



# Ore-Cutts

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## The Pres Box—May 2014

By Elaine Von Achen, President, OMS



*“The world’s favorite season is spring. All things seem possible in May.” Edwin Way Teale*

When I was a little girl, on the first of May, my mother would help me make a basket out of paper and then we would pick a

bouquet of flowers, put them in the basket and she would drive me to my grandmother’s house. She would park a couple of houses away and I would go up to grandma’s front door, leave the bouquet hanging on her door, ring the bell and run back to the car and mom would make a quick get-away. What fun I had surprising grandma.

Besides May Day, OMS has a busy month. Our board meeting is on the 6<sup>th</sup> followed by our general meeting on the 13<sup>th</sup>. Please be sure to make the general meeting and invite anyone you know who would be interested in Volcanoes as Richard Wade is going to give a program on “Volcanology”. His last program was lots of fun and I expect this one to be as well. Don’t forget to bring a display of volcanic rock or anything else you would like to display.

Our highway cleanup is happening May 10<sup>th</sup> followed by fellowship, coffee and pastry or biscuits and gravy at the Country Kitchen in Santa Maria.

The monthly breakfast will be held on the 24<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 a.m. at the Sunset Grill in Santa Maria. Following the breakfast we will be having our second tailgate show at the Von Achen’s, 636 Cherokee Place in Nipomo. Please be sure to attend as last year was a lot of fun and there were lots of rocks to be had.

Elaine Von Achen  
President, OMS

## BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES



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

### May Birthdays are:

Ferguson, Stan	5/6
McDaniel, Amy	5/11
Martinez, Mariah	5/12
Tapper, Kelly	5/15
Azevedo, Lisa	5/19
Kreh, Kenneth	5/31

### May Anniversaries are:

Wes and Jeannie Lingerfelt	5/20
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### 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

Sandy Berthelot is doing well after Cancer surgery. We wish her well during her upcoming

Chemo-Therapy. Jan Ferguson is recovering from knee surgery. Bonnie Ward is under the care of her oncologist. Vernon Deck totaled his car near King City and we hear he is doing fine. We wish you all a quick recovery.

## HIGHWAY NEEDS MORE HEROES

Our highway clean-up is on May 10, the weekend before our meeting again, so once again we are putting the call out to our members to come share the fun! Fresh air, good exercise, and ever the possibility of uncovering some new treasure await you. Plus, you should feel good for helping the club fulfill one of their public benefit activities that helps us keep our 501.C.4 designation.

After the clean-up we will reassemble at Francisco's Country Kitchen in Santa Maria for some refreshment and good conversation. An additional benefit of participating in the clean-up is the chance of winning a nice rock-related prize. In March, the winner was Joe Azevedo who took home a lovely amethyst crystal cluster.

## APRIL FIELD TRIP

Wayne Mills, Field Trip Coordinator

Although April first was well past, the Re-designed Field Trip to Willow Creek proved to be a joke on me because none of the five or so folks who raised their hands in our meeting when asked if they wanted to go to Willow Creek on Saturday, April 19 showed up. That worked out OK, because I wound-up having a pretty good day metal detecting. I waited at the proposed meeting place until 8:10 am.

## MAY FIELD TRIP

Wayne Mills, Field Trip Coordinator

**May's field activity will be a tailgate in the field near the Von Achen's Barn on Cherokee Place in Nipomo.**

Cherokee Place is off Hetrick Ave. in Nipomo. Take Willow Road west off the freeway, and turn left on Hetrick Street. The next road on the left is Cherokee Place. There will be signs and maybe even some balloons!

**The date is Saturday, May 24. The hours are: Set-up 8-10, Sale from 10-4.**

Elaine will do a hot dog barbeque, and OMS will have drinks available for our dealers.

**I am requesting** that potential sellers contact me by **May10**.

We will charge OMS Members \$10 per space, and dealers who are not OMS members \$25.00 per space.

The price includes rental of one table. Spaces are first come, first served.

