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Please join us on October 11, 2011 at 7:00 pm at the Luis Oasis Senior Center, 420 Soares Ave. in Old Orcutt for a video program on **Prehistoric Planet**



- **Display is Jade**, but as always you are welcome to bring any rocks/minerals that you would like to share.
- **The refreshments will be Cake** brought to us by Sylvia Nasholm, Sharon Duncan, Alexis Van Atta, & Elaine Von Achen.

viruses want to congregate around us. But stay positive and *wash your hands frequently* and we will be just fine.

And with that I look forward to seeing all of you at the next meeting.

Take care, Your Prez, Gloria

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Birthday greetings go out to those who are having birthdays in October: Margaret Henson, Laura Kasteal, Don Nasholm, Shasta Palmer, and Barbara Strasbaugh. Happy Birthday & Many more!



There is no listing for any member celebrating an October anniversary, but as always, if we have overlooked you, please have a great one!



Prez Box

By Gloria Dana

The Prez Says:

Hey y'all: the last meeting went well. I want to thank all those who brought goodies and pies. It was all delicious. I haven't heard yet about the final results for our contract for the show venue, but I probably will soon. I want to thank you all for your participation in letting us know how you all feel about the location. But no matter what we do or where we go, there will be great times, wonderful treasures from the earth and good food to enjoy. Don't forget, Christmas is right around the corner, and that means election time and committee assignments. Please consider volunteering, we always need lots of help.

The weather is changing, and we should see some fall weather soon. And don't forget, flu shots are already available. I'm gonna get mine this weekend! Winter is just around the corner, and there's no tellin' what kind of misery we're gonna face -- Airborne



In Memoriam

We are very grieved to announce that we have lost three long-time OMS members in the last month: first came word that Hershel Whitefield, one of our past presidents had died:

Hershel F. Whitefield

1919-2011

Hershel F. Whitefield passed away peacefully at his home in Nipomo with his family by his side on August 10, 2011. He was born August 17, 1919 in the small town of Lakeview, Texas. He moved to Santa Maria, California after finishing High School. Hershel was drafted in April, 1941 and served in the U.S. Army 18th Combat Engineers during World War II in the

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Aleutian Islands. It was there that he was assigned to a task force to help build the Alcan Highway, a vitally needed overland supply route. The highway acted as a lifeline for American forces in Alaska during WWII. While stationed in some of the most forbidding terrain in North America, he formed an extraordinary bond with his fellow officers and remained in close touch with them for the rest of his life. Most people will remember him as a General Building Contractor for over 30 years in the Santa Maria Valley. He enjoyed his work as a builder and all the fine people he met along the way.

He will be remembered as a man of his word and was fond of saying, "I have done many a business deal with only a handshake" Hershel was active in the community, on the Board of Appeal for the City of Santa Maria, Board member of the Carpenter Apprenticeship program, Vocational Training Center, Santa Maria Valley Contractors Association, Chamber of Commerce, Elks Lodge 1538, and the Orcutt Mineral Society. After retirement, he switched gears to growing of Avocado, Lemon and tropical trees in the Nipomo Foothills. He enjoyed traveling with his wife Mary, visiting all fifty states as well as touring many countries. His hobbies included cutting and polishing stones as well as oil painting. Hershel was an avid reader and well versed in most subjects. He was interested in world affairs, and always very fond of sharing a joke or two - with a chuckle. Hershel also found great joy being with his family and good friends. He was especially proud of his two grandsons, Rawley and Dustin.

He was preceded in death by his parents Frank and Fannie Whitefield, sisters Lorena Allen of Lawndale and Juanita Mann of Santa Maria; brother Earl Whitefield, and daughter Sheila Whitefield, both of Santa Maria. He is survived by Mary, his beloved wife of 59 years; his daughter and her husband, Karen and Randy Hermreck of Arroyo Grande; grandsons, Rawley Herrnreck of Santa Maria and Dustin Hermreck of Nipomo, along with numerous nieces and nephews.

