



Ore-Cutts

The Pres Box—June 2014

By Elaine Von Achen, President, OMS



It is hard to believe we are almost at the halfway mark for this year! There are, however, lots of events and fun things still to take place.

June 7th is going to be our annual picnic/barbeque (Semi-

Annual Meeting) held at Pioneer Park on Foster Road in Santa Maria. The picnic starts at 11:00 and members are asked to please bring a dish to share. The club will provide the meat, bread and coffee. Members also need to bring a table cloth and table settings as well as drinks. There will be a silent auction so if you have any rock to donate please bring them as well.

DON'T FORGET, THERE WILL BE NO REGULAR MEETING IN JUNE. Our next regular meeting will be July 8th.

June's breakfast will be held on the 28th and will be at the Sunset Grill, 1424 Fairway Drive, Santa Maria at 8:30 a.m.

We are looking for someone to chair the Treasure Chest at our upcoming annual Gem Show in August.

We are planning to have an exhibit in the Nipomo Library for the month of July. If anyone would like to put an item or two on display, please let me know as we will not be having

another regular meeting before the display is due.

I guess that about sums up activities for June. Have a wonderful month and I will see you all in July.

Elaine Von Achen
President, OMS

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES



Birthday greetings go out to those folks who are having birthdays and Anniversaries in May.

June Birthdays

Bishop, Ralph	6/2/2014
Schmidt, Michael	6/4/2014
Sheffer, Geary	6/9/2014
Williams, Maida	6/15/2014

June Anniversaries

Bill and Debbie Hood	6/7/2014
Joe and Lisa Azevedo	6/8/2014
Stan and Jan Ferguson	6/27/2014
Roger and Donna Lehman	6/30/2014

Congratulations!

*If you don't see your name here when you should, then the information is not in **The Red Book**. Please write your important dates down and give them to Wes Lingerfelt so they will be included in the next edition (April 2015).*

SUNSHINE

Jeannie Lingerfelt

Both Sandy Berthelot and Jan Ferguson are recovering nicely from surgeries.

HIGHWAY HEROES

Our highway clean-up on Saturday, May 10 was a successful venture thanks to the few hardy souls who showed-up to participate. Almost half of the crew was the Lingerfelt Family (Wes, Jeanie and Marty). The balance of the crew was Joe and Lisa Azevedo, Annette DeHate and yours truly.

After the clean-up we had rock fellowship at Francisco's Country Kitchen in Santa Maria. We had a drawing for a yet to be determined prize, and it was won by Wes Lingerfelt who has generously supplied the prizes for the past several clean-ups. So, he gets to pick his own prize! My prize for the day was (still is) a "Sneak-a-Toke" marijuana pipe.

Thanks again to all who gave their time to keep our little piece of highway clean.

"OH, MY ACHING BACK"

Wayne Mills, table jockey

For the record, May is our table movin'est month. Wes and I moved 36 tables from our sea train in Nipomo to his trailer and then to the AG K-Mart Plaza, and back into the trailer on May 16-17. Then we moved 34 more tables into the trailer on May 20, and unloaded all 70 at San Luis Obispo High School on May 21. We picked them up again on May 23 and delivered them to the Central Coast Cactus and Succulent Society Show (also in San Luis Obispo) on the same morning. We picked the tables back up again on May 25, and put them back in our locker on Monday May 26.

For each delivery, the club property fund makes \$6.00 per table. So, by my count, that is another $176 \times 6 = \$1056$ to the property rental fund. \$1056 divided by \$80 (Including tax) each for new plastic table means that we can replace another 13 of our old wooden tables. So, are there any volunteers to help move our tables next year?

