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Come and join us on July 14 at 7:00 p.m. at Mussell Senior Center at 510 East Park Street, Santa Maria for a PowerPoint program by **Jim Mills** on **Identification of**



Petrified Wood-tools, vocabulary and methods.

Have you ever wondered how they know that that hunk of wood was once a pine tree or a sycamore? Come and find out!

The Display this month is anything that will fit in a 1'x1' Display. Of course, you can always bring anything you would like to show even if it doesn't fit the theme.

The refreshments this month will be cakes brought to us by Margaret Hensen, Joellen Chrones, & Sharon Duncan.

Monthly Program Review

By **Debbie Hood**

There was no program in June; instead we had our semiannual meeting and BBQ at Pioneer Park in Santa Maria. Despite the prediction of possible rain, the 6th of June was clear, warm and beautiful...perfect for a BBQ!

There was a good turn out of club members and if you were not there you missed a great day. The food was excellent and plentiful; the Chefs delivered a great BBQ of very tender and flavorful meat.

Everyone had plenty of time to visit with one another and to view the silent auction offerings, which after spirited bidding yielded an offset for the cost of the meeting, while providing members with an opportunity to acquire material they might not otherwise have available to them.

WHAT IS A SILENT AUCTION?

Due to the apparent lack of understanding that was displayed during the recent Semi-Annual meeting concerning the Silent Auction, I'm sending everyone a guide sheet on what the auction is and how it works. There were two episodes of less than friendly activity during the auction that might have been avoided had everyone involved been aware of the attached information. Hopefully this write up will help fore-go any problems in the future. If anyone has any additional comments please send him or her to me. We can always improve on our activity. Thanks for listening! Wes Lingerfelt.

An auction is like a sale--you will have a chance to buy items that have been donated by members of OMS. You have a chance of buying the item by making a bid, that is, you offer an amount of money that you would be willing to pay. Another person may come by and want the same item so he/she may offer more money, making a higher bid. At the end of the auction, the person with the highest bid goes home with the item.

WHO GETS ALL THE MONEY?

The OMS Treasurer collects all of the money and then deposits the money in the Society bank account. This money supports the Semi-Annual meeting by offsetting purchases for supplies. In summary, the mission of the Society benefits directly from the money we collect by reducing the drain on the general fund.

HOW DOES THE AUCTION WORK?

On the day of the Semi-Annual meeting after the BBQ is finished the Auction opens. You need to come to the meeting to participate. Auction items will be displayed on an empty picnic table. There will be a bid sheet next to each item. When you see a rock you want, write your name down on the bid sheet and how much money you are bidding. Each silent auction bid must be written on the blank line available on the bid

sheet. If someone else has already made a bid, you may add your name to the list and make a HIGHER bid. You will need to check the bid sheets frequently and increase your bid for the items that you want. Each item has a minimum starting bid and bids must be made in amounts specified on the bid sheet. Bidding is open for a specified amount of time. The silent auction will close at the time stated and no further bids can be made. Five minutes prior to the closing, an announcement will be made. **IT IS CONSIDERED BAD FORM TO "HOVER" OVER THE BID SHEET TO PROTECT IT FROM OTHER BIDDERS! IT IS ALSO NOT GOOD FORM TO BID UP A ROCK YOU HAVE NO INTENTION OF PURCHASING...NO MATTER HOW GOOD YOUR INTENTIONS MAY BE!** At the close of each auction the bid sheets will be collected and taken to the cash-out area as we prepare to wrap up the meeting. At regular intervals you need to return to the table to see if you were the highest bidder. The highest bidder will pay at the cashier (checks, cash) and collect their item. **YOU MUST PAY FOR AND COLLECT YOUR ROCK BY 3 P.M. DO NOT GO HOME BEFORE YOU HAVE PAID FOR AND COLLECTED YOUR ROCK!**

A Silent Auction is intended to be a fun event and it should be realized that you cannot win every item you bid on. You should not be discouraged or upset that you lost the competition and just keep trying at the next one. Try to remember the event is for a good cause and not worth destroying a good friendship. Human nature being what it is that's a tall order.

Prez Box

By Debbie Hood

The show is only a month away now, so let's review what needs to be done.

