



Ore-Cutts

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Please join us on February 14, 2012 at 7:00 pm at the Luis Oasis Senior Center, 420 Soares Ave. in Old Orcutt for a program by Elaine Von Achen on her trip to Wyoming.

- **Display** will be any **rocks you have collected** on field trips, but as always you are welcome to bring any rocks/minerals that you would like to share.
- The refreshments will be **Pies** brought to us by Jeanie Lingerfelt, Sandy Berthelot, Jan Ferguson & Mike Van B.

Dues are due and must be paid by the March meeting to be included in the Redbook. \$24.00 for Individual, \$34.00 Per Couple, \$ 5.00 Each Additional Family Member, Juniors under age of 18, \$10.00.

Prez Box

By Debbie Hood

I hope everyone who went to Quartzite had a great time and will be bringing great specimens to display at our meeting this month.

Those of us who did not go did get some work done. Here is the list of committee chairmen for 2012:

Bulletin Editor	Debbie Hood
Meeting Door Prize	<u>Mike Schmidt</u>
Budget & Audit	<u>Jeanne Brown</u>
Refreshments	Margaret Hensen
Abused Children	Jan Ferguson
Bylaws/Parliamentarian	Wes Lingerfelt
CFMS Director	Wes Lingerfelt
Sunshine	Debbie Hood

Annual Awards Banquet	Bill Hood
Membership	<u>Jeanne Brown</u>
Scholarship	Wayne Mills
Property	Geary Scheffer
Education	Wayne Mills
Sheriff	Bill Hood
Year Book	Wes Lingerfelt
Public Lands Access	Dick Bazzell
Chaplin	Mike Hensen
Adopt-A-Hiway	Wayne Mills
Hospitality	Sharon Duncan
Breakfasts	<u>Bill Hood</u>
Bar-B-Q	Wes Lingerfelt
Telephone Tree	Dyana Cridelich
Juniors Program	<u>Sylvia Nasholm</u>

As you can see there are some changes that are underlined, and there are still several niches to fill: **We need a Fieldtrip Chairman, and a Librarian.** If you are interested in either of these jobs, please speak to Wes Lingerfelt or Bob Bullock about the duties of Fieldtrip Chairman and to Geary Scheffer about the Librarian's position. Neither of these **HAVE** to be one person jobs, if two people want to share the responsibility, that would be fine. My bottom line is that we get the job done without anyone feeling overwhelmed by the job. This is supposed to be fun and done out of love for our hobby and our friends in the club who share it with us.



Please note that there is a new Committee listing, that of the **Juniors Program**, which is now in full operation thanks to Sylvia Nasholm's efforts and supervision-we really appreciate all her work to make this happen!!

I still need to speak with a couple of other chairmen to confirm they will continue in their positions- mostly folks who were not at the Jan meeting.

As most of you are aware, we have not yet been able to nail down the use of the high school due to a possible conflict with a building project. While we are hopeful that this will still be worked out for this year, I am asking everybody to think about possible alternative sites, or activities for this year as a back up plan should we not be able to use the school. One suggestion is to do two smaller shows again, a tailgate show, and then a smaller indoor show at another date. Wes Lingerfelt is investigating a possible site for a tailgate if we need to go to a backup plan.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Birthday greetings go out to those who are having birthdays in February: Jan Ferguson, Glenda Reeves & Alexis Van Natta. Happy Birthday & Many more!



Members celebrating a February anniversary are Peggy Johnson and her husband, Many Happy Returns of this day!



Sunshine

Sandy Berthelot had her final-we hope-eye surgery and now is seeing much more clearly *which means Paul will have to mind his manners now-tough luck Paul!* Sandy has also passed her most recent cancer screens with flying colors so all is righting itself for Sandy.



Currently everybody seems to be doing okay. As always, please call and let Debby Hood know if any one is ill.

Hiway Clean up Scrubbed

The usual day for the January Hiway cleanup had to be rescheduled because of new CalTrans rules prohibiting cleanup crews from being out on holiday weekends to prevent accidents. The reschedule day turned out to be raining, and with so many of the regulars off to Quartzite, the few who were left decided to stay inside where it was warm and dry. March's cleanup will therefore need a few extra hands to get'er done.

