates an enchanting mood, and skaters move with the beat of the music. Old-fashioned fun is had by all as they enjoy a favorite winter pastime.

The rink is open daily (weather permitting) and rental skates are available for 75c per pair per session.

Christmas Mail Deadlines

To be sure your Christmas packages and letters get to their destinations in time for Christmas, the U. S. Postal Service recommends that all surface packages to destinations within the 48 states be mailed by December 3, and all greeting cards and letters, including those to Alaska and Hawaii, be mailed by December 10.

Make sure Christmas arrives on time . . . beat the deadlines !

Women's Group Class

Carl Stephens, Head Gardener for YP&C Co., will be conducting a class in Dry Flower Arranging on Thursday, Dec. 2, in the East Auditorium at the Visitor Center. The session will last from 1 to 3:30 p.m., and be sure to bring \$4.50 for supplies.

A Reminder

Merced College Classes will not meet in regular class session during Christmas Vacation (Dec. 18 to Jan. 1).

Many more activities are planned by this year's leaders Sheila Uptain and Marilyn Riegelhuth, including a Christmas arts & crafts project and a skating session at the Curry Village Ice Rink.

Sessions are two hours long, and admission fees for each session are \$1.50 for adults and \$1 for children under 12. Privilege-card holders are entitled to admission for half the regular amount. In addition, season passes are available for \$20.00. From time to time, lessons will be available; check at the office for details.

Sessions will be held Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to Noon, 2 to 4 pm., and 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. On Saturday, Sunday, and Holidays, sessions are from 8 to 10 a.m., 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., 1 to 3 p.m., 3:30 to 5:30 p.m., 6 to 8 p.m., and 8:30 to 10:30 p.m.

For more information, stop by the Ice Rink at Curry Village, or phone them at 372-4611, ext. 442.



6th Annual VILLAGE STORE Christmas Party and SALE

Tuesday, December 7th
4 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

15% Off

Groceries, Meat,
Produce, and Beverages
including
The Film and Candy Dept.
Radios, TVs, Watches, Cameras

25% Off

The Gift and Curio Dep.
Small Appliances
Christmas Tree Decorations
The Apparel Dept.
The Men's Wear Dept.



What Do Tuna Fish Have to do With Porpoises?

You might have noticed the recent removal of yellow-fin tuna from the shelves of the retail outlets in our stores here in Yosemite and wondered what the purpose was for this removal. Those who follow environmental problems are aware that there has been a continuing problem of the death of many porpoises during the netting of yellow-fin tuna.

Tuna used to be caught with hook and line, but with the development of modern technology, a system called purse seining was developed. When a school of tuna is detected, usually by seeing the leaping porpoises that choose to associate themselves with tuna, a fast boat runs out from the purse seiner, pulling behind it a large net, called a purse seine, which it drags in a circle surrounding the school of tuna --and the school of porpoises, which are usually above the tuna in the water. Then a special mechanism is activated which closes the net on the bottom, like a purse (giving the name purse seine to the net); the net is then hauled in. Some of the porpoises leap free from the net; others are trapped, and since they are air-breathing mammals just as we are, suffocate (or drown). Various means have been tried to reduce the kill, and they have reduced the numbers killed, but there are still large numbers of porpoises killed in the catching of yellow-fin tuna.

As we started looking at this problem a while back, it was somewhat difficult to make a decision, as to whether or not stock the yellow-fin tuna. After a large amount of discussion with other environmental groups, with the Consumers Cooperative in Berkeley, and among ourselves, we decided to stop stocking the yellow-fin tuna in the hope that we can help encourage the development of other ways of catching tuna that does not kill porpoises. Thus, you will see that the only tuna remaining on the shelves is the albacore in the white cans (there is no danger to porpoises in the catching of albacore tuna).

If you have any questions on this or any other Yosemite Park and Curry Co. environmental programs, feel free to contact Garrett De Bell at ext. 479.

YWC NEWS

Ski Movie Scheduled

The Yosemite Winter Club is sponsoring two showings of Dick Barrymore's *Mountain High* as a benefit to the Junior Race Team. The showings will be at 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. on Wednesday, December 29. The public is invited to view the 90-minute professional ski film; admission is \$1.50 for adults and \$1 for children under 12.

This ski movie features free-style skiing, helicopter skiing, ski racing, and hang-gliding. For skiers and non-skiers alike, the movie is sure to be an interesting, exciting one.

Yosemite Community Council

The Yosemite Community Council will be holding a meeting on Thursday, December 9, at 8 p.m. at the Yosemite Elementary School. All those interested in participating in community involvement are invited to attend. If you have any questions, please call Jack Hicks at 372-4826.

Introduction To Opera Class

Would you like to learn about opera and develop an appreciation for it? Then perhaps on one of the dates below you would like to reserve a spot for yourself in one of Joseph Paquette's Introduction to Opera sessions. Call 372-4748 to make your reservations; space is limited.

Group Lessons Offered To Winter Club Members

Would you be interested in beginning skiing, ski racing, or cross-country skiing lessons at half-price? How about free ice skating lessons? These are yours if you are a member of the Yosemite Winter Club--and if you're not yet a member, you can join and enjoy these benefits.

The Yosemite Winter Club has arranged to offer group lessons in the above sports at half-price (free for ice skating lessons). In addition, a special use pass for skates and use of the ice rink during lessons or games is available for \$5.00 for the season for those taking ice skating lessons or on a broom hockey team. Broom Hockey for YWC adults meets at the ice rink at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

If you're already a Winter Club Member, you should have received an information sheet with a space for indicating your areas of interest. New members will receive the sheet when they join.

Memberships are still being accepted. Family memberships are \$10.00, and membership for singles is only \$5.00. To join, just write to the Yosemite Winter Club, Box 1504 Yosemite Lodge, California 95389.

THINK WINTER!

PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to the provisions of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, notice is hereby given that the Yosemite Park and Curry Co. is required to file with the FCC, no later than December 1, 1976, an application for renewal of its licenses to operate TV and Radio translator stations as shown below.

translator call sign	serving	which rebroadcasts stations below	on output channel
K6HD	Yosemite Valley	KTVU 2 Oakland	6
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K13DO	" "	KNTV 11 San Jose	13
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The translators operate with a peak transmitter output power of one watt from a site on Glacier Point. Members of the public who desire to bring to the Commission's attention facts concerning the operation of the stations should write immediately to the FCC, Washington, D.C. 20554. Letters should set out in detail the specific facts which the writer wishes the Commission to consider in passing on the application. A copy of the license renewal application and related material will, upon filing with the Commission, be available for inspection at the Maintenance Department during normal business hours of 8:00-12:00 and 12:30-4:30 Monday through Friday.

SWIN FLU IMMUNIZATIONS

For those of you who missed the Immunization Clinic at the School in October, the Yosemite Medical Group now has some Swine Flu immunization materials at the Clinic. They will be happy to give the immunization to anyone who missed the County's Clinic. It may be obtained any time during regular operating hours at no charge. The Clinic asks that you please try to get your immunization prior to the arrival of our Holiday visitors.

