



# Ore-Cutts

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## The Pres Box—June 2016

Alexis Van Natta



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The end of April and the first two weeks of May were forgettable weeks for me. I don't know where I picked up this bug; it hit me over night with no warning. I am happy

to report that I am better and working on getting my strength back.

I did bundle up and dragged myself to the OMS Tail Gate at the Von Achen's on May 14. Elaine Von Achen, with the help of our newest member Tara Machin, put out a wonderful, delectable lunch spread. What is it that makes a hot dog taste so good out in the fresh windy air? I watched Sharon Duncan make the most colorful and artistic hot dog spread on her bun.

Dyanna and I bought a lot of wonderful rocks and shells: Petrified Cypress from New Cuyama, Dinosaur bones, cherry pits embedded in ash from Oregon and Maury Mt. Moss Agate from Oregon to name just a few. The dealers there were very generous with their merchandise. I also bought some very nice, big polished rocks for the children's booth wheel spin in August.

This brings me to a plea to all members to donate little polished rocks for our free give away box and for prizes for our wheel spin at our 49th Annual Gem Show. A Big Thank You in advance.

I'm sorry I missed Richard Wade's Talk on "Dinosaurs". I heard it at the Gem show in Paso

Robles and it was so entertaining and informative that I was looking forward to hearing it again. I hope you all enjoyed it as much as I did.

I want to remind and encourage you to not forget the **Semi Annual Meeting and Potluck BBQ** on June 11 at Pioneer Park in Santa Maria, 11 am to 3:00 pm. See you there.

Keep your calendar open for the monthly no-host-and-getting-to-know-you breakfast on June 25 at Country Kitchen in Arroyo Grande and on July 30, at Lil'Bits Café in Grover Beach. 8:30 am.

See you at the June 11<sup>th</sup> Semi-Annual BBQ meeting. *Alexis*

## BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES



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

### June Birthdays

Ralph Bishop	6/2
Michael Schmidt	6/4
Geary Sheffer	6/9

### June Anniversaries

Bill and Debbie Hood	6/7
Stan and Jan Ferguson	6/27
Roger and Donna Lehman	6/30

## 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 **Wayne** so they will be included in the next edition (April 2016)*

## SUNSHINE

Margaret Henson

Renea Sutcliff is home and recovering from hip surgery. Ralph Bishop continues to improve from his heart attack. Our good thoughts are with both members.

## SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING— SATURDAY, JUNE 11

We will meet in Pioneer Park in Santa Maria at about 11 am (on June 11) to celebrate the ½ way mark in our year. The club will furnish meat, beans, garlic bread and iced tea. Members are asked to bring a side-dish, salad or dessert to feed about 10 folks. In addition to the side dish, you will want to bring drinks, table cloth, plates and silver (or plastic) ware.

Members are **also** asked to bring rocks for the silent auction that is one of the highlights of the event.

**We will have good food, good conversation and good rocks, so come join us!**

## MY WAY IS THE HIGHWAY (Again)!

Wayne Mills, Adopt a Highway Coordinator

Highway Clean-up was held May 21. Seven “Road Warriors” showed up to clean the highway. Geary’s and my section went pretty quickly, while others took a bit longer. While we were waiting for the others to return to the parking lot, a flat-bed truck hauling 1917 and 1927 flat-bed Fords pulled into the lot. We had a nice time conversing with the driver who was hauling the trucks from Arroyo Grande to Oklahoma. I felt like hot stuff when I stepped out into east-bound traffic to stop them and allow the truck pull back onto 166 headed east.

After the clean-up, we went to Francisco’s Country Kitchen for snacks. Wes furnished the prize—a nice chunk of purple agate from the Cady Mountains that he had collected and polished. Brenna pulled the winning name from the hat—her own! She seemed happy with her treasure. Our hats are off to all participants—Wes and Marty Lingerfelt, Stan and Brenna Ferguson, Geary Sheffer, Sally Griffith and yours truly.