If you are making an item for the Treasure chest, you have a month to complete it. As is usual, donations have so far been light, we need lots of nice things so we can sell those tickets!

There will be no Country Store this year as we had vendors wanting that indoor space. If you had stuff to donate talk to Wes Lingerfelt or Debbie Hood, we will accept some things and store them. If you have plants started we will have them at the hospitality booth.

Now is the time to get those flyers out everywhere people might see them and be motivated to come to our show. Talk it up to friends and neighbors. The more folks who come, the more successful our vendors

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and thus the whole show will be! Any other types of publicity should be done or arranged for now.

Be sure to sign up for tours of duty in the hospitality booth, and the kitchen. Make it your business to help with any vendor or guest who has a problem during the show. Please plan to wear your red vest or a security vest this year to help discourage the "light fingered."

If you will be displaying, now is the time to plan your display and to spruce up your case whether it belongs to you or to the club.

Please plan to be available on Thursday before the show and Monday afterwards to help Wes with set up and clean up. Particularly the Monday after the show, generally there is still work to be done then, taking up the tape that marks the booths, trips to the dump, organizing everything into storage, any repairs we need to do, sweeping, occasionally carpet cleaning etc. In the past Wes, Jeannie and Marty Lingerfelt have done all of this, so this year let's make sure they have plenty of help!

If you can think of anything else that needs doing, please bring it up at the meeting on the 14th!

Sunshine

Erica Erskine and Keith McKay were in an automobile accident, they are both okay, but his car was a total loss.



Hancock Scholarship Awards 2009

Wayne Mills, Scholarship Chair



*Katie O'Neill
OMS 2009
Scholarship
Winner with
Wayne Mills
(left) and
Elaine Von
Achen
(right.)*

Elaine
Von Achen
and I

attended the scholarship award dinner at Alan Hancock on the evening of May 28. This seemed like a great opportunity for Elaine to see how Hancock awards their scholarships, and for her to get some of her questions about the process answered. We had the opportunity to talk with the Director of Alan Hancock Foundation, Tim Fleming, and he graciously answered the most pertinent question, why do we have some

money left in our account some years? The reason is that it is a one-year scholarship, and if the student does not maintain a minimum grade level, or a minimum class load, they are not awarded the money for that semester. *Entirely reasonable*. The second question was would the foundation act to connect worthy students directly with the OMS scholarship committee? The response was that as much as they would like to, school policy would not allow that. However, OMS could petition Student Financial Services to post a notice about a separate scholarship.

Elaine and I had the opportunity to visit with Katie (who was also our recipient last year), and to invite her to our July meeting, as well as our August gem show. She said she was planning on attending both events. We also visited with Katie's parents. Katie's Dad is a Chemistry professor at Hancock, and told of many trips in the Cuyama Badlands, seeing many different fossils, including petrified wood.

The Event included a delicious prime rib dinner served by the Santa Maria Elks, and informative presentations by current president Dr. José Ortiz, and past president of Alan Hancock, Dr. Ann Foxworthy. Over \$250,000 in scholarships were awarded to 250 students this year. The scholarship winners are "the crème de la crème (top 2%)" according to Dr. Foxworthy, as Alan Hancock has about 12,000 students per year.

The Marian Hancock (\$5,000) Scholarship this year was given to Rosarita Santiago, whom according to one of her professors is one of the best students he has ever had, Rosarita is the daughter of migrant parents who have scrimped and saved to give their daughter a college education.

The Orcutt Mineral Society Scholarship is awarded based on a student's interest and accomplishments in the various fields of the earth sciences.

June Breakfast

By Sylvia Nasholm

June 27, 2009. We had a beautiful morning and a new venue in which to meet and enjoy each other's company this month. Sixteen members of the OMS found their way to the Sunset Ridge Golf Center in Santa Maria to enjoy a delicious breakfast and lively conversation. Present this morning were Sandy and Paul Berthelot; Erica Erskine, Keith and Pat McKay; Wes, Jeannie & Marty Lingerfelt; Stan, Jan & Brenna Ferguson; Laura Kasteal; Bob Bullock; Paulette Mireles; and Don & Sylvia Nasholm.

