



# Ore-Cutts

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## WELCOME to our GEM SHOW!

Wayne Mills and Wes Lingerfelt, Show Chairmen

"Show Time" is always special. It's an opportunity to bring together our rockhounding friends and our community, and for us all to "strut our stuff." This year the Orcutt Mineral Society's 36th Annual Gem Show is from Friday, August 8th through Sunday, August 10th at St. Joseph's Church (298 S. Thompson Avenue, Nipomo). Show hours are from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. daily.

The show cannot happen without the dedicated, hard work of our members. A special "Thank You!" to all of you making this event a memorable one.



Bargains abound at the OMS Gem Show

Some of this year's highlights include demonstrations on glass lampwork beadmaking, knitting with fine silver, "Ugly Rocks Uncovered", and arrowhead knapping. The ever popular Rick Kennedy will return to give Benitoite etching talks, and demonstrate his skilled techniques. Dick Knox will give multiple speeches on rock types throughout the show.

Featured attractions include:

- More than 40 displays of lapidary craftsmanship.
- "The best darned barbecue on the central coast" on Saturday night starting at 6:30 p.m.
- The Treasure Chest Raffle drawing on Sunday afternoon at 4:00 p.m.
- Prospecting Adventure for Kids (gold panning, fossil dig, and rock hunting).
- Country Store with those unique items you can't pass up.
- Our Fluorescent Room explores another dimension of rockhounding.
- Sphere making demonstration on stage.

Please call the chairmen to volunteer:

The Snack Bar	Sylvia Nasholm	481-0923
Fluorescing Room	Dick Shields	937-0357
Country Store	Debbie Hood	481-6860
Treasure Chest/Welcome	Dee Dee Magri	595-2755
The Office	Marshall Reeves	733-2775
Prospecting Adventure	Wayne Mills	481-3495

See you at the Gem Show!

### Thank You

OMS was the recent recipient of a mineral and fossil collection from Scott DuFrane. Thank you, Scott, for your generous support of our club. The materials will be used in classroom presentations by the Education Committee.

### Benitoite

Rick Kennedy will be speaking at our Gem Show about the Benitoite Gem Mine, the significance of this unique gemstone, and will demonstrate how to "etch" mine run rock to free up crystals. Please join us Saturday afternoon at 1:00 pm,

and Sunday at noon in Classroom #1 to hear Rick speak.

Benitoite, the official state gem, is the only mineral that crystallizes in the trigonal bipyramidal form. It is a lovely blue-purple color and is a beautiful and valuable gemstone. Benitoite fluoresces a deep blue color under short wave ultraviolet light.



Rick Kennedy demonstrating Benitoite "etching"

Rick will bring mine run material which we will view in the Fluorescent Room during the show. Some of the material will be available for sale at the show. We will also have a viewing of Jeanie Lingerfelt's prize pendant necklace with a finished gem Rick discovered in Wes Lingerfelt's rough mine run specimen last year.

### Your President-On the Road

Wayne Mills, President, Orcutt Mineral Society

One of the highlights of my recent trip to Minnesota was attending the Moose Lake Gem and Mineral Show. These folks are really into Superior Agates. A 2-pound (2.5" by 3.5") specimen can go from \$20 to \$600 or more (see samples below).



One of the highlights of the show was the "Agate Stampede." A dump truck full of gravel mixed with 350 pounds of superior agate and \$300 in quarters made a pass down the main street while hundreds of participants looked on. At a signal from the officials, pandemonium reigned. The scene went from A to B in about 2 seconds.



Agate Stampede A. Before B. After

Surprisingly, nobody got hurt that I know of, especially yours truly. I waited until the dust cleared a little before I tried to crawl in on the fringes. Found a few tiny ones (and a penny), but nothing to write home about. Still, it was fun!

### Orcutt Mineral Society

Board Meeting

Mussel Senior Center, Santa Maria CA

1 July, 2003

Call to Order at 7:03 p.m. by President Wayne Mills. Board members present were Sharon Duncan, Debbie and Bill Hood, Wes Lingerfelt, Wayne Mills, Sylvia Nasholm, Geary Sheffer, Bess Shields, and Past President Dick Shields.

**Trip reports:** Dick Shields and Wes Lingerfelt reported on the trip to Salty's Ranch where Wes found poppy jasper, Dick brought back turitella, and Marshall Reeves snagged some green and red chert with orbs like the Santa Ynez chert.

Wes Lingerfelt reported on the Slack Canyon trip where fossils, chert, turitella, and a few fluorescent pieces were brought back.

