

June 2009



Upcoming Courses:

Grizzlies in Many Glacier: June 19-21

Spring in Glacier National Park is the time for bear awakenings. Join us for day hikes with expert naturalist and author, Ralph Waldo, to learn about bear biology, habitat and foods, and spring emergence from the den. We hope to catch a glimpse of one of these impressive animals by making frequent stops along the trail and roads to glass mountain sides and avalanche chutes.

North Fork River Ecology by Raft - June 26-27

Starting at the Canadian Border, we'll follow this pristine river's winding course for a week-end of river ecology and adventure. Rafting downstream, we'll encounter a valley of staggering views, abundant wildlife (including bears, wolves, moose, elk, trout, and bald eagles) and learn about the legends and lore of the North Fork's historical residents. We'll take short hikes from the riverbanks to visit some of the interesting features of this river and its tributaries. By the time we reach our destination, the remote outpost of Polebridge, you will have a new appreciation for this incredible river and its complex and important food web that stretches to Flathead Lake and beyond.

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.

Summer time and the trail is easy!



It should be another amazing summer at Big Creek and Field Camp and there is still time to register for courses! We hope you will join the Glacier Institute staff and our expert instructors to explore the wonders of the Crown of the Continent ecosystem. For more information on camps, classes and registration contact the Glacier Institute at 406-755-1211 or online at www.glacierinstitute.org.

For your information...

Our **2008 Glacier Institute Annual Report** is available online. View the report for all the information on how your valuable donor dollars are used and what a difference your contributions make to youth education. Thank you for all of your continued support!



A big thank you to everyone who donated to our camp scholarship program this spring. We were able to provide scholarships for all of the students who submitted applications - thanks to you!! Your support of our mission is greatly appreciated!

River Otter Family Camp

Join us for a weekend with the family and spend time exploring Big Creek! This camp features hiking, wilderness skills, outdoor activities, and fun evening programs. Together families will have the opportunity to learn about the natural diversity of the area, look for wildlife and make exciting discoveries along the trail. The camp is a great introduction for families to connect with the outdoors in a safe, fun and educational environment. Come to the North Fork Valley and experience summer camp as an entire family! June 27-29, 2009 - Saturday-Monday. \$200 for parent and child, \$85 for each additional family member.



NEW! Glacier Institute caps are available! A great choice of blue, green, brown or yellow. Stop and get yours soon. We gladly ship!

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.

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