California Desert Advisory Council

The next field trip and meeting of the Bureau of Land Management's California Desert Advisory Council will be held Feb. 10-11 in Primm, Nev., just across the California-Nevada border. The council will participate in a field tour of nearby BLM-managed public lands on Friday, Feb. 10 from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and meet in formal session on Saturday, Feb. 11 from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Primm Valley Resort, 31900 South Las Vegas Boulevard, Primm, NV 89019. Please try to attend this meeting. The more Rockhounds that support these meetings the more support the Rockhounds and Rockhounding will receive from the BLM. It is your land and you need to be involved in its management, access and usage.

U.S. Department of the Interior Bureau of Land Management News Release

The next field trip and meeting of the Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) California Desert Advisory Council (DAC) will be held Feb. 10-11 in Primm, Nev., just across the California-Nevada border. The council will participate in a field tour of nearby BLM-managed public lands on Friday, Feb. 10 from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and meet in formal session on Saturday, Feb. 11 from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Primm Valley Resort, 31900 South Las Vegas Boulevard, Primm, NV 89019.

The meeting focus topic will be the Desert Renewable Energy Conservation Plan (DRECP) and the California Desert Conservation Area (CDCA). Agenda topics for the formal session on Saturday will include a DRECP/CDCA overview briefing, updates by Council members, reports from the BLM District Manager and five field office managers, as well as reports from DAC-appointed subgroups. Friday tour information and final agenda topics will be posted on the BLM California state website, www.blm.gov/ca/st/en/info/rac/dac.html.

All DAC meetings are open to the public. The public will be invited to comment at the

beginning of the meeting Saturday morning, during the presentations at the discretion of the DAC chair, and at the end of the meeting. While the meeting is tentatively scheduled to conclude at 4:30 p.m., it could wrap up earlier should the council conclude its presentations and discussions.

Written comments may be filed in advance of the meeting and should be addressed to the Desert Advisory Council, c/o Bureau of Land Management, External Affairs, 22835 Calle San Juan de Los Lagos , Moreno Valley , CA 92553 . Written comments also are accepted at the time of the meeting and, if copies are provided to the recorder, will be incorporated into the minutes.

For more information regarding the DAC meeting, contact David Briery, BLM California Desert District External Affairs at (951) 697-5220 or dbriery@blm.gov.

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*California Desert District Office – 22835
Calle San Juan de Los Lagos, Moreno Valley,
CA 92553*

Safety Note: Know Your Limits

By Owen Martin, AFMS Safety Chair

Over the past few years I've written a lot of safety articles, many of which were inspired by fellow rock hounds while out on hunting trips (kind of like those songs from Taylor Swift - don't date her!). Last week I managed to inspire another one of my own. The trip I was on resulted in a great find - a big ammonite that weighed in excess of 70 pounds. Seeing as I had hernia surgery earlier this year this posed a problem. Luckily with proper lifting techniques I managed to slowly haul the big ammo out of the water and up to my cart without injuring myself! The effort did however inspire this note.

In my particular case I really pushed the limit of how much I could safely lift without injuring or re-injuring myself. The potential was there to aggravate my hernia scar or even hurt my back.

Understanding your limits with respect to managing how much you can carry is very important. The very first article I wrote as the Safety Chairman for the SCFMS was inspired by an incident where a lady passed out from heat exhaustion while trying to carry

too much weight up a hill to our cars. Ultimately she was OK, but we left most of her finds at the outcrop. If she had considered her physical condition, the heat and the terrain, then she would have been much more selective with what she had tried to haul out.

Along those lines I would encourage you to take into account what you might find while on a field trip and give careful consideration to how much you can physically carry from the outcrop to your vehicle. Personally I use a variety of buckets and ropes to do a lot of my rock hauling, and much to the amusement of many of my friends, I haul a lot of rocks in a double-wide jogging stroller (3-wheeler) that I bought at Goodwill a couple of years ago. It works great - thus my "limit" is about two hundred pounds of rocks! I have other field trip buddies who use wagons, carts, sleds, canoes, rafts, etc. to help them haul out their finds.

My hunting in Texas also adds the summer heat to the mix. It was so hot this past summer that I know very few people who actually made many hunts over the past several months. Hunting in this heat required additional consideration for what could be hauled out from an outcrop. Distance, time, heat and how much liquid you could carry out with you were added to the equation with weight. Staying hydrated was essential. Two bottles of water in a backpack were NOT adequate!

