

## **Agenda for Ghost Towns by Cross Country Ski**

**February 14-15, 2015**

**1 graduate credit through Colorado School of Mines**

**Cost: With tuition - \$140. Without tuition - \$90.**

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The Ghost Towns by Cross Country Ski class will begin at 8:00 on February 15<sup>th</sup>, at the Leadville Chamber of Commerce, which is located in the middle of town on Harrison, which is the main street in Leadville. It is at the northern end just before you make the sharp right turn. You will need to bring your cross country skies or snowshoes with you, since you will not have time to rent them in Leadville the morning before the class.

Here is the agenda for the class. After a brief historical overview of Colorado Mining History, we will travel to the first ski loop, which is just east of Leadville. This loop will take us past some wonderful old ghost towns and will last until about lunchtime. Please pack plenty of water and a sack lunch. After lunch, we will split into 2 groups. The hard core skiing group will go with Melanie on another ghost town loop. If you are tired, you have the option of joining Joyce for a walking tour of Leadville's historical district. At 2:30 p.m. we will sojourn back to Leadville's Mining Museum, which is a fabulous museum with incredible rock and mineral specimens and a delightful gift shop. Here we will meet the proprietor of the museum who will give us a special tour and an overview of mining in Colorado. Dinner will be on your own that evening. Accommodation options will be later in this email.

Day 2 will find us back on the trail of the haunts as we ski along the Mineral Belt. At 1:00 p.m. we will all meet at the historic Healy House for a tour. Class will dismiss from there.

Please bring at least 2 liters of water and dress very warmly. Leadville is over 10,000 feet high and can get cold. Be sure to bring waterproof gloves, warm snow pants, ski parka, hat, sunglasses, and sunscreen. Dress in layers so that you can add or shed easily.

If you are joining us, please send it to:

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P.S. We will be renting a small home in Leadville that can house 8 people. If you are interested in joining us in the house for Friday and Saturday nights, the cost will be \$40. per person per night.