



Ore-Cutts

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The Pres Box—May 2015

Dyana Cridelich, OMS President 2015



Hello Folks,

Did you know that Earth Day 2015 was on April 22? It is the largest civic event in the world, celebrated

simultaneously around the globe by people of all backgrounds, faiths and nationalities. More than a

billion people participate in some way each year.

So, please do something nice for the earth: plant a tree, recycle, pick up trash, go on a hike or walk on the beach. Have fun. Thank Mother Earth for her bounties and be grateful, appreciative and protective of all the treasures she has given us.

Tra la - It's May! I love this month. It might even be my favorite. It reminds me of Camelot, of Julie Andrews and Richard Harris. Wasn't he the bee's knees? Along with all the singing and dancing around the maypoles, it brings the promise of summer vacation and all things bright and beautiful. Maybe even a field trip or two.

Great News! We have finally heard back from Nipomo High School and they have approved our application for August 7-9 for our 48th Annual "Rainbow of Gems" show. This is the

news that we were all waiting for. Now we can get busy with the planning to transform that parking lot into the excellent show that we all know. It will be a lot of work, but it will be a lot of fun as well. I will begin calling on all of you to see what you would like to do for the show. There are such a variety of tasks to be done that I know everyone will be able to find that perfect niche.

May is proving to be a busy month. Our board meeting takes place on May 5th, followed by the general meeting on May 12th. The display for May will be your choice of anything you would like to bring. Remember to bring in your "mystery" rocks if you have any. Once identified, they can occupy a place of honor on the mantle instead of living in a box somewhere in the closet. Remember, the refreshment for May is pie. Yum, my favorite.

The highway cleanup is early this month. Mark your calendars for May 9th at 8:00am. We would love it if all able bodied folk would gather and meet at the southeast corner of Hwy 101 and Hwy 166. The activity takes about an hour or so depending upon how many people show up. Afterwards, as always, the cleanup is followed by fellowship, coffee and goodies at the Country Kitchen in Santa Maria.

Our field trip for May will be at the OMS Third Annual Tailgate Sale at the Von Achen's Barn at 636 Cherokee Place in Nipomo on Saturday, May 23rd. There will be signs up and maybe even balloons. The hours are 8:00am-10:00am for seller set-up and 10:00am – 3:00pm for the sale. There will be a BBQ for the dealers. Wayne requests that all potential sellers contact him by May 8th. There is a registration form on line as well as in the Ore-Cutts bulletin. Please be sure to attend. It will be a fun day with lots of rocks at great prices. I hope to see all of you there. By the way, we need some tumbling rough. Anyone have any?

The monthly breakfast will be at the Sunset Grill in Santa Maria. We will meet at 8:00am on the 23rd of May. This is ½ hour earlier than we normally meet because it fell on the same day as the Tailgate at the Von Achen's barn. We wanted to make sure that those who intended to go to both the breakfast and the tailgate would have time to

finish breakfast before heading off to Nipomo. Sorry for any inconvenience this may have caused.

Next month will be our annual BBQ potluck picnic at Pioneer Park in Santa Maria. It will be on June 6th. Make sure to mark it on your calendar. The club will supply the meat, bread, coffee and tea. Bring a table setting, a dish to share and any other food or drink that you would like. We will have a silent auction, so make sure you search through your rocks and find that special one that everyone wants to bid on. We have had some exciting bidding wars in past years.

A couple of great shows are coming up. The first is the Santa Lucia Rockhounds annual Rock and Mineral show on May 2 – 3 at the Paso Robles Event Center at the Fairgrounds. 10:00 to 5:00 both days. Richard Wade will be talking both days as well. This is a not-to-miss show. Be sure to mark your calendar for the CFMS show on June 12 – 14. If you have never been to one of these shows, this might be a great time to travel to Lodi. There will be more on this next month. Goodbye for now and see you soon.



BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES



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

Birthdays

Stan Ferguson	5/6
Lisa Azevedo	5/9
Mariah Martinez	5/12

Sally Griffith

5/12

Anniversaries

Wes and Jeannie Lingerfelt 5/20

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 (2016).*

SUNSHINE

Jeannie Lingerfelt

If you have good or bad news that you would be willing to share with our members, please notify Jeannie Lingerfelt and Wayne Mills.