One thing I really enjoy is the opportunity to take my kids hunting with me. My eldest daughter has type 1 diabetes and managing her insulin and food intake can become much more complicated while on extended hunts. Many of us really ratchet up our rockhounding after retirement, but likewise have a lot more medical considerations associated with age. Please keep that in mind if you are going into the field so that you can make sure that your medication and food situation is properly accounted for.

In a nutshell keep in mind what limitations you have, both physical and physiological. Considerations include rock weight, distance traveled, vertical ascents/descents, stamina, water/food/medicine requirements, and those of who you will be hunting with. Proper planning will help keep you safe and knowing your limitations will help you to not overdo it.

BE SAFE!!!

Orcutt Mineral Society General Meeting, Luis Oasis Senior Center, Orcutt CA January 10, 2012

President Debbie Hood called the meeting to order at 7:00 p. m.

Mike Henson gave the invocation.

Bob Bullock led the flag salute.

Minutes: Minutes from the December 6th Board meeting and the December 10, 2011 General meeting were published in the January bulletin. Both were approved as published. The January 3, 2012 Board minutes were unavailable.

Treasurer's report: Debbie Hood read the report and it was accepted as given.

Correspondence: The Ventura show and Paso Robles show fliers are on the hospitality table.

Hospitality: We had 31 members and 4 guests in attendance. Guests included Lisa Azevedo, David Nelson, Roy and Marcy Warkentin.

Refreshments: Donuts were provided by the club for this evening's refreshment. Margaret Henson announced that she had signup sheets available for the rest of 2012 and asked for volunteers.



Committee Reports:

Abused Children: Jan Ferguson handed over 100 gift cards worth \$5 each on behalf of the OMS.

Breakfast: January's monthly breakfast will be on the 28th and will be held at The Girls Restaurant, 1237 E. Grand Avenue in Arroyo Grande at 9:00 a.m.

Budget and Audit: None.

Bulletin: The bulletin is online and mailed. Forgive any errors; the Hood's computer is still going nuts.

CFMS: None.

Door Prizes: Donations this evening included citrine from Roger Lehman, slabs from Lee Reyburn, and marcasite and Clear Creek jade from Mike Van Belleghem.

Education: There was a request from Liberty School but no call back to set it up.

Gem Show: Wes had not heard from the school prior to leaving for Quartzsite. He has set a deadline of mid-February for decision time.

Historian: None.

Field Trip: No field trip is scheduled and it was announced that we need a field trip chairperson. Debbie Hood called for volunteers.

Highway Clean up: Clean up was moved to January 21st because CalTrans does not allow clean up on Holiday weekends.

Library: None. President Hood took this opportunity to present the Golden Bear Award to Gary Sheffer. Geary was not present at the Annual Awards Banquet when the announcement was made. It is the highest honor awarded by the OMS.

Membership: None.

Political Action: None.

Property: None.

Scholarship: Both Cuesta and Hancock Colleges have requested funds but no decision has been made.

Sunshine: Jeannie Lingerfelt's back has been acting up and surgery may be in the future.

Old Business: The Board had discussed purchasing a new lap top for club business in December and it was decided to move forward and make the purchase during January's Board meeting. President Hood is asking Committee chairs to appoint an understudy so more than one person would be able to do each function.

New Business: President Hood asked for volunteers to head committees. There are a few vacancies and some changes and she will go over them when everyone is back from Quartzsite.

Dyana Cridelich requested and updated phone list. Debbie promised Wes would send her one on his return.

Kim Noyes was in attendance this evening and the subject of possibly combining our show with the Paso Robles show, perhaps at the Mid-State Fairgrounds was posed. He will take it to the Santa Lucia Club and we will discuss it further at ours.

The program this evening was a CFMS production on agates. The audio portion failed but the pictures were amazing!



The Door prize activity was conducted by Bob Bullock, who is stepping down and will be replaced by Mike Schmidt in the coming months.

