



Ore-Cutts

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The Pres Box— August 2015

Dyana Cridelich, OMS President 2015



COWABUNGA! It's only 16 days till SHOWTIME!

We've been really busy and have accomplished much but there is still a lot to do to make the Rainbow of Gems a total success.

On Wednesday, Aug 5 at 9am, Wes will need as

many hands as possible to help lay out dealer spots. On Thursday, Aug 6 at 7:30am, we will be inside; working on lay out, skirting the tables, booths and displays. On Sunday evening and Monday morning, we will need help with cleanup. This is important because when the school is happy, we get to come back.

Please review the calendar of events and decide where and when you can help out. We still have a number of spots to fill for both hospitality and treasure chest. Alexis needs major assistance at the Children's booth. Please let her know if you can help. A big Thank You to everyone who has already signed up. Your hard work is appreciated.

Please wear your club vest when attending the show. It identifies you as a person the public can get answers from. If you don't have a vest, wear a club T-shirt, or hat. Make sure to wear your nametag. Remember the Rules: No Tobacco, No Alcohol, And No Pets. If you see any of these, let us know.

Please bring two pies for the pie booth. You can bring more if you want. All the money made, will go to the club. **You can bring apple, berry,**

lemon meringue, rhubarb, or nut pies. Make sure the pies are NOT cream based.

We will have a board meeting right before the show on Aug 4th for last minute questions and a general meeting on Aug. 11th. This will be a wrap-up of the show and the display will be your show treasures.

I would like to thank Wes Lingerfelt for his interesting and informative presentation on sphere making. I love spheres and had no idea that to make one correctly was so intricate and precise. It makes me appreciate the spheres and those that make them all the more.

I hope to see everyone at the show! **Have a great time!**

SHOW TIME!!

OMS HOSTS THEIR 48TH ANNUAL SHOW AT NIPOMO HIGH SCHOOL AUGUST 7-9

Schedule of Events

Day	Time	Event
Wednesday (5 th)	9:00 am	Mark lot Bring 100-foot tapes
Thursday 6 th	7:30 am 5:30 pm	Set-up show Pizza dinner for participants
Friday (7 th)	10-5 pm	Show
Saturday (8 th)	10-5 pm 5:30 pm	Show Chicken BBQ
Sunday (9 th)	10-4 pm 3-4 pm 4-6:30 pm 7:00 pm	Show Treasure Chest drawing Take-down show After party at The Golden Dragon 151 W Dana St (Nipomo)
Monday (10 th)	8:00 am	Clean-up

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES



Birthday greetings go out to those folks who are having Birthdays and Anniversaries in

AUGUST

Birthdays

Vernon Deck	8/8
Sylvia Nasholm	8/9
Debbie Hood	8/10
Alexis Van Atta	8/11
Harold "Lucky" Virgin	8/11
Bill Brownl	8/18
Wes Lingerfelt	8/23

Anniversaries

Sheffer, Geary	8/20
Virgin, Harold, "Lucky"	8/25

Congratulations!

*If you don't see your name here when you should, then the information is not in **The Red Book**. Please write your important dates down and give them to Wes Lingerfelt so they will be included in the next edition (2016).*

SUNSHINE

Jeannie Lingerfelt

Our sympathies go out to Lee Reyburn & Family who has been diagnosed with cancer. Lee has been a valued member of OMS since 2004.

If you have good or bad news that you would be willing to share with our members, please notify Jeannie Lingerfelt and Wayne Mills.

CULVER CITY GEM SHOW REPORT

Story and photos Wayne W, Mills, Ore Cutts Editor

I happened to be in the vicinity of the recent Culver City Gem show (June 27-28), so I stopped in. The show was a pleasant surprise, not only for some of the familiar dealers (Richard Sittinger, Hand-to-Mouth Mining, Crystal Monster, Cams Minerals among others), but for the venue itself (The Culver City Veterans Hall), for some of the wonderful displays, and for some of the folks I met there.

