2-day festival devoted to Kokanee salmon

The Kokanee Salmon Festival is Oct. 6-7 from 10am-4pm each day at the Taylor Creek Visitor Center.

The Visitor Center is located three miles north of South Lake Tahoe on Highway 89.

Participants can learn about the natural wonders of Taylor Creek and take part in activities, including a salmon barbecue, Kokanee trail runs, children's activities, educational and streamside programs, and more.

On that Saturday at 2pm., Wild Things Inc. will present a free wildlife program featuring live animals at the Lake of the Sky Amphitheater. The festival's new mascots, Sandy and Rocky Salmon, will make appearances each day and there will be a special appearance by Smokey Bear.

The Kokanee Salmon Festival and Oktoberfest at Historic Camp Richardson Resort, occur the same weekend, so the parking lot at the visitor center fills quickly. Visitors are encouraged to bike, walk or take public transportation to the event. BlueGo and the Nifty Fifty trolley will provide special service for these events. Contact them at (530) 541.7149.

For more information and a complete schedule of activities, contact the Taylor Creek Visitor Center at (530) 543.2674.