APRIL FIELD TRIP REPORT—

Photos and story by Wayne Mills, Field Trip Coordinator

It was a long drive down and back from the Himalaya Mine Dumps at Lake Henshaw, but I think the attendees enjoyed the adventure. At least I know a couple of them did.

The Museum visit on Friday was pretty fun, but I did it alone. For the record, I was at the top step of the Museum at 12:59 pm, and waited 5 minutes before entering the museum. (Yeah, no one else showed up, but then everyone else I talked to were hesitant to go because of the unpredictable traffic. Anyhow, I cruised through the museum and got some pictures of the gems, dinosaurs and the butterflies to share with those who might be interested...



What I was hoping to find at the Himalaya...

I left the museum about 3 pm, and made it to the La Quinta Hotel in Oceanside just about 5 pm. My Nav system took me onto a road I had never heard of (CA-73 San Joaquin Hills Toll Road), and I

believe saved me a lot of grief on the 405 between L.A. and Oceanside.

Mike Judy and Denise Halapoff from the Santa Lucia Rockhounds met Jeanne and Bill Brown and I at Lake Henshaw on Saturday morning. They had camped overnight near the resort, and the Browns and I had a great Friday night dinner and restful sleep in Oceanside about an hour west of Lake Henshaw on Route 76. Mike and Denise led the way down the hill to the tailings pile, and we were met there by new OMS members Marilyn and Allyn Goodall and Marilyn's brother Tim. After paying our fees and acquiring a \$100 gem concentrate bag, I began digging and screening. After I had gone through a couple of buckets, Mike and Denise ambled up, and I chided them for not making the most of their opportunity. Shortly thereafter, Denise walked up to the pile and exclaimed "this is pretty nice!" From the side of the pile she pulled a matrix specimen containing about 6—5/8- inch long watermelon tourmaline crystals sticking out in all directions. This (to me) was the find of the day.

After five hours of digging and screening, during which the eight folks in our group and the five other folks checked-out each other's finds, the dig was over. Denise, the supervisor of the Lake Henshaw dig said that they were going to have a drawing for three prizes. The first and most desirable prize was an (approximately) eight-inch long quartz crystal with Clevelandite (feldspar) clustered at its' base. The lucky winner was Mike Judy. He was elated!

The drive home was a bit tedious with all the stop and go traffic near Los Angeles, but I was assisted by my reliable Navigation system, and my assortment of CD's. Oh, I did get in a bit of detecting on the way home as well. I arrived home safe and sound about 5 pm. *(See more museum pictures on page 9 and hopefully, a longer narrative and bigger pictures on our website soon.)*



Bill and Jeanne Brown



Allyn and Marilyn Goodall

APRIL PROGRAM REVIEW

Our April program was **the Antarctic—Frozen Lab**. The program was well attended, with about 25 members and 5 guests. The ~29 minute program gave some noteworthy facts about the geology, climate and biology of the coldest place on Earth. This is the true "land down under", as it is at the bottom of the world, centered on the South Pole. The land mass is larger than the United States, and contains 70% of the Earth's fresh water tied up in ice. If that entire mass of ice melted (what a waste that would be), sea level would rise another 160 feet, drowning many coastal cities.

The Antarctic is the only place on Earth that is not owned by anybody, according to an international treaty.

MAY FIELDTRIP—Von Achen Tailgate

Wayne Mills, Field Trip Coordinator

May's field activity will be a tailgate in the field near the Von Achen's Barn at 636 Cherokee Place in Nipomo. Cherokee Place is off Hetrick Ave. in Nipomo. Take Willow Road west off the freeway, and turn left on Hetrick. The next road on the left is Cherokee Place. There will be signs and maybe even some balloons! **The date is Saturday, May 23. The hours are: Set-up 8-10, Sale from 10-3.**

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

I am requesting that potential sellers contact me by **May 8**. We will charge OMS Members \$10 per space, and dealers who are not OMS members \$20.00 per space. **The price includes use of one table.** Spaces are first come, first served.

