The mission of the Green Leadership Academy for Diverse Ecosystems (GLADE) is to care for Ozarks ecosystems, to develop future community leaders, & to improve the quality of life through conservation & educational efforts throughout the Ozarks. It is a collaborative Greater Ozarks Audubon & Missouri State University conservation leadership project.

Season’s Greetings from GLADE!

As the winter solstice approaches, we often turn our thoughts to light, or the absence thereof. We begin our workdays in the dark and return home as the sun is setting. We become all too aware of the importance of light to our personal well-being and to the well-being of the lives around us. With this profound awareness perennially surfacing, our seasonal celebrations revolve around the promise of light’s return to a world in darkness.

It is an ancient promise and a scientific fact that the light, and its accompanying life, will be increasing soon. Six months from now, we begin GLADE 2015 with the summer solstice; when light is abundant, the landscape is green, birdsong is plentiful, and the promise of today’s youth rises on the warm winds of summer.

In the meantime, enjoy these “images of light” and thoughts for this holiday season from all of us at GLADE!

Joy!

Peace!

Awe!

Wonder!

Grace!(Millington, that is!)

Family and Friends!

Love!

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