12th Annual Apple Picking Time in Yosemite Valley!

Join National Park Service staff for the annual apple gathering in the historic orchards of Yosemite Valley. All visitors, employees, and residents are invited to pick apples to help keep bears wild! Volunteers will assist the park staff in collecting apples from the Curry Village Apple Orchard and Lamon’s Apple Orchard.

Monday, August 17, 2009

Curry Village Apple Orchard*  Lamon’s Apple Orchard near Valley Stables
9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.  2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Shuttle Bus Stop #14  Shuttle Bus Stop #18

*Please do not park in the Curry Village Orchard Lot on August 17th from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Help keep Yosemite’s Bears Wild. The historic, ripe apples attract bears to developed areas and alter their natural diets. By removing the apples, bears will return to their natural food sources found throughout the park and not become exposed to humans and their food.

Program Details
• All ages are welcome! Children under 14 years old must be accompanied by an adult
• All participants under 18 years old are required to have a volunteer agreement signed by their parent or legal guardian
• Each volunteer must wear long pants and closed-toe shoes
• Wearing a hat, long-sleeves, gloves, and sunscreen are also recommended.
• Volunteer hours count towards earning the America the Beautiful volunteer pass. Details available at: http://www.volunteer.gov/gov/VT

More volunteer opportunities available! Groups & families of 10 or more people can book a private work session and get free park entrance and a group campsite. Contact the volunteer office at 209/379-1850 or email staff at YOSE_Volunteers@nps.gov for more information & to schedule a group work session. Visit our volunteer webpage for additional volunteer opportunities at: http://www.nps.gov/yose/supportyourpark/volunteer.htm