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**July 8, 9, 2008**

*This new field trip* will feature an overnight stay in the scenic Deschutes country and cover 35 miles of a totally new (for our group) section of the river! This extended version raft adventure will be fully provisioned by Discovery Outfitters.

**Why?** Besides enjoying good Christian fellowship and the adventure of white water rafting, DSA members Steve Hayley and Keith Swenson will present a creationist perspective on the biology, geology (and night-sky stars) of the Deschutes Canyon.

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