Ellen Moe has long been active on LA Rocks, and before that in the Die Hard Rockhounds. She has

often taken her daughter **Minda** (from when she was a little girl) on many of her rockhound trips, and lo and behold, both were at the show. Only now, Ellen is being more selective of her trips, and daughter Minda is a freshman in Geology at UC Berkeley! I also met and chatted briefly with **Brad Smith** (of Shop Tips by Brad). Brad is a wonderful silversmith, and is currently president of the Culver City club. I didn't bring any rocks home, but I saw some I wanted to—Heliodor from Pakistan (\$5.00 per gram), and a colored, scrimshaw whale tooth with a polar bear and square-rigged sailing ship (\$1,480). An added bonus is that they had a plant show next door.



Some of Brad's silver work

CJ Quitoriano former president of CFMS and some of her glasswork



Close-up of some of CJ's creatures



WE GIVE THANKS

Wayne Mills, Ore Cutts Editor

Thanks to Lisa Azevedo for bringing some back copies to the Ore-Cutts to the July meeting during a difficult time for her and Joe. There was some "good stuff" in the package she brought. I am looking forward to seeing what is in the other 10 boxes she has to go through! I am trying to acquire back copies of the Ore Cutts to extract articles, and to pay tribute to past editors. My current collection starts at January 1987 and goes to the present. Lisa's collection included the October 1982 Ore Cutts.

LETTER FROM AUSTRALIA

Sir Paul Howard and his wife Lady Marie have been honorary members of OMS since 1992. Sir Paul has had many careers including waiting tables in Sydney where he was born, helping to manage restaurants, driving motor coaches, selling real estate and racing catamarans. During the 7 years he sold real estate, he joined a Lapidary Club and became enamored with agate (especially Queensland (Australia) Agate). He has since become an expert on the topic of Queensland Agate and its micro-inclusions, lecturing widely on the topic. Sir Paul has also become quite proficient in the art of wire wrap jewelry, and lectures on that topic as well. Sir Paul has been around the world nine times and is about to embark on another epic adventure, including the OMS show in 2016.

Elanora, Australia, 19 June, 2015

Hello Wes and Jeannie:

Just a short note to keep in touch and to accompany this *raffle* ticket I bought for you. Our Lapidary Club committee has sent every member of the club a book of raffle tickets to sell before the annual gem show which is at the end of this month. They did not give us a lot of time to do it; but I decided to buy one for all my best rockhound friends to keep our friendship cemented together. If you win a prize they will phone me.

We won't be going to Agate Creek this year or next year because of a cruise we have booked and paid for on the Sun Princess to cruise around the Pacific Ocean. It travels up the East coast of Asia including Japan, China, Russia, Alaska, the West coast of Canada and the U.S.A, then over to the Hawaiian Islands, down to Polynesia and New

Zealand and back to Sydney.

We will be saving our dollars till then. At the Gemboree this year at Horsham in Victoria; Lady Marie and I put 6 entries into the wire wrapped jewelry section of the competitions and won 4 prizes. Two firsts, 1 second and 1 third. How's that. For next year's Orcutt Mineral club's gem show I plan to send a showcase of wire wrapped jewelry items I have made over the years for you to display at the show that I will be attending. I hope you will supply the showcase.

I was the guest speaker to the Gemboree on the Good Friday night to about 300 rockhounds. I talked about fossicking for Queensland agates at Agate Creek in far North Queensland. The Editor of the Victorian Clubs association asked me to write an article for their "Pointer" magazine. This is what I wrote (**See story in September Ore Cutts**). You might like to include it into the Ore-Cutts newsletter. Some time back in the newsletter you asked members to write a story for the newsletter about their life before the club took over.

While on our world cruise in 2010 we made friends with one of the passengers who writes poetry. He was featured on stage several times reciting poetry he had composed. During our conversation one day he mentioned his love of poetry was to write the life history of people. He wrote a nice one for me. (*See synopsis above. Ed.*)

I am looking forward to meeting up with you and the club members next year. Lady Marie has got over her fall last year and is well again. Till we meet again, stay well, have fun, it's later than you think.