Our next clean-up opportunity is July 9. Please mark your calendars!

## TAILGATE AT THE VON ACHEN’S BARN—May 14 10 am-3 pm

We had another fun tailgate at the Von Achens on Saturday, May 4. Six dealers entertained themselves and a small group of visitors from both the Santa Lucia and OMS clubs as well a few of John and Elaine’s neighbors who saw the signs that they had posted. Elaine prepared a delicious lunch that was supposedly for the dealers, but was also enjoyed by several of the visitors. No problem, there was plenty of food and really tasty cookies.

I don’t know that anyone sold a lot, but we enjoyed each other’s company and each went home with a couple of new rocks.

The Von Achens (John and Elaine) are to be thanked again for hosting this enjoyable event.



*Some of the Santa Lucia folks, Margaret and Elaine*



*The group at Wes’s set-up.*

## RICHARD WADE DOES DINOSAURS!

Wayne Mills, Program chair from a talk by Richard Wade



Our May 10th program featured the ever-popular Richard Wade reprising his wonderful presentation on dinosaurs.



Everyone who came to the meeting (31 members and 3 guests) enjoyed his dino-antics including his introduction – a **Parasaurolophus** trumpet that he made and demonstrated. In

fact, Richard made all of his displays including the nearly six-foot tall replica of a Brachiosaurus femur and a neat (magnetic) map of the continents showing how they were joined in the Supercontinent of **Pangea** (from the Greek *Pangaia* meaning “all the earth”) before they started to drift apart some 200 million years ago during the Jurassic Age. .

**The Theory of Continental drift** was first proposed by the German scientist Alfred Wagner in 1912 after



he noted that the exact same fossils were found on different continents that were now

oceans apart.



**Fitting in nicely** with the discussion on Continental Drift was this plate of **Glossopteris** (angiospermae) fossils that Jan Ferguson brought in. Specimens of this genus were found in Africa, South America, India and Antarctica, helping Wagner to realize that those continents were once much closer together than they are now.

Richard’s talk concluded with a recount of the impact of a 6-mile in diameter meteor that crashed into the Earth off the coast of the Yucatan in Mexico, drastically changing the climate of the Earth and causing the extinction of **most** of the species that inhabited the planet some 65 million years ago.

Richard’s enthusiastic presentation earned a rousing cheer from the members present.

## ALL-AMERICAN ROCKERS

From the June Bulletin of the American Federation of Mineral Societies

Orcutt Mineral Society (OMS) is a member of the California Federation of Mineralogical Societies (CFMS) that is in turn a member of the American Federation of Mineralogical Societies (AFMS). The AFMS consists of 7 Federations that cover the entire country. These Federations are:

**CFMS**—California Federation of Mineralogical Societies

**EFMLS**— Eastern Federation of Mineralogical & Lapidary Societies

**MWF**— Midwestern Federation of Mineralogical Societies

**NFMS**— Northwest Federation of Mineralogical Societies

**RMFMS**— Rocky Mountain Federation of Mineralogical Societies

**SCFMS**—South Central Federation of Mineralogical Societies

**SFMS**--Southern Federation of Mineral Societies

In 2015-2016, these societies had a total of **52,460 members** (up 2,568 from the previous year). CFMS has 8,535 members, and the Eastern Federation with 9,398 members is the largest of the Federations.

## BITS AND BYTES

<http://www.msn.com/en-us/video/wonder/scientists-discovered-something-heart-breaking-about-this-newly-discovered-dinosaur>

New dinosaur from Central Montana

[www.cnn.com/2016/05/17/luxury/pink-diamond-auction-record/index.html](http://www.cnn.com/2016/05/17/luxury/pink-diamond-auction-record/index.html)

Another record diamond sale

## KID'S CORNER— What Is a Gem?

Mini Miner Monthly Volume 8, Number 2 (Feb. 2014)

### BERYL, EMERALD, AQUAMARINE, HELIODOR & MORE

Beryl is the name of a group of minerals that are different only in color. All their other physical properties are the same. They all crystallize in the hexagonal system, have a chemical formula of  $Be_3Al_2Si_6O_{18}$ , (*Beryllium aluminum silicate*) and have a hardness of 7.5 to 8.

