

## Learning

ome join the dynamic volunteer team at the South Yuba River State Park and earn the rich rewards of meeting visitors from around the world, learning new skills, making friends in the surrounding community, and sharing your knowledge in various program areas:

- Greet visitors, offer information, answer questions and sell park related items at the Visitor Center & Gift Shop;
- Give history talks of the local Bridgeport area and buildings of the park;
- Assist in publicity or historical research of the park;
- Participate in Special Events and fundraising efforts;





## **Sharing**

- Lend your skills to the "Over-The-Hill" gang through building projects or repair of historical structures;
- Help with organizing volunteer schedules for events and tours;
- Lead Wildflower or Birding
  Walks, Nature or Geology Tours, or
  School Group Tours on the various trails
  in the park;
- ◆ Become a Team Leader in one of the program areas and coordinate materials, schedules and volunteers in a specific program area.
- Attend Field Trips, Special Programs and Appreciation Dinners.





## **Training**

hrough our training program you will learn more about the influence of the South Yuba River on the region including it's effect on wildlife, geology, flora and native inhabitants. You will be trained in the specific program areas of your interest whether it be the history of horse-drawn transportation related to our barn, wagons, gas station and covered bridge, or about more hands on experiences such as gold panning, native garden or tours.

Whatever your area of interest you will get to feel comfortable doing the volunteer position you choose through our training and mentoring program.





# Helping

his is truly a place YOU can make a difference. Your time commitment can be as much or as little as you want depending on YOUR schedule and YOUR availability.

Training is provided by current volunteers to make you feel comfortable in whatever area you choose to work.

Training for new docents takes place every March. A reception is held in early March to explain park programs to prospective volunteers.

Call the Visitor Center for more information at 530-432-2546



### Yes! I'm interested in volunteering in the following areas (circle your favorites):

**Gold Panning Birding Tours** Wildflower Tours Bridge and Barn Tours Gas Station Trail Roving Patrol Administrative Research Computer Work Website Management

Information Station Native Garden School Group Tours **Construction Projects** Trail and Sign Projects Living History Publicity Special Events Visitor Center Independence Trail

Tours and programs needing development: **Nature Tours Geology Tours Photography Tours** Star Party Campfire Talks



Please fill out the information above and mail to:

> South Yuba River State Park Attn: Volunteer Coordinator 17660 Pleasant Valley Road Penn Valley, CA 95946 Or call 530-432-2546



Park visitors enjoying the Spring Festival at Bridgeport.



Volunteers putting fresh paint on the historic barn.



Volunteers getting organized for a special event.

For more information on park activities please visit these websites:





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#### Our Mission

The mission of the California State Parks is to provide for the health, inspiration and education of the people of California by helping to preserve the state's extraordinary biological diversity, protecting it's most valued natural and cultural resources, and creating opportunities for high-quality outdoor recreation.

## Become a valued volunteer for the South Yuba River State Park

South Yuba River

State Park

Volunteer

Come join our enthusiastic volunteer team at Bridgeport and bring its rich history alive to the many visitors who arrive here every day.

#### Benefits include:

- Meeting interesting park visitors
- Gaining valuable knowledge of park history
- Learning to conduct interpretive tours
- Creating local community member friendships
- Field trips to interesting locations
- Guest speaker programs about park topics
- Free parking during volunteering hours