Kindest Regards from
Sir Paul and Lady Marie Howard.

CRATER OF DIAMONDS RELEASES ANOTHER GEM

In April we reported that a woman had found a **3.69** Carat diamond at Crater of Diamonds State Park in Murfreesboro, Arkansas. On June 28 of this year, a Colorado woman found an **8.52** carat diamond there--the 5th largest found since the founding of Crater of Diamonds State Park in 1972.

The Esperanza Diamond as the Colorado woman named it is one of 227 diamonds that have been found in the park this year. The largest diamond ever found in the 37.5 acre search area is **16.37** carats and was found in 1975. Read more at:

<http://www.msn.com/en-us/news/other/colorado-woman-finds-852-carat-diamond-at-arkansas-park/ar>, and an article by Jareen Imam, CNN Updated 2:22 PM ET, Mon June 29, 2015



LAPIDARY OF THE MONTH” ARTICLES SOUGHT FOR ROCK & GEM MAGAZINE

By Jim Brace-Thompson, Rock & Gem Contributing Author

Rock & Gem is the officially sponsored hobby magazine of the **American Federation of Mineralogical Societies**—our official magazine! They and Senior Consulting Editor Bob Jones have done much to promote rockhounding and rock clubs like those to which you and I belong. As you may know, I’m a regular contributing author, as well, mostly with articles for their “Rock & Gem Kids” section. Recently, Rock &

Gem Managing Editor Lynn Varon has asked my help soliciting articles from within the ranks of the regional and national Federations for their “Lapidary of the Month” feature.

“Lapidary of the Month” is usually the very first article appearing in each issue of the magazine. In it, a lapidary artist (amateur or professional) describes a relatively simple project with a photo and step-by-step procedures for others to follow. For an example, see page 8 of the July 2015 issue. We would like to encourage you to write such a contribution! Here are the specifications:

- A 500-word description telling step-by-step how you crafted your lapidary project from start to finish, saved as a document file.
- At least one close-up digital color photograph of the finished project (with camera set for high resolution, i.e., 300 dpi at 4 inches by 5 inches, minimum).
- Send your document file and digital photo (.tif or .jpg) as attachments in an email to editor@rockngem.com with the subject line “Lapidary of the Month.” Include your name and a street address (not a PO Box) for prize delivery should your entry be selected for publication. (Only winners will be notified.)

Authors of articles selected to appear in “Lapidary of the Month” receive a two-speed Dremel Model 200 N/40 MultiPro kit and a wall plaque in recognition of their creativity and craftsmanship. (Thus the need for a street address.)

For questions or further submission details, please contact Lynn Varon at Rock & Gem, 5235 Mission Oaks Blvd. #201, Camarillo, CA93012, phone (972) 448-4626, mail editor@rockngem.com. Here’s to good projects and good writing—and to seeing you as lapidary of the Month!

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH

From Anonymous, via Pick ‘n Shovel—San Gorgonio Mineral and Gem Society April, 2015

“The Lord gave you two ends—one for sitting and one for thinking.

Your success depends on which one you use—heads you win, tails you lose.”

BITS AND BYTES

Good website for detailed information about a variety of rock materials

<http://www.agatelady.com/photo-gallery-mineral-of-the-month-march-2012.html>

Zen and the art of rock balancing (cairn making) by aptly named artist Michael Grab.

<http://www.boredpanda.com/gravity-stone-balancing-michael-grab/>

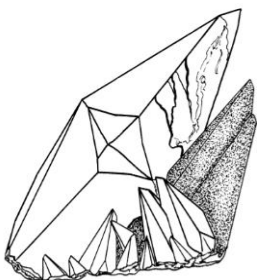
Interesting article on the fossilization process and other rock-related blogs

<http://rockhoundtimes.blogspot.com/>

KID'S CORNER

Diamond Dan's MINI Miner's Monthly Vol. 8 No. 2

CALCITE



Nearly every state in the United States produces calcite in one form or another. In many cases the calcite is white or yellow and usually forms "dogtooth" crystals. The scientific word for these crystals is scalenohedral.

