

Yosemite II

April 2012

Every one made it! The crew has assembled at the Placer Center in Auburn, California for orientation. We have an excellent crew consisting of Antoinette Burton, Ashton Castillo, Sadomy Elias, Jon Fisher, Randall Forbes, David Frazier, Russell Knight, Samantha Mairson, Alison Maloof, Elle Miller, Terry Price, Yan Teng Xian, and Stephanie Wallace. The energy of the crew has been positive since the moment they stepped off the van in to the hot sierra foothill air. The first day the crew hung out under oak trees when we could in an attempt to get out of the relentless beating of the sun. Nature decided to switch things up on us and dropped rain on our heads to test out the waterproofness of our tents and our rain gear. Nature decided it was time to work out the kinks in our systems. The crews have been spending their days training and learning as much as possible for the upcoming season of trail work. They are all excelling in first aid and safety, and while they all have a lovely sense of humor, they can really buckle down to learn and absorb as much as possible. Everyone's spirits are high and they have a strong desire to get to know each other. The crew has signed a pledge of sobriety and are all in agreement that the pledge will lead to a closer and more beneficial season. The crew laughs as much as possible as they establish what it means to be a crew and let others on the crew know what they as individuals have to offer the crew as a group. The crew would like to sincerely thank the Placer Center and their cooking staff for their fantastic hospitality. The crew would also like to thank Karlson Hubbard and Agnes Vianzon for their dedication to the program and making this season happen. This is going to be a great summer!