Services to honor and celebrate his life will be held at Dudley- Hoffman Mortuary Friday August 19 at 11:00 am. Visitation will be from 9:00 am until time of funeral. Burial will follow the services at the Arroyo Grande Cemetery. Friends, if they so desire, may make contributions to the Sheila D. Whitefield Memorial Fund, held at Community Bank of Santa Maria 1421 S. Broadway, Santa Maria CA 93454 or to CASA of Santa Barbara County 120 East Jones Street, Suite 130 Santa Maria, CA 93454 or to a favorite charity.

Shortly thereafter, his wife, Mary Whitefield, who was a wonderful facetter, also died:

Mary Whitefield 1929-2011



Mary Whitefield passed away peacefully at her home in Nipomo with her family by her side on September 11, 2011. She was born December 4, 1929 to Oscar and Carlesia Le Compte, in Opelousas, Louisiana. Mary grew up and was educated in San Francisco. She moved to Santa Maria in 1949, where she met Hershel F. Whitefield, and they were soon married. Together, they had two daughters, Sheila and Karen. Mary was a loving and devoted mother and delighted in being involved her girls, as well as their friends. She was a Campfire Girls leader, 4-H Sewing leader and active PTA member. Being the Bookkeeper for her husband's Building Construction business kept her quite busy but she always had time for her family and friends. Gracious and kind was Mary. She contributed much joy to all the people in her life. Mary was a fabulous cook and was particularly famous for her Coconut Cream and Lemon Meringue pies. Never one to sit idle, after her children were raised, she became a Beekeeper. She could be found at the local Farmers market where many will remember her fondly as the "Honey Lady." Mary also enjoyed playing Bridge at the Minerva Club and the friendships with all the special ladies she met there. She was a member of the Santa Maria Valley Beekeepers Association, the Orcutt Mineral Society where she learned to facet stones and the Minerva Club. She was greatly admired by her Grandsons, Rawley and Dustin. They will always cherish time spent with their sweet, patient and fun loving Grandma.

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Mary is preceded in death by her devoted husband of 59 years, Hershel F. Whitefield, who passed away one month ago; her beloved daughter, Sheila Whitefield of Santa Maria. She is also preceded in death by her parents, Oscar and Carlesia Le Compte, brothers, Charlie and Curtis LeCompte, sister, Ida Kohl all from the bay area; sister, Ethel Delafosse of Washington.

She is survived by her loving daughter, Karen and son in law, Randy Hermreck of Arroyo Grande. Her grandsons, Rawley Herrnreck of Santa Maria and Dustin Herrnreck of Nipomo. Her sister, Beatrice Marciel of Santa Maria, and sister Wanda Shuman of Daly City, along with numerous nieces and nephews, A Rosary will be held Sunday, September 18, 2011 in the Chapel of Dudley- Hoffman Mortuary at 7:00 pm, visitation will be from 4:00pm - 7:00pm. A Funeral Mass will be held the following day, Monday, September 19, 2011 at the St. Joseph Catholic Church in Nipomo at 11:00 am. Burial will follow at the Arroyo Grande Cemetery.

Friends, if they so desire, can make contributions in memory of Mary to the Alzheimer's Association 3480 S. Higuera St. #120 San Luis Obispo, CA 93401 or Minerva Club Preservation Fund P.O. Box 881, Santa Maria, CA 93456 or the Sheila D. Whitefield Memorial Fund, held at Community Bank of Santa Maria, 1421 S. Broadway, Santa Maria, CA 93454.

Then last week came word that Kay Vollmer, “The Jade Lady,” one of the pioneers of jade hunting on the California Central Coast had died. Kay was 92 years old and crammed a lot of adventure into those years! She and her husband, Chuck, raised 3 children, while hunting rocks and working a series of interesting jobs. Kay was a draftsman, a graduate of the WWII “Petticoat Engineers” program. She worked for Graflex drafting new cameras for production, and later worked as a draftsman at Vandenberg. There was no Obituary available, but we have reprinted an article about her from the *Orecuts Vol. XXXVIII, No. XII, Dec. 2003*:

Kay Vollmer, the “Jade Lady”

By Kay Vollmer, as told to Bess and Dick Shields

Dick and I were recently invited to visit and interview Kay Vollmer at her home in Nipomo. Kay is widely known among central coast rockhounds for her wonderful collection of jade and local materials. She shared stories about the rocks that she and

