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The **GLACIER INSTITUTE**

Exciting Outdoor
Adventures since 1983

Upcoming Courses:

• **Glacier's Harlequins - May 2**

The Pacific harlequin is the only duck in the world that divides its time between the torrential, cold mountain streams of Glacier National Park and the heavy surf of coastal waters. Sharing the breeding pattern of the salmon, harlequins return each year to the same stream where they hatched in order to mate. Come with us as we visit McDonald Creek where an impressive number of these secretive birds return each spring.

• **Biking for Bears - May 8**

Springtime in Glacier is an explosion of life, with buds bursting, waterfalls gushing, and avalanches rumbling down the slopes. Enjoy this spring fervor while riding leisurely along the Going to the Sun Road (about six miles round trip along a very gradual slope), stopping often to scope avalanche chutes for bears and other wildlife. Meet us at the Avalanche Lake Trailhead with your bike, helmet, and binoculars. Most years the road is closed beyond this point, creating a peaceful cyclist's paradise.

Why we do what we do...

We hope you believe as we do, that education about our neighboring forests, mountains and wilderness is essential. Our children need and deserve **quality outdoor education** to make responsible decisions in the future. Help us get children outdoors!

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The Glacier Institute Gazette

The GLACIER INSTITUTE is celebrating its 26th year of providing field-based outdoor education on the Crown of the Continent ecosystem to people of all ages. The 2009 calendar is available online at www.glacierinstitute.org or to receive a course catalog, please contact: register@glacierinstitute.org.

We're all a'twitter over the Glacier Institute blog!

That's right, the Glacier Institute has a brand new blog. You can find us at www.theglacierinstitute.blogspot.com/.

View upcoming courses, events and news, leave comments and follow us on Twitter to see what we're up to.

If you're a former student, volunteer or simply a fan of the Institute we'd love to hear about your courses, adventures or experiences with us.

Join us online for more LEARNING GONE WILD!

Don't forget to check out our 2009 course schedule online at www.glacierinstitute.org. Make your reservations either online or by calling the Glacier Institute at 406-755-1211.

Teacher, teacher we've been thinking...

Montana teachers we would like to recognize your outstanding efforts by offering you a free one-year membership to the Glacier Institute. Membership benefits include a 10% discount on all courses and lodging. Also, many of our courses are available for OPI, UM or FVCC continued education credits. For more information please contact the Glacier Institute office at 406-755-1211 or register@glacierinstitute.org

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- The Glacier Institute is a 501(c) 3 and your gift is tax deductible.

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