At the Tucson Show you will see calcite crystals from Ohio, Tennessee, Michigan, Missouri and more. **Above** is a fine calcite crystal from the Upper Peninsula of Michigan. This part of the United States is known as "Copper Country."



This calcite specimen has copper in it, so it is a bright, metallic, copper-red color!

The Brushy Creek mine near Salem, Missouri is an important lead mine. In the 1970's miners discovered a large, clear lake 1,100 feet

underground! Above this lake were very large, well-formed, gray calcite crystals. Some of the calcites were covered with tiny marcasite

crystals that had tarnished to bright rainbow colors of purple, blue and red. Mining companies usually don't save mineral specimens. It takes too much time to carefully remove them and this costs a lot of money. The mine also loses the money it could make by removing valuable ore. At the Brushy Creek mine, however, the mine owners made a business agreement with two mineral dealers to carefully remove and preserve these wonderful calcite specimens. Today you will see many of these specimens in museums, private collections and for sale. One of these crystal groups is pictured to the Left.

CAMP PARADISE REGISTRATION

CFMS Camp Paradise Earth Science Camp will be held in two one week sessions, August 30-September 4 and September 6-11. This is a once per year total immersion experience at a lovely camp near the Yuba River in Northern California. The cost is \$390 per person and includes room and board. The following classes will be taught: Beginning Faceting, Ming Trees, Lapidary, Soft Stone Carving, Silver Smithing, and Lost Wax Casting, Beginning through Advanced Wire Art, Copper Enameling, Lamp Work Bead Making, Beading, PMC3 Clay and Dichroic Glass.

For more information and a registration form contact Wayne Mills (wwmills50@hotmail.com), or look on the cfmsinc.org web page.

This is a great experience—registration fills up fast!

CLAWS THAT GIVE PAUSE

<http://boredomtherapy.com/strange-archeological-discoveries>

A recent article on the internet featured the results of a 1986 investigation into some caves in the mountains of New Zealand. One of their discoveries was this claw from an ancient Upland

Moa. Moas are (9 species in 2 genera) wingless, flightless (obviously) birds related to rheas and emus. They were up to 12 feet tall, and lived in New Zealand until about 1440 AD when they became extinct due to overhunting by the native Maoris. You gotta' admit, their claws (talons) are quite reminiscent of their ancestral *Velociraptor* kin as seen in the recent movie ***Jurassic World***.



**ORCUTT MINERAL SOCIETY—
Board Meeting
Nipomo Chamber of Commerce Office,
Nipomo, CA
July 7, 2015**

President Dyanna Cridelich called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

Board members present were Wes Lingerfelt, Jeannie Lingerfelt, Elaine Von Achen, Sandy Berthelot, Mike Henson, Alexis Van Natta and John Von Achen. Paul Berthelot, Margaret Henson and Wayne Mills were guests.

Minutes: Minutes were approved as printed in the July bulletin.

Treasurer's report: Wes Lingerfelt gave the treasurer's report. Report was accepted as given.

Correspondence: Elaine reported newsletters received from San Geronio Mineral & Gem Society, Santa Lucia Rockhounds and Sun Valley Indian School as well as a thank you letter from AAUW thanking us for the use of our tables for their recent fund raiser.

Committee Reports:

Abused Children: None

Annual December Luncheon Meeting: None

Annual Gem Show: Wes has the treasure chest tickets printed and they are being sold by the book for \$5.00 or in packets of four books for \$20.00. Board members purchased their tickets at the meeting. Wayne had

information on advertising in the Sun which is a sister newspaper to the New Times. It was agreed that we would purchase an ad in both the Sun and New Times to come out Thursday, the day before the show and Wayne will place that ad. Wes will place an ad in the Santa Maria Times and all its sister papers the Wednesday before the show.