Chuck, who last year passed away, had collected over the years. Kay explained that “Botryoidal jade” is a rare form of grape-like, knobby jade. Kay has a keen eye, and is the proud guardian of some special pieces that she found on trips to Jade Cove and points north. She is especially pleased with the jewelry pieces that Chuck shaped to resemble Native American fishhooks, diving birds, and delicate filigree designs. Kay and Chuck perfected a technique for removing serpentine and soapstone clinging to their botryoidal jade by using sandblasting beads. Kay and Chuck’s assignments allowed them the opportunity to collect at numerous locations which are now closed to rockhounding. She recalls collecting “jellies” (clear opals) from their Oregon assignment, petrified wood from numerous locations throughout the western US, iris agate, Sweetwater

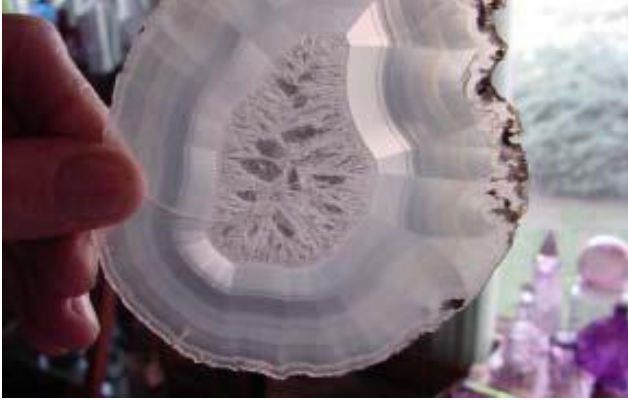


Botryoidal jade specimen in Kay's Collection

agate, Panamint Valley specimens, Saratoga minerals, and gems from Roaring Ridge. She had many summers in Yosemite NP, and spent many years in Olympia, Washington.

Throughout the afternoon, Dick photographed many of Kay’s pieces, and she remarked, “Chuck would have approved of digital photography advances”. Kay likes digital photography since “It shows me right away what your picture looks like, and they can be taken over, or even deleted”. Kay and Dick spent two hours in front of the fluorescent box, like kids in a candy shop, hunting for the perfect specimen. Kay

Iris agate specimen with a rainbow of colors



issued orders about where to fetch little bowls of “minOre-erals “for her to view under the three wavelengths. She most enjoyed the rhombic calcite, Petrified wood, Botswana agate, Sweetwater agate, Saratoga Wyoming materials, Roaring Ridge beauties, and Nipomo agates (that glowed BRIGHT!). Kay is also a master beader, and

Some of Kay's sea urchin bead baskets



utilizes materials she has collected along the Central Coast, China Lake and Oregon in her delicate beadwork. She weaves beads around tiny sea urchins and fashions them into miniature baskets. Her dream catcher earrings are made with beads that are miniscule.

Dick's friendship with the Vollmers goes way back. Dick's parents (Allan and Bernice) and their three boys dined with Vollmers in Yosemite when Allan and Chuck were rangers (Dick was 12-13 years old at that time). Years later, Kay and Chuck toured the Eielson Visitor Center, Mt. McKinley NP, Alaska, but didn't go further out to Wonder Lake, where Dick was a ranger.

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Kay has been a member of OMS for many years, and is looking forward to seeing old friends at our Annual Banquet next Saturday. She is excited about the upcoming field trip in March, the "Quake Zone Trip" to Carrizo Plains and points to the north toward King City, and plans to attend. We hope you can make it too, and connect with this marvelous “Jade Lady”. You'll enjoy her stories of collecting, and adventures she's had as a rockhound.

Sunshine

Gloria Dana is recovering from a cold and we have not heard of anyone else being sick. Stay well, my friends!