This establishment gets the coffee out fast and refills the carafes frequently - great for the coffee hounds among us however, the design of the carafes challenged many of us - Sylvia decorated the table with each cup and Stan gave new meaning to the term "Lap Dance"! Today was very special as Jan and Stan were celebrating their 39th wedding anniversary. Wes was in top form and guessed their gift (rock hard dino poop). The field trip planned for Sunday the 28th generated a great deal of conversation.

Missing regulars were the Dana's and the Hood's. Gloria had to work and Don was helping Shelly celebrate her 14th birthday today. Bill and Debbie were worn out and recovering from an extensive and demanding back yard repair (God bless all the little gophers!).

Paul and Pat were the winners of prizes provided by Gloria (has anyone kept count on the number of times Pat wins these?! Talk about luck!) And, as Gloria would say, "a fun time was had by all"! See you next month!



Birthdays & Anniversaries

Celebrating birthdays this month are: Laura Gebhart, Mike Hensen, Bert McIntosh, Margaret Plagman, & Carl Tapper. Happy Birthday, and many more!



I did not find any members celebrating anniversaries in July.

June Field Trip to Ozena

By Debbie Hood

On the 27th of June I arose at 0-dark: thirty to the sound of my alarm clock failing to pull in the station, but buzzing and crackling loudly enough to send both of the cats flying for cover. I staggered in to get the cat's their breakfast-which occasioned a bit of muttering under their breath and dirty looks, but didn't keep them from gobbling it up. I proceeded to get my own nourishment and managed to get dressed, collect all my accoutrements and wake Bill up to drive me over to Wes's house a little before 8:00am.

It was starting to get light when we arrived, and looked to be a clear day, which would, as promised by the weather geeks, be hot. I got my stuff stashed in Wes's Truck, Paulette Mireles and Ralph Bishop arrived and we set off to meet the rest of the gang at the junction of Highways 101 and 166. Sure enough, there was our leader, Laura Kasteal with Bob Bullock

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in her truck, and Sharon Duncan and Laura Gebhart in Sharon's truck.

We drove up Highway 166, through Cuyama with it's lovely little park and public "facilities," then south on Highway 33 to the Ozena Valley turn off. A short time later we were pulling up to the river.

This site is relatively flat, sandy clay soil which, while dry, was firm for walking, This is a very easy collecting site as you can drive right up to it, or even off the

road and into the dry riverbed. Protective shoes should be worn, more due to possibility of



rattlesnakes than uneven footing.

It had indeed gotten quite warm by this time, with thermometers hovering near 100 degrees so we all sunscreensed, hated, grabbed picks, buckets and gloves and descended into the dry riverbed to search for treasures.

A good deal of the material to be found there is light gray to black andesine with very large pink to white feldspar crystals. It seems the lava cooled very slowly giving the feldspar time to separate and grow quite large. There is also a lot of massive, cryptocrystalline quartz in shades from white to gray with some pinks and oranges.



Laura Gebhart found 2 pieces of chalcedony, one of which is very blue, beautiful! Laura Kasteal and Bob Bullock found some rocks with fossil shells

in them, while lucky Bob also found a piece of petrified wood. Of course there was a search for rocks big enough to make spheres from for Wes and Ralph, and some taken back for Lucky Virgin who could not go with us.

By lunchtime the heat and the hunt had pretty much sapped everybody's enthusiasm, so we drifted back to

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the trucks for refreshment and fluid replacement. There are no facilities there, but there are bends in the creek and a few bushes and trees. Jeannie Lingerfelt had made BBQ chicken breasts, potato salad and chocolate



chip cookies for an army. Thanks, Jeannie!

Laura Kasteal decided to return home, but after a short rest, the rest of us decided to follow the road a little further to see

where it went.

After much twisting and turning, and narrowing down significantly, we soon found ourselves in a very small community of cabins and RV's strung along a Creekside in a very narrow little valley. It was greener here, but not cooler. It does have a lovely little wooden "gothic" chapel. A cemetery called "Boot Hill" and 50 gallon drum mounted on a platform and labeled the "Ozena Water Co.," and best of all, a little road house with cold beer!

We all packed in for a cool one, and to see how many flies could land on our arms while we were brushing one off of the other arm! Those flies are not stupid or shy, they had all shot in the door with us, they knew where it was cool!