TAIL GATE TALES

Wayne Mills, Field Trip Coordinator

The 2014 OMS Tailgate was a fun experience for all who attended. As happened last year, there was a great turnout from the Santa Lucia Club, and a poor turnout from OMS. The dealers--Wes and Jeannie Lingerfelt, John and Elaine Von Achen, Lucky Virgin and Renee Sutcliffe, Joe and Lisa Azevedo, Geary Sheffer and Wayne Mills, sincerely thank all who took the time to come to this event. The Von Achen Barn is a wonderful venue for a rockhound tailgate, and in spite of the other events going on this (Memorial Day) weekend, we had a pretty good turnout. Not knowing how the other dealers did, I can say that I made a little and spent a little, acquiring some neat succulents from Elaine, a beautiful Rhodonite Sphere from Geary, and some great slabs from Joe and Lisa. I was even encouraged to hold a couple of my geodes back to cut and polish. We all need to thank the Von Achen's for sponsoring this fun event at their home, and for the drinks and gourmet hot dogs they provided to all the dealers. Thanks again to all participants, and Happy Hounding—silver pickin' beats no pickin'!



Eager buyers checking out Wes's wares

SANTA LUCIA ROCKHOUNDS SHOW “Dinomania”

The Santa Lucia Rockhounds show was held on the weekend of May 3-4. Their theme this year was “Dinomania” and the show was very well done. Richard Wade was their featured guest with his energetic program on dinosaurs, and the two Dons again took home the First Place People’s Choice Award. Their Dinomite case was a reprise of one they had entered over the last few years, but totally carried out the theme of this year’s show. Former pebble pup, now Geology Student, Chris Dreisbach took home the second place People’s Choice Award with his case of local fossils. My favorite Junior Case was Little Eva’s 20-Mule Team Borax Mineral case.



Don and Don’s Dinomite Dinos



Chris D’s local fossil case



Eva’s (age 12) 20 Mule Team Case

SHOW AND TELL

Wayne Mills, Ore-Cutts Editor

Another of our local clubs, the San Luis Obispo Gem and Mineral Club (SLOGMC) will be having their shows in June and October of this year. The shows are held in the Veteran’s Hall at the landward end of the pier in Cayucos. The intrepid rock blogger and man about rocks, Kim Noyes is also in charge of organizing these shows. Dates for the June Show are Saturday and Sunday June 14-15. According to Kim, this is their 54th Annual Show. This year, they have lined-up 11 dealers for the June show.

The Cayucos Show has had an interesting past. For many years, the show was run by the Estero Bay Gem and Mineral Society that folded in 1995 (there was no show that year). A local opal and sapphire dealer) organized the show for two years 1996-1997, then passed it to Richard Sittinger (former owner of Mineral of the Month Club) who helped organize it in 1998-1999. The show was passed to SLOGMC in 2000, and it became a Bi-annual Show from 2002 to the present. Sources tell me that the club is considering reverting back to one show per year. OMS celebrates our 47th Annual Show this year.

The dates for the 2014 SLOGMC October show are the 25th and 26th, **two** weekends after the Big Sur Jade Festival (October 10-12).

RICHARD WADE GIVES THE INSIDE SCOOP ON VOLCANOES (May 13)

Wayne Mills, Ore-Cutts Editor from a talk by Richard Wade

Richard Wade gave another energetic and very informative program on Volcanoes. He did a wonderful job covering the huge subject that is indeed as big as the whole world!

From the solid iron core of the earth to it's (relatively) paper thin crust, there is magma (which is by definition very hot!) When this magma finds a weakness in the Earth's crust, it makes its exit in the form of lava—molten rock. When this rock hardens, it can take many forms. Rhyolite, Andesite, Andesite porphyry, Basalt, Obsidian, Volcanic tuff, and Pumice are all extrusive igneous rocks (solidified from lava).

There are several kinds of volcanoes: from small vents that just spout steam from time to time, to eruptions that can change global temperatures (by fractions of a degree) to super-volcanoes capable of eruptions that can induce an ice-age. It was startling to discover that Yellowstone Valley is a caldera of just such a super volcano.

Because of the variety of minerals contained in volcanic rock (that has much the same composition as granite, but is more iron rich), decomposed volcanic soils foster rich growths of vegetation which attract plant and animal life, which in turn attract man and his villages and cities. This fact can in some cases be a prelude to disaster.

Richard told two stories about famous volcanoes. Some facts have been added from outside sources.