Fieldtrip To The Santa Lucia Rockhounds Show in Paso Robles

By Debbie Hood & Wes Lingerfelt

The 17th of September was clear and cool for this time of year, as Bill and I headed up to Paso Robles. The weather forecast had been for an unusually pleasant day in Paso, and so it was. (*Three cheers for when the weather decides to cooperate with the forecast!*)

When we arrived we went inside and got our tickets for their Treasure chest (Bill or I have won something at this show 4 out of the last 5 years!) and looked around at the museum displays. The Pioneer Museum is one of the best of its kind and ranks up there with the Smithsonian for Western artifacts from the earliest years. The displays are mostly vignettes of what life was like over a hundred years ago in this area. Next we checked out the Demonstrators doing enamel bead making, faceting, cabochon cutting etc. and then on to the Displays. WOW! Were there ever some great cases this year. Bill was fascinated with the first case we saw of dinosaurs and their environment made of central coast brecciated jasper. And I believe it one the People's Choice Award. But there were also great displays of minerals, spheres, florescent minerals, wirewrapping and the miniature rock shop all done in stone.

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The Peoples Choice Award case

I went out to the dealer area while Bill looked around for things to take pictures of. I acquired a lovely thin slab of Clear Creek Turtle jade, and a large faceted light violet pink amethyst. There were some new dealers this year, and many old friends including Central Coast Gem Lab with a gorgeous blue/green Quartz stone that called to me but was unable to follow me home, Manny and Dahlia were there enjoying the pleasant temperatures. They and a number of other dealers expressed concern about whether we would be doing a show next year, and we tried to reassure them that there *would* be a show, at another site that would be even better than the old site.

Their country store yielded enough westerns to keep my Mom in reading materials for a good long while. They had a great range of items from furniture to plants. And all the while you walked around the aroma of Barbeque cooking assaulted your senses.

It was a wonderful day and a great little show!

Comments from Wes:

Jeannie and I loaded the Hyundai SUV with three cases on Friday, the 16th to take them to Paso Robles. We feel it is important to support the club as they have always supported ours. It was good to see all the old friends (I mean long time, not old old) and the members in the museum helped me unload and carry the cases inside. The first thing I heard was “Where’s Ralph?” “Well, I said, he’s out playing with the Indians in Guadalupe.” “He will be coming on Sunday.” We finished setting up the cases and took a quick tour of the park next door. The silent auction table was missing anything I wanted but the Country

Store had a dozen small glass bowls really nifty for sphere stands. The price was only \$1.00 and I couldn’t let that go by. I took a few pictures and headed home.



The silent auction table

The next day was the BBQ in the evening so Jeannie and I took the Beamer and drove back up to the show in time for some more shopping and to attend the festivity. I did find a set of stones I needed for a gold ring and at a good price. I felt lucky to find them. I also was very pleased that the weather God gave us a spectacular day.

Sunday rolled around and Ralph decided he wanted to attend the show so that meant I would need to take



A nice fossil case

the truck to go get the cases and transport the three of us up there and back. Again it was another beautiful day and we three had a great time at the show. As I

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was loading the cases I was asked to bring home treasure chest prizes won by OMS members. Hey, I won a pair of earrings! And Brenna Ferguson won a prize, as did Bill Hood (a Calcite sphere). Another successful show put on by the Santa Lucia club. I hope everyone made the journey as it was well worth it.



Orcutt Mineral Society Board Meeting at Margaret and Mike Henson's Home, Santa Maria, CA. September 6, 2011

President Gloria Dana called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m.

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

Guests were Paul Berthelot, Margaret Henson, and Bill Hood.

Minutes: Sylvia Nasholm read the minutes from the August general meeting. Minutes were approved as read.

Treasurer's report: Wes Lingerfelt gave the treasurer's report. It was accepted as given. Wes also reviewed the 2011 Gem Show expenses. Mike Henson moved to accept the report and Jan Ferguson seconded the motion. The report was accepted as given.

Correspondence: Wes noted the premium for the Directors & Officers liability insurance is due. Mike Henson moved that it be paid. Motion was seconded by Sandy Berthelot. The motion passed. Sylvia Nasholm noted we received a notice for diesel truck owners regarding EPA rule changes in emissions effective January 1, 2012, a copy of the Carmel Valley Prospector, the Sun Valley Indian School newsletter, and a request for funds from the Salvation Army. We have also received notices that the new 2012 Calendars from Arizona Minerals and the Gem Shop's Fine Agates and Jaspers are out and available. Committee Reports:

Abused Children's Fund: None.