Card of Thanks

I would like to thank everyone who participated in the Women's Club Arts and Crafts Bazaar. It was a huge success, and we were very pleased with it.

Mary Wyly

Halloween Treat

A very hearty thank you to all who participated in the raffle for the School Carnival. The donors of the great gifts made it possible for the kids to gain \$675 for the school. Great going, kids!

For Sale

10' x 50' Mobile Home with built-on room. Large storage shed with plumbing and electrical hook-ups for washer and dryer. Large fenced yard and porch. Space A-3, El Portal Government Trailer Park. Phone (between 9 a.m. and 7 p.m.) 379-2352, or inquire at Space A-9.

Tire Chains, used only once \$9.00 (Cost New \$19.95). Fits sizes: F78-14, E70-15, 195R\$4, 195R15, 6.70-15, 7.50-14, 7.75-15, and 7.75-14. Contact Dale Murphy at the Lodge Annex, Room G-1.

THE MOUNTAIN SHOP

at Curry

is having a Winter

BOOT SALE

on discontinued models of
Pivetta and Vasque Boots

Save 20 to 30% Off
Regular Prices

I Remember Kit

by Carl Stephens

For those who were unfortunate to have not known Kit Whitman, she was the Social Director at The Ahwahnee for many years. Kit came to The Ahwahnee in 1947 and worked there until her retirement in 1962.

Kit was born and raised in Canada. She went to England as a young woman, where she met and married her first husband. He was a Colonial Army officer and was constantly on the move. After a few years, Kit decided this was not the life for her. In England at that time, a woman could not sue for divorce, so Kit left England for the United States and Reno, Nevada.

Instead of spending her time in the casinos in Reno, Kit took up residence on a working ranch outside of Reno. She spent many hours riding the range with the ranchhands and learning the business of ranching.

Kit finished her residency in Nevada and received her divorce. She left Reno and moved to Carmel. Here Kit opened and operated a very successful art gallery. While living in Carmel, Kit met and married her second husband. Kit was always a great out-of-doors person. She used to spend many hours walking the beaches in Carmel. Many times while walking in a particular stretch of beach, she would see a man swimming quite far out in the bay. Her curiosity got the best of her and one day she swam out to meet this man, Colden Whitman.

Kit and Colden soon left Carmel for Coarsegold, where they had purchased a ranch on the Fresno River. For a few years, their only home there was a large, 16'x16' Army tent. Life was a bit rough for Kit after the good life she had been living in Carmel, but she thrived on it.

Kit and Colden's first real home was a lovely one-room cabin built from timbers left over from an old flume used to carry logs from the mountains to a saw mill in Madera. They built a larger and more modern home in the Sixties. This was something Kit had wanted for a long time, although while she was away working, Colden continued to live in the little cabin.

Kit was one of the first persons I met when I started to work at The Ahwahnee in April of 1954. Kit's desk sat across the lobby of the hotel, facing the front doors.

Here she daily watched the comings and goings of the Ahwahnee Guests. You might have been a stranger when you arrived at the hotel, but after meeting Kit, you were no longer a stranger.

As Social Director, Kit was responsible for many activities. She ran the Firefall Barbecues and Breakfast Rides. She supervised the Kiddie Kamp and Grizzly Club at Camp Curry. I remember her on Friday and Saturday before Easter. She would be back in the rear of the Ahwahnee Kitchen, dyeing several dozens of eggs for the children to find on Easter morning. If the weather was bad, the Easter Egg Hunt went on in the Great Lounge. No request was too great or too small but what Kit would try to make the guest happy.

While I was not there to witness it, Kit had the situation well in hand during the Bakersfield earthquake in 1952. This quake was strongly felt in Yosemite, where it cracked the back wall of The Ahwahnee vault. It was early morning when the quake hit. After the shaking was over, Kit came downstairs to the Great Lounge dressed in bathrobe and hair up in rollers. A quick trip to the Kitchen, and Kit was back in the Lounge serving tea and coffee to the many startled guests who had gathered there. Kit was always cool at moments like this.

One function at The Ahwahnee that Kit always handled was the afternoon tea served in the Great Lounge. The service was always situated on the west side of the Lounge. The afternoon sun slanted through the windows, causing Kit's beautiful silver-white hair to glow like a halo.

Kit worked at The Ahwahnee until 1962 when she retired to the ranch on the Fresno River. Even though she was retired, she continued to work for YP&C Co., organizing Yosemite outings for various private schools. She continued this work for five years.

Kit and Colden continued living at the ranch until 1974. Colden Whitman passed away in the Spring of that year, leaving Kit at the ranch with her little dog, the burros, and quail that had been so much a part of their life. Late in 1975, Kit sold the ranch and moved into Fresno, where she passed away August 6, 1976.

Although Kit is gone, she lives on in the memories of hundreds of those who knew and loved her.

THINK ICE!

From now until late spring, all of the roads will be icy and slippery some of the time, and some of them will be slippery and icy all of the time. You can improve your chances of seeing next spring if you practice safe driving. The following tips can greatly improve your winter driving.

1. Maintain slower speeds, usually well under the speed limit. Most people consider 25 mps to be the maximum safe speed when slippery conditions exist.
2. Don't do anything abrupt -- don't brake quickly or turn quickly, and remember that as you go into a turn, the speed that you can handle on a straightaway might send you off the road as you go around a turn, as it did the author of this article once last winter, fortunately causing a loss of only a couple of hours' time and one \$60 seatbelt, which was used by a rotary plow to pull me out of a ditch.
3. Be sure your tires have good tread on them; this is even more important in the winter than at any other time of the year. Carry good tire chains and know how to use them. Also, if you are not particularly good at winter driving or it scares you, think seriously of taking a bus or riding with others who are more used to winter conditions, and you'll save yourself a lot of trouble.
4. It's important to carry flares in your car, particularly in winter, so that you may use them to alert approaching traffic that your vehicle is not in motion. If you have to stop in a place with poor visibility, get stuck in a snowbank on a corner, or any place where visibility is such that an on-coming car might not be able to stop before it runs into you, use your flares. It's good to try out one flare in some convenient place before you need it, as on most flares the directions are very hard to read in poor light. Basically, a flare is like a large safety match. You pull off the cap and strike the two surfaces against each other; it will light like a match and can be placed alongside the road some distance from the car (one every 100 ft.) to alert on-coming vehicles that ahead lies your stranded vehicle.
5. Speeds on slick roads should be reduced and the distance between cars increased. When moving forward from a complete stop, starts should be slow with a steady but smooth acceleration. Too much power will cause spinning wheels, and loss of traction and control of your automobile.
6. Stopping on icy or snow-covered roads should be gradual. A gentle pumping pressure on the brake pedal will stop your vehicle without loss of traction. Never slam on your brakes; they will lock up, and you probably will end up in a snowbank.
7. Passing another car in winter is extremely dangerous. Passing should be attempted only where sufficient distance is available, so accelerate slowly and pass safely with regard to roadway conditions and visibility.
8. Certain areas in Yosemite Valley are notorious for their almost constant ice cover during winter months. You should use caution at all times when driving in winter, and be especially careful around the Fern Springs area, at Bridalveil Falls junction, on and near Sentinel Bridge, on the curve by De Conte Memorial and anywhere near a stream, waterfall, or other source of water.
9. Be sure to follow directions on chain control signs. The National Park Service determines the chain requirements by the condition of the roads, (i. e., ice, snow), which they constantly patrol.

