



National Junior Ranger Day April 25, 2009

Explore, Learn, Protect: Be a Junior Ranger



On Saturday, April 25, 2009, Grand Canyon National Park will celebrate **National Junior Ranger Day** with kid- friendly activities and programs for the entire family.

National Junior Ranger Day celebrates Junior Rangers past and present who have fulfilled the requirements to earn a Junior Ranger badge or patch. More than 300 national park units across the nation have a Junior Ranger program.

The National Park Service's Junior Ranger program, begun in the 1960s, inspires kids and their families to explore and learn about their national parks, cultivating future generations of park stewards. Park rangers swear in hundreds of thousands of Junior Rangers each year. The WebRanger website serves those who are unable to visit a national park.

Special Ranger Programs

Kids Rock!

An hour-long series of ranger-led activities
Shrine of the Ages
11:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.

See *The Guide* for other family-friendly programs offered throughout the day.

"Show and Tell"

Ranger Gear Showcase

Canyon View Information Plaza
1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Try on search-and-rescue gear, tour emergency vehicles, meet the Grand Canyon horse patrol, and learn about the many different jobs rangers perform.

Evening Activities

Family Sing-Along

Shrine of the Ages
7:00 p.m.

Family-Friendly Evening Program

Shrine of the Ages
7:30 p.m.

Join park rangers for a round of new songs and old favorites and then stay for a special evening program about our country's national treasures.



All the above programs are subject to change due to weather and staffing. For more information please visit <http://www.nps.gov/npweek/junior.htm>, or contact Graciela Avila, Education Training Specialist at 928-638-7941.