Contact: Wayne Mills, wwmills50@hotmail.com, or (805) 481-3495

DEBBIE HOOD HONORED FOR SERVICE TO OMS

Photo and story Wayne Mills, Ore Cutts Editor



A picture I saw at the Estate Sale of a former OMS member inspired me to acquire it for our former (prize-winning) Ore Cutts Editor Deborah Hood.

The picture was of the Church on the Hill in Idar Oberstein, Germany where Debbie lived for several years when she was a girl. Debbie seemed to enjoy the picture as she readily recognized the location. She is deserving of praise for her many years of service to OMS as Bulletin Editor (6 years) and as president (5 times).

COLD AS A WELL DIGGER'S ASS

By Ralph Bishop--originally published in Ore Cutts, April 1999

This is the third in a three part series about this location. The story is written in the vernacular of the participants.

When you're in your twenties, a year seems to go by so quickly. Now that I'm in my forties, I know how hilarious these thoughts were. July was especially hot this particular summer, so being creatures of comfort, we seceded it must be the season for Chandler Mountain—the coldest hole we could think of. A short five drive from the house confirmed our suspicions that nothing had changed since last year. The back road into the tree farm did appear comical. There were five odd burrows, one about twenty-five feet long in the middle of the road. We'd heard about Big-Foot. The famous film footage was shot only forty miles from where we

stood. Could it be? Naw, must be big gophers. We stopped by to see

Boyd and he said he remembered a sign a year back, of some mysterious creature. On a serious note, he did hope the water table was down. If it wasn't, we'd need SCUBA gear for our muck.

After lolling around in the river for a week, we couldn't stand the wait any longer, so we loaded up our spades and putty knives and proceeded to drop a well. We did have one slight advantage over the year before, knowing we would encounter pain by the end of the day, we were able to fortify ourselves with a sure remedy—Anacin Instant Pain Relief (Peppermint Schnapps). As we emptied a bottle, we decided we ought to send Amos (see South Fork Story) a good box of high-grade carnelian. After all, without his sage advice, we'd be in agony. Well, the water table was up, and maybe, the hole was a few inches deeper. The agate layer was thinning out, the pieces were smaller. It wasn't hot, and there was a curious number of Anacin bottles floating in the muck. After two chemically – challenged holes, the agate layer was less than one foot thick, and we weren't feeling good about that. There was space on the road for one more hole.

Boyd was amused and said he expected us to at least catch one big gopher this season whether he had a legal tag or not.

That light-hearted joke was enough to get us going that morning, but by seven that evening, we were exhausted. We hit the gravel at twelve feet, and there was water standing six inches deep. We really tried not to go the next day, but it was hot, so--- we'd muck as long as there was agate. As the buckets of muck were pulled up, we finally convinced ourselves that the truck was overloaded. A more mud-spattered truck you've never seen. No words could describe the appearance of two physically and mentally beaten diggers, and we hadn't filled-in our giant gopher hole. "Guck" oozed from the tail gate. Defeated, we drove down the hill to the car wash. We were a rolling ticket—no lights, no license plate, nor the word "Dodge" could be seen. It took ten minutes to make the truck legal, and to do a rough job on each other. We turned the jet on the agate bearing muck. The mud poured out of the bed of the truck, but the agate was slow to appear, and smaller than previous loads. As the timer clicked down, a red spot appeared in the corner of the truck, and became the target. It grew and we could not believe our eyes. There was a

Check out this Website for a virtual tour of Central Coast Geology:
<http://eclecticarcania.blogspot.com/>

bright red blocky chunk of agate that looked to be about fifteen pounds. It seemed impossible, but there was no doubt. We made a bee-line home with the rock on the seat. At home we went directly to the big agate on the window sill. We were right. The big red agate found this day fit perfectly onto one side of the big red beauty from the year before. They were separated by over fifty feet, and under ten to twelve feet of red clay overburden.

The names and places in this story have not been changed to protect the guilty. And this tale of the rewards of hard work has the added benefit of being true. The two large agates pictured below are the ones from Chandler Mountain, Sweethome, Oregon. They were found in the 1970's.



Big Red --photo by Charles Vollmer

BIG BUCKS FOR 100-Carat Diamond

Story and picture from MSN News

An MSN story dated April 21, 2015 told of the sale of a colorless 100 Carat diamond to an unidentified buyer at a recent Sotheby's Auction. The sale price was \$22.1 million.



