



Ore-Cutts

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Semiannual Meeting & Picnic Join us on June 5, 2010 from 11:00 am till 3:00 pm at Pioneer Park for the annual OMS BBQ Picnic and semiannual meeting. The CLUB will be providing the meat and bread, coffee and tea. YOU will bring your favorite potluck dish to share, your plates, cutlery, drinks, tablecloth, (and perhaps something to cover the bench-the birds, you know,) the spouse, the kids (there is even a playground for them,) the dog (on leash, please be prepared to clean up after them,) and rocks for the silent auction as well as your mad money for the auction. This year we are also collecting non-perishable foodstuffs for the Food bank. We will also be doing any club business that is in need of attention. This is an excellent facility with lots of shade and a nearby "comfort station." Bring your appetite and your camera for a great, relaxing afternoon with friends!

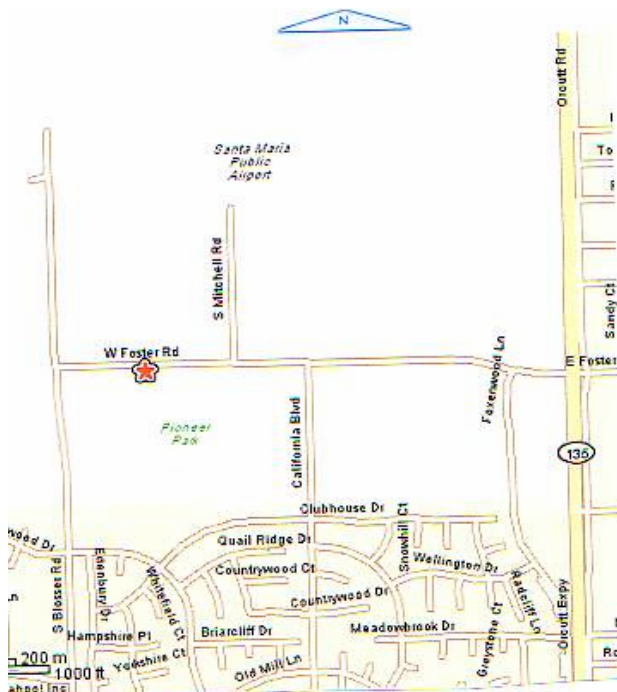
Prez Box

Sylvia Nasholm, President OMS

Our Annual BarB-Q and Potluck is on June 5th. Remember to bring a side dish of your choice, table setting, and beverages of choice. The Club provides the meat, & bread and coffee and tea. Bring rocks for the silent auction - always a fun part of the day. This year the need is great and the Salvation Army has asked for canned goods early. If you wish to participate you can bring your donation to this event. Lunch starts at 12:00. Come earlier for great conversation and a good look at the auction table.

Breakfast was at the Hometown Buffet this month. It was lightly attended but we had fun nonetheless and the food was very good. Wes and Jeannie Lingerfelt; Stan, Jan and Brenna Ferguson; Debbie and Bill Hood; and Don and Sylvia Nasholm enjoyed lively conversation and the Ferguson's walked away with both prizes, a rose quartz carved owl and what appeared to be a baby Keokuk geode ready to pop for a peek at its crystals. Breakfast in June will be on the 26th at Sunset Ridge Golf course grill in Santa Maria at 9 am.

It's time to be thinking seriously about where and when you would like to help out during our Rainbow of Gems on Aug 6th, 7th, and 8th. Outdoor layout will happen on Wed the 4th. Interior setup and table skirting (all hands on deck) will happen on Thursday along with the welcome dinner on Thursday night for all participating in the show. Please refer to page 17 of the Red Book to see all the committees who will need your help i.e. Joe Martines will need help in the Snack Bar, Wayne Mills needs volunteers to sit at the welcome table to collect prizes, The Hostess table run by Sharon Duncan and DeeDee Magri will need help. Just look at what is available and don't be shy. We also need your donations for the Treasure Chest.



You can hand them into Wayne at the meetings.
See you at the BBQ!

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Celebrating birthdays in June are Moksha Badarayan, Ralph Bishop, Kathy Collison, Don Dana, Shelly Dana, Geary Scheffer & Maida Williams. A very Happy Birthday! to you all.



Celebrating wedding Anniversaries are, Don & Gloria Dana, Bill & Debbie Hood, Roger & Donna Lehman, and Bert & Louise McIntosh We wish for you many more!