Each color variety has its own name.

**Red** beryl is also known as **Bixbite**;

**Pink** beryl is called **Morganite**;

**Yellow** beryl is called **Heliodor**;

**Green** beryl is called **Emerald**;

**Blue** beryl is called aquamarine.

**Emerald** is the green variety of beryl. People have believed emerald to have many different "powers" through the ages. The Romans thought it was a symbol of the power of nature to reproduce. The ancient Greek philosopher/scientist, Theophrastus, claimed emeralds could bring rest to the eyes and relieve eye problems. In the 1600's emerald was thought to have the "power" to stop bleeding and take away fevers. Others believed an emerald could help a person predict the future.



Above: 540 Carat Emerald from Muzo,

Colombia. Picture from: [bluffparkbackporch.wordpress.com](http://bluffparkbackporch.wordpress.com). (Palm of man's hand for size)



Above: Red Beryl (Bixbite) from the Wah Wah Mountains, Beaver County, Utah. Picture from: [www.popscreen.com](http://www.popscreen.com)

## LIKE MERCURY, BUT SAFE TO PLAY WITH From a video on MSN –Summary by Wayne Mills

I came across an interesting article on MSN one cold gray morning. The article talked about an elemental metal that looks and acts much like Mercury, but that is "safe" to handle (they wore nitrile gloves during the video though). The Metal is called **Gallium**, and its' position on the Periodic Chart is # 31 (Mercury is #80, meaning that is more than twice as dense.)

**Gallium** is a silvery metal that is solid at room temperature, but melts at 85 degrees F. If you ever saw the magic trick where a spoon melts in a cup of tea, the trick is that the spoon was made of Gallium! Other, more mundane uses for the metal are in semi-conductors. Lasers, blue-ray players and as an additive in ski-wax. You can even make a mirror with it.

**Gallium** does not occur in a pure form, but is a by-product of the manufacture of zinc and aluminum. Perhaps you can think of other uses for this interesting metal...of course it is available on the internet.



<http://www.msn.com/en-us/video/wonder/this-mystifying-metal-is-liquid-like-mercury-but-safe-to-play-with-bare-hands>



**EXHIBIT AND DEMONSTRATION APPLICATION**  
OMS 49<sup>th</sup>, Annual Rainbow of Gems Show & Rock Festival  
August 5<sup>th</sup> through 7<sup>th</sup>, 2016 - Show Hours 10 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
Nipomo High School  
525 N. Thompson Avenue  
Nipomo, CA 93444

Dear Friends:

The Orcutt Mineral Society will be honored to have you exhibit at our 49th Annual Rainbow of Gems Show & Rock Festival. We eagerly look forward to your participation this year and welcome newcomers to our event. Please complete, detach, and return the coupon (below) by July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016 to assure that we will have a space reserved for your case. Set up time will be 1:00 to 8:00 p.m. on Thursday, 4 August 2016, or prior to 10:00 a.m., or after 5:00 p.m. on Friday, August 5<sup>th</sup> 2016. For those of you who cannot arrive until later on Friday, please advise me of what time you will be arriving so that I may reserve your case display area. Cases must remain intact during show hours. In the event of an emergency, a member of the Orcutt Mineral Society must accompany you if your case is opened or removed. Dry camping will be available, and we ask that you vacate the camping area prior to 8:00 a.m. on Monday, August 8<sup>th</sup> 2016. Dinner will be served to exhibitors, demonstrators, and all dealers from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m., Thursday evening. Sylvia will have a welcoming packet ready for you. Also, we ask that demonstrators be good neighbors and not demonstrate in the main hall any procedures that make loud noise. The Orcutt Mineral Society does not carry insurance for the loss or damage to your exhibits. Your homeowners insurance should cover this. The OMS will not be responsible for any loss. Watchmen are provided Friday & Saturday nights. Please indicate below if you can demonstrate your special talents to the public at our show. Your participation has made our show a very special event over the years, and we thank you for your continued support! Please complete the form below and return to Sylvia Nasholm, 1205 Pomeroy Rd. Arroyo Grande, CA. 93420. Telephone 805-481-0923. E-mail is [info@omsinc.org](mailto:info@omsinc.org) or visit our web page at [www.omsinc.org](http://www.omsinc.org) for helpful information.