Elaine and Wes met with Ino Garcia, G-Brothers Catering, on Monday, July 6 at the Nipomo high school. They went over the menu he is going to serve at the show as well as the menu for the Saturday night barbeque. They also talked about the location of his catering truck and his barbeque. Everything is set for the show.

Breakfast: July's breakfast will be on the 25th at 8:30 a.m. and will be held at Francisco's Country Kitchen, 1701 N. Broadway, Santa Maria, CA.

Bulletin: July's bulletin is out.

CFMS: Wes and Jeannie attended the CFMS show in Lodi on June 12th, 13th and 14th. Wes submitted expenses of \$308.20, costs for gas, food and lodging to attend the show.

Elaine Von Achen made a motion that we pay those expenses. Sandy Berthelot seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Education: None

Field Trip: August's field trip will be the show which will be held August 7th, 8th and 9th.

Highway Clean-up: Our next clean-up will be held July 11, at 8:00 a.m. Members will meet on the South East corner of Highways 101 and 166.

Library: None

Membership: None

Refreshments: Alexis Van Natta reported that the refreshment for July will be cake donated by Elaine Von Achen, Margaret Henson, Sylvia Nasholm and Andrew Richey.

Scholarship: None

Sunshine: Jeannie Lingerfelt reported that Lee Reyburn is not doing well and that he is now in hospice.

Old Business: Elaine reported that due to lack of interest she did not follow through with the display at the Nipomo Library this year.

New Business:

Santos Sarabia from "I Love Rocks", a store in San Luis Obispo, stopped by to visit with the board. He has recently moved to the Marigold Shopping Center on Tank Farm Road and Hwy. 227. He has a retail store, and has just obtained a 1,200 square foot store adjacent to his retail store in which he hopes to set up lapidary classes

as well as display cases. His hope is to have "kid's camp", classes for kids, as well as classes for adults. He is looking for anyone who would be interested in giving classes on rock cutting, polishing, jewelry making and anything else rock related. His website is I Love Rocks.com

The meeting was adjourned by President Dyanna Cridelich at 7:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Elaine Von Achen, Secretary, OMS

**ORCUTT MINERAL SOCIETY—
General Meeting
Luis Oasis Senior Center, Orcutt, CA
July 14, 2015**

President Dyanna Cridelich called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Mike Henson gave the invocation.

Mariah Martinez led the flag salute.

Minutes: Elaine Von Achen gave the minutes from the July 7, 2015 board meeting. Minutes were approved as read.

Treasurer's report: Wes Lingerfelt gave the treasurer's report. It was accepted as given.

Correspondence: None

Committee Reports:

Hospitality: There were 33 members and 3 guests in attendance. Our guests were Fred Moreno, Samantha Rice and Terri Richard. Guests were greeted and thanked.

Refreshments: Alexis Van Natta thanked Andrew Richey, Sylvia Nasholm, Margaret Henson and Elaine Von Achen for bringing cakes for the evening's refreshment.

Committee Reports:

Annual December Luncheon Meeting: None

Abused Children: None

Breakfast: July's breakfast will be held at the Francisco's Country Kitchen, 1701 No. Broadway, Santa Maria at 8:30 a.m. on the 25th.

Bulletin: The bulletin has been mailed and is on the web.

CFMS: None.

Door Prizes: Joseph Martinez reported donations from Jeannie Lingerfelt - Pendant, Sylvia Nasholm - petrified wood and leopard skin jasper, Bud Burgess - Belt Buckle

with blue tiger eye, Wayne Mills - mineral specimens, Allyn & Marilyn Goodall - slabs, and Lucky Virgin - hollow geode, Alexis Van Natta and Dyanna Cridelich - lizard skin slab.

Education: None

Gem Show: Wes went over plans for the show. He noted that he and John would put up signs this Thursday. Wednesday, the 5th, members will meet at 9:00 a.m. to layout the parking lot. Jan Ferguson will bring donuts and Jeannie Lingerfelt will bring coffee. Thursday, the 6th, members will meet at 8:00 a.m. to set up tables, sound system, pop-ups and getting the show ready to open on Friday morning. Sylvia Nasholm will be in charge of the pies with help from Jeannie Lingerfelt. G-Brothers will be doing the food all three days as well as the Saturday night barbeque. Elaine Von Achen will be in charge of the Thursday night dinner as well as showcases. John Von Achen is in charge of security.

