



Birthdays

Jeannie Beattie -
January 2nd

Sir Paul Howard -
January 28th

Pat Nuernberg -
January 11th

Elizabeth Nybo -
January 27th

Virginia Rogers -
January 21st

Anniversaries

Don and Sylvia Nasholm -
January 10th

Please make sure your information is updated in the Red Book so we can celebrate your important dates with you!

The Pez Box - January 2022



Hi Everyone! Off and running on the new year--- Wayne and Wes are really busy trying to get me off on the right foot.

Programs are going to be one of the trickiest things of all throughout the year. So, if anyone has anything they would like to see presented for a program or learn more about,

I will do my best to find it. Requests in writing would be fantastic but not necessary. My brain is somewhat overloaded but I think it will hold a little more.

We have a highway clean up this month on January 8th at 8AM. We meet at the corner of Highway 166 East and Highway 101 at the turnout.

I want to remind everyone about the memorial service for Mike Henson on January 15th from 11AM to 3PM at Margaret's home on Bathurst Street in Orcutt.

We have Sylvia Nasholm to thank for rescuing me from the Refreshment Committee duties. Anyone who is willing to help her, I'm sure, will be appreciated. I wouldn't have been able to do it without the help she

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January 2022

January 3 at 7:00 pm - Board Meeting at the Nipomo Chamber of Commerce Building.

January 8 at 8:00 am - Clean-up at the South East Corner of Highway 101 and 166 E. The Clean-up will be followed by brunch at Franciscos.

January 11 at 7:00 pm - OMS General Meeting at the Oasis Senior Center in Orcutt. Surprise Video from Wes will be presented and please bring your favorite rock to show off.

January 15 from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm - Memorial service for Mike Henson at Margaret's home on 1479 Bathurst Street in Orcutt.

February 2022

February 7 at 7:00 pm - Board Meeting at the Nipomo Chamber of Commerce Building.

February 8 at 7:00 pm - OMS General Meeting at the Oasis Senior Center in Orcutt.

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gave me. So please, if the mood hits you, give her a hand.

Our program for January will be a surprise video presented by Wes Lingerfelt. The Display Table will be whatever you would like to show off.

That's all for Prez Box # 1. Wishing you all a **Happy New Year!**

Sally

In Memory of Wintford "Dick" Bazzell, Jr.

Wintford Leslie Bazzell, Jr., "Dick", unexpectedly passed away on November 25, 2021. He was 69 years old.

After serving honorably in the USAF, Dick spent most of his career working at VAFB as a Telemetry Specialist for various aerospace companies. He was close to his family and enjoyed visiting his much-loved mother and siblings at his childhood home in Florida. An avid rockhound, he was a long-time board member of the Orcutt Mineral Society. He loved to play poker and barbecue with friends. Most days you could find him outside, basking in the sun, cruising on his bicycle, polishing stones, and cultivating his vegetable and flower garden.

Dick Bazzell is survived by his wife of 43 years, Donna Bazzell and his beloved son, Alex Bazzell. He is also survived by his mother Helen Bazzell and sister Karen Bazzell, brothers Gary (Nina) Bazzell, Keith (Kristen) Bazzell, eight nephews and nieces, and six grand nephews and nieces.

Orcutt Mineral Society Board Meeting - Dec 7, 2021

Members present: 2021--22 Board: Wayne Mills, Jeanne Brown, Betty Campbell, Jan Ferguson, Sally Griffith, Renea Sutcliffe, Jeannine Todd, Absent, Dick Bazzell
Call to Order at 7:07 p.m..

Minutes: (Wayne) General Meeting Minutes were published in December Bulletin. Betty Campbell notes that she was present at the November Board meeting, and that her phone number is incorrect in the Bulletin.

Treasurer's Report: (Jeanne)- Board voted to only have quarterly Treasurer Reports. No Report.

Correspondence: (Sally). Letters from: Pic Bix, Salvation Army, and Ca. Dept. of Taxes and Fees.

