

Pebble Pup Field Trip September 27, 2008 (Weather Permitting)

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When: September 27, 2008 10:00a.m.

Where: Leadville, CO

Leadville is located about 100 miles west of Colorado Springs on highway 24. It takes about three (3) hours driving time regardless of what map quest says. When Hwy turns north in Leadville you are on Harrison Street. If you have time the Rock Hut is an excellent rock shop on Harrison St. The Mining Hall of Fame is an excellent museum with a great area for kids.

WARNING: While this specific mine has been closed and gated it appears safe. There are open shafts in the Leadville area that your field trip leaders and even the officials do not know about. Parents are responsible for keeping their children in the specific collecting area!

WEATHER: The elevation is over 10,000 feet! Weather is not predictable especially in September. Bring cold weather gear. **CALL (1-877) 315-7623 FOR ROAD CONDITIONS BEFORE LEAVING HOME!!** If the trip is not snowed out. Pay attention to weather forecasts for the area; if it is snowing at Copper Mountain Ski resort the ground where we collect will be covered and there is no point in going. We will reschedule for next summer.

Tools needed: Small screwdriver or rockhammer collecting bag

PYRITE	
Leadville Pyrite occurs in both dodecahedrons and cubes and a variety of other odd shapes. The rarest and most collectable is the cathedral pyrite.	
Trip meter or GPS	Directions
0.0	Begin intersection of Harrison Ave (Hwy 24) and 5 th street. Proceed East
1.7mi	GPS N39° 14.872, W106° 15.673 Turn right unmarked road. Stay near the prominent dump on the south side of the road
1.9	Park! GPS N39° 14.806', W106° 15.715' pyrite is all around you