# **Grant Grove Ranger Programs** *August 27 – September 3, 2012*

National Park Service U.S. Department of the Interior

Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks

Monday, August 27 10:00 AM Grant Tree Walk 3:00 PM Big Tree Talk 7:30 PM Evening Program:

My Friend Norman Clyde **Tuesday, August 28** 

3:00 PM Big Tree Talk 7:00 PM Evening Program: Fire

### Wednesday, August 29

3:00 рм Big Tree Talk 7:00 рм Evening Program: The World Below the Big Trees

### Thursday, August 30

3:00 рм Big Tree Talk 7:00 рм Evening Program: Things That Go Bump in the Night

#### Friday, August 31 10:00 AM Grant Tree Walk

10:00 AM Grant Tree Walk
6:00 PM Kids' Campfire: Wilderness Explorers
6:15 PM Twilight Safari\* (\*RESERVATIONS REQUIRED)
7:00 PM Evening Program: Grizzly Bears

#### Saturday, September 1

10:00 AM Big Stump Hike\* (\*RESERVATIONS REQUIRED)
10:00 AM Grant Tree Walk
2:00 рм Grant Tree Walk
3:00 рм Kids' Nature Hike
6:00 рм Kids' Campfire: Bears
7:00 рм Evening Program: A Visit With John Muir

# Sunday, September 2

10:00 ам Grant Tree Walk
10:30 ам Nature's Greatest Mountaineers: The Sierra Nevada Bighorn Sheep
11:00 ам Kids' Nature Hike
2:00 рм Grant Tree Walk
7:00 рм Evening Program: Grizzly Bears

## Monday, September 3

10:00 ам Grant Tree Walk
11:30 ам Nature's Greatest Mountaineers: The Sierra Nevada Bighorn Sheep
7:00 рм Evening Program: Fire

#### **Program Descriptions**

**Big Stump Hike:** Meet Ranger Farrah at the Visitor Center for this hike to the heart of the historic Big Stump Grove of giant sequoias. Reservations are required due to limited parking. Reservations can be made at the Visitor Center or by calling 559-565-4307. *2 hours, 4 mile drive, 2 mile hike.* 

**Big Tree Talk:** Meet a ranger at the base of the General Grant Tree to learn what it takes to be one of the largest trees on Earth. *15 minutes*.

**Evening Program:** Join a ranger at the Sunset Amphitheater for a talk, slide show, or film about the people, places and things that make Kings Canyon National Park so special. *1 hour*.

**Grant Tree Walk:** Learn about the giant sequoias and why people have been coming to Grant Grove for centuries. Meet in the Grant Tree parking lot for this easy walk through the grove. *1 hour*, ½*-mile walk*.

**Kids' Campfire:** Ready to receive your Junior Ranger badge? Want to learn how to earn one? Join us at Sunset Amphitheater for a special Junior Ranger awards ceremony and a variety of songs, stories, or games designed especially for kids. Please come 15 minutes early if you plan to turn in a Junior Ranger booklet. <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> hour.

**Kids' Nature Hike:** Take a saunter through the trails of the Grant Grove area and learn to be a naturalist during a hike designed especially for Junior Rangers - but open to all ages! Earn a special "Let's Move Outside" Junior Ranger sticker for attending. Kids under six years old must be accompanied by an adult. *1 ½ hours, ½-mile hike*.

**Nature's Greatest Mountaineers:** The Sierra Nevada Bighorn Sheep live on the edge in more ways than one. Meet Ranger Jeremy at the Visitor Center to learn about the life of these endangered inhabitants of Kings Canyon and the on-going efforts to increase their numbers. *30 minutes.* 

**Twilight Safari**: As visitors to Grant Grove are getting ready to go to bed, many residents are just starting their "day". Learn more about these creatures of the night on this full moon hike with Ranger Frank. \*\*RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED. Sign up at the Visitor Center or call 559-565-4307. *3 hours, 2-mile hike.* 

Programs are subject to change due to weather or other disruptions. Check the program board outside the visitor center for the most up-to-date schedule.