Field Trip To Lucy Tunnell's Swimming Pool

By Debbie Hood & Wes Lingerfelt

May 15th dawned bright and *very* early. I met up with Wes & Jeannie Lingerfelt at their house and we set out for the Mussell Senior Center to pick up folks. Although at least 9 people said they planned to go, no one showed up. So off we went to the met up point at Highway 101 and 166. Still no live bodies. So off we went, heading for the Valley, Arvin, Tehachipi, and the Mojave to Rosamond. We certainly missed Ralph Bishop, as I am not nearly so entertaining on my own during the trip over to Lucy's.

We stopped and had lunch at Mike's Roadhouse Café in Mojave and arrived at Lucy's place to be welcomed by her four guard geese. We found Dahlia and Manny Hernandez from Bakersfield there with their daughter and son-in-law.



Lucy's Rock pile

Jeannie sat down with Lucy and Dahlia for a chinwag, while Wes started digging in a new (to him)

area, while I started down "Barrel Lane" looking for treasures missed by others. After checking out the barrels, I went and started helping Wes, mostly by keeping him company and occasionally putting a "keeper" into his bucket or mine.



Looking down the barrels

I can be *very* helpful that way. In this new area we found a lot of good Rhodonite, Palm root, jaspers, agates and even some quartz crystals. The "pool" area is large and a lot of very good rock is still there for 10 cents/pound. This is really a deal that can't be beat. Lucy and her husband collected over a lifetime, mostly in the Western United States, but we did find a few items from other places back East. Many of the sites are now closed to collecting or have been mined out. The "digging" is easy in the sand in Lucy's yard, and each new piece is a gem waiting for you to pick it up and polish it. We will be planning a return trip after the heat of summer is over, if you haven't ever been, it is a not to be missed opportunity! If you have been there before, there's still a lot of rock in the bank!



Jeannie, Debbie & Lucy with big smiles!

Star Stones

by Mary Prosek

The optical phenomena of some gem materials to display a single ray of light on their surface is called *chatoyancy*, a French word meaning cat or cat's-eye. Gems displaying this characteristic exhibit a single undulating narrow band of white light with a changeable luster.

Another optical effect is shown when some gem materials exhibit more than one ray of light. These rays will cross or intersect each other at some central point or points on the surface of a cut and polished gem. This phenomenon is called *asterism* or is more commonly known as a star.

The cause of *asterism* or *chatoyancy* is attributed to tubes, or needlelike inclusions within the gem. When these foreign inclusions are highly uniform in alignment within the gem, they will be capable of concentrating and reflecting or transmitting the light that enters the gem. However, this potential will not be effectual in the form of a ray or rays if the gem does not have the optical shape necessary for focus and magnification of the light. When the foreign inclusions are aligned only in one direction with the gem, a single ray of light will be possible. If the alignment is in two directions, then the gem will have the potential of emitting two rays of light which will intersect each other at a central point or points on the gem creating a star with four legs. When the alignment is in three directions, three intersecting rays can be emitted which will produce a six-legged star.

Gem materials which are capable of displaying a ray or rays of concentrated light will usually show some indication of this phenomenon in the form of a satin sheen or silkish luster while in the rough state and when exposed to a incandescent type of light. The area in which the sheen or silk is most intense will usually yield a star or cat's-eye effect. This area should be tested with a testing fluid such as STP motor oil and marked prior to shaping. The gem is shaped so that this area will become the approximate apex of the gem's dome or curved surface.

Approximate is mentioned because the ray or rays will tend to shift their location slightly as shaping progresses. This shifting is attributed to the relationship between the gem's physical shape and optical properties. Any change in the physical shape of the gem will also exert a change in directions, focus and magnification of the ray or rays. Special

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care and star-making cups must be used when lapping the stones in order to achieve the desired effects. Read up on this technique before attempting to cut a star stone.

source: "Star Gems" - author Douglas L. Hoffman, copyright 1967 From *The Opal*, 10/07 via the *Rockcollector* Dec 2007.

Sunshine

Kim Noyes missed the last meeting due to a severe case of food poisoning but is now recovered. Pat McKay continues to recover her strength after a fall that injured both legs and a stay in the hospital. I have a report that Maida Williams is recovering from being hit by a car. Ralph Bishop's Mother, Helen, has been doing poorly lately.



ROCKHOUNDS/FACETORS -- YOU CAN'T TAKE IT WITH YOU!