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## OMS Second Annual Tailgate

**May 24, 2014**

**Set-up: 8-10**

**Sale: 10 am—4 pm**

**Von Achen's Barn—**

**Cherokee Road, Nipomo**

1. Name of seller \_\_\_\_\_

2. Number of tables wanted \_\_\_\_\_

3. I will bring a pop-up: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

4. General list of rock-related materials for sale (*for advertising purposes*): Rough rock, slabs, minerals, fossils, equipment, spheres, and plants (well, they could be for a ROCK garden!), other (specify):

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**Snip out and send to Wayne Mills, 502 Via La Barranta, Arroyo Grande, CA 93420**

## SANTA LUCIA ROCKHOUNDS SHOW “Dinomania”

The Santa Lucia Rockhounds show is the biggest local rock event in May. Last year was their first for having a show in May, and it was quite successful. They avoided the intense heat of September, and drew a good crowd with their theme of **Meteorites**. This year, they are featuring dinosaurs and other fossils, and have even engaged one of our favorite speakers (Richard Wade) to do his talk on Dinosaurs (Saturday, May 3 at 1:00 pm). **This is a wonder-full talk for kids of all ages!**

2014 will be SLR’s last show in **Pioneer Park located at 2010 Riverside Avenue, Paso Robles, CA** for the foreseeable future. The Santa Lucia Club has moved their meeting place to the Templeton Community Services Building. Rock blogger extraordinaire, Kim Noyes is again Show Chairperson for the SLR Show. It will be quite interesting to find out what surprises Kim has in store for this year. **Show dates are May 3 and 4.** Show hours are 8 am to 5 pm both days.

Other activities at the show include special fossil exhibits by club member Aaron Miller from **Ancient Earth Trading Company**, geode-cracking, gold panning demonstrations, treasure hunting demonstrations, exhibits, People's Choice voting, demonstrators, dealers in the park, silent auction, children's activities, treasure hunt for the children. Oh, and a bake sale and, Native Sons of the Golden West BBQ lunches (both days), and dinner on Saturday night.

## RICHARD WADE TO “SPOUT-OFF” ABOUT VOLCANOS (May 13)

Perhaps the best talk we had last year was the one Richard Wade did in March about Dinosaurs. Based on that performance, we have invited Richard back to talk about Volcanoes and the study thereof. Richard’s talks are aimed at enthralling the younger generation with various aspects of Earth Science, but he held the members who attended that meeting in thrall with his animated presentation. If you have ever wondered about how the various igneous (“fire born”) rocks are formed, this will be a good chance to find out. Members are encouraged to bring young relatives and neighbors who might be interested in learning more about things that go boom!

This picture is one I took at the Ventura Show last year. Some youngster was inspired by the power of volcanoes!

Maybe, Richard will tell us where and how to find diamonds which are formed in volcanoes (see Mineral Trivia next page).



## MEET OMS—WES LINGERFELT A Penny for My Thoughts



I was born at 1:15 AM on August 23<sup>rd</sup> 1939 in a one room shanty located in a CCC camp at Guthrie, Oklahoma. It was fierce night weather wise and in fact a ball of fire called “Ball Lightning” hit the tree outside the door splitting it down the middle and blocking entry

into the building. It then entered the only window and circled the room halfway up the wall and then exited out the same window leaving a burned ring inside the room. But of course I was too young to know anything about what was going on at the time and this was told to me by my Grandmother. I was named after the foreman of the camp, Mr. Carroll Johnson.

What I do remember very vividly is the day in the 1956 summertime recess when I was driving the circular Highland Park drive in the upscale part of Guthrie. It was a beautiful day, a Sunday I think, and up there on the swimming pool high diving board was a sight to behold. It was none other than Penny Bartholomew and she was wearing a very skimpy bikini (the first I had ever seen). I was awe-struck! I couldn't take my eyes off her! Disaster was just a few feet ahead of me.

During my school years I was fortunate to have a TV repair shop and jewelry store owned by my father to earn an income and to support a car. I built the first car I ever owned, a 1941 Chevy coupe, from parts scattered around in a junk yard paying for them by fixing car radios for the junk yard owner. I then traded up to a 1949 Lincoln. This car was a real dream boat. It was cream over bronze color and all the dials and control knobs glowed in the dark. I was in “tall cotton” as they used to say. I was the king of the cruise down Main Street.

