Field trip to honor:  Glenn Scott

A field trip to honor Glenn Scott is scheduled for Saturday, October 24. Trip leaders include Pete Birkeland, Rich Madole, Cal Ruleman, and Ralph Shroba. The trip will feature the geology of the western Colorado Piedmont and adjoining Front Range, and will focus in particular on Quaternary geology and geomorphology, Tertiary erosion surfaces, and zonation of the Pierre Shale, topics to which Glenn has made major contributions. Most of the morning will be spent along the mountain front between the south edge of Rocky Flats and the mouth of Lefthand Canyon, about 8 km north of Boulder. The afternoon will be spent in the mountains at stops in Lefthand Canyon, along the Peak-to-Peak Highway, and in the Nederland area. The trip will end near the downvalley limit of glaciation in the valley of Middle Boulder Creek. The group will return to the trip starting point by way of Colorado Highway 72 down Coal Creek Canyon. In event of inclement weather in the mountains, more stops will be made on the piedmont.

In preparation for the field trip, Pete Birkeland and Rich Madole will speak on Thursday, Oct. 22 at 7 p.m., at the monthly CSS meeting in Golden at the American Mountaineering Club. Pete will give a 30-minute presentation on the history of Front Range/piedmont research and Rich will do about 25 minutes on geomorphology and nomenclature of the Quaternary stratigraphy.

On Saturday, October 24, we will board the vans at the Cold Springs Park-n-Ride (northwest corner of the Denver Federal Center, Lakewood) and depart promptly at 7:45 a.m. For those coming from Boulder or from the north we will meet you at 8:00 a.m. at the Park-n-Ride at the southeast corner of Highway 93 and Highway 72. We will depart no later than 8:15 a.m. We will return to the Cold Springs Park-n-ride about 5:00 p.m. Bring your own lunch and all-weather gear; be prepared for ANY kind of weather. CSS will provide bottled water and soda. Cost… $20 per person. Students are FREE.

Please RSVP to Cal Ruleman NO LATER THAN Thursday, October 22. Please give him your name, phone number, and email address in case we need to cancel the trip at the very last minute due to “weather.” Students MUST RSVP, so we can provide adequate van space. Cal can be reached at: email: cruleman@usgs.gov; phone: (303) 859-0911

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