Vi Jones via *The Crystal & Gem News* Jan 2009

As Trudy Martin, President of S.C.R.I.B.E. (The AFMS Editor's organization) reports in the Dec. 08 issue. "There is no way, when your number comes up, that you can take your Rock Collection with you when you go to your heavenly reward. It has to stay behind for your family to dispose of."

"What are they going to do? Most of them have no idea what the rocks are or what they are worth. As the old saying goes. They will probably throw out the baby with the bath water! They have no idea what is gem material and what is leaverite. It is up to YOU to make sure your collection is correctly identified.

PLEASE put labels or stickers on your rock, slices, faceting rough, minerals, fossils and metals." "An uninformed person can't tell the difference between a piece of sodalite and a piece of lapis. Nor can they tell the difference between genuine, gem quality faceting rough and glass. To the novice, slices of jasper are just that--jasper. They can't identify Bruno Jasper, Biggs Jasper, Rainforest Jasper from the run-of-mill jaspers found in the local gravel pit.

When it comes to Agate -- that's a horse of a different color! Some agate is priceless because the area it was found in is no longer available for hunting." Minerals and Fossils are another major problem. If they don't have a label or a sticker to identify what they are and where they are from, the family will be at a loss to put a value on the specimens. Other collectors, museums and dealers, will be hesitant about purchasing the collection if it is not properly identified."

“So Rockhounds, it’s up to you, while you are still here on earth, to properly identify your rocks, minerals, fossils, gemstones and jewelry. If specific pieces are to go to specific relatives or organizations, write it down. An inventory sheet with approximate dollar value would be helpful, too. Don’t put it off -- do it now—while you are still here. Your family will thank you when the time comes.”

(Original Editor’s note)

This is not a pleasant topic for most of us, but getting organized was on my resolutions list this year. Another thing--are your children involved in your hobby? Do they know what the value of your equipment is worth? How about your rough and finished stones--can they identify them and know what they are worth? I know mine can’t and I also know that they may think they can do what you and I do (with a little instruction) ha! If they aren’t involved now in your hobby, chances are they won’t be involved after you are gone. Also identify your equipment, when purchased and what you paid for it, including laps.

I have made a lot of jewelry over the years and it has a value. Will your kids have to have it appraised? Probably so. I remember one of my faceting friends that died years ago gave his ‘rough’ to a rock club--it was faceting rough and they had no use for it and sold it for pennies on the dollar. Keep those little baggies with the name of the gemstone, weight, dimensions and cost you paid for it! Don’t gyp your kids!! And, if you have a copy of Colored Stone or Rock & Gem that has the prices for rough or finished stones--keep it with the stones for reference or get your stones evaluated by a gemologist.

Having an inventory list is a very important thing, or at least videotaping your collection and talk into the mike recording information on the tape. If you should have a fire, or a burglary, you will be better able to tell what is missing and what it was worth. Keep a copy in a safe place--in a bank vault or another safe place.

Welcome New Members

We have added many new members to our club over the last year. We take this opportunity to welcome you into the Orcutt Mineral Society, and whether old or new at Rockhounding, we invite you to attend our monthly meetings, go on field trips, come and have breakfast with us, be a part of the Rainbow of Gems Show in August and share with us

some of your expectations of the hobby and favorite places to hunt. We look forward to your participation and input!

The Ease of Being a Rock Chaser!

(Advice to a newcomer, or encouragement to an already-convinced audience)

Jane Owen via the Collecting Bag February 2005

Would you like to collect treasures from the Earth? What easier collecting could there be than picking up the rocks from beneath your feet? I know you will be encouraged to learn that mineral collecting can be an inexpensive hobby. Imagine wearing your old, unrepairable clothes and using your worn-out gardening tools and screwdrivers – even your used Ziploc bags (washed, of course). You can take your old tools, Ziplocs, and beat-up buckets to contain your finds. This all means your expense involved will be for the gas in your car and those clean Ziploc bags for your lunch. We all have coolers – right?

Now that you are convinced of the economics, let’s look at ways to find collecting sites. At club meetings you will learn of planned club trips. For these collecting trips, usually the field trip leader will give directions, the meeting time and place, minerals to expect to find, and tools necessary for the specific trip. As you become acquainted with more experienced Rock Chasers, you will learn of other collecting sites. If the information is not already provided, always ask if the landowner has given permission and if there is a fee; and always ask about the safety precautions. Enjoy your field trips! Collect what is esthetically pleasing to you, i.e., what is pretty or interesting. Your field trip leader and others on the trip will help and guide you. We always want more people in the hobby. Rock on!