<http://www.msn.com/en-us/news/us/flawless-diamond-sells-for-dollar221m/>

For contrast, the Hope Diamond is 45.52 carats, and is valued at \$350 million, and the Cullinan I

(Star of Africa) at 530.2 carats—the second largest cut and polished diamond in existence is valued at \$400 million. And THAT is a lot of cabbage for a chunk of ice!

<http://www.worldinterestingfacts.com/wealthy/top-10-most-expensive-diamonds-in-the-world.html>

KID'S CORNER

From Diamond Dan's Mini Miner's Monthly Vol. 9 No. 2

The Forms of Mineral Names

If you look at mineral names, you will quickly discover some similarities. **First**, many mineral names end in the suffix—*lite*. This comes from the Greek word *lithos* which means a *stone*. It is so commonly used that this ending has even been suggested as a universal ending to **all** mineral names. Through-out the history of mineralogy the *-lite* ending has been used frequently, but interestingly, it has never been adopted as part of the general naming system. **Second**, many mineral names end in the suffix—*ite*. Some have mistakenly proposed that this is a shorter version of the *lite* ending. Actually, this suffix has its roots in the ancient past. The Greek and Roman writers of antiquity used the endings *ites* and *it is*. For example, Pliny the Elder called malachite *moloचितes*, and soapstone *steatites*. These endings have been carried into modern times.

Rock names ending in <i>ite, lite</i>	Mineral names ending in <i>ite, lite</i>
Bertrandite	Barite
	Benitoite
	Halite
Mookite	Howlite
Pastellite	Sugulite
Youngite	Wavellite
	Xonotlite

On a different note, the word "**ormolu**" recently came up on a crossword I was working. Ever heard of it? Wikipedia says: Ormolu /'ɔrməlu:/ (from French or moulu, signifying ground or pounded gold) is an 18th-century English term for applying finely ground, high-carat gold-mercury amalgam to an object of bronze.

**ORCUTT MINERAL SOCIETY—
Board Meeting
Nipomo Chamber of Commerce Office,
Nipomo, CA
April 7, 2015**

President Dyanna Cridelich called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

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

Minutes: Minutes were approved as printed in the April bulletin.

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

Correspondence: Elaine had a letter from the Sun Valley Indian School thanking us for our recent donation of Campbell soup labels and box tops. They have maxed out their eligibility of Box Top Funds (meaning they can only receive \$20,000 per year) are almost ready to order a new van. We also received postcards from Santa Lucia Rockhounds announcing their show May 2nd and 3rd.

Committee Reports:

Abused Children: None

Annual December Luncheon Meeting: None

Annual Gem Show: Wes is still waiting for a contract from Lucia Mar School District for use of the facilities at Nipomo High School.

Inocente Garcia (Ino), from G-Brothers Smokehouse in San Luis Obispo, does barbeque and catering. He came to the board meeting and discussed what he has to offer in the way of both the catering and the barbeque. He is going to have pulled pork and beef sandwiches, tacos, hotdogs, kettle corn and other various items for sale from the catering truck during the day and is going to do a half chicken barbeque, baked beans, coleslaw and French bread for the Saturday night barbeque. OMS will receive 10% of all sales. The board voted to have G-brothers do the food for this year's show. We will firm up menu and plans a little closer to the show but we are definitely down in his book for the 7th, 8th and 9th of August.

Breakfast: April's breakfast will be on the 25th at 8:30 a.m. and will be held at the Francisco's Country Kitchen, 1701 N. Broadway, Santa Maria.

Bulletin: April's bulletin is out.

CFMS: The CFMS show in Lodi will be June 12th, 13th and 14th.

Education: None

Field Trip: Our next field trip will be April 17th to the

19th and will be to the Himalaya Mine in San Diego. Members will first meet at 1:00 on the 17th at the Los Angeles County Natural History Museum, 900 Exposition Blvd., Los Angeles. The following day everyone will meet at 10:00 a.m. at Lake Henshaw Resort to dig in the Himalaya Mine tailings. For further details, please contact Wayne Mills.

