

Name of Field Trip:	Mt Antero
Date of Trip:	Saturday, August 22, 2009
Meeting Place:	Cascade Campground, 20777 County Road 162, Nathrop, Colorado 81236 (719) 395-3205 From downtown Colorado Springs on North Nevada: take E. Cimarron St./US-24 west for 77.2 miles to US-24/US-285 and go SW for 13.7 miles. You will cross the Arkansas and be on the outskirts of Buena Vista. Take a left (south) onto US-285 for 5.6 miles. Turn right (northwest) onto CR-162/Chalk Creek Drive. Go 10 miles to the Cascade Campground.
Time to Meet:	9:00 AM Saturday morning. Pre-meeting at 8:00 PM at the Cascade Campground on Friday evening.
Field Trip Leader:	Amanda Adkins
Field Trip Leader's Address:	
Telephone Number:	(719) 568-0373
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E-Mail Address:	amandaalece@msn.com
Location of Field Trip:	Mt. Antero. Near Nathrop, Colorado
Limitation on Number of Participants or Other Issues:	Amanda reserves the right to limit the number of participants based on the total number of vehicles and number of participants. Please reserve your space early and if your plans change and you cannot go, advise Amanda immediately.
Brief Description of Field Trip:	This is an exciting trip that will be only for those CSMS members able and willing to deal with high altitude, changeable weather, and rockhounding at high altitude. There are no guarantees that you will find anything, but you may be lucky and come back with a prize, some spectacular pictures, and some stories to tell friends. Bring a camera along.
Are there any Special Costs such as Admission Charge or Charge for Transportation on a Bus:	There are no special costs associated with this trip. Camping accommodations can be made at the Cascade Campground for \$13/night, but is limited. Some CSMS members may want to camp at a base camp on Mt. Antero where there is plenty of room for tents, but no facilities. Nearby Mt. Princeton or Chalk Creek campgrounds are also available on CR-162. Other lodging available in the Nathrop area and Buena Vista, but the cost of this varies considerably.
Collectible Materials, if any: NOTE: SPECIFY IF COLLECTING CANNOT BE DONE	Aquamarine, phenakite, smoky quartz, fluorite, biotite mica, and blue and blue-green common beryl are all possible.
Est. Time of Return to Original Meeting Place:	Return to Cascade Campground will be in the late afternoon, but it could be earlier if weather turns threatening early in the day.
Vehicle Requirements, if any:	Rugged Four wheel drive vehicle with high clearance. Plan to carpool.
Physical Limitation Concerns, Including Accessibility to Handicapped Individuals:	The trip it is at a much higher altitude than Colorado Springs (approx. 13,000 to 14,000 feet) so those who have a difficulty with high altitude should not participate. Not recommended for those who have difficulty in walking on uneven terrain or hiking at altitude. This is a dangerous trip and it is strongly recommended that children not participate. Also, this trip is not recommended for anyone subject to altitude sickness, with a heart condition or in poor health.
Equipment or Tools Recommended or Required:	A small shovel, an old paint brush, a small hand rake, an old screw driver, a rock hammer, chisel. safety glasses, and some sort of pack for carrying any specimens found. Also desirable are some paper for wrapping specimens. Also bring thick clothing, parkas, gloves, and rain gear. It could snow or rain while you are on the mountain. Don't forget sunscreen, sunglasses and aspirin or some other product for headaches.
Availability of Water and Sanitary Facilities:	There are no facilities available. Bring lots of water (dehydration can be a problem), snacks and a lunch.
Additional Comments:	The weather can change quickly at high altitude and this time of the year. Wear appropriate clothing (layered) and hiking boots. Sunscreen is definitely recommended. It is important that you arrive on time and you follow the schedule. Contact Amanda Adkins by e-mail to reserve a spot for this field trip. THIS FIELD TRIP WILL BE CANCELLED AT THE LAST MINUTE IF WEATHER IS NOT FAVORABLE!!!