Shop Helps

Cabbing Tip: In the winter I am one of those guys who always have splits at the top of my fingertips. Some days when I want to cab, the thought of my fingers brushing against the diamond wheels prevents me from cabbing. I also do not use dop sticks, I prefer to work the stone with my fingers, it is more comfortable and gives me a sense of the stone. So I decided to try those rubber fingertip things people use when filing or perhaps sewing. The ones I found in a stationary store are called Machine Quilting Finger Grips; they sell for about 25 cents each...and a pack of a dozen for less than \$3.00. They take a

little getting used to, but they do work, and they allow me to work on days when I might not have taken a chance. They may also help if you have just had your nails done, (I assume this would apply to the women?) and want to keep from scratching your nails. One thing, as the stone is almost done and the polish is getting close to a finish, the stone definitely slips out more often, so be careful towards the end. Hope this helps, give it a try.

Rich Kelly – Owner of South Fork Mining Contra Costa Mineral & Gem Society Member via the Rockcollector September 2008.

2010 Mid-Year Public Lands Advisory Committee Report

By John Martin

Listed below is the latest status on Proposed Legislation that will have an unfavorable affect on Rockhounding when passed. Getting involved with the process can help to keep our collecting locations open and accessible to all Rockhounds.

S. 787: Clean Water Restoration Act

A bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to clarify the jurisdiction of the United States over waters of the United States.

- April 2, 2009: Introduced
- Jun 18, 2009: Committee on Environment and Public Works. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.
- April 9, 2010: Still in Committee

S. 796: Hardrock Mining and Reclamation Act of 2009

A bill to modify the requirements applicable to locatable minerals on public domain land, and for other purposes.

- April 2, 2009 Introduced
- July 14, 2009: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Hearings held. Hearings printed: S.Hrg. 111-116.
- April 9, 2010 Still in Committee

H.R. 699: Hardrock Mining and Reclamation Act of 2009

To modify the requirements applicable to locatable minerals on public domain lands, consistent with the principles of self-initiation of mining claims, and for other purposes.

- January 27, 2009 Introduced
- February 26, 2009 the bill has been referred to the following committees:
House Natural Resources, Subcommittee on

Energy and Mineral Resources -- Hearings Held

- April 9, 2010 Still in Committee

S. 799: America's Red Rock Wilderness Act of 2009

A bill to designate as wilderness certain Federal portions of the red rock canyons of the Colorado Plateau and the Great Basin Deserts in the State of Utah for the benefit of present and future generations of people in the United States.

- April 2, 2009 Introduced
- Apr 2, 2009: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
- April 9, 2010 Still in Committee

H.R. 1925: America's Red Rock Wilderness Act of 2009

To designate as wilderness certain Federal portions of the red rock canyons of the Colorado Plateau and the Great Basin Deserts in Utah for the benefit of present and future generations of Americans.

- April 2, 2009 Introduced
- Oct 1, 2009: The bill has been referred to the following committees:
House Natural Resources, Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands -- Hearings Held
- April 9, 2010 still in committee

S.2921: California Desert Conservation and Recreation Act

A bill to provide for the conservation, enhanced recreation opportunities, and development of renewable energy in the California Desert Conservation Area, to require the Secretary of the Interior to designate certain offices to serve as Renewable Energy Coordination Offices for coordination of Federal permits for renewable energy projects and transmission lines to integrate renewable energy development, and for other purposes.

- December 21, 2009 Introduced -- California Desert Protection Act of 2010 - Amends the California Desert Protection Act of 1994.
- December 21, 2009 Senate Energy and Natural Resources
- April 9, 2010 still in committee with no (0) co-sponsors

H.R. 2454: American Clean Energy and Security Act of 2009 (CAP and TRADE)

To create clean energy jobs, achieve energy independence; reduce global warming pollution and transition to a clean energy economy.

1. May 15, 2009 Introduced
2. Jun 26, 2009 Passed House 219 -212
3. Jul 7, 2009: Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 97.
4. This is the most restrictive and regulating bill to come before congress in US history. If passed and signed into law it will have some controlling effects on each and every one of us in our daily lives. Even the short summary is to long to place in this article and the full text of the bill is over 1000 pages. To see the full text of the bill go to <http://www.govtrack.us/congress/bill.xpd?bill=h111-2454>.