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President Debbie Hood adjourned the meeting at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Sylvia Nasholm, for Jeanne Brown, Secretary
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ORCUTT MINERAL SOCIETY BOARD MEETING, HOME OF MARGARET & MIKE HENSON, SANTA MARIA, CA January 3, 2012

President Debbie Hood called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

Members present were: Wes Lingerfelt, Jeannie Lingerfelt, Debbie Hood, Sandy Berthelot, Janis Ferguson, Mike Henson, Wayne Mills, Jeanne Brown, & Michael Schmidt. Guests included Margaret Henson, Paul Berthelot, Bill Hood, & Samantha Schmidt. First order of business was that President Debbie Hood swore in board member Sandy Berthelot who was unable to attend the installation of officers at the annual meeting in December.

MINUTES: Jeanne Brown read the minutes of the December general meeting. Corrections relating to guest names were; Betty Gunn (not Dunn), and Pat Nuernberg's daughter, Linda; and one correction relating to lost members, Alma DeFreitas (not Ida). The minutes were approved as corrected.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Wes Lingerfelt gave the treasurer's report...the last one for 2011. It was accepted as presented.

CORRESPONDENCE: Jeanne Brown reported on a letter from the Salvation Army thanking OMS for our donation in December, and the McDaniel Insurance Services wrote us to thank us for participating in their special Directors & Officers insurance program-but that the deductible has increased from \$4000 to \$5000.

Debbie Hood presented the **2012-committee chairs:**

Show Dealers	Wes Lingerfelt
Bulletin Editor	Debbie Hood
Tailgate (o/s)	Wes Lingerfelt
Door prize activity	Bob Bullock
Budget/Audit	Jeanne Brown
Refreshments	Margaret Henson (<i>to be her last year in this capacity-Anyone want to apprentice?</i>)
Abused Children	Janis Ferguson
Historian	Jeanne Brown

Bylaws/Parliamentarian	Wes Lingerfelt
CFMS Director	Wes Lingerfelt

“ “Alternate	Don Nasholm
Sunshine	Debbie Hood

Annual Awards

Banquet	Bill Hood
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Membership	Jeanne Brown
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Scholarship	Wayne Mills
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Publicity	Wayne Mills
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Field Trip/Safety	pending (<i>Here is another open position for someone who likes fieldtrips & collecting, Bob Bullock and Wes Lingerfelt would be happy to mentor you</i>)
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Property	Geary Sheffer
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Education	Wayne Mills
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“	Debbie Hood
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Sheriff	Bill Hood
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Public Lands

Access	Dick Bazzell
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Year Book	Wes Lingerfelt
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Chaplain	Mike Henson
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Adopt-a-Highway	Wayne Mills
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Hospitality	Sharon Duncan
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Librarian	Geary Sheffer
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Breakfasts	Bill Hood
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BBQ Chefs	Wes Lingerfelt
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“	Bob Bullock
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“	Truman Burgess
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“	Don Dana
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Telephone Tree	Dyana Cridelich
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Committee Reports:

Abused Children fund: No report.

Annual Gem Show: Nipomo High School site application approval is still on hold.

Annual Awards Banquet: reservations set for Dec 8, 2012.

Education: Debbie Hood stated that Liberty School is looking for a Speaker ... Still pending.

Adopt-a-Highway: CalTrans informed Wayne Mills that highway cleanup was not allowed within 24 hours of a holiday or holiday weekend, thus the January cleanup day will be moved to 1/21 (due to the Martin Luther King Holiday weekend).

Breakfast: to be on 28th @ the Girls Restaurant.

Field Trip: to be on 1/21, it was suggested that it be after the Hiway cleanup, to be decided at general meeting.

Scholarship: No report.

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Gem Show: No report.

Sunshine: Gloria Dana still has a head cold; Sandy Berthelot is having more problems with her eye surgery; Jeannie Lingerfelt is seeing a neurosurgeon; and Sylvia Nasholm is looking into knee surgery.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Gloria to get the key to the Oasis Senior Center for next week's meeting?
2. Debbie Hood verified that the organization's records are on **Carbonite**. Carbonite is a computer back-up program that insures that we are keeping the records required by the state of CA.
3. Debbie Hood suggested that each officer/director acquire an understudy for their post of duty.
4. Jeanne Brown suggested that each officer/director start a procedures document
5. Wes Lingerfelt received an email from CFMS that all clubs need to set up a policy on how to post information of members on the website to protect privacy matters. Please review policy Wes set up; it includes the rule that minors should be listed by first Name & Last Initial for their protection.
6. Pioneer Park is reserved for the 6/09/2012 date.
7. Sunset Manor Terrace is reserved for the 12/08/2012 Annual Meeting.
8. Debbie Hood asked the field trip of 11/11/11 be reviewed. That field trip was to Avila Beach, Cayucos and Morro Bay. Members met at the Bob Jones Trail at 8:00 am.