OMS member *Rock Depot* in brought in a material we had show the owner, quite impressed with it.



The owner of the bar also owns the camp, and much of the land either side of the river for quite a distance. He also runs a gravel and sand operation in the river, and as it turned out, also supplies stone to Kathy Collison's Los Alamos. Wes sphere of the been collecting to who seemed

Refreshed, curiosity satisfied and tired we all piled back in the vehicles and started back for home. I am sorry to report that Ralph and I did not live up to our reputation for being entertaining this time, despite those who tried to bribe Wes to tape record us. But I tried! I kept feeding Ralph lines all day, but he just wasn't on his game this trip. Ralph, we all hope for a full recovery soon!

If you would like to get up close and personal with the sphere's made from materials collected on this trip, be at the July meeting!

Field Trips:

Beach Rock

Wayne Mills

My son Todd and I made it up to the SLO Club's show in Cayucos on Sunday, *Todd at Cayucos show*



June 12. As usual, it was a nice show, however, Richard Sittinger was not there this year. In his place on stage was another mineral dealer with some lovely pieces as shown in the accompanying (somewhat shaky) photo. The club also had a couple of nice displays, including this club case that I hope can also be shown at our show, as it was quite well done. I hope OMS will put in one in our show of equal (or better) quality.



SLO Club case

After checking out all the dealers, we hit the beach for a little metal detecting, and found a lot of metal—a lot of pull-tabs, nails and bottle-caps, and no coins.



Wayne and Todd's Excellent Adventure II

Wayne Mills, OMS
A couple of the exhibits at Meteor Crater

In part one of our adventure story, I said that,

“Meteor Crater is 150 feet deep”. My bad— it is 700 feet deep. Todd and I left Meteor Crater after exploring the “museum” and gift shop. We agreed that the exhibits, and in fact, the whole facility was quite well done for a private venture.

At first, I thought the \$15 per head admission was a little steep for looking at a big hole in the ground, but relented after perusing the exhibits. After all, I had been skating on the admission to all the federal parks we visited on my \$10 (lifetime Senior Pass). I hope I have a long lifetime to use it over...

Heading back down the road toward Holbrook, I stopped to look for meteor fragments outside the confines of the private land, but found not much. I did pick-up a few fragments that could be basalt, scoria, or something else (?). Not too impressive anyhow. What we did see near the highway was another part of a pueblo like we had seen at Wupatki NM, standing alone and unsigned, apparently on private land.

In Holbrook, we selected a Best Inn and Suites. Turned out to be our least expensive and plainest accommodations of the trip, but we survived the night. We did have a nice dinner at the Butterfield Stage Company, and I brought a placemat back to Betty who was born a Butterfield. Before dinner, Todd and I checked out the rock shop that Wes had talked about-- Jim Gray's Petrified Wood Company at the corner of Route 180 and Route 77 (Navajo Boulevard). It is an amazing rock shop, perhaps the best I have seen. Their permanent collection had prime specimens of rocks, fossils and minerals, and their items for sale are numerous, good quality, and quite varied. They have a forest of petrified logs outside the shop (acres!), and they even built a fountain and succulent garden of petrified logs inside the shop.

Waterfall and succulent garden in Jim Gray's Rock shop.



Todd and I were drawn to the place because of the certificate for a free half-pound of petrified wood that we got at the motel. There is a pile of wood outside the shop for one to search through for their wood. But half-pound pieces are rare, and after the first half-pound, the wood is \$2.00 per pound. The pieces Todd and I selected had nice color, but appear pretty

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fractured after cutting. As usual, one will have to pay a lot more than \$2.00 per pound for the good stuff.

The next morning (Monday, May 25), Todd and I got a good breakfast at Burger King, shunning the puny continental breakfast at the hotel, and headed for the north entrance to the Petrified Forest, about 20 miles east of Holbrook on Route 40. After flashing my (\$10) Senior pass (that got us into all the federal lands we visited on the trip), I had to place a red X with crayon on all the rocks we had collected on the trip before entering the park. This was an attempt to prevent theft of wood from the park, but the \$250 per infraction fine was more of a deterrent to me.