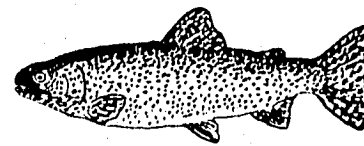
Wanted

Someone to teach an evening wood-working class in the Yosemite - El Portal area in the spring for Merced College. Qualifications: Several years professional experience in the field of carpentry. Call Diana Abrell at 372-4233. If no answer, call Merrie Hinson, 372-4223.

Community Liaison Person wanted for Indian Education Project. Contact Erik Bruun, Mariposa County Schools, P.O. Box 127, Mariposa, Calif. 95338 for details. Deadline: December 15, 1976.

Above all, be alert at all times when driving in winter, and remember, chains may be mandatory at any time on Park roads, so please carry them in your vehicle at all times.

Animal Of The Month



Rainbow Trout

Can you name all the types of trout that are found in Yosemite National Park? There's Brown Trout, Golden Trout, Rainbow Trout, and Eastern Brook Trout. Which ones are native? Only the Rainbow Trout! In fact, the Rainbows were native only below waterfalls (since they couldn't swim up 500 ft. of sheer granite), and the Rainbows in the High Country today are descendants of fish planted by the State Fish and Game Dept. and by the U.S. NPS. The planting has since been discontinued.

A rainbow trout begins its life between February and June in a "redd" or nest the mother trout has built in the gravel, flipping her tail to move little rocks aside. After the eggs are deposited and fertilized, they are covered over with gravel and will hatch in about 80 days. When born, the fry have a yolk sac to provide food. After the yolk is used up, the fingerling leaves the redd to feed on minute insects. Growth depends on both the temperature of the stream or lake and availability of food. Although trout inhabit cold waters, they will grow fastest in a warm watercourse.

Rainbows are very striking fish; should you ever get a good look at one in a stream, you will never forget the vibrancy of the colors. The *Salmo gairdnerii* are silvery-white underneath, with a side stripe of a red or violet color, and the back is generally a slate blue. They also have black spots on the upper part of head, body and fins. Other trout have either light spots or sparsely distributed spots.) Rainbows often have a reddish blotch on the lower side of the head, and very few weigh more than 30 pounds.

In addition to Sierran waters, Rainbow trout have successfully been adapted to streams in the eastern United States, Europe and New Zealand.

Yosemite Recreation

Flag Football

Well, here we are in December already, with the football season for Yosemite finished. Only three teams survived, Yosemite Lodge Annex, Tecoya Wrecking Squad, and the Park Service H-Bombs. Bay Area Rough Riders forfeited two games and dropped from the league.

October 18 Wrecking Squad over Annex
In the first game between the Annex and Wrecking Squad, Al Sawyer of the Annex scored on a 40 yard, with James Peggins responding with two 30 yard scores for the Wrecking Squad.

October 27 H-Bombs over Wrecking Squad

When the H-Bombs clashed with the Wrecking Squad, John Wallbloom scored on a 25 yard pass, Bradley Morgan scored on a 15 yard pass, and Doug Martin went in to score with a 20 yard pass. All three strikes were thrown by Wiley Woods. A diving catch in the end zone by Tom Bumgarner and a scoring pass play to Dan Gardella from Bob "Y.A." Calkins was all in vain for Tecoya.

November 3 H-Bombs over Annex

In the game between the Annex and the H-Bombs, time played a major factor., Having to call the game after the first half, the H-Bombs came out on top. The second half was scheduled at a later date, which ended in a forfeiture by the Annex.

November 10 Wrecking Squad over Annex

Interceptions by Eddie Anderson and James Peggins contributed to the scoring attack. With Ramone Willis going in for a 20 yard jaunt, James Peggins going in for a 20 yard run and a 5 yard explosion, and Donnie Hines scampering for a 38. yard run, the Wrecking Squads' scoring was completed. In a desperate attempt to come from behind, Jim Arnst scored on a 23 yard run, and Rick Scott scored on a long bomb from Donald White.

Outreach

While most of us are relaxing and recovering from our busy summer, the Yosemite Outreach Steering Committee is working hard to get next year's program going. We are mainly involved with working on a budget, selecting a staff, and preparing position papers for that staff to work from. If you have any interest in this program, you are most welcome at the next meeting on December 2 at 7:30 p.m. at the Yosemite Medical Group.

November 15 Wrecking Squad over H-Bombs

With interceptions by Eddie Anderson and James Peggins and touchdown passes by James Peggins to Eddie Anderson of 62 yards and 40 yards, Tecoya offensively proved to be too much for the H-Bombs, who could manage only one TD run by Tim Ludington. Defensively, Tecoya stood its ground, with Tom Olivera getting a 2 point safety.

Championship Game Monday, Nov. 22

In an extremely close and hard-fought (but clean) battle, the Tecoya Wrecking Squad defeated the NPS H-Bombs by a score of 12-8 to wear the crown as League champions. The game pitted two evenly matched teams, who during the regular session were 1-1 against each other for the title.

The scoring began early in the first half when James Peggins scored on a spectacular 42 yard pass from second-string QB Ramone Willis to put Tecoya on top by a score of 6-0. Tecoya then scored another 6 points, with Willis and Peggins hooking up on another pass play, this one good for 20 yards and the score.

With Tecoya threatening to run away with the game, the H-Bombs put together a scoring drive of their own. Mixing up their offense with short passes and some quick-openers, it was Wiley Woods, the H-Bombs scrambling QB, hitting center Bradley Morgan with a 15 yard pass in the corner of the end-zone for the score. With only a few plays left, the half ended with Tecoya holding a 6 point lead at 12-6.

The second half proved to be the defensive battle of the year. Both teams, playing inspired football, held the opponent's offense in check. Interceptions by Eddie Anderson for Tecoya and Woods for the H-Bombs thwarted potential scoring drives by their respective opponents. The H-Bombs really came alive late in the second half when the defense caught Tecoya's Willis in the end zone for 2 points and a safety. The score now stood at 12-8 in favor of Tecoya. The H-Bombs got the ball back on the ensuing kick-off and, aided by an unsportsmanlike conduct call, had the ball within Tecoya's 10 yard lines, with 3 plays left in the game. Tecoya's defense, however, mounted a tough goal-line stand and stopped the H-Bombs to win the championship. Congratulations to Tecoya and the H-Bombs on a terrific game and on their winning seasons.