Committee Reports:

1. Bulletin- Wayne has submitted his last bulletin. Comment noted above.
2. CFMS- (Renea) Director's Meeting report. Camp- Zyzzx is closed until further notice. CFMS expects that Camp paradise will be open in August-September 2022, but they are looking into acquiring property for their own camp.
3. Membership - Dues for 2022 are due by March
4. Field Trip - (Sally) None planned for December, January
5. Adopt-a-Highway - Next Clean-up is January 8, 2022.
6. Annual Awards Banquet: The OMS Annual Meeting will be held on December 11 at the Madonna Inn

from 12-3 p.m. 33 members and guests have paid. We will have a gift exchange. Bring a rock-related gift valued at \$10 or more. Sylvia Nasholm will supervise the exchange.

7. Breakfast- (Bill Hood) No breakfast
8. Education (Wayne) No report.
9. Library- (Alexis) No report
10. Sunshine-Truman Burgess fell, was in hospital, now Danish Rest Home in Atasc. Truman and Velvedeen won't be at annual meeting. (refund Truman). Mariah and Rosanne Marques will use those tickets.
11. Scholarship (Jeanne) No report until 2022, after our show.

Show: The Succulent Society will host a show at Nipomo High School on May 28--29. So...do we try for August?

Old Business: Talked to Margaret Kolaczyk, AFMS President, She said call McDaniels on copyright letters. Mark Nelson said they are a scam.

New Business: Plan for annual meeting. Review attached agenda.

--Board voted to accept the application of Bryan and Sharon Pearson for membership. We received \$35 and application. Wayne to order badges for Jeannine Todd and the Pearsons.

--Dave Machin volunteered to take pictures at the annual meeting.

--Need greeter to pass out 33 meal tickets and agendas. Sally Volunteered..

--Did Jeannie Beatty pay by check? If so, please refund her.

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--Wayne will pay for the dinner for his Special guest. Board reviewed Meeting Agenda
Adjourned at 7:39 p.m.
Submitted by Wayne Mills, OMS Secretary



Annual Meeting - December 11, 2021 at the Madonna Inn

The meeting was called to order at 12:15 p.m. by President Mills. The invocation was led by Debbie Hood, and the Flag Salute by AFMS President Margaret Kolaczyk. Guests were introduced by the members who brought them. Rosanne Marquez by daughter Moniah, Nancy Knapp by Margaret Henson, Pat Nuernberg introduced her daughter Barbara, and Wayne Mills introduced his special guest, Margaret Kolaczyk, President of AFMS (American Federation of Mineralogical Societies).

Dinner was served beginning at 12:30 p.m. and dinner and conversation continued until About 1:15 when Wayne delivered his end of the year address, including a moment of silence for friends of OMS who have passed away during the past year. These included Mike Henson, Karen Dry, and long-time Dealer, Cheri

George. Wayne then presented the Officers and Board for the coming year, including President Sally Griffith, Secretary Tara Machin, Treasurer Jeanne Brown, and Board Members; Betty Campbell, Jan Ferguson, and Renea Sutcliffe, One (continuing) Board Member, Dick Bazzell was not present. Parliamentarian Wes Lingerfelt then read the oath of office, and all new officers and Board swore to uphold the Standing Rules and Bylaws of the club.

Next, Wayne called forward Officers and Board from 2020-2021. These members received their pins and bars, and were given their choice of Ghirardelli's Chocolates for their service to the club. About 2:20, Incoming President, Sally Griffith presented her brief remarks hinting at our activities in the coming year.

Following the Awards session, Sylvia Nasholm conducted the Gift Exchange

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which proved to be the liveliest event of the afternoon, with 30 folks opening gifts and / or stealing them from guests who already opened theirs. One man had his gift stolen three times!