The northern loop mostly overlooks the fossil-bearing badlands of the Chinle Formation. (I was surprised to learn that fossil reptiles had also been found in the park, and that much of the Painted Desert is included in Petrified Forest National Park). There are several vistas that overlook the Painted Desert inside the park.



The northern loop is about 7 miles long, and passes a memorial to old Route 66 just before passing over Route 40. The memorial is quaint, and consists of an old rusty

View over Painted Desert and log bearing Chinle Sandstone Model A and the chrome grill for a 1950's Buick or one of those big grill models.

The southern route through the petrified forest passes Puerco Pueblo that was occupied from 1100 to 1400, and there were some interesting petroglyphs nearby.



Note the Hopi-like figures, horned man and big bird with man?

Shortly thereafter, it passes the Teepees, conical shaped sandstone formations where we our first close encounter with petrified logs. Then we went to Agate *One of the best displays in the Museum*



Bridge, a large log crossing a dry creek, and Crystal Forest (where have all the crystals gone?) a pathway through several exposed logs that once had crystal centers, but now have none to speak of...

State	Fossil Wood
Alaska	Metasequoia
Arizona	Araucariaxylon
California	Sequoia
Colorado	Sequoia
Delaware	Chestnut
Florida	Sycamore
Hawaii	Hau Root
Illinois	Calixylon
Indiana	Calixylon
Iowa	Palm
Kentucky	Calixylon
Massachusetts	Dodoxylon
Michigan	Calixylon
Minnesota	Spruce
Nevada	Spruce
New Mexico	Araucariaxylon
New York	Protolapedendron
North Carolina	Araucariaxylon
Ohio	Cordaites
Oregon	Hemlock
Rhode Island	Calamites
South Carolina	Cycad
Texas	Palm
Virginia	Sequoia
Washington	Ginko
Wyoming	Palm

The museum and the Big Logs were the best opportunity to put your hands on a petrified tree, and see some of the lovely colors that occur in the Petrified Forest.

We headed back to Holbrook, then turned south to Woodruff where **Rockhounding Arizona** by Gerry Blair showed some places to look for petrified wood. Since the National Park Service, not content with the 148+ square miles in the current national park, acquired the ranches near the park that had logs for sale, we had to go see what we could find. Turns out, not much. We found pieces of wood ok, but it was not plentiful, and none was anywhere close to the beautiful rounds we saw in the museum or Jim Gray's Rock shop.

After we finished hunting near Woodruff, we headed back to Holbrook to get a sandwich at Safeway, gas-up, and head for Sedona, where Todd's aunt and uncle live. North of Sedona, Highway 89A passes through the grandeur of Oak Creek Canyon. Here, light colored, Early Permian aged Kaibab limestone underlain by earlier Permian ages (about 255 million years before present) aged Toroweep formation in the north, and buff to white colored, frequently cross-bedded Permian Coconino Sandstone and the red sandstones of the Permian Schnebly Hill Formation to the south of the 12 mile long canyon make a ruggedly beautiful, 0.8 to 2.5 mile-wide corridor leading to the scenic artist colony of Sedona. Interestingly, while the Kaibab, Toroweep and Coconino formations are present in the Grand Canyon, the Schnebly Formation is not.

Oak Creek Canyon

Sedona is named after Sedona Miller Schnebly (1877–1950), the wife of

the city's first postmaster, who was celebrated for her hospitality and industriousness. The red rocks that comprise the rugged backdrop for Sedona are named the Schnebly Hill Formation, also in her honor.

Sources: Wikipedia: Oak Creek Canyon, Sedona, Petrified Forest Brochure, Meteor Crater brochure.



CFMS/AFMS

Camp Zyzyx: There are still a few places left for this year's Camp Zyzyx, which has been changed to November. There is a possibility that this site will not be available in the future, so now is the time to go. These seminars are a great way to learn new skills and connect with other rockhounds. Please go to the CFMS website for more information and applications.

Orcutt Mineral Society Board Meeting Home of Elaine Von Achen, Nipomo, CA. June 2, 2009

President Debbie Hood called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m.

Members present were Wes Lingerfelt, Debbie Hood, Gloria Dana, Sylvia Nasholm, Jan Ferguson, Mike Henson, Elaine Von Achen, Wayne Mills and Sandy Berthelot. Guest included Bill Hood, John Von Achen and Paul Berthelot.