Yosemite Sam's

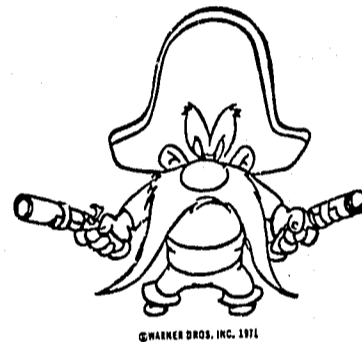
Tuesdays - Special Events at Sam's
Wednesdays and Thursdays - Dances

On Dec. 1 and 2, the band will be "Windance"; scheduled for Dec. 15 and 16 is "OASIS". The bands for Dec. 8 and 9 and Dec. 22 and 23 will be announced later.

Saturdays - Talent Night

Beginning on Saturday, December 4, Yosemite Sam's will feature a Talent Night from 8:30 p.m. to Midnight. Employees who feel they have a particular musical talent are urged to audition for a spot on Talent Night. Guitars or any other musical instrument are acceptable, with prizes being offered for the top contestant on each Talent Night.

Also, auditions will be held for a permanent, part-time entertainer to perform at Sam's on nights when bands are not scheduled to play.



Special Classes

The Employee Recreation Department is looking for people with "special" talents to serve as instructors for the Special Classes program. In the past, such activities as Macrame/Decoupage, Guitar, Exercise, Dance, Self-Defense, Leather Craft, and Fly-Tying (for all you fishing buffs) have been offered to the employees in Special Classes.

Employees who feel that they have a skill that they would like to share with others are *urged* to contact Tony Caputo or the Employee Recreation Department at Ext. 475. All instructors will be compensated for their time.

Don't be bashful -- stop by the Recreation Office and talk to us. You could be the person we're looking for.

FINAL LEAGUE STANDINGS

Tecoya Wrecking Squad	.....4-1
Park Service H-Bombs	.....3-2
Yosemite Lodge Annex	.....0-4

MOVIES

December 6 - "The Fortune"

Jack Nicholson, Warren Beatty

What a pair of stars! And what a pair of scoundrels! Beatty and Nicholson take off on a cross-country jaunt with a madcap heiress in an attempt to extract a fortune from her. The time is the 1920's, and Nicholson--sporting an Art Garfunkel hairdo--does his own Stan Laurel interpretation, mingling tears, ineptness, and innocence, while Beatty is the slick, sleek, and equally inept Oliver Hardy-like brains of the two. The humor concocted by these two is frenzied with hilarious abandon. (PG)

December 13 - "Lady Sings the Blues"

Diana Ross, Billy Dee Williams, Richard Pryor, "Scatman" Crothers

This is the true story of one of America's greatest blues singers of all time. Billie Holiday, who was born in 1915 to a poverty-stricken family, rose to great fame, only to fall to the evil of drug addiction, and death, at the age of 44. The movie is a biography of her life, and Ms. Ross' rendition of her personage succeeds not through imitation but through a loving evocation of Billie Holiday. A great performance by Diana Ross, who was nominated for an Academy Award. (R)

December 20 - "The Miracle on 34th Street"

Maureen O'Hara, Edmund Gwenn, John Payne, Gene Lockhart, Natalie Wood

Macy's in New York needs Santa Claus helpers, so they hire Kris Kringle to play the white-bearded gentleman. He plays the role as if he really were the real Santa Claus and changes a few people's minds about the legend and about Christmas. MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL!!! (G)

December 27 - "The Godfather, Part II"

Al Pacino, Robert DeNiro, Robert Duvall, Diane Keaton, Lee Strasberg

The continuing saga of the Corolones, this sweeping melodrama moves both forward and backward in time, interweaving the story of Vito's rise to power (Godfather I) with the story of

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

MONDAYS
 Auto Mechanics Class El Portal - 7 p.m.
 Chorus Class Yosemite Elem. School - 7 p.m.
 MOVIES - See Column Visitor Center - 8 p.m.

TUESDAYS
 Mass Chapel - 8 a.m.
 Sack Lunch Bible Study Girl's Club - Noon
 TOPS Meeting El Portal School - 7 p.m.
 French Class Yosemite Elem. School - 7 p.m.
 Art Workshop Class El Portal School - 7 p.m.
 Yosemite Sam's Special Events - 8 p.m.
 Volleyball Visitor Center East. Aud - 9 p.m. - Midnight

WEDNESDAYS
 Mass Chapel - 8 a.m.
 Body Dynamics Yosemite Elem. School - 7 p.m.
 Dance Yosemite Sam's - 8 p.m.

THURSDAYS
 Mass Chapel - 8 a.m.
 Mental Health Clinic Yosemite Medical Group - 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
 "A Christian Gathering" Chapel - 7:30 p.m.
 Dance Yosemite Sam's - 8 p.m.

FRIDAYS
 Mass Chapel - 8 a.m.
 NASTAR Badger Pass - 1 p.m.
 Yosemite Sam's 8 p.m.

SATURDAYS
 NASTAR Badger Pass - 1 p.m.
 Mass Visitor Center, West. Aud. . 5:30 p.m.
 Worship Service Schoolhouse, Wawona - 6 p.m.
 College Age Christian Fellowship Chapel - 8 p.m.
 Talent Night Yosemite Sam's - 8 p.m.

SUNDAYS
 Mass Visitor Center, West. Aud. - 5:30 p.m.
 Worship Service Chapel - 9:30 a.m.
 NASTAR Badger Pass - 1 p.m.
 Worship Service - Southern Baptist Chapel - 6:30 p.m.

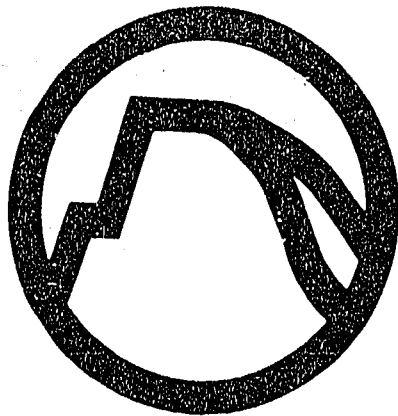
SPECIAL EVENTS
 Thurs., Dec. 2 Lions Club Luncheon, The Ahwahnee - Noon
 Dry Flower Arranging Class, Visitor Center - 1 p.m.
 Outreach Steering Committee Meeting,
 Yosemite Medical Group - 7:30 p.m.
 Thurs., Dec. 9 Yosemite Community Council Meeting,
 Yosemite Elem. School - 8 p.m.
 Thurs., Dec. 16 Lions Club Luncheon, The Ahwahnee - Noon
 Fri., Dec. 17 Hanukkah
 Mon., Dec. 20 Garden Club Meeting, Parkline - Noon
 El Portal Community Association, Comm. Hall - 7:30 p.m.
 Daily, Monday, Dec. 20 through Sunday, Jan. 2
 NASTAR, Badger Pass - 1 p.m.
 Fri., Dec. 24 Christmas Eve
 Sat., Dec. 25 Christmas Day
 Fri., Dec. 31 New Year's Eve
 Sat., Jan 1, 1977 New Year's Day
 Thurs., Jan. 6 Lions Club Luncheon, The Ahwahnee - Noon
 Outreach Steering Committee Meeting,
 Yosemite Medical Group - 7:30 p.m.