NEW BUSINESS

It was noted that the Calendar on our website is incomplete; it is a work in progress. Suggestions to make it more complete were solicited from the Board.

Wes Lingerfelt presented to the board a request for acquisition of equipment- a laptop computer in that the old equipment is outdated/etc. Discussion followed. The motion was made to acquire a new laptop computer for the club (from Costco) by Sandy Berthelot; and seconded by Janis Ferguson

Also, Jeanne & Bill Brown are donating to OMS a used desktop computer to replace the old one used by our Bulletin Editor; and Sandy Berthelot is donating a book on Agates to the Library. Debbie asked the board members to recommend new titles for acquisition to our library.

NOTE TO ALL MEMBERS:

ANNUAL DUES MUST BE PAID BY MARCH 1, 2012 if you want to be in the Redbook. Dues are:

\$ 34.00 per couple

\$ 24.00 per individual

\$ 5.00 per dependent (to couple)

\$ 10.00 per child

And a one-time fee of \$10.00 for badges

when joining.

ALSO A CALL TO ALL MEMBERS:

OMS needs your rock-related donations for door prizes; please contact any board member if you have questions or items you wish to donate.

GENERAL MEETING TO BE 1/10/12 – program to be on AGATES.

Display is Agates from anywhere. Refreshments: Donuts provided by the club will be served at the January 10, 2012 general meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanne Brown, Secretary OMS

Shop Helps

By Brad Smith

A vintage store owner who converts her old clip back earrings to post earrings (using base metal, not sterling backs) showed me that the Gorilla super glue works well for this (make sure it's not the regular Gorilla glue, but the little tube of super glue with the blue cap). I imagine it would do well in other little jewelry jobs.

Any time you make your own ear wires, the hardest part for me is to sand and polish the end that's inserted into the ear. Any sharp edge there is no fun. I've tried using sanding sticks, cup burs, and silicone polishing wheels. I've tried buffing on a Zam wheel, and I've even tried spinning the wire in the Freedom to polish the tip. While all of these techniques do the job, none are very easy, and none are as fast as I'd like. Then it occurred to me - I could melt the wire smooth. One quick touch in the flame of the propane/oxygen Little Torch does the trick - not enough to form a bead on the wire but just enough to round off the tip. It's best to practice the maneuver a couple times on some scrap wire before trying it on completed earrings.

For gluing findings to polished rock for cabochons I have found E6000 works well and any excess can be removed easily.



More BenchTips by Brad Smith are at
groups.yahoo.com/group/BenchTips/
 or Facebook.com/BenchTips

February 2012 Calendar	
Tuesday, February 7, 2012 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.	OMS Board Meeting - at the home of the Henson's. All members are welcome at this business meeting. For information or directions call Mike Henson at 934-1308.
Tuesday, February 14, 2012 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.	OMS General Meeting - Luis Oasis Senior Center, 420 Soares Ave., Old Orcutt. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Program- Elaine Von Achen on a trip to Wyoming • Display- Fieldtrip finds • Refreshments: Pies
Saturday, February 18, 2012 8:00 am to 5:00 pm	OMS Field Trip - To be announced.
Saturday, February 25, 2012 8:15 to 9:15 a.m.	OMS Monthly Breakfast – Sunset Grill, 1424 Fairway Drive, Santa Maria. For information call Sylvia Nasholm at 481-0923.
March 2012 Calendar	
Tuesday March 6, 2012 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.	OMS Board Meeting-at the Hensen home. All members are welcome at this business meeting. For information or directions please call Mike at 934-1308.
Saturday March 10, 2012 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.	Roadside Clean up After the cleanup, coffee and pastry at "Francisco's Country Kitchen" in Santa Maria.
Tuesday March 13, 2012 7:00 to 9:00 pm	OMS General Meeting-- Luis Oasis Senior Center, 420 Soares Ave., Old Orcutt. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Program-Mystery Rock

	Identification <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Display- Your mystery rocks • Refreshments: Cake
Saturday March 17, 2012 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.	Field Trip To be announced
Saturday March 24, 2012 8:15 a.m. to 9:15 a.m.	OMS Monthly Breakfast- Home Town Buffet at 1431 S. Bradley Road, Santa Maria. For information call Bill Hood at 481-6860.

