

# Plumas Eureka State Park

## Activities



All programs are FREE and available to the public!

For more information, please call 530-836-2380

Or, check us out on the web:

[www.plumas-eureka.org](http://www.plumas-eureka.org)



Junior Ranger programs are for children ages 7-12 Dogs are not allowed at programs

### Monday, August 13, 2018 – Sunday, August 19, 2018

#### Every Day

Visit the Museum where a made-to-scale, working model of the Stamp Mill is on display along with many other interesting items depicting the history of gold mining and details of life a century ago. You can also take an easy hike around Madora Lake and view the abundant bird life, or enjoy a self-guided tour of our Historic Mining Area. The Museum is open daily from 9:00 am until 4:00 pm.

**NOW SHOWING in The Basement Theater!**

*The California Gold Rush:*

*How The Discovery Of Gold In California Changed A Nation*

See rare photos; hear excerpts from actual letters and watch stunning footage in this award-winning film. The California Gold Rush was a global event. But how did it change America? What happened when the gold ran out? Come and learn the answers to these questions and much more about this historic event.

The Basement Theater is located in The Museum.

### Monday, August 13<sup>th</sup>

All Day	<b>Mining Complex &amp; Museum</b> Enjoy a self-guided tour of our historic Mining Complex. Visit the Museum to learn about our rich gold mining history and details of life a century ago.	
9am –1pm	<b>Blacksmith Shop</b> Watch a real blacksmith demonstrate how the ‘smiths’ of the past worked iron to make the tools for mining and everyday living.	<b>Tim Kurdupski</b>
11am– 2pm	<b>Assay Office</b> Visit the office where miners determined how much gold was in the rock they mined, and learn how gold was extracted from the ore.	<b>Fred Seifert</b>

### Tuesday, August 14<sup>th</sup>

8am – 10am	<b>Bird Watching On La Porte Road</b> Come and take this easy walk and view some of the parks beautiful avian inhabitants. Meet at the campground entrance. Some binoculars are available for loan.	<b>Pat O’Reilly</b>
10am - 2pm	<b>Assay Office</b> Visit the Assay office where miners determined how much gold was in the rock they mined, and learn how gold was extracted from ore.	<b>Rich Clemons</b>
12 - 1 pm	<b>Music on the Porch</b> Swing by the Museum and play “old time” music with our interpreter - no talent necessary.	<b>Pat O’Reilly</b>
2:30-3:30pm	<b>Junior Rangers - Metamorphic Rocks</b> Learn about the major forces that created this beautiful park, and the three different types of rock you will find here. At the end we will make our own “metamorphic” candy rocks! Meet at the Museum.	<b>Pat O’Reilly</b>

## Wednesday, August 15<sup>th</sup>

- 8 am-11:30pm **Hike to Grass Lake** **Pat O'Reilly**  
Many beautiful vistas and wildflowers await you on this moderate 2.5 (round trip) hike. Wear a hat, bring sunscreen, insect repellent and wear good hiking shoes. Meet next to campsite #54.
- 10am –1pm **Blacksmith Shop** **Don Homer**  
Watch a real blacksmith demonstrate how the ‘smiths’ of the past worked iron to make the tools for mining and everyday living.
- 1:30-2:30pm **Moriarty House** **Carol Tretten**  
Tour the house in which a miner and his family lived over a hundred years ago. Space is limited to eight people per tour, so please sign up at the museum.
- 2:30-3:30pm **Junior Rangers – Animal Footprints** **Pat O'Reilly**  
Make plaster casts of wild animal footprints. Meet at the Museum

## Thursday, August 16<sup>th</sup>

- 8 am-12noon **Hike to Eureka Peak** **Pat O'Reilly**  
Hike to the top of Eureka Peak for some amazing views! This 3.5 mile loop is a moderate-to-difficult hike. Pack a lunch, bring sunscreen and plenty of water. Wear sturdy shoes! Meet at Eureka Lake.
- 11 – 1:30 pm **Assay Office** **Cliff Romig**  
Visit the Assay office where miners determined how much gold was in the rock they mined, and learn how gold was extracted from the ore.
- 11am–12 noon **Junior Rangers – Quilting** **Carol Tretten**  
You will be surprised to learn how far back in history quilting was used, and then try your hand at this vital pioneer skill. You will leave with your own quilted square! Must be able to use a needle and thread. Meet at the Museum. Limited to children ages 7-12.
- 2:30–3:30 pm **Junior Rangers – Fort Building** **Pat O'Reilly**  
How would you survive a cold night in the wilderness? Learn how to build shelters out of natural materials. Wear sturdy shoes and long pants! Meet at Campsite #54.

## Friday, August 17<sup>th</sup>

- 10 – 11 am **Junior Rangers - The Unnatural Trail (Nature Game)** **Pat O'Reilly**  
See if you can spot the un-natural! For Junior Rangers ages 7-12. Meet at the Museum.
- 10 am–1 pm **Blacksmith Shop** **Harry Moos**  
Watch a real blacksmith demonstrate how the ‘smiths’ of the past worked iron to make the tools for mining and everyday living.
- 1 - 2 pm **Music on the Porch** **Pat O'Reilly**  
Swing by the Museum and play “old time” music with our interpreter - no talent necessary.
- 7:30-8:30 pm **Campfire – Lightning** **Pat O'Reilly**  
Feel what it’s like just before lightning strikes you! The “shocking” result will surprise. Meet at the Campfire Center located next to site #70.

## Saturday, August 18<sup>th</sup>

- 9:30 @ museum **Hike to the Original Gold Discovery Site** **Dink & Dave Rife**  
10:00 @ the Lake Join us on this moderate hike (300 ft elevation gain) to explore the site where gold was first discovered. Please wear sturdy shoes, bring sunscreen and water. Meet at the Museum at 9:30 am or at Eureka Lake at 10:00 am. Don't miss the opportunity to visit this historical site from 1851 - gold discovered right in our back yard!
- 10am & 11am **Junior Rangers - Owl Pellet Investigation** **Brenda Ross**  
Learn the secret of the owl's 'silent flight' and probe owl pellets to uncover what they eat! Meet at the tables next to the Blacksmith Shop.
- 10am & 11am **Junior Rangers – Candle Making** **Carol Martinez**  
Come and learn all about how important candles were in the lives of the miners and make a candle of your own to take home! Sign up at the front desk in The Museum. Participation is limited to ages 7-12.
- 10 – 2 pm **Wool Spinning** **Lorraine Nielsen & Janet Baldrige**  
Watch as these skilled 'spinners' twist & spin freshly shorn wool into yarn.
- 11 - 2 pm **Assay Office** **Curt Clarkson**  
Visit the Assay office where miners determined how much gold was in the rock they mined, and learn how gold was extracted from ore.
- 12 noon **Moriarty House** **Richard Martinez**  
Tour the house in which a miner and his family lived over a hundred years ago. Space is limited to eight people per tour, so please sign up at the museum.
- 12 - 1 pm **Music on the Porch** **Pat O'Reilly**  
Swing by the Museum and play "old time" music with our interpreter - no talent necessary.
- 3:00-4:00 pm **Junior Rangers – Nature Games & Activities** **Pat O'Reilly**  
Learn about nature while playing fun games! Meet at the Museum.
- 7:30-8:30 pm **Campfire: Animals of Plumas** **Pat O'Reilly**  
Learn about some of the strange inhabitants of the Park. Meet at the Campfire Center located next to site #70.

## Sunday, August 19<sup>th</sup>

- All Day **Mining Complex & Museum**  
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