what son Michael did with that power. DeNiro is superb as the young Brando, achieving the same whispery, gravelly voice, the mannerisms and gestures, all in a Sicilian dialect. Pacino as the

heir-apparent new Don is rock-solid magnificent. A compelling epoch and powerful drama that reveals the nature of transplanted men who live by the Sicilian code of honor. (R)

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CHRISTMAS VACATION IN THE PARK

With the Christmas season upon us, all kinds of things are happening. Just last Monday night, the combined Yosemite and Mariposa Community Chorus presented selections from Handel's *Messiah* at the Lodge. The activities continue, with Pink Panther cartoons tonight, Christmas caroling, the Yule Log Ceremony, and the Bracebridge Dinner next week, and winding up with a Dick Barrymore Ski Film and the Shaggy Dog. Get in the spirit of the season--there's lots to do on your time-off during the holidays!

DAILY ACTIVITIES

Ice Skating at the Curry Village Ice Rink. Admission with privilege card is 75¢; skates are available for rent for 75¢.

And when we get snow

Downhill Skiing at Badger Pass. Lifts open daily, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. With privilege card, all-day lift ticket is \$4. Also at Badger are Sno-Cat tours, snow play areas, saucers and snowshoes for rent, and NASTAR Races daily at 2 p.m.

Cross-Country Skiing. Lessons and rental equipment are available from the Yosemite Mountaineering School at Curry. Reservations advised for classes.

Special Events

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 17

Laugh at the antics of Pink Panther and his friends. The cartoons will be shown at the Yosemite Lodge Lounge at 5:30 p.m. Approx. 30 minutes.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 18

Pre-Count Briefing on Bird Identification and Count Procedures, Visitor Center, 7 p.m.

The National Park Service will present a program at the Yosemite Lodge Lounge, 7:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 19

National Audubon Society 76th Annual Christmas Bird Count.

The Children's Bible School will present their Annual Christmas Pageant at the Chapel at 5 p.m.

"The Absent-Minded Professor", a classic Walt Disney film in black-and-white, will be shown at Yosemite Lodge Lounge at 7 p.m. Approx. 1½ hours.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 20

Starlight Skating Party. Dinner, transportation (from Yosemite Lodge), and 2 hours of skating. \$3.50. Sign up at YL Front Desk. 7 p.m.

National Park Service program at Yosemite Lodge Lounge, 7:30 p.m. The Yosemite Lodge Employees will have a Christmas Party in the Lodge Cafeteria--admission is an ornament for the tree.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 21

Cartoons will be shown at the Yosemite Lodge Lounge at 5:30 p.m. Featured will be the Road Runner, Sylvester, and Daffy Duck. Approx. 30 minutes.

Community-wide Christmas Caroling. Everyone meet behind the Post Office at 7:30 p.m. to join in the caroling. Refreshments following. Volleyball at the Visitor Center--9 p.m. to Midnight.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 22

Help Trim the Lodge Christmas Tree. For kids and their families. 3 p.m.

Bill Melton will present a slide show at the Yosemite Lodge Lounge, 7:30 p.m. Grace Band will be playing at Yosemite Sam's.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 23

Christmas Caroling for everyone. Songbooks provided. Yosemite Lodge Lounge, 3:30 p.m.

The fairy tale, "Snow White and Rose Red", will be shown at the Yosemite Lodge Lounge at 7 p.m. One hour. Grace Band will be playing at Yosemite Sam's.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24 CHRISTMAS EVE

The Lighting of the Yule Log and Arrival of Santa Claus, The Ahwahnee at 5 p.m., and 6 p.m. at the Yosemite Lodge Lounge.

Bracebridge Singers in Concert at Yosemite Lodge Lounge, 8 p.m.

Christmas Caroling at The Ahwahnee at 10 p.m.

Candlelight Communion Service at the Chapel at 11 p.m.

Midnight Mass at the Visitor Center, Midnight.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 25 CHRISTMAS DAY

Mass will be at 9 and 11 a.m. at the Visitor Center.

Santa Claus will ski at Badger Pass from Noon on (if Badger is closed, he will be skating at the Ice Rink).

Storybook Hour for children. Yosemite Lodge Lounge, 4 p.m.

Cartoons will be shown at the Yosemite Lodge Lounge at 5 p.m. approx. 30 min.

The Bracebridge Dinner will take place at 5 and 9 p.m. Reservations required.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 26

Bracebridge Singers in Concert at The Ahwahnee at 9 p.m.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 27

Cartoons, featuring the Road Runner, Pepe LePew and Tweety & Sylvester, will be shown at the Yosemite Lodge Lounge at 5:30 p.m. Approx. 30 minutes. The National Park Service will present a program at the Yosemite Lodge at 7:30 p.m.

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Christmas Vacation In the Park

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TUESDAY, DECEMBER 28

Volleyball in the Visitor Center from 9 p.m. to Midnight.

Walt Disney's "Son of Flubber" (a sequel to Absent-Minded Professor) will be shown at the Yosemite Lodge Lounge at 7 p.m. One and a half hours.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 29

Cartoons will be shown at the Yosemite Lodge Lounge at 5 p.m. Approx. 30 minutes.

"Mountain High", a Dick Barrymore ski film, will be shown at the Visitor Center at 6 and 8 p.m. Tickets may be bought at the door. 1 1/2 hours.

Bill Melton will present a slide show at Yosemite Lodge Lounge at 7:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 30

"Babes in Toyland", a Walt Disney production, will be shown at the Yosemite Lodge Lounge at 7 p.m. 1 1/2 hours.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31

NEW YEAR'S EVE

New Year's Vigil at the Chapel at 5:30 p.m.

New Year's Eve Party for children and their families. Yosemite Lodge Lounge, 6 p.m.

Walt Disney's "The Shaggy Dog" will be presented at the Yosemite Lodge Lounge at 7 p.m. 1 1/2 hours.

YPC Co. New Year's Eve Party at Yosemite Sam's.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 1

New Year's Mass will be held at the Chapel at 8 and 10 a.m.

The National Park Service will have a program at the Yosemite Lodge Lounge at 7:30 p.m.

merry Christmas

We extend best wishes for happy holidays to all members of Yosemite Park and Curry Co. and the Yosemite Community.

Yosemite's hospitality team, comprised of the National Park Service, Yosemite Community, and the Curry Co., are enthusiastically involved in preparation for the busy Christmas season.

The Ahwahnee is freshly reopened after three weeks of renovation and is prepared for the 46th celebration of the Bracebridge Dinner.

The outdoor Curry Village Ice Rink has been in operation for about one month featuring recreational skating, lessons, and ice hockey.