Annual Gem Show: Wes discussed his research for a new site for the 2012 Rainbow of Gems and will present his findings at the general meeting. Sylvia noted that since it will be a new site, it would be a good time to also



discuss whether we want to keep it a three day show, continue a combined indoor/outdoor venue or make any other changes.

Breakfast: September's breakfast will be held at the Hometown Buffet, 1431 S. Bradley, Santa Maria on September 24 at 9:00 a.m.

Bulletin: The bulletin is online and at the printers.

CFMS: November is the next meeting in Visalia. If you have anything for Wes to present, see he has it by November 1st.

Education: None.

Field Trip: September's field trip will be to the Paso Robles Gem Show at Pioneer Park on September 17, 2011.

Highway Clean up: Will be Saturday the 10th. Members will meet at Highway 101 and 166 on the South East corner at 8:00 a.m.

Library: None.

Membership: None.

Refreshments: Refreshment for September will be pie donated by Jan Ferguson, Jeannie Lingerfelt, Sandy Berthelot, Wayne Mills and Lucky Virgin



Scholarship: None.

Sunshine: Sandy Berthelot came through her oil draining procedure in fine shape. Sad note, Elaine Von Achen lost her mother. We also lost past club member Herschel Whitefield. Debbie moved that we make a donation to the CFMS Endowment Fund in honor of Mary and Herschel. Jan seconded. Motion passed.

Old Business: President Gloria Dana will call for volunteers for the position of President-Elect.

New Business: The Annual Awards Banquet will have a new chef. The Hoods will meet with him in about a month to work out details. It looks as though the price will be about the same as last year.

September's program will be Wes's presentation on new possible sites for the show.

September's display will be agates.

The meeting was adjourned by President, Gloria Dana at 8:40 p.m. after which we enjoyed tasty brownies prepared by Margaret.

Respectfully submitted:

Sylvia Nasholm, Board Member, OMS
For Elaine Von Achen

Orcutt Mineral Society General Meeting Luis Oasis Senior Center, Orcutt CA., September 13, 2011

President Gloria Dana called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm. Mike Henson gave the invocation.

Samantha Schmidt led the flag salute.

Minutes: Minutes from the August 9th General meeting and the September 6th Board meeting were read by Sylvia Nasholm. The minutes were approved as read.

Treasurer's report: Wes Lingerfelt gave the Treasurer's report. It was accepted as given. Wes also read the 2011 Rainbow of Gems financial report. Our net was well in the black but down a disappointing \$1,500 from last year's record high.

Correspondence: Sylvia Nasholm reported the August and September issues of the Carmel Valley Prospector and the Sun Valley Indian School newsletter, a notice from the CA EPA air resources board alerting diesel truck owners to new laws, and announcements of the Arizona Minerals and the Gem Shop's Fine Agates and Jaspers 2012 calendars are available.

Hospitality: Sharon Duncan reported 36 members and 4 guests in attendance. Guests included Lisa Azevado, Austin Wilson, Mike O'Donnell, and Gerri McCallister.

Refreshments: Margaret Henson thanked Jeannie Lingerfelt, Jan Ferguson, Wayne Mills, and Sandy Berthelot for the pies they brought for tonight's refreshment.

Committee Reports:

Abused Children: None.

Breakfast: September's monthly breakfast will be on the 24th and will be held at the Hometown Buffet, 1431 S. Bradley in Santa Maria at 9:00 a.m.

Budget and Audit: None.

Bulletin: The bulletin is online and mailed.

CFMS: None.

Door Prizes: The prizes donated for the evening were from Paul & Sandy Berthelot, John & Elaine Von Achen, Steve Riegel, and Don Nasholm. Lucky Virgin added a chunk of Arizona petrified wood plus some end cuts and Don & Sylvia Nasholm brought in a chunk of lattice quartz to augment the pile.

Education: None.

Gem Show: See Program.

Historian: None.