Historian: None

Field Trip: Our next field trip will be the August Gem Show on the 7th, 8th and 9th.

Highway Clean-up: Wayne reported that the highway clean-up was July 11th and 6 people showed up. Wayne was the winner of the door prize.

Library: None

Membership: Elaine announced new member, Robert Bischoff, had been voted in by the board. Robert was not in attendance but will be welcomed next month.

Junior Members: None

Political Action Committee:

Property: None

Scholarship: None

Sunshine: Jeannie Lingerfelt reported that Don Nasholm is recovering from Pneumonia.

Old Business:

Elaine Von Achen said that because of lack of interest she did not pursue putting in a display at the Nipomo Library this July.

New Business:

July's program is a slide show on sphere making given by Wes Lingerfelt.

Dyanna thanked the following people for their displays this evening: Mike & Margaret Henson - Five various spheres, Jeannie Lingerfelt - wire wrapped crystal, Stan & Jan Ferguson - Ocean jasper sphere as well as a couple of other items, Sally Griffith - Mahogany Obsidian sphere, a Cady Mtn. sphere as well as one made by Lucky Virgin,

Alexis Van Natta - quite a few spheres that she asked people to identify, Wes Lingerfelt - a Tuscarora wood sphere and a picture jasper sphere, Wayne Mills – had 9 spheres (selenite, asteriated quartz, poppy jasper, pisolitic limestone, Rhodonite, Crazy Lace agate, Brazilian agate, Turritella agate and Graveyard Point agate).

President Dyanna Cridelich adjourned the meeting at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted: Elaine Von Achen, Secretary, OMS

Website: www.omsinc.org

August 14 - 16: TEHACHAPI, CA
 Tehachapi Valley Gem & Mineral Society
 St. Malachy's Church
 407 West E. Street
 Hours: 9 - 5 daily
 Contact: Chuck Overall, (661) 821-4650
 Email: luckydogs5433@aol.com
 Website: www.tvgms.org

August 22 - 23: SAN FRANCISCO, CA
 San Francisco Gem & Mineral Society
 San Francisco County Fair Building
 9th Avenue & Lincoln Way
 Hours: Sat. 10 - 6; Sun. 10 - 5
 Contact: Ellen Nott
 Email: ellen_nott@yahoo.com
 Website: www.sfgms.org

August 29 -30: CONCORD, CA
 Contra Costa Mineral & Gem Society
 Centre Concord
 5298 Clayton Road (near Ygnacio Valley Rd.)
 Hours: 10 - 5 daily
 Contact: Harry Nichandros, (925) 289-0454
 Email: show-c@ccmgs.org
 Website: www.ccmgs.org

OMS CALENDAR

AUGUST 2015

Tuesday, August 4 7:00 pm	Board Meeting 239 W. Teft, Nipomo
Fri-Sun, August 7-9	OMS 48th Annual Show— Nipomo High School
Tuesday, August 11 7:00 pm	General Meeting — Luis Oasis Senior Center Program: Mineral Meanders in Brazil Wayne Mills Display: Any 1' x 1' display Dessert: Cookies
Saturday, August 22 8:30 am	☉ Breakfast— The Girls, Arroyo Grande

SEPTEMBER 2015

Tuesday, Sept. 1 7:00 pm	Board Meeting 239 W. Tefft, Nipomo
Tuesday, Sept. 8 7:00 pm	General Meeting — Luis Oasis Senior Center Program: Show Wrap-up, Wes Lingerfelt Display: Show treasures or anything! Dessert: Pies
Saturday, Sept. 12 8:00 am	Highway Clean-up @101/166 E
Saturday, Sept. 26 8:30 am	☉ Breakfast— Country Kitchen, SM