On that fateful day my parents had traveled to Shawnee, Oklahoma to visit relatives. It was rather warm and my friend Orlin Fagan was

riding in the back seat reading a comic book. I forgot all about the fact that the road ahead was a curve (other curves had my attention) and I was merrily moving along at a steady 35 mph. The crash caused my buddy Orlin to fly through the windshield and land on the pavement in front of the car. I turned my head just in time to catch my nose on the steering wheel as the motor proceeded to join me in the front seat. The speedometer was locked at 35 mph by the shattered glass. The beautiful 49 Lincoln was now a pile of wrinkled tin and steel, i.e. Totaled! My friend Orlin only had a chipped front tooth.

I woke up on the operating table at the hospital in time to see the needle working its way through my nose as the doctor sewed it back on. I was told that if I had lost another tea cup full of blood I would have perished. I spent the next two weeks in the hospital with tubes up my nose wondering if I looked any different than before the crash. I noticed that I had the word “Lincoln” spelled backwards on my chest.

My Dad related how when word came to him of my accident by the Oklahoma Highway Patrol they offered to give him a red lights and siren escort the 90 miles back to Guthrie. For all he knew I was about to die. I think my Dad aged a few years during that episode.



## KID'S CORNER

From Diamond Dan's Mini Miner's Monthly Vol. 8 No. 4

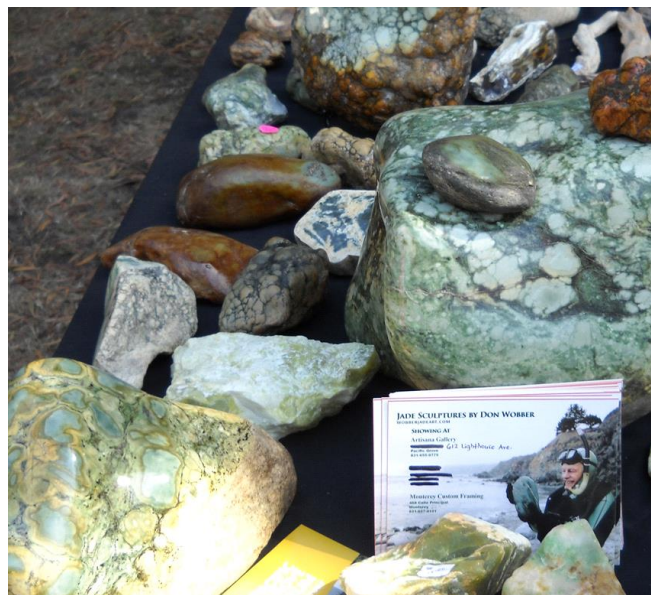
### Mineral Trivia

1. Did you know that the average person eats over 15 pounds of salt per year?
2. Did you know that Cinnabar (mercury sulfide) is one of the most poisonous minerals on earth?
3. Did you know that mercury is the only mineral that occurs as a liquid? (It is also the only liquid metal.)
4. Did you know that approximately 60 new minerals are discovered each year?
5. Did you know that a two-centimeter garnet crystal took over ten million years to grow to that size?
6. Did you know that April's birthstone, diamond, forms at depths of between 75 and 120 miles beneath the Earth's surface?
7. Did you know that over 40 different materials from minerals are needed to make a cell phone?
8. Did you know that the Hope Diamond, the famous large, deep blue diamond that can be seen at the Smithsonian Institution in Washington D.C. was mailed to the museum? Here is a picture of the package that it was mailed in (from Harry Winston Inc.).



## ARE YOU SURE IT'S JADE?

- If a chip is knocked off the freshly broken surface should not sparkle in the sun. If it does, it's not jade.
- If you can scratch it with a knife point, it isn't jade.
- It will be much heavier than a common rock of similar size.
- Tap the specimen with a hammer. If a moon-shaped fracture appears, it is agate or jasper, but not jade.
- If it is jade, it will have a smooth, waxy, almost greasy look.
- The only positive test for jade is x-ray analysis and specific gravity tests. The more milky the water is when cutting jade, the better the grade of jade. If the water isn't milky, then you don't have true jade. You have something else.