In 79 AD, Pompey, Italy was a town of prosperity. It sat picturesquely in the shadow of Mount Vesuvius, thought to be one of the minor forges of Vulcan (God of Volcanoes) due to its quiescent nature. The town had suffered damage from a large earthquake in 62 AD, but the damage had been largely repaired. On the morning of August 24, a 2-day eruption of the volcano began. It was slow enough that most of the 20,000 inhabitants were able to flee, but contained enough energy that at the end of its eruption, the town was covered with 16 feet of volcanic ash. All the remaining inhabitants and all vestiges of the town were completely entombed in volcanic ash until they were rediscovered during an irrigation project some 2000 years later. The excavation of Pompey continues to this day. Presently, the City of Naples sits near the place where Pompey is being excavated. *The main value of history is to help us learn from the mistakes of the past.*

Iceland is a nation of hardy souls. They have to be to survive the harsh conditions that they live in (the island is crossed by the Polar Circle, and is located between the frigid Arctic Sea and the North Atlantic Ocean). In contrast, the Island sits astride the Mid-Atlantic ridge, a boundary of two of the huge plates that make up the Earth's surface, and a linear weak spot in the Earth's surface where magma is quickly cooled as it hits the ocean water that sits atop it. About 6.2 miles off the southeast coast of the Island of Iceland sits the Island of Heimaey (pronounced hey may). The city of Heimaey sits in the shadow of Volcano Eldfell that formed the island relative recently (about 13 million

years ago). On January 23, 1973, Eldfell began to erupt, spewing lava 500 feet into the air, and down its flanks toward the town or 4100 inhabitants. The inhabitants of the small island (3

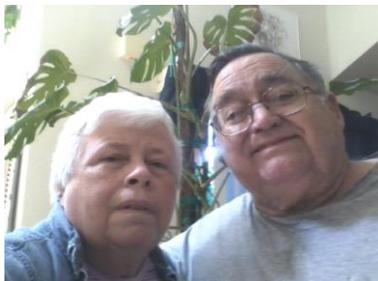


miles across at it's widest) did the smart thing—got off the island. Then, considering that the island had one of the best fishing ports in all of Iceland, they determined to take their town back from the volcano. Thorbjorn Sigurgeirsson had the idea to stop the advance of the lava by spraying it with seawater (which the small island had plenty of). So, to the delight of Icelandic TV viewers who called it “pissing on the lava” (only in Icelandic), Thorbjorn and his crews started pumping water on the advancing lava, creating a crust that eventually stopped the advance of the lava and saved the harbor and much of the town.

Read more about the “taming” of Eldfell in [The Control of Nature](#) by John McPhee (1989)

<http://questhousehamar.com/main.php>

MEET OMS—Mike and Margaret Henson



My (Margaret's) love for rocks started at an early age. My grandfather was a real rock hound from the old days. When I was 5

years old he gave me a geode from South Dakota. It was just a round rock but when he hit it with a hammer in just the right spot the magic amethyst crystals were revealed. I still have that geode.

I was married at age 17 and followed my husband to Germany. He was in the Army and stationed in Heilbronn, Germany. Since he was just a private, I had to pay my own way. It was really a different way of life. We lived with a German family since there was no room for us in on-base housing. My daughter, Tammy, was born in May of 1962. Every place we went we had to walk since we had no car.

Everything was fine until the fall of 1962; can you remember the Cuban Missile Crisis? I can-- my land lady took me down in the cellar and

showed me the escape route she had taken with her family during WW II. Here I was with a 4 month old baby and pretty much alone. The troops in our area were sent to the Czech border. I was able to book a dependent flight home and the landlady's son took Tammy and me to the Stuttgart Airport. I was so glad to get home. Whittier, California never looked so good. I called my parents from the airport. They didn't know I was coming home, so it was quite the surprise to them.

During this same time period Mike was on the USS Pictor (AF-54, a US Navy refrigerated stores ship) in the US Navy in the South China Sea, however we were not to meet for a few more years.

In 1969, my husband and I parted ways. In 1971 a friend introduced me to Mike Henson. When we first met we both knew there was something special between us. We were married the next November. When we went to get our marriage license I asked who this James guy is?! I thought I was marrying Mike! That is when I found out his name is James Michael. He adopted Tammy a little while later and we were a happy family. We went on a vacation every year to our favorite place--the Central Coast of California. We also spent our honeymoon here.