Minutes: Minutes from the May board meeting were approved as printed in the June newsletter with one correction. Sylvia Nasholm was inadvertently listed as Sylvia Simmons.

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

Correspondence: None

Committee Reports:

Annual Gem Show: Wes Lingerfelt reported that it has been decided that we would not have a country store this year as we could make use of the classroom for a couple of extra vendors.

Breakfast: No information.

Bulletin: The bulletin is out on the web and mailed bulletins have gone out.

CFMS: Wes Lingerfelt said he had registration forms for Zyzyx this year' to be held November 15th through the 22nd. Fee is \$350.00 per person. The Seminar will be held at Soda Springs, approximately 50 miles northeast of Barstow, Ca.

Education: None.

Field Trip: None.

Highway Clean up: Wayne Mill said the next clean-up will be held July 11th. Members will meet at highway 101 and 166 at 8:00 a.m.

Scholarships: Wayne Mills reported that he and Elaine Von Achen attended the Allan Hancock college scholarship awards banquet on May 28, 2009. They presented Katie O'Neill with an OMS scholarship in the amount of \$750.00.

Sunshine: None.

Old Business:

Elaine Von Achen reported that she had ordered the fabric for the OMS vests the morning following last months board meeting. It has still not come in and she said she would check with Wal-Mart in Paso Robles. Debbie Hood suggested that we might find it on the Internet.

New Business:

Wes Lingerfelt said he would like to re-visit the OMS dues structure. He passed out sheets with a sampling of other clubs dues and said that with these economic times we might consider having a couple/family rate as well as our individual rate. After much discussion, Debbie Hood made a motion that we keep the individual dues at \$24.00 per person, charge couples \$34.00 and charge each additional family member \$5.00. Juniors under the age of 18 will also be \$5.00. Families will be defined as blood relatives and official adoptee's living at the same address. There will be a one-time initiation fee of \$10.00 for each new member (joining for the first time). This change will be effective January 1, 2010. The motion was seconded by Elaine Von Achen. Motion passed.

Another topic under discussion is the club's desire to have a lapidary workshop. Wes has an idea that there is a possibility of renting some property at the St. Joseph Church in Nipomo. He is going to speak to someone as to the feasibility of renting some space and putting up some kind of a structure. It was also suggested that perhaps a member might have some property or an idea where we might rent space for a building. It was also suggested that someone might have a piece of property they would be willing to deed to the club. We will bring these ideas before the members at our next general meeting.

Bill Hood asked if we would like to have the "Sweet Adeline's" for entertainment at our December luncheon and meeting. If so, he will need to get them booked. After some discussion it was decided that we would not have them this year and would instead expand the gift exchange.

There will be no general meeting for June, as we will have our annual barbeque at Pioneer Park on the 6th of June from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned by President, Debbie Hood at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Elaine Von Achen, Secretary, OMS

July 2009 Calendar

Tuesday July 7, 2009 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.	OMS Board Meeting-Elwin Mussell Senior Center. All members are welcome at this business meeting.
Saturday July 11, 2009 8:00 to 10:00 a.m.	Roadside Clean up After the cleanup, coffee and pastry at "Francisco's Country Kitchen" in Santa Maria.
Tuesday July 14, 2009 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.	OMS General Meeting-Elwin Mussell Senior Center. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Program-.Jim Mills Talk on Petrified Wood • Display- 1 by 1 Displays, • Refreshments-Cakes
Saturday July 18, 2009 8:00 am to?	Field Trip to be announced. For information cal Bob Bullock at 929-6372.
Saturday July 25, 2009 8:15 to 9:15 a.m.	OMS Monthly Breakfast- for information call Gloria Dana at 929-6429.