CFMS SHOWS

AUGUST 2015

August 7 - 9: NIPOMO, CA
Orcutt Mineral Society, Santa Maria
 Nipomo High School
 525 North Thompson Avenue
 Hours: Fri & Sat 10 - 5; Sun 10 - 4
 Contact: Wes Lingerfelt, (805) 929-3788

September 19 - 20: CHICO, CA
 Feather River Lapidary & Mineral Society, Oroville
 Silver Dollar Fairgrounds
 2357 Fair Street
 Hours: Sat 9:30 - 5 daily
 John Scott, (530) 343-3491
 Email: jweazel@sbcglobal.net
 Website: www.featherriverrocks.org

September 19 - 20: REDWOOD CITY, CA
 Sequoia Gem & Mineral Society
 Community Activities Building
 1400 Roosevelt Avenue
 Hours: 10 - 5 daily
 Contact: Carol Corden
 Email: cordencarol@yahoo.com
 Website: www.sequoiagemandmineralsociety.org

September 26 - 27: DOWNEY, CA
 Delvers Gem & Mineral Society
 Elks Lodge
 11233 Woodruff Avenue
 Hours: Sat 9 - 5; Sun 9 - 4
 Contact: Dale Hardwood (310) 217-0551
 Email: nancyjbird@verizon.net

September 26 - 27: LODI, CA

Stockton Lapidary & Mineral Club
 Lodi Grape Festival Grounds
 413 East Lockford Street
 Hours: 10 - 5 daily
 Contact: Jerold Kyle, (209) 368-9411
 Email: jeroldkyle@yahoo.com
 Website: www.stocktonlapidary.com

September 26 - 27: MONTEREY, CA

Carmel Valley Gem & Mineral Society
 Monterey Fairgrounds
 2004 Fairgrounds Road
 Hours: Sat 10 - 6; Sun 10 - 5
 Contact: Janis Rovetti, (831) 372-1311
 Email: janis12@sbcglobal.net

September 26 - 27: SANTA ROSA, CA

Santa Rosa Mineral & Gem Society
 Wells Fargo Center for the Arts
 50 Mark West Springs Road
 Hours: Sat 10 - 6; Sun 10 - 5
 Contact: Jolene, (707) 528-7610
 Email: Jolene@srmgs.org
 Website: www.srmgs.org

September 30 - October 4: YUCCA VALLEY, CA

Hi-Desert Rockhounds
 Sportsman's Club of Joshua Tree
 Hours: 9 - 6 daily
 Contact: Judy Thompson, (760) 902-5340
 Email: rogerthompson@mac.com
 Website: www.jtsportsmansclub.com/gem.html

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DON'T HESITATE,
PARTICIPATE!

Call Wes (929-3788) to help with Hospitality, Kids Activity, Pie Booth and Security, and Call Wayne (481-3495) to help with Treasure Chest.

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ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED

The ORE CUTTS (named after William Orcutt) was first published in 1966. Member Helen Azevedo was the first editor. The Orcutt Mineral Society was founded in 1958, and was also named after Orcutt who was a geologist and civil engineer who worked in the Santa Maria Valley as a District Manager for Union Oil Company in 1888. In 1889, William Orcutt discovered the mineral and fossil wealth of the La Brea Tar Pits on the property of Captain Alan Hancock in Los Angeles. The La Brea Tar Pits are one of the most significant fossil finds in paleontological history.

OMS is a non-profit organization dedicated to stimulating an interest in the earth sciences. The club offers educational programs, field trips, scholarships, and other opportunities for families and individuals to pursue an interest in the collecting and treatment of lapidary materials, fossils, gems, minerals, and other facets of the Earth Sciences. In addition, another goal of this Society is to promote good fellowship and proper ethics in pursuit of the Society's endeavors. Operating Rules have been set forth to guide the officers and members of the Society in accomplishing these aims. Affiliations of the OMS include American Federation of Mineral Societies, and California Federation of Mineral Societies.

