

November 27, 2010

Eight Swan Rangers skied and snowshoed four miles up Peters Ridge Road and back Saturday. They saw abundant signs of wildlife, including a golden eagle feeding on the remains of a hunter's deer-kill, very fresh tracks of mountain lion, and little snow insects everywhere!

Snow continues to accumulate and the trees and brush are hanging heavy in their white overcoats!

The Swan Rangers meet every Saturday at the Echo Lake Cafe for breakfast at 8:30, leaving at 9:30 for a partial day outing in the northern Swan Mountains and foothills.

They carpool from the Swan River School parking lot next to the Cafe.

There's enough snow now that either cross-country skis or snowshoes are advised.

Everyone is welcome!



Keith

Photos on following pages and report info by Bob Muth and Pam Willison:



Rangers pause at "the overlook" along Peters Ridge Road.



Just enough to ski on at lower elevation . . .



. . . but the higher you go, the deeper it gets!



A four-foot ski pole measures the nearly-double-that wingspan where a golden eagle marked the snow upon launch!



Wildlife included lots of these little six-legged critters in the snow!



A bush hangs heavy with new snow.