In 1981 Mike got a job offer from Martin Marietta in Lompoc and we were able to relocate to this area. Mike retired from Martin in 2001. Since that time, we have spent a lot of time traveling around this great country, taking pictures and looking for rocks.

KID'S CORNER

From Diamond Dan's Mini Miner's Monthly Vol. 8 No. 5

MINERALS IN YOUR HOME

BATTERIES, Graphite, Galena, and Sphalerite. Galena is a source of lead, and sphalerite is a source of Zinc.

COSMETICS: Muscovite, Hematite and Talc. Talc is crushed into a very fine powder and

used to make talcum powder and other cosmetics. Muscovite is crushed and added to cosmetics like lipstick and face powder to give a glittery look. Hematite is crushed to a powder and added to cosmetics to give a deep red color.

DENTAL CARE: Gold, Rutile, Fluorite and Cinnabar. Gold is used to cover damaged teeth and for fillings in cavities. Rutile is used to give color to false teeth so they look real. Fluorite is the source of the element fluorine which is combined with other elements to make the compound fluoride. Fluoride helps make teeth stronger and resistant to decay. Cinnabar is the main source of mercury. A mercury compound (called mercury amalgam) was used for many years to fill cavities. Mercury is VERY poisonous, however, and mercury amalgam is no longer used.

RECLINER CHAIR: Sulfur, Hematite, Magnetite and Sphalerite. Sulfur is used to make the foam rubber that is used for soft padding in the chair cushions. Hematite and magnetite are the source of iron for making the steel that is used to make the chair frame. Sphalerite is a source of zinc that is needed to make some dyes for the cloth covering.

SUNSCREEN: Sphalerite and Zincite. Sunscreen contains a compound called zinc oxide. The element zinc is removed from the minerals sphalerite and zincite.

TOILET: Feldspar, Hematite, Magnetite, Pyrolusite, Chromite, Copper, Azurite, and Malachite. The toilet is made of porcelain which contains feldspar as its main ingredient. Pyrolusite is used to make coloring for the porcelain, hematite and magnetite are used to make the steel parts (handles, inside valve pieces, etc.) Handles are often covered with shiny mineral called chrome that comes from the mineral chromite. Copper and copper ores (like azurite and malachite) are used to make the pipes that bring water to the toilet. Today, many pipes are made of plastics or flexible metal tubing as well.

TOWEL: Sphalerite and Chromite. These two minerals are used to create dyes that are used to color towels. Bet you wondered how something hard like a mineral could be found in something soft like a towel!

**ORCUTT MINERAL SOCIETY--Board Meeting
Nipomo Chamber of Commerce, Nipomo, CA
May 6, 2014**

President Elaine Von Achen called the meeting to order at 6:58 p.m.

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

Minutes: Minutes of the April general meeting were approved as printed in the OMS May Bulletin.

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

Correspondence: None

Committee Reports:

Annual Gem Show: Wes said he was promised approved paperwork from the School District but had not yet received it. He is going to check with the school. He also plans to order insurance for the event.

Breakfast: May's breakfast will be held on the 24th at the Sunset Grill, 1424 Fairway Drive, Santa Maria at 8:30 a.m.

Bulletin: The bulletin is on line and has been mailed. If anyone is interested in submitting a story about themselves, please let Elaine or Wayne know.

CFMS: None

Education: Wayne, with help from Elaine, will give a talk on May 3rd at the Santa Maria Discovery Museum as part of their STEM program

Field Trip: The field trip for May will be on the 24th and will be to the Von Achen's 2nd annual tailgate which will be held from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Highway Clean-up: The next highway clean-up will be held Saturday, May 10th. Members will meet at Highways 101 and 166 on the south east corner at 8:00 a.m.

Library: None

Membership: None

Refreshments: Refreshment for the May's General Meeting will be "pie" donated by Jeannie Lingerfelt, Sandy Berthelot, Lucky Virgin and Jan Ferguson.

Scholarship: Wayne received a phone call from Dr. Gray and one from the Foundation thanking us for the recent check of \$1,500 for scholarships for the coming year.

Sunshine: Jeannie Lingerfelt reported that Jan Ferguson has been having some trouble with her knee but is on the mend.

Old Business: Our annual June Barbeque will be held at Pioneer Park on the 7th of June. Be sure to bring rocks for the silent auction.

