

July 2010.



Dear Members,

We would like to invite you to our next event:

Labor Day Camping and Hiking Sequoia National Forest September 3 - 6, 2010

This year we are heading on Labor Day Weekend for Sequoia National Forest located at the Southern end of the Sierra Nevada Mountain Range:

<http://www.fs.fed.us/r5/sequoia/>

The Sequoia National Forest and Giant Sequoia National Monument are named for the giant sequoia, the world's largest tree. The landscape is as spectacular as its 38 groves of giant sequoia. Majestic granite monoliths, glacier-torn canyons, roaring whitewater, and lush meadows await your discovery at the Southern end of the Sierra Nevada Mountain Range.

All ages are welcome! Generally people arrive Friday late afternoon/evening.

Hikes: Bring your hiking boots. Based on participants' interest we will decide on-site which trails to hike.

Food: Participants host all meals. Traditionally the quality has beaten all standards of gourmet outdoor cooking! Arrangements about who brings what will be made through e-mail the week before departure. Hikers bring their own trail snacks & drinks.

Where: We reserved group tent site B (close to Tule River) at Quaking Aspen, Sequoia (28 miles East from Springville, about 10 miles from 100 Sequoia Trailhead) for Friday 9/3, Saturday 9/4 and Sunday 9/5 night. Space is limited to 25 people. Only 6 cars can park at the tent site. For more info about the accommodations, and maps, please browse to http://www.recreation.gov/camping/Quaking_Aspen_Ca/r/campgroundDetails.do?contractCode=NRSO&parkId=71610&topTabIndex=CampingSpot.

Cost: \$15/adult for the camp site. (children are free) Food expenses will be divided among the participants.

When: Friday, September 3rd to Monday, September 5th.

Sign-up: By August 16th by email to philippe@bcnc.com with the following information:

- Name of people attending (optional: age of children)
- Cell phone number
- Would like to car-pool or are looking for a ride

Reservations will be on a first come, first serve basis, with priority given to members. After you receive e-mail confirmation that space is still available, sending a check covering the camp site expenses.

Directions: Map your travel to Springville, CA. Total travel will be approximately 275 miles (from the South Bay) and approximately 5h driving time.

Announcements:

Rudy de Walque and Ming Zhao have a baby son Adrian, brother to Zoe, born on June 12th. Congratulations and happiness to the entire family!

Future events:

- Salsa night: Saturday, September 18, 8:00PM at Roccapulco in San Francisco.
- Oyster event: Sunday, October 10, Limantour Beach, Point Reyes

The board.