Highway Clean-up: Our next clean-up will be held May 9, at 8:00 a.m. Members will meet on the South East corner of Highways 101 and 166.

Library: None

Membership: Elaine read an application for membership from Allyn and Marilyn Goodall. Sandy Berthelot made a motion that we accept Allyn and Marilyn for membership. Jan Ferguson seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Refreshments: Alexis Van Natta reported that the refreshment for April will be cookies donated by Elaine Von Achen, Fred Moreno, Truman Burgess, Debbie Hood and Don Nasholm.

Scholarship: Wayne Mills asked the board for a check in the amount of \$1,000 to be sent to Santa Barbara City College this month. If we get it in before the end of the month it will be eligible for matching funds from the College. Wayne made the motion. It was seconded by Jan Ferguson. Motion passed.

Sunshine: None

Old Business: Elaine mentioned that John has sold all of the showcases we had for sale. He also sold a tumbler donated by Joe Azevedo for \$100.00. Those monies are going into the fund to purchase tables.

New Business: Elaine made note of the May tailgate at the Von Achen's to be held on the 23rd. It is also the same day as the May breakfast. In order for members that are attending the breakfast and are also vendors at the tailgate, to have time to do their set-up, the time has been changed from 8:30 to 8:00 for this month only.

Prior to the board meeting Wes had sent a revised copy of the rules and regulations to the board members to review. Changes included resetting the join date for members who have let their membership lapse and then decide to renew. Also a change was made that no member can do business in the name of OMS without express permission from the board. There were a couple of other small changes that were not up to date with how we are currently doing business.

Elaine Von Achen made a motion that we make these changes. Alexis Van Natta seconded the motion. Motion passed. These changes will be presented to the membership at the April General Meeting.

The meeting was adjourned by President Dyanna Cridelich at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted: Elaine Von Achen, Secretary,
OMS

ORCUTT MINERAL SOCIETY—
General Meeting
Luis Oasis Senior Center, Orcutt, CA
April 14, 2015

President Dyanna Cridelich called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Mike Henson gave the invocation.

Joseph Martinez led the flag salute.

Minutes: Elaine Von Achen read the minutes from the April 7, 2015 board meeting. Alexis Van Natta noted that Debbie Hood's name was omitted from the list for bringing cookies. Elaine will correct and the minutes were approved as amended.

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

Correspondence: Elaine read a thank you letter from Sun Valley Indian School. Wes reported receiving our contract from Lucia Mar School District for our August Gem Show. Wayne had cards for the up-coming Gem Show in Santa Barbara.

Committee Reports:

Hospitality: There were 25 members and 6 guests in attendance. Our guests were Fred Moreno, Marilyn and Allyn Goodall, Robert Bischoff, Earl Godfrey, Dorothy Hill, Tami Majewski and Janice Bair. Guests were greeted and thanked.

Refreshments: Alexis thanked Fred Moreno, Don Nasholm, Truman Burgess, Debbie Hood and Elaine Von Achen for bringing cookies for the evening's refreshment. She noted that May's refreshment will be pie to be brought by Sandy Berthelot, Jeannie Lingerfelt, Jan Ferguson and Lucky Virgin.

Committee Reports:

Annual December Luncheon Meeting: Elaine said she would be getting a choice of menu's for the luncheon and would be bringing them to the general meeting for the membership to vote on.

Abused Children: None

Breakfast: April's breakfast will be held at the Francisco's Country Kitchen, 1701 S. Broadway Rd., Santa Maria at 8:30 a.m. on the 25th.

Bulletin: Wayne Mills asked if everyone was getting their bulletins. He also chose this time to give Debbie Hood a picture of Idar Oberstein, a place she had lived, in Germany.

CFMS: None.

Door Prizes: Joseph Martinez reported donations from Wayne Mills-Fossil from Montana, John Von Achen - Dino Bone and Lucky Virgin - Septarian Nodule Sphere. There were lots of other items as well.

Education: None

Gem Show: None

Historian: None

Field Trip: Our next field trip will be May 23rd to the Von Achen's for our 3rd annual tail gate. Hours are 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Members can buy a table for \$10.00 and non-members for \$20.00. For further details, please contact Wayne Mills.