Field Trip: The field trip for September will be on 17th. The Santa Lucia rockhounds have their annual gem show that weekend at Pioneer Park in Paso Robles.

Highway Clean up: The winner of the prize for this month's clean-up was Wayne's friend Vickie. Wayne also pointed out that a pill bottle with lists of names and dates was actually a



GPS game find and needed to be returned to the spot.

Library: None.

Membership: Wes reported he has ordered badges for our new members.

Political Action: None.

Property: None.

Scholarship: None.

Sunshine: Gloria Dana is fighting a cold.

Old Business: Sylvia Nasholm announced that no time has been allotted for her to give her program for Junior Members for the last two months. Rather than wait any longer, she offered to describe the program to the attending juniors during the break. (I am happy to report that Samantha Schmidt has asked to begin the program and will become our first AFMS Junior club member!)

New Business: A drawing was held for the Kitchen Helpers Prize donated by Jeannie Lingerfelt. It was won by Sue Oliver, a non member who came to our aid in the kitchen this year. The prize was a beautiful wire wrapped azurite sun.

The program this evening was a discussion of 3 possible new sites for our 2012 Rainbow of Gems presented by Wes. After viewing the sites, Bob Bullock moved that we try for the Nipomo High School. The motion was seconded by Lee Reyburn. The membership approved the site as the best of the three offered.

President Gloria Dana adjourned the meeting at 9:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:
Sylvia Nasholm, Board,
OMS for Elaine Von Achen,
Secretary



Bench Tips

By Brad Smith

•REMOVING A STONE FROM BEZEL SETTING

If you've forgotten to use dental floss and got your stone caught in a bezel, there's one thing you can try before starting to pry. Find some sticky wax or beeswax. Roll it into a pencil-sized cylinder and stick the end onto the top of the stone. Mold it on well and yank. If all else fails, you either have to very carefully pry open the bezel with a sharp knife blade or drill a small hole in back of the stone and push it out with the point of a scribe.

•MAKING YOUR OWN MOKUME

Ever think about making your own mokume? Here's a link to the detailed steps in the sequence as done by a professional. Look for mokume on <http://www.rchristopher.com/tech/>

•FOREDOM STAND

A quick and easy way to suspend your Freedom over your jewelry bench is to use some steel pipe components from your local hardware store. It attaches with a couple screws and costs a little over \$10. I use 1/2 inch galvanized pipe and fittings. To build a stand that attaches to the top of your bench, all you'll need is a flange and a thirty inch length of the pipe. If you prefer a stand that attaches to the side of your bench, you'll need a little longer pipe, three foot, a flange, and a 90 degree "street elle".




Finally, make a hook that goes into the top of the pipe to hang the motor from. You can use heavy coat hanger wire or better yet, a 1/8 steel rod from the hardware store.

•Between the dollar stores and Harbor Freight, metal workers and jewelry makers can save a lot of money on tools. A friend who taught upscale wire work always bought a lot of pliers and cutters at Harbor Freight when they had them in \$1.00 bins. He filed the rough edges and took off the sharpness and used them in his classes. He said he would rather have these pliers snap from use on too heavy a wire than his more expensive ones.

A very well known inlay mosaic artist told me that she uses a Harbor Freight diamond band saw to cut her material, cost was \$149.00. When I went to buy one, they did not know what I was speaking about. The store manager said he would track it down and did so. I told him I was going to a Rock and Mineral

club meeting in the area and he gave me a machine to take to the meeting to demo. It really went over big time. They are very accommodating there.

More BenchTips by Brad Smith are at groups.yahoo.com/group/BenchTips/ or Facebook.com/BenchTips