Show Schedule 2012 FEBRUARY 2012

February 17 - 26: INDIO, CA

San Gorgonio Mineral & Gem Society
 Gem & Mineral Building, Bldg. #1
 Arabia Street
 Hours: 10 -10 daily
 Contact: Bert Grisham, (915) 849-1674
 Email: bert67@verizon.net

February 17 –19 Santa Barbara, CA. Gem Faire

Earl Warren Show grounds Exhibit Hall
 3400 Calle Real, Santa Barbara, Ca.
 Friday Noon till 6 pm. Sat 10 am till 6 pm.
 Sunday 10 am till 5 pm.
 Gems, findings, beads, jewelry and mineral
 specimens are all available.

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March 2 - 4: NEWARK, CA

Mineral & Gem Society of Castro Valley
 Newark Pavilion
 6430 Thornton Avenue
 Hours: Fri. & Sat. 10 - 6; Sun. 10 - 5
 Contact: Cathy Miller, (510) 887-9007
 Email: info@mgscv.org
 Website: www.mgscv.org

March 5 - 6: ARCADIA, CA

Monrovia Rockhounds, Inc.
 LA County Arboretum
 301 Baldwin Avenue
 Hours: 9 - 4:30 daily
 Contact: Jo Anna Ritchey, (626) 359-1624

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Email: joannaritchey@gmail.com

Website: www.Moroks.com

March 3 - 4: VENTURA, CA

Ventura Gem & Mineral Society

Ventura County Fairgrounds

10 W. Harbor Blvd.

Hours: Sat 10 - 5; Sun 10 - 4

Contact: Rob Sankovich, (805) 494-7734

Email: rmsorca@adelphia.net

Website: www.vgms.org

March 10 - 11: SALINAS (Spreckels), CA

Salinas Valley Rock & Gem Club

Veteran's Hall, Spreckels, CA

5th & Llano Streets

Hours: 10 - 5 daily

Contact: Robert L. Braun, (831) 771-2089

March 10 - 11: TURLOCK, CA

Mother Lode Mineral Society

Turlock Fairgrounds

900 North Broadway

Hours: Hours 10 - 5 daily

Contact: Terry & Bud McMillin, (209) 524-3494

Email: bud.mcmillin.b7yj@statefarm.com

Website: www.turlockgemshow.com

March 16 - 18: SAN BERNADINO, CA

Orange Belt Mineralogical Society

Western Regional Little League Ball Park

6707 Little League Drive

9am to Dusk daily

Contact: Steve Williams, (909) 389- 8680; (909)

381- 0089 cell

Email: ironelk@ymail.com

Website: www.obmsrocks.yolasite.com

March 17 - 18: VALLEJO, CA

Vallejo Gem & Mineral Society

Solano County Fairgrounds

McCormack Hall

Hours: 10 - 5 daily

Contact: Dan Wolke, (707) 644-9764

Email: VGMS01@yahoo.com

Website: www.vallejogemandmineral.com

March 24 - 25: ANGELS CAMP, CA

Calaveras Gem & Mineral Society

Calaveras Co. Fairgrounds (Frog Town USA)

101 Frogtown Road

Hours: Sat 10 - 5; Sun 10 - 4

Contact: Tak Iwata, (209) 928-5579

Email: Tak2me@msn.com

Website: www.calaverasgemandmineral.org

March 24 - 25: ROSEVILLE, CA

Roseville Rock Rollers

Roseville-Placer County Fairgrounds

800 All American City Blvd. (off Washington)

Hours: Sat. 10 - 5; Sun. 10 - 4

Contact: Gloria Marie, (916) 216-1114

Email: gloriarosevillerockrollers@gmail.com

Website: www.rockrollers.com

March 31 - April 1: LEMOORE, CA

Lemoore Gem & Mineral Society

Trinity Hall

470 Champion Street

Hours: 10 - 6 daily

Contact: Judy & John Pereira, (559) 924-4052

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April 7 - 8: PARADISE, CA

Paradise Gem & Mineral Society

Elks Lodge

6309 Clark Road

Hours: Sat 9 - 5 ; Sun 9 - 4

Contact: Manuel Garcia, (530) 877-7324

Email: mmpg@att.net

Website: www.paradisegem.org

April 13 - 15: VISTA, CA

San Diego County Council of Gem & Mineral Societies

Antique Gas & Steam Engine Museum

2040 N. Santa Fe Avenue

Hours: 9 - 5 daily

Contacts:

Ray Pearce, (760) 726-7570

Simon King, (619) 991-2226

Cathy Davis, (858) 278-9987

April 14 - 15: MARIPOSA, CA

Mariposa Gem & Mineral Society

Mariposa County Fairgrounds

5005 Fairgrounds Road

(Hwy 49, 1.8 miles South of Mariposa)

Hours: Sat. 10 - 6; Sun. 10 - 4

Randy Bolt or Chel Bebernes, (209) 742-7625

April 20 - 22: SAN JOSE, CA

Santa Clara Valley Gem & Mineral Society

Santa Clara County Fairgrounds

334 Tully Road

Hours: Fri 9 - 5; Sat & Sun 10 - 5

Phone: (408) 265-1422

Email: info@scvgms.org

Website: www.scvgms.org

April 20 - 22: INDIO, CA

Shadow Mountain Gem & Mineral Society

Coachella Valley Wild Bird Center

46500 Van Buren Street

Hours: 9 - 5 daily

Contact: Darlene Bjork, (760) 328-6916

Email: daBjork@dc.rr.com



Website: www.shadowmountaingemmineral.org

April 21 - 22: THOUSAND OAKS, CA

Conejo Gem & Mineral Club
Borchard Park Community Center
190 Reino Road (at Borchard Rd.)

Hours: 10 - 5 daily

Contact: Robert Sankovich, (805) 494-7734

Email: rmsorca@adelphia.net

Website: www.cgamc.org

April 28 - 29: LANCASTER, CA

Antelope Gem & Mineral Society
Lancaster High School
44701 - 32nd Street West

Hours: 9 - 5 daily

Contact: CJ Quitariano, (661) 209-9092, cjq_62@yahoo.com

Contact: Rod Skillings, (661) 400-5198, rodneyskillings@ymail.com

Website: www.avgem.weebly.com

April 28 - 29: SANTA CRUZ, CA

Santa Cruz Mineral & Gem Society
Santa Cruz Civic Auditorium
307 Church St (corner Church & Center)

Hours: 10 - 5 daily

Contact: Dean Welder, (408) 353-2675

Email: wdeanwelder@yahoo.com

Website: www.scmgs.org

NEW DOOR PRIZE ACTIVITY TO BE USED AT THE NEXT GENERAL MEETING!

Mike Schmidt is our new Door Prize Chairman and he has an idea for making the process run a lot smoother. Instead of having people come to the table and spend a lot of time trying to decide what to choose for their winning ticket the new procedure will be as follows:

A number of tickets will be drawn from the barrel and then placed under each of the available prizes. If your ticket matches the ticket number associated with a prize then you win that prize. All that is required is for the winner to walk to the table and claim their prize. If no one comes forward after a few minutes then another ticket will be drawn from the barrel. This new procedure should save a lot of wasted time. Let's give Mike our full support!

**WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING
YOU IN
RIVERSIDE, CA,
at the**

CFMS Gold & Gem Show

Hosted by the Valley Prospectors

July 13 - 15, 2012

Hours: Fri & Sat 10 - 5; Sun 10 - 4



**Riverside Municipal Auditorium
3485 Mission Inn Avenue, Riverside**



White's Spectrum XLT Metal Detector
Second search coil, and accessories. \$300.00
Call Bill Hood at (805) 481-6860 for more
information

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ORE-CUTTS (named after, William Orcutt) was published in 1966. Member Helen Azevedo was the first editor. Orcutt Mineral Society was founded in 1958, and was named after William Orcutt, 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. The La Brea Tar Pits are one of the most significant fossil finds in paleontological history. The OMS is a non-profit club dedicated to stimulating an interest in the earth sciences. The club offers educational programs, field trips, 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

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