

April 21, 2012

Fourteen Swan Rangers hiked the Echo-Broken Leg Trail Saturday as far as Wolf Creek's Lunch Rock where they, believe it or not, had lunch! Stretches of snow on the trail were few and far between.

They saw the first wildflowers of the season and lots of old wolf scat along the way. Oh, and a few ticks as well!

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. (Next Saturday will be their last at these winter hours, then they shift an hour earlier the first Saturday in May)!

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

When hiking in bear country, remember to carry bear spray and avoid the 3-D's: dawn, dusk, and darkness.

Everyone is welcome!

HAPPY EARTH DAY!



Keith

Photos on following pages by Keith Hammer:



The gang at Lunch Rock, beneath springtime skies.



Approaching Windy Point in Wolf Creek Canyon.





Wood violets and . . .



. . . trillium spring forth from the duff and leaf litter!





Still life: wolf scat on bear grass.



Rangers clean up a trashy party site back at the parking lot!