*From Jade Festival, 2013 (Wayne Mills photo)*

From Rock Writings, 4/14 via Chips 'n Splinters, 12/10; via Calgary Lapidary Journal, 06/09; via The Rockcollector, 06/09

## CLEAR CREEK SORTA' OPEN TO COLLECTING

An article in the May CFMS Bulletin states that Clear Creek Management area is open to Individual collecting on the basis of a total of 5 days per person per year. **(No organized group events are allowed yet.)** Entry requires a permit from the BLM with no fee attached. However,

you will need a "Clear Creek Management Pass" good for one week. The pass is available on site from "Iron Rangers", or from the Hollister Field Office of the BLM (hours 7:30 am-4:00 pm Monday-Friday). **For more information**, contact Bureau of Land management, Hollister Field Office 20 Hamilton Court, Hollister, CA 95023, Phone: (831-630-5000).

Materials coming from the Clear Creek area include: Plasma Agate (with Chrysoprase), Magnesite Agate, Turtle Jade (a serpentine), Serpentine with Uvarovite Garnets, Uvarovite and Melanite Garnets, Benitoite (our state gem), Neptunite, Naturalite and Joaquinite.

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**ORCUTT MINERAL SOCIETY--Board Meeting  
Nipomo Chamber of Commerce, Nipomo, CA  
April 1, 2014**

President Elaine Von Achen called the meeting to order at 7:00 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 and Margaret Henson were guests.

**Minutes:** Minutes of the March general meeting were approved as printed in the OMS January Bulletin.

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

**Correspondence:** None

**Committee Reports:**

**Annual Gem Show:** Wes reported receiving an e-mail from Debbie Carter, Nipomo High School Secretary, advising us that the Church has agreed to hold their services at the football field for Sunday, August 3 and that OMS is scheduled for Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday just as we were last year. Wes also said that he has mailed a letter to all of our dealers emphasizing that OMS is on probation at the high school this year and outlining their (the high school's) concerns and the new rules we have in place to comply with the school's requirements.

**Breakfast:** April's breakfast will be held on the 26th at the Country Kitchen, 1701 N. Broadway, Santa Maria, CA at 8:30 a.m.

**Bulletin:** The bulletin is on line and has been mailed.

**CFMS:** Wes received a letter from the Executive Treasurer saying our dues were delinquent. Wes mailed a check forthwith.

**Education:** Wayne Mills gave a talk on Metal Detecting to the Santa Lucia Rock Hounds at their March meeting.

Wayne is also giving a presentation on April 16th at the Rock Front Ranch on Hwy. 166 for approximately 90 students from Sanchez Elementary School. He will give three presentations to about 30 students each.

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:** Wayne is considering canceling April's field trip to Los Angeles and San Diego since he was the only one signed up to go. He will rethink the trip and possibly change it to something local.

**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 April's General Meeting will be "cookies" donated by Truman Burgess, Joe & Lisa Azevedo, Erica Erskine and Don Nasholm.

**Scholarship:** Wes is mailing out a check for \$1,500 to Santa Barbara City College this week.

**Sunshine:** Jeannie Lingerfelt reported that Jan Ferguson and Sandy Berthelot were both having surgery. We wish them well.

**Old Business:** It was decided by the board that the cost of the annual December meeting and luncheon will be \$12.00 for adults and \$6.00 for kids 12 and under.

Elaine asked Wayne if he would make up a form for the newsletter so members can sign up for a table (or two) at the second annual (?) tailgate at the Von Achen's to be held on the 24th of May.

**New Business:**

There was no new business to discuss

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**  
**April 8, 2014**

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

Mike Henson gave the invocation.

Joseph Martinez led the flag salute.

**Minutes:** Elaine Von Achen read the minutes from the April 1, 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 various newsletters from other rock clubs.

**Hospitality:** There were 23 members and 2 guests in attendance. Our guests were Zach and Noah James. Guests were introduced and thanked.