Highway Clean-up: Wayne reported that the next clean-up will be held the 9th of May with members meeting at 8:00 a.m. on the south east corner of highways 101 and 166.

Library: None

Membership: Elaine introduced and welcomed Allyn and Marilyn Goodall as new members. She presented them with their Redbooks and name badges.

Junior Members: None

Political Action Committee:

Property: None

Scholarship: None

Sunshine: Jeannie Lingerfelt reported that Roger Lehman has been ill and that was all she knew of.

Old Business:

There will be a tailgate show at the Von Achen's on the 23rd of May. Members can get a table for \$10.00. There will be a hotdog barbeque with potato salad, beans and cookies for dessert for all participating vendors. Elaine asked for a volunteer to sell club rock, books, etc.

New Business: Members enjoyed a film called "Antarctica, A Frozen Laboratory" for April's program.

Dyanna thanked the following people for their displays this evening: Allyn and Marilyn Goodall -Wonderstone Rhyolite, Virginia Rogers - California Chert, Mike & Margaret Henson - Septarian Nodule Egg with black crystals, Lucky Virgin - Wire wrapped jewelry, Wayne Mills with a display of Fluorite and Basalt, and Jeannie Lingerfelt - Wire wrapped jewelry.

President Dyanna Cridelich adjourned the meeting at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted: Elaine Von Achen, Secretary,
OMS

PRESCIENT? If you recall the pet rock cartoon we ran in the April 2015 Ore Cutts...**Gary Dahl, creator of the Pet Rock, dies at 78 (Headline on MSN.com on 4/1/15)**

Dahl, the former advertising executive who created the wildly popular 1970s fad (Pet Rocks), has died at age 78 in southern Oregon. Read more about Dahl at:

<http://money.cnn.com/2015/04/01/news/pet-rock-founder-gary-dahl-dead/index.html>

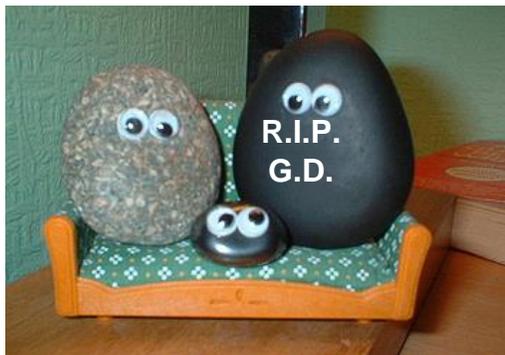


Photo from Kiplinger.com

OMS CALENDAR

MAY 2015

Tuesday, May 5 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.	OMS Board Meeting, Nipomo Chamber of Commerce meeting room, All members are welcome at this meeting
Saturday, May 9 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.	Highway Clean-up NE corner 101/166 E
Tuesday, May 12 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.	OMS General Meeting— Luis Oasis Senior Center. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Program-Red Treasures of the Rockies (Alma Rhodochrosite) • Display- Petrified Wood • Refreshments-Pies
Saturday, May 23 8:00 a.m.	OMS Monthly Breakfast- Sunset Ridge Golf--SM
Saturday, May 23 Set-up 8-10 am Sale 10 am-3 pm	OMS Tailgate at the Von Achen's Barn

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Tuesday, June 2	OMS Board Meeting, Nipomo Chamber of Commerce meeting room, All members are welcome at this meeting
Saturday, June 6 11 a.m.-2 p.m.	OMS Semi-Annual Meeting Pioneer Park. Silent Auction
Saturday, June 27 8:30 a.m.	OMS Monthly Breakfast- Hometown Buffet--SM

CFMS SHOWS MAY 2015

May 1 - 3: LA HABRA, CA

North Orange County Gem & Mineral Society
La Habra Community Center
101 W. La Habra Blvd.
Hours: Fri 4 - 8; Sat & Sun 10 - 5
Contact: Don Warthen, (562) 330-8974
Email: odwarthen@verizon.net
Website: www.nocgms.com

May 2 - 3: PASO ROBLES, CA

Santa Lucia Rockhounds
Paso Robles Fairgrounds
2271 24th Street
Hours: Sat 10 - 5; Sun 10 - 4
Contact: Mike Judy (909) 815-3045
Email: slorockhounds@gmail.com
Website: www.slrockhounds.org