For more detailed information on these issues go to the American Lands Access Association Website www.amlands.org

Orcutt Mineral Society Board Meeting, Elwin Mussell Sr. Center, Santa Maria, Ca. 93454 May 4, 2010

President Sylvia Nasholm called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Members present were Wes Lingerfelt, Debbie Hood, Gloria Dana, Jan Ferguson, Sylvia Nasholm, Mike Henson, Elaine Von Achen, Sandy Berthelot and Don Dana.

Minutes: Elaine Von Achen read the minutes from the April General 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:

Abused Children: None.

Annual Gem Show: Wes Lingerfelt said he has heard from most of the dealers. We have some new as well as our old dealers. He thinks we have about 48 or 49 vendors.

Breakfast: May's OMS breakfast will be held at the Home Town Buffet, 1431 S. Bradley, Santa Maria, on May 22. It will start at 9:00 am.

Bulletin: Wes Lingerfelt noted that the bulletin will be on the web tonight and he should have it sent to the printers by tomorrow.

CFMS: Wes noted that he has exhibit applications for anyone interested in showing at the AFMS/CFMS 2010 Gem Show, which will be held June 18, 19 and 20. The show is hosted by North Orange County

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Gem & Mineral Society and will be at 16200 E. Amber Valley Dr., Whittier; Ca. Exhibit applications must be turned in by May 18.

Education: Moksha Badarayan is our new education spokesperson. However, she does not have the necessary teaching supplies to use when giving talks to students and other youngsters. Wes Lingerfelt has made up a very nice display geared to showing how rocks and minerals show up in the things we use every day. Wes has agreed to sell his display at wholesale to the club and will do an inventory on what he has for sale and come up with a price. Debbie Hood made a motion that the club buy the display for educational purposes. Sandy Berthelot seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Field Trip: None.

Highway Clean-up: The next clean-up will be held May 8th. Members will meet at Highway 101 and 166 on the South East corner at 8:00 am.

Library: None.

Membership: None.

Refreshments: Pie will be served at the May general meeting.

Scholarships: None.

Sunshine: Laura Kasteal's father passed away. Former member Irwin Maas along with life members Helen Dobler and Charles Azevedo also passed away. Elaine Von Achen made a motion that we send a check to the CFMS Endowment Fund as a memorial to Helen Dobler and Charles Azevedo. The motion was seconded by Jan Ferguson. Motion passed.

Old Business: Sylvia Nasholm noted that we need an update to the rules and regulations regarding the changes to the dues structure. It was also noted that it states in the rules and regulations that any income from the rental of OMS property is to be held and used to repair or replace such property. It is not to be donated to one of our philanthropic funds.

New Business: May's general meeting program will be given by Wes Lingerfelt and will be a slide show presentation of a recent field trip to Figueroa Mt.

The display for May is Sedimentary Rock.

Refreshments will be pie.

There will be no general meeting in June, as we will be having our annual picnic/barbeque. The barbeque will be held on Saturday, June 5 from 11:00 am. to 3:00 pm.

The meeting was adjourned by President, Sylvia Nasholm at 7:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted:
Elaine Von Achen, Secretary, OMS

Orcutt Mineral Society General Meeting, Elwin Mussell Sr. Center, Santa Maria, Ca. May 11, 2010

President Sylvia Nasholm called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm.

Mike Henson gave the invocation.

Joseph Martinez led the flag salute.

Sheriff, Bill Hood, said everyone had badges.

Minutes: Elaine Von Achen read the minutes of the previous board meeting. Minutes were approved as read.

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

Correspondence: None.

Hospitality: Sharon Duncan reported 38 members and 3 guests in attendance. Guests included Hunter Pease, Sally Griffith and Mike O'Donnell. Guests were greeted and thanked.

Refreshments: Margaret Henson thanked Jeannie Lingerfelt, Sandy Berthelot, Erica Erskine, Lucky Virgin, Jan Ferguson and Sylvia Nasholm for their generous donations of Pies for the evening's refreshment.

Committee Reports:

Abused Children: Jan Ferguson reported the evening's prizes for the May drawing as an Aquamarine specimen from Brazil which was donated by Wayne Mills and won by Roger Lehman, a variscite specimen from Utah donated by Wayne Mills and won by Erica Erskine, a Mexican fire agate won by Lee Reyburn and an Apache Tear in perlite from Colorado, collected by Helen and Ralph Smith and donated by Stan and Jan Ferguson and won by Don Nasholm.