August 2009 Calendar

Tuesday 4, August 2009 7:00 till 8:00 p.m.	OMS Board Meeting-St. Joseph's Catholic Church All members are welcome at this business meeting.
Thursday 6 August, 2009 8:00 a.m. till complete	Show set up at St Joseph's Church 298 S. Thompson Ave. Nipomo. All members are cordially invited!
Friday, Saturday & Sunday August 7, 8 & 9, 2009 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.	OMS Rainbow of Gems Show Post show victory dinner 7:00 p.m. at the Golden Dragon Restaurant, 151 Dana St. Nipomo
Tuesday August 12, 2009 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.	OMS General Meeting Elwin Mussell Senior Center. Program- Show Recap, slides from show Display-Treasures from the show Refreshments-Cookies

CFMS Show Schedule 2009**July 11-12 2009, Culver City, CA**

Culver City Rock and Mineral Club
Veterans Memorial Auditorium and Rotunda
4117 Culver Blvd
Hours: Sat. 10-6, Sun. 10-5
Robert Thirlaway (310) 213-7677
Email: thirlawr@gmail.com
Website: CulverCityRocks.org/fiesta.htm
Show Flyer: [click here](#).

August 1-2 2009, San Francisco, CA

San Francisco Gem & Mineral Society
San Francisco County Fair Building
Ninth Ave. at Lincoln Way

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Hours: Sat. 10-6, Sun. 10-5

Website: www.sfgms.org

Show Flyer [click here](#).

August 7-9 2009, Nipomo, CA

Orcutt Mineral Society

St Joseph's Church

298 S. Thompson Ave.

Hours: 9-5 daily

Wes Lingerfelt (805) 929-388

Email: Rocks4u@prodigy.net

Website: www.omsinc.org

Show Flyer: [click here](#).

August 14, 15 & 16 2009, Tehachapi, CA

Tehachapi Gem & Mineral Society

St Malachy Catholic Church

407 West E. Street

Hours: Fri. &: Sat. 8-7:30; Sun. 8-5:30

Chuck Overall (661) 821-4650

Email: Luckydog5433@aol.com

August 22-23 2009, Orangevale, CA

Orangevale Community Center

6826 Hazel Ave.

Hours: Fri. &: Sat. 10-6; Sun. 10-5

John Moulder

Email: gbcorp@surewest.net

Website: www.treasuretroveofgems.com

September 4-7 2009, Fort Bragg, CA

Mendocino Coast Gem & Mineral Society

Town Hall

Cr. of Main & Laurel

Hours: Fri. to Sun. 10-6, Mon. 10-4

Don McDonell / (707) 964-3116

September 12-13 2009, Vista, CA

Vista Gem & Mineral Society

Antique Gas & Steam Engine Museum

2040 N. Santa Fe Ave.

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

Fred Wilson (760) 433-8464

Cherie Wilson (760) 941-7073

Lois Harr (560) 724-0395

September 19-20 2009, Redwood City, CA

Sequoia Gem & Mineral Society

Redwood City Community Activities Bldg.

1400 Roosevelt Ave.

Hours: 10-5 daily

Carol Corden (650) 248-7155

Email: coorden@comcast.net

Website: www.sgms.drifmine.com/home.htm

Show Flyer: [click here](#).

September 19-20 2009, Paso Robles, CA

Santa Lucia Rockhounds

Pioneer Park & Museum

2010 Riverside Ave.

Hours: 10 - 5 both days

Richard Smith (805) 467-2966

E-mail: jonme2@wildblue.net

Show Flyer: [click here](#).

September 19-20 2009, Stockton, CA

Stockton Lapidary and Mineral Club

Scottish Rite Masonic Center

33 West Alpine Ave.

Hours: 10 - 5 both days

(209) 946-0113

E-mail: footsey1@yahoo.com

Website: www.stocktonlapidary.com

September 26-27 2009, Carmel, CA

Carmel Valley Gem & Mineral Society

Monterey Fairgrounds

Hours: Sat.10 - 6; Sun. 10-5

E-mail:

Website: www.cvgms.org

Show Flyer [click here](#).

September 26-27 2009, Downey, CA

Delvers Gem & Mineral Society

Women's Club of Downey

9813 Paramount Blvd.

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

Nancy Bird (562) 697-0636

E-mail: nancyjbird@verizon.net

September 26-27 2009, Monterey, CA

Carmel Valley Gem and Mineral Society

Monterey Fairgrounds

2004 Fairgrounds Road

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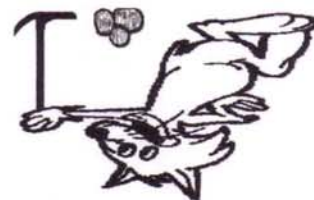
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