

**Register Now for the DSA
Overnight Raft Trip
Thursday & Friday,
July 8 & 9, 2010**

This extended-version raft adventure covers 35 miles of the beautiful Deschutes river country, features an overnight stay, and is fully provisioned by Discovery Outfitters.

Why? Besides enjoying good Christian fellowship and the adventure of whitewater 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.

Who? All interested persons are welcome to register. Anyone younger than age 18 must be accompanied by a responsible adult.

Meet: We will meet in the parking lot of Central Bible Church [time to be announced] and drive to Maupin, OR, where the raft trip begins. Return time to Maupin will be around 5 PM Friday.



Bring: A list of personal items recommended will be sent to each person registering. Provided by Discovery Outfitters will be all rafting equipment, meals (lunch, dinner, breakfast & lunch) and shuttle to and from raft sites.

Cost: \$165. per person. (Due with this application). A custom DVD movie of this outing will be included.

Registration: To register, return the completed coupon below with your payment. Acceptance will be on a first come, first serve basis.

For more info, contact coordinator Ruth Hazen at: 503-658-7734 or rehazen@gmail.com

Deschutes Rafting– July 8 & 9, 2010 (Thurs & Friday)

Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Number adults in party: _____ kids: _____

Amount Enclosed:

\$ _____

(Please note: you will be contacted if trip is full)

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**Morning meeting
9am on the
third Saturday,
May 15, 2010**

“For since the creation of the world God’s invisible qualities-his eternal power and divine nature-have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that men are without excuse.” Romans 1:20

Vern Bissell

Darwinism’s Toxic Heritage to Modern Science



AT OUR MAY MEETING, Dr. Vern Bissell* will speak on the topic: “Darwinism’s Toxic Heritage to Modern Science and Public Health.” Some points to be discussed are:

- 1) Darwinism delayed acceptance of germ theory;
- 2) Darwinism tragically hindered the life-saving benefit of antiseptic surgery;
- 3) Darwinian portrayal of some organs as “vestigial” led to unnecessary surgeries;
- 4) The neo-Darwinian notion of “junk DNA” has been a severe retardant to the advance of molecular biology;
- 5) Darwin’s idea of embryological development has thwarted and delayed embryological research;
- 6) The neo-Darwinian notion of ascendancy of life forms via mutation and natural selection led to wasted careers and funding, in dead-end plant “breeding” experiments;
- 7) Neo-Darwinism has been and continues to be an impediment to scientific understanding of epigenesis (processes outside of the genes);
- 8) After microbiologist Werner Arber shared a 1978 Nobel Prize for the discovery of restriction enzymes and their application to molecular genetics, he spent much of the rest of his career searching in vain for new species

that may have arisen due to mutation of restriction enzymes;

9) It is widely surmised that it was Darwin’s significant ego that hindered the understanding of Mendel’s genetics work, since many believe Darwin was aware of Mendel’s work and kept it under wraps since it did not match his own idea of how evolution might work;

10) There are numerous examples in our own time of harmful medical and public health practices coming from Darwinian pre-conceptions. Ill results of these wrong-headed notions include harmful effects of birth-control pills, the abortion-breast-cancer link, and the significant degradation of public health that occurs when babies are not breast-fed for the first six months of life.

THIS MONTH’S DSA MEETING will be held on Saturday, May 15, 2010, from 9 to 11:30AM, at Rolling Hills Community Church. *Join us as we examine some of the time-wasting rabbit-trails and poisoned fruit of Darwin’s 19th century science fiction.*

*Vern Bissell received M.S. and PhD degrees in Civil Engineering – Water Resources from the University of Maryland. He has worked as a research hydrologist, a licensed professional engineer and recently retired from the National Weather Service. He is also involved in creation-apologetics in local public universities and in mainland China.

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Dog Mt. Wildflower Field Trip Friday, May 28, 2010



Gorge by Russ Jolley. Sufficient copies of this book will also be available for loan.

Cost: There is no charge for the trip, but a small donation to DSA is appreciated!

Questions? For further info, contact Ruth Hazen (field trip coordinator) at: kkadhazen@juno.com.

Please Note: All vehicles parking at Dog Mt. must display a Northwest Forest Pass, which may be purchased at sporting goods stores.

Register: to register, email coordinator Ruth Hazen at: rehazen@gmail.com or call at: 503-347-3097

What? a DSA field trip will study and enjoy the beautiful spring wildflowers of our area. Instruction by leaders Keith Swenson and Ruth Hazen is based on a Biblical view of origins and earth history.

Where? Our destination is the spectacular flower-covered meadows atop Dog Mountain, WA in the Columbia River Gorge.

Who? Only those with a high degree of physical fitness should register for this hike. It is 3.8 miles to the top of Dog Mountain and every step is uphill. Elevation gain is about 2800 feet.

Meet: We will meet at 7:30am in Lewis and Clark State Park just east of Troutdale. Take exit 18 from I-84, east of Troutdale, just after crossing the Sandy River. The road winds so that you stop facing the river. Turn left, and go a short distance (under railroad trestle) to the parking area of Lewis and Clark State Park. Carpooling arrangements will be made at the park.

Bring: Day pack, sack lunch, canteen, binoculars, notebook and pencil, adequate clothes for wet or cold weather. Special item: If possible bring a copy of *Wildflowers of the Columbia*

From Torree at the DSA Booktable:

DSA invites you to donate your used Christian books and DVDs to the book table. Please bring them to a meeting or call (or email) in between to arrange drop off. I will give you a 50 cent or \$1 coupon good for book table purchases for each book or DVD that's appropriate for the "mark down/used" table, plus you can take tax deductions for in kind donation to DSA. This would be a great time to clean out your personal library and benefit DSA! Thanks for all your purchases so far and I hope many of you will find some "treasures" or oldies-but-goodies in our new used book program.

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2010 Creation Encounter Field Trip Schedule

Here's the list of Creation Encounter Field Tours for this coming season:

- May 1 Eastern Columbia Gorge day trip
- August 7 & 8 E. Washington/Missoula Flood 2 day bus tour
- August 26–29 E. WA/Missoula Flood 4 day family camping adventure
- Sept. 23–26 John Day Fossil trip with Central Oregon homeschoolers
- Nov 2–Nov 8 Death Valley natural history tour (now with a camping option)
- January, 2011 New Zealand natural history tour

For further details please check the upcoming spring newsletter or website after mid-March at:

www.creationencounter.com

DSA Meeting Presentations for Sale by Mail

Edited DVDs of past DSA meetings are now available to purchase by mail.

For more details, go to www.pdxdsa.org click on: **DVD Catalog** to download a list.