New Business:

Sandy Berthelot reported that she had talked to Richard Sittinger and he told her a new fossil shop has opened in Cambria called Ancient Images. The owner is Aaron but she doesn't remember the last name. She encouraged us to take a look when we were up that way.

The meeting was adjourned by President Elaine Von Achen at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Elaine Von Achen

Secretary, OMS

**ORCUTT MINERAL SOCIETY—
General Meeting
Luis Oasis Senior Center, Orcutt, CA
May 13, 2014**

President Elaine Von Achen called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

Mike Henson gave the invocation.

Mariah Martinez led the flag salute.

Wayne Mills made a motion to change the order of business to accommodate our guest speaker for the evening (Richard Wade) who is from out of the area. Debbie Hood seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Richard Wade gave an excellent program on "Volcanology" which, from the applause he received, was thoroughly enjoyed. This is the second time we have been lucky enough to have Richard and we hope he can come back again.

After a break for refreshments we continued with the business part of our meeting.

Minutes: Elaine Von Achen read the minutes from the May 6, 2014 board meeting. Minutes were approved as read.

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

Correspondence: We received postcards for the West Coast Gem & Mineral Show in Santa Ana. Elaine noted that they were on the hospitality table if anyone was interested.

Hospitality: There were 28 members and 9 guests in attendance. Our guests were Lou Arellanes, Paula Dana, Michael Judy, Lisa King, Mary Caparone, Phil Beguhl, Denise Halopoff, Lloyd Ragsdale and Penny Young. Guests were greeted and thanked.

Refreshments: Joe Azevedo thanked the following members for pies for the evening's refreshment. Sandy Berthelot - Blackberry and Cherry, Jeannie Lingerfelt - Apricot and Pecan, Jan Ferguson - Blue Berry Tart and Lucky Virgin - Banana Cream.

Committee Reports:

Annual December Luncheon Meeting: None

Abused Children: None

Breakfast: May's breakfast will be held at the Sunset Grill, 1424 Fairway Drive, Santa Maria, CA at 8:30 a.m. on the 24th.

Bulletin: The bulletin is on the web as well as having been mailed. Elaine asked members for more "something you probably don't know about me" stories for the bulletin.

CFMS: none

Door Prizes: Joseph Martinez reported donations for this month from Ralph Todd Stones who donated some bolos and some broaches' and from Lucky Virgin who brought some rainforest jasper. There were also some very nice items on the table including some slabs and some bagged rock.

Education: Wayne and Elaine showed up at the Santa Maria Discovery Museum on May 3rd at 10:00 to give a program as part of their STEM program. After an hour and with only one person showing up they packed up and left.

Gem Show: Wes has fliers and posters available for handing out and he reported that he has the insurance for the show ordered from McDaniel Ins. Co.

Field Trip: May's field trip will be to the Von Achen's where we will be holding a "Tail Gate Rock Show" on May 24th from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Highway Clean-up: Our next highway clean-up will be on July 12th at 8:00 a.m. Members will meet at the South East Corner of Highways 101 and 166.

Library: We received a Kids Mineral Dictionary from Diamond Dan Publications and will put it in the club's library for check out.

Membership: None

Junior Members: None

Political Action Committee: None

Property: None

Scholarship: None

Sunshine: Jeannie Lingerfelt said she had nothing to report.

Old Business: Elaine reminded everyone that we will be having our second annual tailgate at the Von Achen Ranch on the 24th of May and members can sign up for a table for \$10.00 and non-members can get a table for \$25.00. Wayne has designated the tailgate as an OMS field trip. Anyone interested in a space, please contact Wayne or Elaine. We have sign-ups from Dyanna Cridelich, Wayne Mills, Wes Lingerfelt, Lucky Virgin, Joe Azevedo and Elaine & John Von Achen.

Elaine will serve a hotdog barbeque, beans, potato salad and dessert for the vendors and the club will provide water and soda.

Elaine reminded members that there will be no general meeting in June as we will be having our annual picnic on the 7th at Pioneer Park on Foster Road in Santa Maria. They will start the pit around 10:00 a.m. and members usually start showing up around 11:00 a.m. The club will provide meat, bread and coffee and members are asked to bring a dish to share along with your own table service, drinks and a table cloth. Please remember to bring rocks for the silent auction.