At 3:00 p.m., our allotted time was up, and the Annual Meeting marking OMS's 65th year in existence was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Wayne Mills,
OMS Secretary and President

WAYNE'S ANNUAL ADDRESS

George Burns was once quoted as saying, " The secret of a good sermon is having a good beginning, and a good ending and having those two as close together as possible. While this is not exactly a sermon, we will to apply George's advice.

We made it through our 65th year as a club in pretty good shape. We have not had a show for 2 years, but I am told we have enough in the bank to get through another couple of years. And I am told that the Succulent Society is planning an event at Nipomo High in May, so maybe we can do the same for August?

We had only one club field trip last year, and that drew only 4 club members. Our (almost Annual) 1' x 1' contest in November had only 2 entrants. If we are going to continue as a vital club, we need better participation. But, there is Hope! One of our newest members has volunteered to help with Secretarial duties next year, and another of our newest members has offered some suggested topics for our bulletin. I plan to tackle one of those topics "Colors in Obsidian" in the

next couple of months, and I believe our new editor, Tara, may tackle a few of the other ones. I know that Tara will appreciate any rock-related suggestions, articles you have written or found, pictures that you have taken, or things you have made. You could write something about your favorite rock holiday or rock.

We had some great programs in the last half of the year, and Wes Lingerfelt did most of them. Wes has been a big help to me through the years, including hosting two of our board meetings this year. I think that he deserves our sincere appreciation. Thank you Wes. And thank you Jeannie for keeping Wes healthy and happy!

We have had some sadness this year, in addition to missing most of the first half of it. We lost long-time member Karen Dry in June, and Mike Henson, the night after our November (9th) Meeting. Long-time Dealer and a friend of mine, Cherie George also passed away in November. Would you please join me in a moment of silence for these friends and family of OMS.

Your new Board Members should be familiar to you all, because most of them have served for at least the last two years, some for longer. Please thank them for their continued service to OMS when you get the opportunity. Thank you all for your continuing support of OMS and our goal of sharing our appreciation of the amazing planet we call home. I would like to wish you all a very happy Holiday Season.

Meet the New Bulletin Editor for OMS



Hello Friends,

Can you tell that I am out of my comfort zone? I have agreed to take over the bulletin for the OMS. I have never done anything like this before, but I suppose researching and writing articles for the bulletin will be a nice challenge for me.

I am not able to use the publishing program that has been used in the past so I have to start a new bulletin format from scratch. Please be patient and kind. Also, please feel free to submit articles and ideas to me. You can find me at taradmachin@gmail.com.

Giving it my all. Thank you, Tara Machin

CFMS / AFMS News - January 2022

CFMS Website - cfmsinc.org

New CFMS Officers:

President - Don Barton, 1st Vice President - Kimberly Fiala, 2nd Vice President - Bob Rush, Secretary - Heidi Hall, Treasurer - Diane Cook.

CFMS Dues: (\$8 per member as of Dec. 31, 2021) are due January 1

Juniors: A CFMS Achievement award for Juniors, including a \$100 prize, is available for outstanding juniors in 2 age categories, under 12 and 12-18. The application for this award is in the January CFMS Bulletin. The deadline for the application is May 5, 2022. There is a special 1-time award for the best Junior Display in the CFMS Show May 6-8, 2022 at the Antelope Valley Fairgrounds.

Societies are also encouraged to submit Juniors and other Members for the Member of the Year Award. The application is in the January CFMS Bulletin

Bulletin Aids: 2022 Bulletin Contest entries should be turned into the new BEAC (Juanita Pardun) by February 1, 2022. The applications are in the January CFMS Bulletin. Mail to: presidentCFMS2021@gmail.com.

Officer Change: forms should be sent to CFMS.

Earth Science Camp: CFMS requests societies to be on the look-out for new locations for camps. Camp Zyzzx is not available for 2022 and possibly 2023, and Camp Paradise has near fire misses.

AFMS Website - amfed.org

No AFMS newsletter for January as of 12/24/2021

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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.