Our Nordic ski center is now located in the remodeled Curry Village building, which was gutted by fire 1 1/2 years ago. The new center, adjacent to the Mountain Shop, offers a complete line of rental equipment, and instruction is available through the cross country school for all levels of skiers.

As we look forward to the 1976-77 Winter Season, the staff at Badger Pass offers the traditional Curry Co. hospitality. Badger's large inventory of rental equipment continues to be replaced and updated with the latest in safe ski equipment.

1976 has been a year of continued emphasis on environmental innovation by the Curry Co. as we began new programs, including a test of refundable deposits on soft drink and beer containers for the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency, the removal of fluorocarbon aerosol products from its retail outlets, installation of a new waterless toilet system at Badger Pass, and a concerted effort to recycle solid waste materials.

To all of you who so pleasantly and willingly participate in making Yosemite a wonderful place to live and work, the Hardy family extends our happiest holiday greeting and expression of gratitude for your loyalty and devotion to our company while providing good guest service for Yosemite's guests.

Edward C. Hardy
Chief Operating Officer

FOR SALE

72 Chevy LUV Pick-Up with camper. Good condition. Radial tires and snow tires. \$2,000. Call 372-4723 between 12 Noon and 4 p.m.

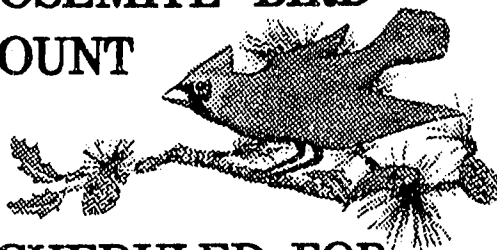
10 x 50 ft. 2 bedroom 1959 trailer. Space E-3, El Portal Trailer Court. \$3,200. Phone 379-2419.

1975-76 Men's Lange Ski Boots, size 8 1/2. Just like new. Make offer. 372-4527.

FOR RENT

Studio apartment in Yosemite West. Stove, refrigerator, carpet. \$135 per month, including utilities (cheaper rate for year-round). For more information, call Walter Boock. Home: 723-0936, work: 723-9121 (Merced).

YOSEMITE BIRD COUNT



SCHEDULED FOR DECEMBER 19

The 1976 Christmas Bird Count in Yosemite National Park is scheduled for Sunday, December 19. A pre-count briefing on bird identification and count procedures will be held Saturday evening, December 18, starting at 7 p.m. We will meet in front of the Visitor Center in Yosemite Valley and proceed to a nearby location for this meeting.

For the past 76 years, the National Audubon Society has sponsored the Christmas Bird Counts during the latter part of December. Last year's final tally showed 124,651,593 birds reported by 28,688 observers in 1,141 counts held in The United States, Canada, Central America and the West Indies. Although Christmas Bird Counts are organized and conducted by local participants, the results are compiled and published in the July issue of the Society's journal, *American Birds*. To help offset the cost of coordinating the counts and compiling and publishing the results, the National Audubon Society requests a donation of \$1.00 from each participant.

If you would like to take part in the 1976 Christmas Bird Count at Yosemite, please contact Bill Dengler by phone at 375-6320.

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HERE WE COME A-CAROLING

The Yosemite Winter Club is sponsoring a community-wide Christmas Caroling Party, on Tuesday evening, December 21, and you're all invited to join in! Meet at 7:30 p.m. behind the Post Office, bring a flashlight, and wear warm clothing. The party will end up at The Ahwahnee about 9:30 p.m., and refreshments will be served in the Winter Club Room.

Everyone come, it doesn't make a bit of difference if you sing on-key or off-key, it's lots of fun, and you'll feel like you've become a part of Christmas! See you there at 7:30 sharp, behind the Post Office on the 21st.

*We wish you a Merry Christmas,
We wish you a Merry Christmas, . . .*

Carols Through the Centuries



We all associate carols with Christmas--after all, how often do you hear "Silent Night", "Joy to the World", or "Deck the Halls" in summer? We also know that carols are very old, and quite often our favorites were written in the 1700's. Yet the history of carols is something a bit different from what you may expect.

Carols are defined as songs of praise or joy, especially for Christmas. The name originally applied to round dances which were accompanied by singing. The first carols were about the Nativity, Incarnation, and Annunciation. Themes on shepherds and Epiphany were later introduced, along with what we would consider "folk songs" about the celebrations of the season (such as "Here We Come A-Caroling" and "Jingle Bells").

The tradition of carols at Christmas probably arose from the idea that the first carol was sung by the heavenly host that announced the birth of Jesus to the shepherds in Judea. Since the French word for carol is "noel", which comes from the Latin, meaning "birth", it would seem that this supposition is correct.



MOUNTAIN HIGH

Freestyle skiing highlights Dick Barrymore's newest all-color ninety minute film, "MOUNTAIN HIGH", to be presented at 6 and 8 p.m. at the Visitor Center Auditorium on Wednesday, December 29.

Freestyle skiing is fast becoming the American skier's greatest spectator sport. More than three thousand fans were on hand to watch the regional finals at Sun Valley, Idaho, where competitors vied for thousands in prize money.

Freestyle is one of the exciting subjects to be covered in Barrymore's new all-color film, "MOUNTAIN HIGH", along with hang gliding on skis, hot dogging, professional ski racing, the FIS World Alpine Ski Championships, a climb to the summit of the famed Matterhorn, helicopter skiing in the Canadian Rockies, and an 87 mph run down the bob sled course at St. Moritz where Producer Barrymore rode the sled wearing a camera helmet to give the viewers a first-hand look at the exhilarating but dangerous sport.

Tickets for the Yosemite Winter Club sponsored event may be purchased at the door for \$1.50 for adults and \$1 for children under 12. Tickets may also be purchased in advance from any member of the Junior Race Team. Refreshments will be available at the showing, and all proceeds will go to the Junior Race Team.



Carols were first popular among Christian communities, and during the Middle Ages their popularity had spread throughout Europe and England. The first collection of English carols was printed in 1521, and of the few that survive from this collection, one is the famous "Boar's Head Carol." Many carols of this era came from medieval mysteries and miracle plays.

Although there was not much singing of carols in England under the rule of the Cromwells (in the mid-17th century), the custom was restored with the return of Charles II to England's throne. Since that time, many more collections have been published, old carols unearthed and revived, and now much of the world joins in the age-old practice of singing carols at Christmas time.



Skiing Season Is On!! [Almost]

When the weatherman first said the word "snow" one night quite a few weeks ago, ski aficionados were getting their equipment out of the closets, preparing it for the coming winter, and singing "Let It Snow, Let It Snow, Let It Snow." And although the snow has not yet come, Yosemite is all set for the arrival of Old Man Winter and all the white stuff.

BADGER PASS is ready to open and begin daily operations within 24 hours of the snowfall. Employees will be able to purchase lift tickets for \$4 all-day and rent equipment for \$3.25/day. Badger will offer group or private lessons, ski apparel, brown bag items, and food service. Also available will be snowcat tours, saucers, and snowshoes.