**Refreshments:** Joe Azevedo thanked the following members for cookies for the evening's refreshment. Erica Erskine - Chocolate Chip, Lisa Azevedo - Easter Cookies, Don Nasholm - Ginger Snaps and Margaret Henson - Chocolate Chip.

**Committee Reports:**

**Annual December Luncheon Meeting:** None

**Abused Children:** None

**Breakfast:** April's breakfast will be held at the Country Kitchen, 1701 N. Broadway, Santa Maria, CA at 8:30 a.m. Elaine announced that the June and September breakfast venues have been changed and Wes said he will update the calendar on line. June's breakfast has been changed to the Sunset Grill and September's has been changed to the Country Kitchen.

**Bulletin:** The bulletin is on the web as well as having been mailed.

**CFMS:** Wes noted that the CFMS Show will be held in Pomona, Ca. on the 30<sup>th</sup> of May through the 1st of June. He also said that CFMS wants clubs to exchange bulletins with each other, but Wes noted we are already doing that.

**Door Prizes:** Joseph Martinez reported donations for this month from Renea Sutcliffe, and Sylvia

Nasholm. There are quite a few nice items for April door prizes.

**Education:** Wayne is giving a presentation on April 16th at the Rock Front Ranch on Hwy 166 for approximately 90 students from Sanchez Elementary School. He will give three presentations to about 30 students each.

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

**Gem Show:** Was said he has dealer applications trickling in and that he has to get a health permit and insurance for the show.

**Field Trip:** The field trip for April 19th to the LA County Museum followed by a trip to the Himalaya Mine in San Diego has been cancelled due to lack of anyone signing up to go. Wayne asked for a show of hands if he were to replace that trip with a trip to Willow Creek. Quite a few people said they would be able to go and Wayne asked that they meet in the front area of the Arroyo Grande Kmart parking lot at 8:00 a.m. Members were asked to bring a jacket, water and a sack lunch. He said they will be looking for jade, chert and serpentine.

**Highway Clean-up:** Our next highway cleanup will be on May 10th at 8:00 a.m. Members will meet at the South East Corner of Highways 101 and 166.

**Library:** None

**Membership:** None

**Junior Members:** None

**Political Action Committee:** None

**Property:** Geary Sheffer announced that we will have our annual cleanup on the 26th of April at 10:00 a.m.

**Scholarship:** None

**Sunshine:** Jeannie Lingerfelt said she had nothing to report. Hopefully everyone is well.

**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.

Elaine also mentioned that in order to have a prosperous club we need member participation. She

said there would be lots of opportunity to help at the up-coming Gem Show.

**New Business:** Elaine thanked Wayne Mills and Margaret Henson for their displays for the evening. Wayne had carved beads made in the likeness of Native American beads as well as other items. Margaret's display included jewelry and cabs crafted by her grandfather.

April's program was given by Debbie Hood on beading and the history of beads. April's display was beaded items or anything!

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

Respectfully submitted:

Elaine Von Achen, Secretary, OMS

## OMS Calendar

### May 2014

<b>Saturday, May 3-4</b> 10 am to 5 pm	<b>Santa Lucia Rockhounds Annual Show</b> Pioneer Museum, 2010 Riverside Avenue, Paso Robles, Ca.
Tuesday, May 6 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.	OMS Board Meeting, <b>Nipomo Chamber of Commerce</b> meeting room, All members are welcome at this business meeting.
Saturday, May 10 8:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.	Highway Clean-up S.E. corner Rtes. 101/166 East
Tuesday, May 13 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.	OMS General Meeting—Luis Oasis Senior Center. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Program-</b> <u>Volcanology by Richard Wade</u></li> <li>• <b>Display-</b> Volcanic rocks or your choice!</li> <li>• <b>Refreshments-</b> Pies</li> </ul>
Saturday May 24	<b>Field Trip</b> -Tailgate at Von Achen's 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Saturday May 24 8:30 a.m.	OMS Monthly Breakfast- <b>Sunset Grill in Santa Maria</b> 8:30 a.m.

