GLENDON QUARRY
Saturday, May 4, 2013
8AM till 3PM sharp!
(Attendance limited to 120 registrations)

The SFMS Field Trip Committee has been invited by R.T. Vanderbilt Co. Inc, Standard Minerals Division to conduct one of the best and most interesting field trip opportunities in the Southeast. If you have not collected here in the past, you should not miss an opportunity to go to this quarry for quality specimen/cabinet grade pyrite. The Glendon pyrophyllite mine is an open pit quarry that has produced many perfect pyrite crystals up to 4 inches on a side and 6 inches long!! Generally, you can find a cube approaching 2 inches or so and a bunch of others in all shapes and sizes up to one inch or more. The pyrite cubes are located loose on the surface or in seams down a foot or less in the bottom of the quarry floor or in the tailing piles just inside the front gate which were taken from the quarry floor.

If it hasn't rained for some time, the light gray pyrophyllite soil seems to coat everything with a gray goop that makes it difficult to identify the pyrite crystals on the surface. Using a VERY GOOD metal detector makes the hunt almost a "no brainer"! A basic metal detector may offer some success. You may also find small greenish blue fluorite crystals in crevices in the quartz rock that you can bust out at the far end of the quarry floor.

Tools needed: Scratching tool, prying tools, crack hammer and chisel, sledge hammer and small pick, if you want to get real physical.

Collecting: pyrite cubes, pyrite cubes in matrix, green fluorite, and micro-minerals.

RAIN OR SHINE, THIS FIELD TRIP WILL TAKE PLACE. - There will not be a rain date for this field trip.
REGISTRATION PROCEDURE: After you have supplied all of the required information in an email back to the SFMS Field Trip Committee [email address below], the Committee will assign a registration number(s) and resend your email back to you as your admission ticket to this field trip. Each registration number is assigned to only one collector. If your form has two or more registration numbers, then that is the number of individuals allowed in to the field trip on that registration form. Also, R.T. Vanderbilt Co. will require everyone to fill-in and sign a company liability release form before entry.

Donation: This year we are asking for all who attend this field trip to contribute just $2.00pp to be given to the two Standard Mineral employs who volunteer their free time to open up the mine for us. They have freely given up their Saturday day-off to supervise this field trip for the company. In the past, many individual collectors among us have tried to give them a donation as a gesture of their application but were individually refused. We feel that, as a group, we will be successful in making a collective show of our application for their continued sacrifice of their free time. If you would like to contribute, please have your donation(s) ready when you check-in with us at the front gate on Saturday, May 4th.

ONCE THE 120th REGISTRATION NUMBER IS ASSIGNED, THIS FIELD TRIP WILL BE CLOSED!

YOU MUST BRING YOUR ACCEPTED REGISTRATION FORM TO BE ALLOWED TO ENTER THE QUARRY.

We must be out to the quarry by 3pm SHARP - NO EXCEPTIONS! Plan your digging and packing accordingly!

IF YOU DISCOVER THAT YOU CAN NOT MAKE THIS FIELD TRIP, PLEASE SEND US A CANCELLATION EMAIL SO THAT WE MAY GIVE SOMEONE ELSE YOUR SPOT(S) OR YOU WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO ATTEND THE FOLLOWING YEAR!
REGISTRATION INFORMATION:

This field trip is open to members of SFMS affiliated clubs which have paid the 2013-2014 third party liability insurance through the SFMS/EFMLS or other private insurers. Make sure that your club is CURRENT with their liability coverage!

ONE REGISTRATION FORM may be used to list related family members, couples, and significant others. All other non-related individuals must submit a separate form. NO children under the age of 12! Please list the ages of all individuals who are under the age of 18.

REGISTRATION FORMAT:

- NAME(s): Last Name, First Name (in this order-PLEASE!)
- Postal Address/City/State:
- Phone:
- Email Address:
- SFMS affiliated club:
  (only SFMS clubs which have current liability insurance [SFMS/EFMLS/Private] are allowed to attend.)
  (2012-13 SFMS Insurance expires on March 31, 2013. Make sure that your club has paid for the 2013-14 liability coverage.)

(Please answer ALL of the above items or your registration will be returned!)

Reply to this email with your completed registration information or send your registration back to sfms@amfed.org

Glendon Quarry code of conduct!

- Park your vehicle in the designated area(s) only.
- NO child under the age of 12 years old is to be allowed in the quarry because of all the dangers involved. CHILDREN 12 and older WILL BE ALLOWED DURING THIS EVENT IF EACH CHILD IS UNDER STRICT ADULT SUPERVISION!
- ALL pets must be kept under control and on a leash.
- ALL Standard Minerals employees have final and absolute say as to where you may safely work.
- HAND TOOLS ONLY!
- STAY AWAY FROM ALL HIGH WALLS and do not cross any taped boundary markers!!
- EVERYONE NEEDS TO BE OUT OF THE QUARRY BY 3pm sharp - NO EXCEPTIONS.