October 2011 Calendar	
Tuesday Oct. 4, 2011 7:00 to 8:30pm.	OMS Board Meeting- Mike & Margaret Henson's Home. All members are welcome at this business meeting.
Tuesday, Oct. 11, 2011 7:00 to 9:00. pm	OMS General Meeting - Luis Oasis Senior Center, 420 Soares Ave., Old Orcutt Program: Prehistoric Planet Video <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Display- Jade • Refreshments- Cake
Saturday Oct 15, 2011 8:00 am to 5:00 pm.	OMS Field Trip: To Ozena Creek on Hiway 33. Meet at the turnout on US101 and CA166 East.
Saturday Oct. 22, 2011 9:00 to 10:00 am.	OMS Monthly Breakfast- The Girls Restaurant, Grand Ave., Arroyo Grande. For information call Sylvia Nasholm at 481-0923. 
November 2011 Calendar	
Tuesday Nov. 1, 2011 7:00 to 8:30 pm.	OMS Board Meeting- Mike & Margaret Henson's Home. All members are welcome at this business meeting.
Tuesday Nov.8, 2011 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.	OMS General Meeting- At Luis Oasis Senior Center, 420 Soares Ave., Old Orcutt. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Program: The Last Great Exstinction by Prof. Bob Gray, Santa Barbara City College • Display- November Rocks

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Refreshments-Cookies
Saturday Nov. 12, 2011 8:00 to 10:00 am.	Roadside Clean up After the cleanup, coffee and pastry at "Francisco's Country Kitchen" in Santa Maria. Meet at 166 and 101. For information call Wayne Mills at 481-3495.
Saturday Nov. 19, 2011 8:00 am to 5:00 pm.	Field Trip to be announced
Saturday Nov. 26, 2011 9 to 10:00 am.	OMS Monthly Breakfast- The Sunset Cafe. For information call Sylvia Nasholm at 481-0923

The 20th annual Big Sur Jade Festival

Each year the Big Sur Jade Festival brings musicians, artists, crafts people, and rockhounds together for an annual fundraiser benefiting the South Coast Community Land Trust. The event is hosted by the Pacific Valley School, which is located across Highway One from Sand Dollar Beach and adjacent to Plaskett Campground on the South Big Sur Coast about 65 miles south of Carmel and 35 miles North of Hearst Castle.
 October 7, 8 & 9, 2011

CFMS SHOWS 2011

October 8-9 - TRONA, CA

Searles Lake Gem & Mineral Society
 13337 Main Street
 Hours: Sat; 7:30-5; Sun. 7:30-4
 Jim & Bonnie Fairchild (760) 372-5356
 Email: slgms@iwvisp.com
 Website: www1.iwvisp.com/tronagemclub

October 15 - WEST HILLS, CA Bakersfield California's

Woodland Hills Rock Chippers
 First United Methodist Church
 22700 Sherman Way
 Hours: 10-5
 Mary Beth Pio
 Email: info@rockchippers.org
 Website: www.rockchippers.org

October 15-16 - ANDERSON, CA

Shasta Gem & Mineral Society
 Shasta District Fairgrounds
 Briggs Street
 Hours: Sat. 9-5; Sun. 10-4
 Steve Puderbaugh (530) 365-4000; Cell (530) 604-2951
 Email: steve@applyaline.com



Website: www.shastagemandmineral.com

October 15-16 - PLACERVILLE, CA

El Dorado County Mineral & Gem Society
 El Dorado County Fairgrounds
 100 Placerville Drive
 Hours: 10-5 daily
 Karen Newlin, (530) 676-2472
 Email: info@rockandgemshow.org
 Show Website: www.rockandgemshow.org

October 15-16 - SANTA ROSA, CA

Santa Rosa Mineral & Gem Society
 Veterans Memorial Auditorium
 1351 Maple Ave
 Hours: Sat. 10-6; Sun 10-5
 Debbie Granat (707) 542-1651
 Email: santarosarockshow@hotmail.com
 Website: www.srmgs.org

October 15-16 - WHITTIER, CA

Whittier Gem & Mineral Society
 Whittier Community Center
 7630 Washington
 Hours: 10-5 daily
 Marcia Goetz (626) 260-7239
 Email: joemar1@verizon.net

October 22-23 - LOS ALTOS, CA

Peninsula Gem & Geology Society
 Los Altos Youth Center
 One N. San Antonio Road
 Hours: Sat.10-5; Sun 11-5
 Steve Jobe (408) 279-2069
 Email: steve_jobe@sbcglobal.net
 Website: www.pgggs.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, \$10.00. One time initiation fee for new members.

Membership Chairperson is Elaine Von Achen (805) 929-1488

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