Breakfast: May's breakfast will be held at the "The Home Town Buffet", 1431 S. Bradley, Santa Maria, Ca. May 22, 2010 at 9:00 am.

Budget & Audit: None.

Bulletin: The Bulletin is out and everyone received their copy.

CFMS: None.

Door Prize: Bob Bullock reported some of the evening's prizes as a small sphere, a fossil, some agate and much more. The grand prize is a rock hammer.

Education: Wes Lingerfelt brought the teaching materials he is selling to the club at wholesale to be turned over to Moksha Badarayan.

Gem Show: Wes Lingerfelt reported that he, Elaine Von Achen and Sylvia Nasholm paid a visit to the church and checked out the new baffles. We may have to shorten up on the displays, but believe we have a working plan.

Historian: None.

Field Trip: The May field trip will be held on the 15th and has been changed from Avila Beach to a trip to Lucy Tunnell's in Rosamond. Members will meet at the Elwin Mussell Sr. Center at 8:00 am. and are asked to bring water and a sack lunch.

Highway Clean-up: There were 11 people who showed up to help with the clean-up. Everyone gathered for coffee and pastry following the clean-up and Marty Lingerfelt won a Bruno Jasper cab.

Library: None.

Locker Clean-up: None.

Membership: Elaine Von Achen welcomed Joe Azevedo and Bonnie Ward as new members.

Political Action Committee: Dick Bazzell said that the California Forrest Service is looking for comments regarding the opening of clear creek. It is currently open on a temporary basis.

Property: None.

Scholarships: Wayne Mills and Elaine Von Achen will be attending a scholarship banquet to be held on June 3, 2010 at Allan Hancock College. They will meet with the recipient of this years OMS scholarship and will report back in July.

Sunshine: Laura Gebhart sent thanks to everyone for their cards and condolences in the passing of her mother.

Old Business: Sandy Berthelot and Sharon Duncan received their service pens from last year. they had been unable to attend the December meeting when pens were awarded.

New Business: None.

The program for this month will be given by Wes Lingerfelt and will be a slide show of last month's field trip to Figueroa Mountain.

The display is sedimentary rock. Members Moksha Badarayan, Wayne Mills, Linda Kolasinski, Joseph Martinez, Don and Sylvia Nasholm and Mike and Margaret Henson received extra prize tickets for bringing displays.

The meeting was adjourned by President, Sylvia Nasholm at 9:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted:
Elaine Von Achen, Secretary, OMS

Rockhound's Poem

~ Author Unknown

I know that there shall never be,
An ignoramus just like me.
Who roams the hills both night and day,
To pick up rocks that do not pay.
For there's one thing I've been told,
I pick the rock and leave the gold.

O'er deserts wild and mountains blue,
I pick up rocks of every hue.
A hundred pounds or more I'll pack,
With blistering feet and aching back.
And after all is said and done,
I cannot name a single one.

I pick up rocks where ere I go.
The reason why I do not know.
For rocks are found by fools like me,
Where God intended they should be.

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| July 6, 2010 7:00 to 8:30 pm. | Senior Center. All members are welcome at this business meeting. |
| Tuesday July 13, 2010 7:00 to 9:00 pm. | OMS General Meeting-Elwin Mussell Senior Center. • Program-To Be Announced • Display-1'x1' Things We Made. Refreshments-Cakes |
| Saturday July 10, 2010 8:00 to 10:00 am. | Roadside Clean up After the cleanup, coffee and pastry at "Francisco's Country Kitchen" in Santa Maria. |
| Saturday July 17, 2010 8:00 am. to 5:00 pm. | Field Trip to Santa Barbara Natural History Museum- Meet up At Mussell Center. Bring your lunch and cameras. Contact Bob Bullock at 928-6372 for details |
| Saturday July 24, 2010 8:15 to 9:15 a.m. | OMS Monthly Breakfast- at <i>The Girls Restaurant</i> in Arroyo Grande. |