CROSS COUNTRY SKIING equipment is all set for touring almost anywhere in the Park. The Yosemite Mountaineering School will be offering all kinds of lessons for all levels of cross-country skiers, as well as rental equipment. They also will offer two-day overnights, snow camping and snow survival courses, and instruction in snow and ice climbing and ski mountaineering. Until the snow comes, they will be offering climbing lessons.

Think snow!

The Ice Makers



The old ice rink in the Curry Parking Lot was often used for inter-collegiate ice hockey games, as well as other sporting events. Photo by Ansel Adams.

If you've been around here for several years, you'll remember the ice rink that the Curry Parking Lot became each winter. Since the new rink has been in operation, troubles with ice have diminished greatly. The following article was taken from the December 30, 1960 YOSEMITE SENTINEL.

"Due to early season lows in temperature, the ice rink was opened on Thanksgiving morning for the first time since 1941.

"In the 'good old days' we so often hear about, when winters were cold and people skated on the river, ice seemed to be more plentiful than now. Recently it has been an always hopeful, but frequently losing battle with the elements to build and keep enough ice for a few skating sessions before the next thaw.

"Temperatures in the 20s are necessary for good skating ice, and if the thermometer stays that low, the three to five inches of ice needed can be built up in ten nights.

"Early in November, if the temperature is right, the Manager begins preparation of the skating area by marking off a space 430 feet by 120 feet by placing ropes around it.

"The area is swept clean, and if there is no snow to bank at the edges, sand is used to hold the water. Early snows are a great help, since a snowbank not only holds water but acts as a sort of deep freeze to speed the freezing process.

"By Christmas, if 'old man weather' is in a kindly mood, the rink is ready for skating, and it is a happy season for kids both young and old if the ice can be kept hard and smooth.

"After the last skater has left at night and the rink has been scraped clean of all loose ice and snow, the night man goes to work with the hose, spraying with hot water so that the uneven places will melt and the freshly frozen surface will be smooth. After each spraying, he must wait for freezing, spray again and wait, repeating the process every hour and a half, perhaps five to six times in a night. If the temperature is 30 degrees (above this, ice-making is a poor business), or the night is cloudy, as few as three coats may be all that will freeze.

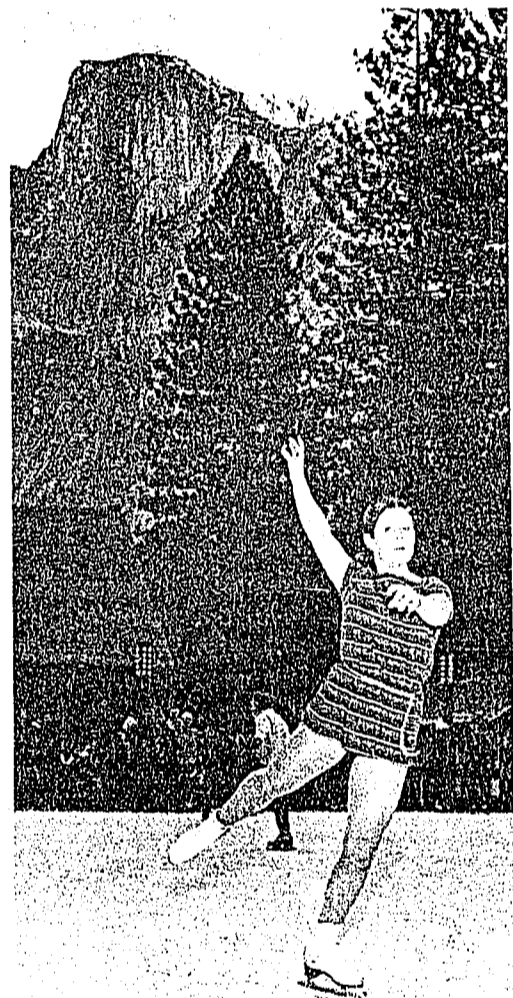


Bleachers at the side provided spectators with seating for the many skating contests and events held at the old Ice Rink.

"Many times there will be perfect ice in the early morning, but by 10 o'clock skating time it may have softened. Ice-makers are at the weather man's mercy!

"Snow as well as a rise in temperature can bring problems. If it is very cold, the whole crew hurries out to help scrape off the new snow before it can freeze to the existing ice, because, in that case, only a thaw will loosen it enough for removal.

"An innovation appreciated by many cool skaters is the bonfire which provides a cheerful place to warm fingers and toes.



Half Dome still watches the skaters on today's rink, even though it is smaller than the old one [about 170 x 70 ft.].

"The present skating rink at Camp Curry replaced a pond in the Old Village area which was used during the days of the Sentinel Hotel."

If you haven't been around the rink yet this winter, go over some time and try it. Even when it's too cold to do anything else, you can still skate, since it warms you up (and there's a nice fire to keep you warm when you stop for a few moments), and the colder it is outside the better the ice is. At the Curry Ice Rink - - ICE IS NICE!

ANIMAL OF THE MONTH



This month's animal is not what you would normally find in the Sierras, nor might you classify it as an animal any more quickly than we consider ourselves animals. Being of a mischevious vein, elves like to play tricks on people; however they do not like to be seen, and I don't think any sightings have been reported recently.

It Had To Start

Christmas has been around for quite a few centuries and many customs have come to be associated with it. The origins of some are "lost in the annals of history", but some we know of . . . like these:

SEASON'S GREETINGS could have first been given before the birth of Christ, for the Romans celebrated "Saturnalia" in December, which was an occasion of feasting and revelry in honor of their god Saturn.

ON THE 19TH DAY BEFORE CHRISTMAS, Saint Nicholas was born. A Bishop in the Catholic church, St. Nick is the patron saint of children. He was imprisoned for his faith and canonized later because of the miracles he worked. He became entwined with Christmas and is widely known today as Santa Claus.

TOASTED WASSAIL was the beginning of saluting others with a 'toast'. The Wassail Bowl (meaning "to be of good health") was an English tradition, with each person partaking of the ale or cider wishing everyone else good cheer - - and floating in the bowl were pieces of spiced toast. They they got the idea that the name of a famous lady would flavor the drink like a piece of the spiced toast . . . and then they decided anyone could be the "toast" of the town, and today toasts are common as symbols of friendship and good will. Cheers!



Merry Christmas



Known to the modern world best as being Santa's helpers, elves have played an important role in tales of the old world, particularly in Germany. Their relatives, the leprechauns, are famous throughout the world, and St. Patrick's Day brings them particularly to mind.

Elves are best described as having very pointy ears, of small stature, and very nimble and quick. If you see one, you'll know it!

Ah, the world would be a duller place were it not for the little folk who have always helped our ancestors in so many ways. Remember the brownies and their good deeds? The elves when they helped the shoemaker? The leprechauns with their pots of gold and Lucky Charms? We have much to thank the wee folk for--besides all the help they give to Santa Claus in preparing for Christmas!

