

April 16, 2011

Five Swan Rangers hiked the gated Bear Creek and Peterson Creek roads Saturday under slightly drizzly skies. They left their snowshoes in the car and hiked portions of the roads that were bare or not too deep with what is now pretty rotten snow pack!

They heard the beautiful song of a winter wren in addition to the more common calls of the varied thrush. It was a great day for story telling and companionship!

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. (Times will shift one hour earlier beginning May 7, for the summer).

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

Bears are emerging from their dens, however, so be sure to carry bear spray.

Everyone is welcome!



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Happy campers!



There's always time for a good story!



What's that bright thingy in the sky?



A springtime bouquet picked along the roadside!