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**EXHIBIT AND DEMONSTRATION APPLICATION OMS**

49<sup>th</sup> Annual Rainbow of Gems Show & Rock Festival

Name \_\_\_\_\_ e-mail or Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address(PLEASE!) \_\_\_\_\_

I will exhibit \_\_\_\_\_ case(s) entitled \_\_\_\_\_

My outside dimensions are: Length \_\_\_\_\_ Depth \_\_\_\_\_

Height \_\_\_\_\_ My case is Upright? \_\_\_\_\_ Slant? \_\_\_\_\_ (Wattage not to exceed

150 WATTS) I have my own exhibit case(s) \_\_\_\_\_ I will need to borrow a OMS case \_\_\_\_\_

I will attend Thursday night dinner \_\_\_\_\_ persons I will demonstrate \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

The Orcutt Mineral Society is a Public Benefit, Non-Profit Corporation founded in 1958

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**ORCUTT MINERAL SOCIETY—  
BOARD MEETING  
Nipomo Chamber of Commerce, Nipomo, CA  
May 3, 2016**

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President Elect, Wayne Mills, called the meeting to order at 7:05 p. m. Board members present were Wayne Mills, Sylvia Nasholm, Don Nasholm, Jeanne Watkins Brown, Jan Ferguson, Sally Griffith and Dyanna Cridelich. Absent were Alexis Van Natta and Sharon Duncan. No guests were present.

**Minutes:** Minutes were approved as corrected in the May bulletin.

**Treasurer's report:** Jeanne Watkins gave the treasurer's report. The report was accepted as given.

**Correspondence:** A letter was received from Karen and Richard Dry informing us of their new address in Pennsylvania. Pat Nuernberg sent a letter correcting the spelling of her last name in the Red Book and a very generous \$10.00 donation to help with the postage. We received the Santa Lucia Rock Hounds Bulletin and a card announcing the Holabird, "Cowboys & Indians & Miners" Auction on May 13 and 14<sup>th</sup>. They also advertised a National Bottle Auction on August 4-7 in Sacramento. Sylvia Nasholm received her CFMS Bulletin and found a Rock Hound Soap Box that everyone can access. The BLM has released a DAC Field Trip Itinerary of the field trip to the Mojave Trails National Monument on May 20, 2016. All DAC field trips are open to the public. We also received several free admission cards to Gemfaire in Santa Barbara on May 20, 21, & 22. Please let me know if you would like one.

**Committee Reports:**

**Abused Children:** \$68.00 was collected for the Abused Children's last month.

**Annual December Luncheon:** Nothing this month.

**Annual Gem Show:** Wayne Mills has all the signed papers from the High School, so we are all legal and good to go with the show. Sharon Duncan has collected \$5000 so far from the dealers (give or take). There are 50 dealers outside and 11 dealers inside. There is a waiting list.

We need to get people to go inside to the exhibits. A large poster showing where everybody was located was suggested. This would be a map showing all the outside and inside vendors. We would have large posters and small maps to hand out.

Sharon Duncan brought a sample of the proposed 8 1/2" by 11" show flyer. Jeanne Watkins offered to copy them for us as needed.

Jeanne Watkins commented that the G Brothers should have a better selection of drinks available. There were some complaints at the Paso Robles show. Alexis Van Natta has sent the agreement up to them and is waiting for a response.