New Business: Elaine said that Wayne Mills will not be here for our Gem Show this year and therefore will be unable to chair the Treasure Chest this year. She asked if anyone is interested in being in charge of the treasure chest for this year.

Elaine reminded members that we will again have a space in the Nipomo Library for an exhibit for the

month of July and would like to have members bring something for display.

President Elaine Von Achen adjourned the meeting at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Elaine Von Achen, Secretary, OMS

OMS Calendar

June 2014

Tuesday, June 3 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.	OMS Board Meeting, Nipomo Chamber of Commerce meeting room, All members are welcome at this business meeting.
Saturday, June 7 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.	OMS Semi-Annual Meeting Pioneer Park, Santa Maria. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Barbecue/Pot Luck • Rock Silent Auction • Good Fellowship
Saturday, June 21	First Day of Summer!
Saturday, June 28 9:00 a.m.	OMS Monthly Breakfast- Sunset Ridge Golf in Santa Maria 8:30 a.m.

July 2014

Tuesday, July 1 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.	OMS Board Meeting, Nipomo Chamber of Commerce meeting room, All members are welcome at this business meeting.
Tuesday, July 8 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.	OMS General Meeting—Luis Oasis Senior Center. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Program- Prospecting for Gold, Mike Schmidt • Display- Any 1' x 1' Display • Refreshments-Cakes
Saturday, July 21	No Field Trip
Saturday, July 26 8:30 a.m.	OMS Monthly Breakfast- Country Kitchen in Santa Maria 8:30 a.m.

CFMS SHOWS

JUNE 2014

May 30 - June 1: POMONA, CA

2014 CFMS Show and Conference
Fairplex, 1101 W. McKinley Ave
POMONA, CA. to be hosted by the
Pasadena Lapidary Society
Show Website: www.cfms2014show.com

May 31 - June 1: ESCONDIDO, CA
 Palomar Gem & Mineral Club
 California Center for the Arts
 1340 N. Escondido Blvd.
 Hours: Sat 10 - 5; Sun 10 - 4
 Contact: Michael Bagstad, (760) 489-1897
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 Website: www.palomargem.org

June 6 - 8: LA HABRA, CA
 North Orange County Gem & Mineral Society
 Sonora High School
 401 S. Palm Street
 Hours: Fri 4 - 8:30; Sat 8 - 8; Sun 9 - 6
 Contact: Nancy Bird, (562) 697-0636
 Email: nancybird@verizon.net
 Website: www.nocgms.com

June 7 - 8: GLENDORA, CA
 Glendora Gems & Mineral Society
 Goddard Middle School
 859 East Sierra Madre
 Hours: Sat. 10 - 5; Sun 10 - 4
 Contact: Bonnie Bidwell, (626) 963-4638
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 Website: [Facebook Page](#)

June 14 - 15: CAYUCOS, CA
 San Luis Obispo Gem & Mineral Club
 Cayucos Vets Hall at the Pier
 10 Cayucos Drive
 Hours: 10 - 5 daily
 Contact: Kim Noyes, (805) 610-0603
 Email: kimnoyes@gmail.com
 Website: www.slogem.org

June 27 - 29: RIALTO, CA
 Orange Belt Gem & Mineral Society
 "Tailgate" across street from Rialto City Hall
 105 S. Palm Ave. (corner 1st & Palm Ave.)
 Hours: Fri & Sat 9 - 6; Sun. 9 - 3
 Contacts: Ken or Jessica Gard,
 (909) 624-1782, (909) 887-5507
kengard@roadrunner.com
 Website: obmsrocks.yolasite.com

June 28 - 29: CULVER CITY, CA
 Culver City Rock & Mineral Club
 Veterans Memorial Auditorium
 4117 Overland Ave

Hours: Sat 10 - 6; Sun 10 - 5
 Contact: Janice Metz
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JULY 2014 No shows!!

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FLASH! Check out our web page archives for an update on Clear Creek Management Area:

<http://www.omsinc.org/archives/CLEAR%20CREEK%20UPDATE%205.pdf>

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ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED

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.