Sometime . . .

O TANNENBAUM is more than just a Christmas carol - - it is the term "Christmas tree" in German. It was in the 1650's that German pilgrims first brought the custom to the United States, although it was a long time before "that heathenish practice" became an accepted tradition.

THE MOST FAMOUS carol of all (No, not "Rudolph") was composed on a Christmas Eve in Austria when the church organ was broken and the congregation were to have a silent night of music at Midnight Mass. The priest, Father Mohr, and the church guitarist Franz Gruber wrote "Silent Night" especially for the service that night.

A HUNDRED AND THIRTY-THREE YEARS AGO, Sir Henry Cole had the idea of having "Christmas cards" printed up and sold. He got artist John Horsley to design the card, which read "A Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year To You". About a thousand of the hand-colored (but machine printed) cards were sold.

YES VIRGINIA, one of the most famous letters ever written was published in the New York Sun by Editor Francis Church in 1897 in response to a little girl's inquiry as to whether or not there was a Santa Claus. The Sun reprinted the letter

What's Cooking

What is more traditional than fruit cake for Christmas? Here's a simple recipe for a no-bake fruit cake that requires only some counter space and refrigeration. All the ingredients can be bought at the Store or on your next trip to town.

NO-BAKE FESTIVE FRUIT CAKE

½ cup evaporated milk
16 marshmallows, finely cut
3 Tbsp. orange juice
4 doz. 2½" squares of graham crackers
¼ tsp. cinnamon
¼ tsp. nutmeg
1/8 tsp. cloves
1 cup seedless raisins (light or dark)
½ cup dates, finely cut
¾ cup English walnuts, broken
¾ cup candied fruit

1. Line with waxed paper or grease well bottom and sides of a 5-cup loaf or tube pan.
2. Place milk, marshmallows, and orange juice in bowl; let stand until needed.
3. Roll graham crackers into fine crumbs; place in another bowl.
4. Add spices, raisins, and dates to graham cracker crumbs and mix well.
5. Add milk mixture and mix with spoon, then with hands until crumbs are moistened.
6. Press firmly into pan. Top with fruit and nuts.
7. Cover tightly and chill for 2 days before slicing.

Keep in a cool place after refrigeration is complete. Makes 2¼ pounds.



every Christmas for 50 years . . . and yes, there really was a Virginia.

THE APCFSC was formed in 1914 by John D. Gluck. "APCFSC?" Yes--the Association to Preserve Children's Faith in Santa Claus. The Association would answer letters to Santa and from time to time send presents. The 'hot' lines to the North Pole that many cities have in operation, as well as the personal appearances of Santa Claus, can be linked to the APCFSC. Santa Claus is part of Christmas--he is the personification of the spirit of Christmas.

The Ahwahnee Reopens

Most of us are aware that The Ahwahnee has been closed from November 29 until today for renovation. This annual closure has gone on for many years, and perhaps the most gala of the reopenings was held 30 years ago on December 20, 1946. You see, the Navy took over The Ahwahnee during World War II and made it into a hospital, and although they vacated in 1945, there was a lot of work to be done to restore The Ahwahnee to its original state. When the hotel finally reopened on Dec. 20, Open House was held for everyone to reacquaint themselves with the beauty of The Ahwahnee. The Bracebridge Dinner also resumed in 1946, with Don and Mary Tresidder as the Squire and his Lady of Bracebridge Hall.

CRAFTS FAIR

Are you stumped over a Christmas gift for that someone special? Maybe an extra special gift for yourself? The answer may be the Christmas Crafts Fair to be held Monday and Tuesday, Dec. 20 and 21, at Cedar Lodge in El Portal.

A number of hand-selected craftsmen will exhibit such items as pottery, fine hardwood products, hand-tooled leathers, unique feather jewelry, photographs, weavings, silver jewelry, and brassware.

In addition, the children of the county are invited to exhibit and sell their crafts at a special booth. There will be no charge to the children.

The show will also feature music and hot beverages.

Show hours will be from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Dec. 20 and 21. Admission will be free.

For more information, call 379-2612.

Wanted

Yosemite Natural History Association is seeking a part-time bookkeeper. Hours are flexible; salary negotiable. If you are interested come by our office (located in the Valley District Building) to discuss details or call 372-4532.



YOSEMITE RECREATION

- by Jim Roldan



Special Classes

Macrame, Decoupage, and Leathercraft are being offered in a special class (just in time for Christmas!) by Employee Recreation. Instructors Ken and Patti Ashburner will have on hand all materials needed for projects, which you will be able to purchase at cost. The class meets on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7 to 10 p.m. in the Employee Training Room (by the Village Store). Everyone is welcome to attend the classes, which will continue through the next few months.

SAM'S BAND

December 22 and 23 - Grace Band
January 5 and 6 - Mona Leith & Hickory

SPORTS

Looking for some way to exercise those muscles and get into shape for the ski season? Come to the Visitor Center East Auditorium every Tuesday evening, from 9 p.m. to Midnight. Co-ed Volleyball is happening! Bring your friends for a little fun and relaxation. See you there.

Y. L. RECREATION HALL

Air Hockey, Pool, Ping-Pong, Pin-Ball, and assorted electronic games are yours to play (for a small fee) at the Yosemite Lodge Rec. Hall. The Rec. Hall also has a TV Room, Juke Box, and some hot-n-cold snacks to satisfy your "munchies". The Rec. Hall is open every night of the week from 6 p.m. to Midnight. Les, Nancy, and Kirk invite you to stop by and check it out.

*New Year's Eve
Dance*

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be playing

MOVIES

December 20 - "The Miracle on 34th Street"

Maureen O'Hara, Edmund Gwenn, John Payne, Gene Lockhart, Natalie Wood

Macy's in New York needs Santa Claus helpers, so they hire Kris Kringle to play the white-bearded gentleman. He plays the role as if he really were the real Santa Claus and changes a few people's minds about the legend and about Christmas. MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL!!! (G)

December 27 - "The Godfather, Part II"

Al Pacino, Robert DeNiro, Robert Duvall, Diane Keaton, Lee Strawberg

The continuing saga of the Corolones, this sweeping melodrama moves both forward and backward in time, interweaving the story of Vito's rise to power (Godfather I) with the story of what son Michael did with that power. DeNiro is superb as the young Brando, achieving the same whispery, gravelly voice, the mannerisms and gestures, all in a Sicilian dialect. Pacino as the heir-apparent new Don is rock-solid magnificent. A compelling epoch and powerful drama that reveals the nature of transplanted men who live by the Sicilian code of honor. (R)

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Everyone is invited to attend a special Christmas program for children and their families. Take a moment to recapture the Christmas spirit on Sunday, Dec. 19, at the Chapel from 5 to 5:30 p.m. Also, the annual Christmas Eve candlelight communion service on Dec. 24 at 11 p.m. at the Chapel.

Merry Christmas from the Yosemite Community Church and Bible School.

and A Happy New Year