Sylvia Nasholm has been in touch with the county. They have agreed to let us serve watermelon slices and strawberry shortcake. She found that the best deal in pies is from CoCo's, which came in at \$10.95 a pie. They may also allow us to bake brownies in their ovens.

**Bulletin:** The Bulletin is out.

**CFMS:** The CFMS has an exchange for all newsletters. Through the exchange, Wayne Mills found out that the Orange Belt Mineral Society is taking a trip to the Cady Mountains.

**Field Trips:** Don't forget our annual Tailgate Sale at the Von Achen's on May 14<sup>th</sup>. There will be a \$10 fee for vendors and the sign-up sheet is online. So far we have 5 dealers: Wes Lingerfelt, Lucky Virgin, Geary Sheffer, Wayne Mills and Sharon Duncan.

**Highway Cleanup:** Our next Highway cleanup will be held May 21, 2016 at 8:00am. Members will meet on the South East corner of Highways 101 and 166.

**Membership:** Tara Machin turned in her application for membership during the April general meeting. Dyanna Cridelich brought her name forward and after a short discussion, Wayne Mills made the motion that she be accepted. Sally Griffith seconded this. Motion carried and we can now welcome our newest OMS member.

**Refreshments:** Sally Griffith said that pies are in order for May thanks to Joe/Lisa Azevedo, Jeanne Lingerfelt, Wayne Mills and Jan Ferguson. Jeanne Watkins will bring melons.

**Sunshine:** Ralph Bishop is recovering from his heart attack and getting more energy. Alexis Van Natta has had a bad chest cold and is getting better. Please let Margaret Henson know if anyone is under the weather.

**Scholarship:** none

**Old Business:**

Sylvia Nasholm suggested having a rainbow on the back of the shirt with Rainbow of Gems written over the rainbow. This way, it can be used for more than one year. It should be in one color, possibly staying with the color red. We also have rainbow patches that may be sewed on the back. Sharon Duncan suggested having a

sign-up sheet for the new shirts. That way, we will know how many to order. We are still working on this. We hope to have sample pictures of what they might look like by the next board meeting.

Dyanna Cridelich looked up the prices for the kid's Coloring Books. There are 10 different books. Most of them are \$15.00 for 10 books postpaid. One of them is \$17.50 for 10. Sharon Duncan will check to see what ones we have left. Dyanna Cridelich will call the publishing company to see if we can mix the books or if we have to buy in multiples of 10.

#### **New Business:**

**Semi- Annual Meeting and Potluck BBQ** at Pioneer Park on June 11: The OMS will supply the meat, bread and coffee. Members will bring a side dish or dessert. Members should also bring their own drinks, utensils, plates, tablecloth, and any other things they may need. They also should bring any rocks for the silent auction.

Wes Lingerfelt has agreed to buy the meat and do the cooking. We need to ask Truman Burgess about bringing the wood down. Sally Griffith will bring everything for the coffee and tea. Sharon Duncan will donate the Styrofoam cups

**Show:** Jeanne Watkins said that the Hawaiian Flavored Ices would give us 15% if they sell at the show. Nick and Chaney Heiland are the owners.

CGPAA – (California Gold Prospectors Association) will come, and should be put next to the Children's booth again.

Wes Lingerfelt and John Von Achen will be getting the signs out for the gem show.

It was requested that we have petty cash made available for Sally Griffith of \$100.00 for refreshment costs. She will need to turn in receipts to Jeanne Watkins as used. Jeanne Watkins made the motion. Wayne Mills seconded the motion. Motion carried.

President Elect, Wayne Mills adjourned the meeting at 8:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:  
Dyanna Cridelich, Secretary, OMS

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**ORCUTT MINERAL SOCIETY—  
GENERAL MEETING  
Luis Oasis Senior Center, Orcutt, CA  
May 10, 2016**

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President Elect, Wayne Mills, called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

Mike Henson gave the invocation.

Adam Loera gave the flag salute.

Wayne Mills asked for a motion that we change the order of the agenda to allow Richard Wade to give his program before the business section. Wes Lingerfelt made the motion. Sharon Duncan seconded the motion. Motion was carried.