June 2010 Calendar

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| Tuesday June 1, 2010 7:00 to 8:30 pm. | OMS Board Meeting-Elwin Mussell Senior Center. All members are welcome at this business meeting. |
| Saturday June 5, 2010 11:00 am to 3:00 pm. | Semi-Annual Meeting & BBQ at Pioneer Park bring a dish to share and rocks for the silent auction. This year we also ask you to bring a donation of non-perishable food for the Salvation Army food bank. |
| Saturday June 12, 2010 8:00 am to 5:00 pm | Field Trip to Jalama Beach - Meet at Mussell Senior Center parking lot. Enjoy a warm spring day on the beach collecting Chert & agate. Bring lunch, water and a good eye for the local odd stuff. Easy access to an excellent collecting area. Contact Bob Bullock at 928-6372 for details. |
| Saturday June 23, 2010 9:00 to 10:00 am | OMS Monthly Breakfast- at the Sunrise Golf Course Café |

July 2010 Calendar

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| Tuesday | OMS Board Meeting-Elwin Mussell |
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CFMS SHOWS 2010

June 4-6 2010, Woodland Hills, CA
Rockatomics Gem and Mineral Society
Pierce College
6201 Winnetka Ave., Woodland Hills
Hours: 9 5
Gary Levitt (818) 993-3802
Email: Show@Rockatomics.org
Website: Rockatomics.org

June 5-6 2010, Glendora, CA
Glendora Gems
Goddard Middle School
859 East Sierra Madre
Hours: Sat. 10-5; Sun. 10-4
Bonnie Bidwell (626) 963-4638
Email: Ybidwell2@aol.com

June 18-20 2010, Whittier, CA
AFMS/CFMS Show and Convention
Hosted by North Orange County Gem and Mineral Society
So. CA University of Health Sciences Campus
16200 E. Amber Valley Rd., Whittier CA
Hours: 10-5 daily
Don Warthen (626) 330-8974
Email: odwarthen@verizon.net
Website: www.nocgms.com

June 19-20 2010, Cayucos, CA
San Luis Obispo Gem & Mineral Club
Cayucos Vets Hall (next to Cayucos Pier)
10 Cayucos Drive
Hours: 9-5 Daily
Mike Lyons (805) 610-0757
Email: jadestar@charter.net

July 10-11 19-20 2010, Culver City, CA

Culver City Rock & Mineral Club
 Veterans Memorial Auditorium
 4117 Overland Ave (Overland & Culver)
 Hours: Sat 10-6; Sun 10-5
 Robert Thirlaway (310) 213-7677
 Email: thirlawr@earthlink.net
 Website: <http://www.CulverCityRocks.org>

August 6, 7 & 8 2010, Nipomo, CA
Orcutt Mineral Society
 St. Joseph's Church
 298 S. Thompson Ave.
 Hours: 9-5 daily
 Wes Lingerfelt (805) 929-3788
 Email: Rocks4u@prodigy.net
 Website: www.omsinc.org

August 7 & 8 2010, San Francisco, CA
San Francisco Gem & Mineral Society
 San Francisco Co. Fair Bldg. (Hall of Flowers)
 9th Ave. & Lincoln Way, Golden Gate Park
 Hours: Sat 10-6 Sun 10-5
 Carleen Mont-Eton (415)564-4230
 Email: publicity@show.sfgms.org
 Website: www.sfgms.org


August 21-22 2010, Orangevale, CA
Treasure Trove of Gems
 Orangevale Community Center
 6826 Hazel Ave.
 Hours: Sat 10-6 Sun 10-5
 Admission: \$4 per day or \$6 for weekend -
 Children under 12 yrs. Free with adult
 John Moulder (916) 290-3193
 Email: info@treasuretroveofgems.com
 Website: www.treasuretroveofgems.com

September 3-6 2010, Fort Bragg, CA
Mendocino Coast Gem & Mineral Society
 Town Hall
 Corner of Main & Laurel
 Hours: Fri-Sun 10-6 -- Mon 10-4
 Don McDonell (707) 964-3116
 Email: ejwebb@mcn.org

September 11-12 2010, Downey, CA
Delvers Gem & Mineral Society
 Woman's Club of Downey
 9813 Paramount Blvd.
 Hours: Sat 10-6; Sun 10-4
 Nancy Bird (562) 697-0636
 Email: nancyjbird@verizon.net
 Website: <http://www.slogem.org/>


September 18-19 2010, Redwood City, CA
Sequoia Gem & Mineral Society
 Community Activities Building
 1400 Roosevelt Ave.
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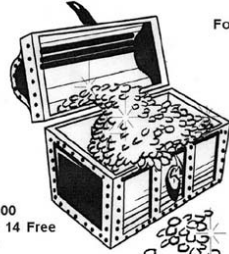


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Games
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Fossils
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