



April 2017

Upcoming 2017 Events

Annual Meeting

Wednesday, April 19th The SVSBA annual meeting and Board member election will be held 7pm at North Fork School Music Room. Our speaker for the evening, Phil Bartholomew, will provide a multimedia presentation of his father's winter trek from Yosemite to Mount Whitney. A short business session and the election of association officers and directors for 2017 will precede the presentation.

Summer 2017 Sierra Vista Scenic Byway tours

Saturday, June 24th ~ Stars on the Byway

Join us for an evening of star gazing at Mile High Vista. Take advantage of the fantastic view from this spectacular vista point. Each year the view gets better & better! We'll leave North Fork Post Office at 7:30 PM. We will provide some telescopes to use, but you are encouraged to bring your own telescope and also binoculars.

Saturday, July 29th ~ Spectacular Secret Vistas on the Byway

We will join Michael Olwyler as we visit two mostly unknown spots to view the Sierra Nevada and the San Joaquin River Gorge just off the Byway. Both spots visited will involve short, moderate, uphill hikes. Participants can do one or both. Time and location to meet will be announced prior to the tour.

Grizzly Century Bike Ride

Saturday, October 7th The Grizzly Century lives on in 2017 for its 24th edition. Rick Garner, owner of Oakhurst's Yosemite Bike and Sport is taking the reins this year and his wealth of experience in all things cycling will undoubtedly take the ride to the next level. Cyclists are in for a treat. So if you are out and about and decide to take a ride that will showcase natural forest and riparian beauty, ecosystems in transition and provide inspiring views that will restore your soul, head up the scenic byway for an afternoon of escape and wonderment.



Three routes are planned: 25 miles around Bass Lake, 60 miles and 100 miles deep into the Sierra National Forest along the Byway. Cyclists experience the Byway first hand and at a slower pace than motorists. The bicycle ride is a major fundraiser for the Sierra Vista Scenic Byway enabling improvement projects along the Byway to enhance Byway traveler experiences. Check the Grizzly website for more information: www.grizzlycentury.org

The SVSBA Board members and membership would like to thank Mike Nolen for his skillful management and dedicated service that allowed the annual Grizzly Rides of the past several years to run safely and smoothly. Mike is truly an asset to the organization and our community. Thank you, Mike! Job well done!



Nelder Grove News

The Sierra Vista Scenic Byway Association is continuing to work with Forest Service and Friends of Nelder Grove Organization to improve signage and informational displays in the area.

Visit the Friends of Nelder Grove website at www.neldergrove.org for more information.

Byway Tee-Shirts & Audio Tour

Sierra Vista Scenic Byway Tee Shirt

Classic short sleeve tee in comfortable cotton fabric. (Heather Grey shirt is 99% cotton/1% poly blend). Front left chest has SVSBA logo. Back of shirt shows a view of Mile High Vista along the Byway. Choose from 3 adult sizes and 4 new colors! Shirts are \$15 each.

Byway Audio Tour CD

The tour CD includes 15 audio tracks from several local Byway experts to guide you on a tour of the Byway as you travel from one point of interest to the next. Includes music interwoven with the talks to enhance your Byway experience. A small map of the Byway is also included in the CD case. Tour CDs are \$12 each.

The tee shirts and tour CD are available for purchase locally at Jennie's Garden in downtown North Fork and online at the Byway website. The tour CD is also for sale at the North Fork Visitors Center.

Join the Sierra Vista Scenic Byway Association

The Sierra Vista Scenic Byway Association is a non-profit corporation with the charter to promote and improve the recreational facilities on the Byway. Volunteers handle administration of the Association, conduct Byway tours and coordinate with the Forest Service to maintain and improve the Byway. The Byway Association Board of Directors meets on the Second Wednesday of each month at the Forest Service facility in North Fork at 5pm. All Byway Association members are welcome (and encouraged) to attend the monthly Board meetings. Be sure to visit our website to join as a Byway member or renew your annual membership and to keep up on Byway events: www.sierravistascenicbyway.org

The Sierra Vista Scenic Byway Association is a 501c (3) non-profit organization.
All donations are tax-deductible.

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Please join us for our annual meeting on April 19th.