Wayne Mills introduced Richard Wade who gave a brilliant program on Dinosaurs. After the program, we had a recess for refreshments. On return from the break, we began the business meeting.

**Minutes:** Minutes for the Board, (4-5-16) and General (4-12-16) meetings were approved as printed in the Bulletin.

Dyanna Cridelich read the minutes from the May 3<sup>rd</sup> board meeting. Minutes were approved as corrected.

**Treasurer's report:** Jan Ferguson gave the treasurer's report. The report was accepted as given.

**Correspondence:** None.

#### **Committee Reports:**

**Hospitality:** There were 30 members and 7 guests in attendance. The guests were Tara Machin, Jonathan Bleau, Doug Baird, Richard Wade, Becky Blasing, Angela Eubanks and Marty Meyer.

**Refreshments:** Jeanne Lingerfelt, Jan Ferguson, Lisa and Joe Azevedo and Wayne Mills brought pies. The fruit was brought by Jan Ferguson

**Annual December Luncheon:** Nothing this month.

**Annual Gem Show:** Sharon Duncan is still working with the vendors. She has received two more checks. If you want to display at the Gem Show, you need to fill out the form (that was in the May and June bulletins) and get it back to Sylvia Nasholm.

**Breakfast:** Bill Hood says that the May breakfast will be at Denny's in Santa Maria on May 28th at 8:30am.

**Bulletin:** The Bulletin is out.

**CFMS:** None

**Door Prizes:** Elaine Von Achen is running the door prizes tonight. Wayne Mills brought in some nice pieces of jade, wood, and jasper. There is also a calcite sphere, amethyst, rose quartz, agates and other great prizes.

**Field Trips** Don't forget our annual Tailgate at the Von Achen's on May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2016 from 10am to 3pm. There will be a \$10 fee for vendors. The sign-up sheet is online and

is also in the bulletin. When filled out, please send it to Wayne Mills. Elaine Von Achen will be feeding the dealers again this year with hot dogs, potato salad and beans. Dealers will arrive from 8 am to 10 am for set-up and the public will be allowed in from 10 am until 3 pm.

**Highway Cleanup:** Our next Highway cleanup will be held Saturday, May 21, 2016 at 8:00 am. Members will meet on the Southeast corner of Highways 101 and 166.

**Membership:** Tara Machin turned in her membership application in April and was approved by the board on May 3<sup>rd</sup>. She is now a full-fledged member. It's great to have Tara with us.

**Sunshine:** Ralph Bishop is still recovering from his heart attack. He stopped smoking and is eating well. Alexis Van Natta has had a bad chest cold and cough. She is also getting better. Please keep Charles Azevedo's brother in your prayers and thoughts.

**Old Business:** The Semi Annual Meeting and Potluck BBQ will be at Pioneer Park on June 11. The OMS will supply the meat, bread (butter, crushed garlic) and coffee. Jeanne Lingerfelt is making the beans. Members should bring a side dish or a dessert. Members should also bring their own drinks, utensils, plates and tablecloths. They should also bring any rocks for the silent auction. Truman Burgess will be bringing the wood down. Wes Lingerfelt will be helping with the BBQ cooking. Sally Griffith will bring everything for the coffee and tea; Sharon Duncan will donate the Styrofoam cups.

If you want to display at the gem show, make sure you fill out an application and turn it in to Sylvia Nasholm.

**New Business:**

The Cayucos Vet's Hall is being refurbished. The San Luis Gem and Mineral Club, is looking for another venue in Cayucos, possibly at the Middle School for their June and October Shows.

We need lots of Treasure Chest donations for the Rainbow of Gems show. Start looking now for those special objects that would make someone happy.

We are still looking into purchasing T-shirts. Wayne Mills presented a nice design with a rainbow and gemstones. We are also continuing our search for the children's gem and mineral books.