May 2 - 3: ANAHEIM, CA

Searchers Gem & Mineral Society
Brookhurst Community Center
2271 W. Crescent Avenue
Hours: Sat 10 - 5; Sun 10 - 4
Contact: Margaret Hogarth, (909) 815-3045
Email: Hogarth.m@gmail.com
Website: www.searchersrocks.org

May 2 - 3: JACKSON, CA

Amador County Gem & Mineral Society
Kennedy Mine
12594 Kennedy Mine Rd (off Hwys 49/88)
Hours: 10 - 4 daily
Contact: Gaylene Lichty, (209) 245-5388
Email: mountaingirl@volcano.net

May 2 - 3: YUCAIPA, CA

Yucaipa Valley Gem & Mineral Society
New Location:
Adams St. & Yucaipa Blvd. - Tent in street
Hours: Sat 11 - 7, Sun. 12 - 4
Contact: Dennis Anderson, (951) 845-9195
Email: Danderson2@dc.rr.com
Website: www.yvgms.org

May 9 - 10: ESCONDIDO, CA

Palomar Gem & Mineral Club
California Center for the Arts
340 N. Escondido Blvd.

Hours: Sat 10 - 5; Sun 10 - 4
 Contact: Gayle Hamilton, (760) 743-0809
 Email: gemshow@palomargem.org
 Website: www.palomargem.org

May 9 - 10: RENO, NV

Reno Gem & Mineral Society
 Reno-Sparks Livestock Event Center
 1350 North Wells Avenue
 Hours: Sat 10 - 4; Sun 10 - 5
 Contact: Steve Norman, (775) 358-7322
 Email: snorm11@hotmail.com
 Website: www.renorockhounds.com

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June 6 - 7: GLENDORA, CA

Glendora Gems & Mineral Society
 Goddard Middle School
 857 East Sierra Madre
 Hours: Sat. 10 - 5; Sun 10 - 4
 Contact: Bonnie Bidwell, (626) 963-4638

June 12 - 14: LODI, CA

Rocks & Vines, CFMS 2015 Show & Convention, Lodi CA June 12 - 14
 Hours: Friday & Saturday 10-5; Sunday 10-4
 Contact: Margaret Kolaczyk,
markolaczyk@gmail.com

June 27 - 28: 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
 Email: janicemtz@yahoo.com
 Website: www.culvercityrocks.org

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John Von Achen	(805) 929-1488

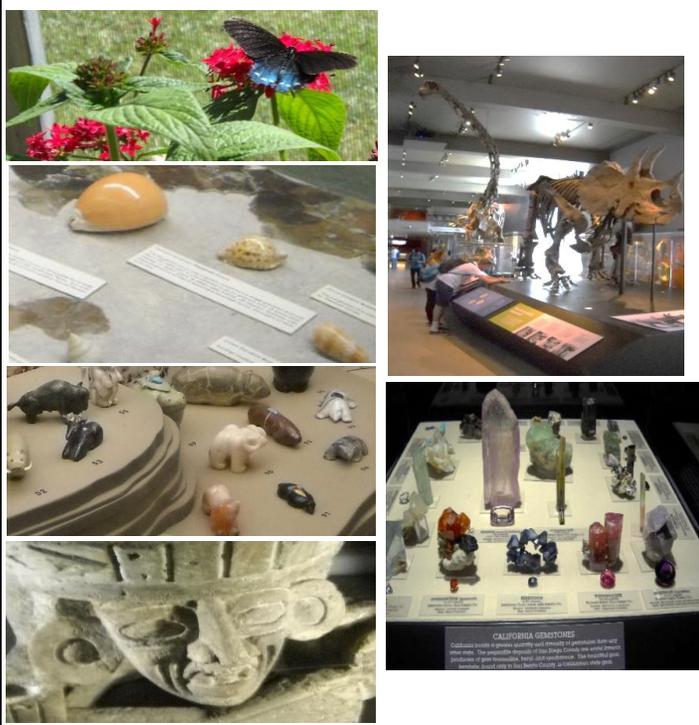
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