### June 2014

Tuesday, June 3 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.	OMS Board Meeting, <b>Nipomo Chamber of Commerce</b> meeting room, All members are welcome at this business
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	meeting.
Saturday, June 7 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.	<b>OMS Semi-Annual Meeting</b> Pioneer Park, Santa Maria. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Barbecue/Pot Luck</li> <li>• Rock Silent Auction</li> <li>• Good Fellowship</li> </ul>
Saturday, June 21	<b>Field Trip</b> TBD
Saturday June 28 6:30 a.m.	OMS Monthly Breakfast- <b>Sunset Grill in Santa Maria</b> 8:30 a.m.

## MAY 2014

### May 2 - 4: BISHOP, CA

Lone Pine Gem & Mineral Society  
Bishop Fairgrounds  
Sierra Street & Fair Drive  
Hours: Fri 5 - 10; Sat 9 - 7; Sun 10 - 3  
Contact: Steve Mobley, (760) 793-6025  
Email: [steve@littlebearrocks.com](mailto:steve@littlebearrocks.com)

### May 3 - 4: JACKSON, CA

Amador County Gem & Mineral Society  
Kennedy Mine  
12594 Kennedy Mine Rd (off Hwys 49/88)  
Hours: 10 - 4 daily  
Contact: Margaret Kolaczyk  
Email: [blackwolf@volcano.net](mailto:blackwolf@volcano.net)

### May 3 - 4: ANAHEIM, CA

Searchers Gem & Mineral Society  
Brookhurst Community Center  
2271 W. Crescent Avenue  
Hours: Sat 10 - 5; Sun 10 - 4:30  
Contact: Robert & Sharon Burson, (562) 860-5938; cell (562) 706-2054  
Email: [bursonrocks@verizon.net](mailto:bursonrocks@verizon.net)  
Website: [www.searchersrocks.org](http://www.searchersrocks.org)

### May 3 - 4: PASO ROBLES, CA

Santa Lucia Rockhounds  
Pioneer Park & Museum  
2010 Riverside Avenue  
Hours: 9 - 5 daily  
Kim Noyes, (805) 610-0603  
Email: [kimnoyes@gmail.com](mailto:kimnoyes@gmail.com)  
Website: [www.slrockhounds.org](http://www.slrockhounds.org)

### May 3 - 4: YUCAIPA, CA

Yucaipa Valley Gem & Mineral Society  
Scherer Senior Center  
12202 First Street  
Hours: Sat 10 - 6, Sun 10 - 4  
Contact: Lee Peterson, (909) 794-0731  
Email: [res09ayd@verizon.net](mailto:res09ayd@verizon.net)  
Website: [www.yvgms.org/wiki](http://www.yvgms.org/wiki)



**May 10 - 11: LANCASTER, CA**

Antelope Gem & Mineral Society  
Lancaster High School  
44701 - 32nd Street West  
Hours: 9 - 5 daily  
Contact: CJ Quitoriano, (661) 209-9092,  
Email: [cjg\\_62@yahoo.com](mailto:cjg_62@yahoo.com)  
Website: [www.avgem.weebly.com](http://www.avgem.weebly.com)

**May 10 - 11: RENO, NV**

Reno Gem & Mineral Society  
Reno-Sparks Livestock Event Center  
1350 N. Wells Avenue  
Hours: Sat 10 - 5; Sun 10 - 4  
Contact: Steve Norman, (775) 358-7322, cell  
(775) 560-4782  
Email: [snorm11@hotmail.com](mailto:snorm11@hotmail.com)  
Website: [www.renorockhounds.com](http://www.renorockhounds.com)

**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](http://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  
Email: [gemshow@palomargem.org](mailto:gemshow@palomargem.org)  
Website: [www.palomargem.org](http://www.palomargem.org)

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**OMS Membership** \$24.00 for Individual, \$34.00 per couple, \$5.00 Each Additional Family Member, \$5.00 Juniors under age of 18. One time initiation fee for new members is \$10.00. OMS Membership Chairperson is Elaine Von Achen (805) 929-1488

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What Is the Flower for the Month of May?  
The flower for the month of May is the Lily of the Valley. This flower denotes or symbolizes sweetness and humility. The main color of this flower is white and it can be sent by a lover to the other to convey a hidden message.



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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