I would like to give a big, Thank You, to all those who displayed tonight. Wayne Mills brought his Fossils Olio with Dinosaur bone and horn coral. Jan and Stan Ferguson brought *Araucaria* pinecones and items from the Jurassic Period. There was a sphere made of green cheese jasper brought by Sandy Berthelot. Mike and

Margaret Henson brought trilobites, baculites and a fossil oyster. Virginia Rogers brought a lovely agate Heart that was carved by Wayne Mills in 2002. Thanks to all who participated.

President Elect, Wayne Mills adjourned the meeting at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:  
Dyanna Cridelich, Secretary, OMS

<b>OMS CALENDAR</b>	
<b>JUNE 2016</b>	
Tuesday, June 7 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.	OMS Board Meeting, <b>Nipomo Chamber of Commerce</b> meeting room, All members are welcome at this meeting
Saturday, June 11 11 am-?	OMS Semi-Annual Meeting Pioneer Park Santa Maria
Saturday, June 25 8:30 a.m.	OMS Monthly Breakfast- <b>Country Kitchen, Arroyo Grande</b>
<b>JULY 2016</b>	
Tuesday, July 5 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.	OMS Board Meeting, <b>Nipomo Chamber of Commerce</b> meeting room, All members are welcome at this meeting
Saturday, July 9 8 am	Highway clean-up SE corner Rtes. 101/166 East
Tuesday, July 12 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.	OMS General Meeting— Luis Oasis Senior Center. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Program-Aaron Miller on Opals?</b></li> <li>• <b>Display—1 !</b></li> <li><b>Refreshments-Cookies</b></li> </ul>
Saturday, July 30 8:30 a.m.	OMS Monthly Breakfast- <b>Little Bits, Grover Beach</b>

**CFMS SHOWS**

**JUNE**

**June 3 - 5: LA HABRA, CA**

North Orange County Gem & Mineral Society  
La Habra Community Center  
101 W. La Habra Blvd.  
Hours: Fri 5 - 8; Sat 10 - 6; Sun 10 - 5  
Contact: Don Warthen, 626-330-8974

Email: [odwarthen@verizon.net](mailto:odwarthen@verizon.net)

Website: [www.nocgms.com](http://www.nocgms.com)

**June 4 - 5: GLENDORA, CA**

Glendora Gems & Mineral Society

Goddard Middle School

859 E. Sierra Madre Avenue

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

Contact: Bonnie Bidwell, (626) 963-4638

Email: [Ybidwell2@aol.com](mailto:Ybidwell2@aol.com)

**June 25 - 26: CULVER CITY, CA**

Culver City Rock & Mineral Club

Veterans Memorial Auditorium

4117 Overland Blvd (@Culver Blvd, Near the 405 & 10 Freeways)

Hours: Sat 10 - 6; Sun 10 - 5

Contact: Janice Metz, (310) 850-4398

Email: [janicemtz@yahoo.com](mailto:janicemtz@yahoo.com)

Website: [www.culvercityrocks.org](http://www.culvercityrocks.org)

**JULY**

No shows...

**AUGUST**

**August 7-9: Nipomo, CA**

Orcutt Mineral Society

Nipomo High School

525 Thompson Ave., Nipomo, CA

Hours: Fri., Sat., 10 am-5 pm

Sunday 10 am-4 pm.

Contact: Wayne W. Mills, (805) 481-3495

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Website: [omsinc.org](http://omsinc.org)

**August 13 - 14: SAN FRANCISCO, CA**

San Francisco Gem & Mineral Society

San Francisco County Fair Building

9th Avenue & Lincoln Way

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

Contact: Ellen Nott, (415) 564-4230

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**OUR SHOW IS COMING UP IN TWO MONTHS!**

☞ Please save the dates August 3-8 to help set-up, run the show and clean-up afterwards.

☞ Please think about putting in a case of your favorite rocks. (See case application in this newsletter).

☞ Let's try to make our **49<sup>th</sup> Annual Show** one to remember (in a good way)

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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.