**Treasurer's Report** was read by Wes Lingerfelt, and accepted as read.

**Minutes** of the previous Board Meeting were approved as published.

**Committee Reports:**

**Adopt-a-Highway:** Wes Lingerfelt invited us to clean our two miles of highway on July 19.

**Breakfasts:** Dick Shields invited us to the July 26th breakfast at The Girls.

**Bulletin (Ore-Cutts):** Bess Shields reported that the Ore-Cutts will go out tomorrow, and includes an article about our President winning big at the AFMS and CFMS Gemboree.

**CFMS:** Wayne wants the CFMS Code of Ethics printed in the August bulletin.

**Education:** Marshall Reeves was absent, but Wayne reported that Marshall is seeking helpers for the rock talk in Lompoc.

**Field Trips, Safety:** Dick Shields reminded members of the July 19th trip to Bea and Sherm Griselle's home for a tour of their ranch and opportunity to view their collection. There will be a trip to Vandenberg on 12 July. Call Dick for further information.

**Library, Books, Videos:** Dick Shields reported that he is making DVDs of the most popular tapes we have been checking out to members.

**Refreshments:** Wayne reported that Al Wilcox, Jeannie Lingerfelt, Sylvia Nasholm, Jan Ferguson and Bess Shields will bring pie to the meeting next week.

**Show:** (reports will be made under old business).

**Web Page:** Dick Shields is working on our new web page. The site is hosted out of Santa Clara, CA. Dick and Wes Lingerfelt are organizing the information for the page.

**Correspondence:**

(Show fliers, exchange bulletins, and notices announced under correspondence are at the front table following the business portion of the meeting, and during refreshment time, for members to view.)

- *Dinny's Doins* newsletter.
- *Rockonteur* newsletter from Santa Lucia Rockhounds.
- Sun Valley Indian School newsletter.
- *Lapidarian* newsletter from Santa Cruz Mineral & Gem Club.
- *Tumble Rumble* from Capistrano Valley Rock & Mineral Club.
- *Pick & Shovel* from San Geronio Mineral & Gem Society.
- *Rocky Review* newsletter from Conejo Gem & Mineral Club.
- *Rockhound Notes* newsletter.
- Fiesta of Gems (Culver City) announcement.
- Cuesta College, thank you for scholarship.
- Hancock College, thank you for scholarship.
- Mineral Hunter board game information.
- Mineral & Crystals coloring book advertisement.
- BLM public lands by county brochure.
- USDA Forest Revision Update.

**Old / unfinished business:**

1. Show related:

Publicity: Wayne Mills and Wes Lingerfelt are working on radio, TV, press release, and highway sign. Don Nasholm and Wes will put the signs up along the highway this weekend.

Show field: Wes Lingerfelt will look into grading the field.

Library exhibit: Bess Shields will set up the OMS display before the July 4th weekend. Show flyers will be posted on the wall next to the rock exhibit.

Wes announced that we have rented the whole facility and expect no surprises this year. Grounds will be laid out on Wednesday, August 6th, and cases in the hall will be set up on Thursday morning, August 7th. Dealers can begin parking their rigs at noon on Thursday.

2. Wayne Mills announced that the Country Store will sell all spare equipment to the general public after members have had a chance to buy what they want during the month of July. A list will be prepared for next week's general meeting with Geary Sheffer's contact information about viewing and purchasing the spare equipment.

**New business:**

Wes Lingerfelt has "Rockhound" stickers available for sale at 50¢ each. The stickers are 3 1/2" wide, and can be affixed to windshields.

The July Program is "Show & Tell your Petrified Wood". Members are asked to bring their favorite petrified wood, identify what type of wood it is, and where it came from. Meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m. by President Mills. Respectfully submitted, Bess Shields, Secretary, OMS

## Orcutt Mineral Society

General Meeting

Mussell Senior Center, Santa Maria CA  
8 July, 2003

Call to Order at 7:08 p.m. by President Wayne Mills. Invocation was given by Bess Shields on "Rest and Renewal". Flag Salute was led by Geary Sheffer. Fred Summerson reported that 23 members, and 6 guests were present.

**Treasurer's Report** was read by Wes Lingerfelt, and accepted as read.

**Minutes** of the previous Board Meeting were approved as read.

**Committee Reports:**

**Adopt-a-Highway:** Marshall Reeves invited us to participate on July 19th at 8:00 a.m., followed by coffee and pastry at Omelets & More.

**Bulletin (Ore-Cutts):** Bess Shields is seeking articles from members about the various aspects of our hobby. Also, Wayne Mills reminded us that the September General Meeting will be at Miname Center. More information will appear in the August *Ore-Cutts*.

**CFMS:** Wes Lingerfelt has numerous ads from other clubs about their shows on the hospitality table, and also secured a supply of "Rockhound" stickers that he will sell.

**Education:** Marshall Reeves is ready for his talk tomorrow in Lompoc. Wes Lingerfelt will help Marshall with the presentation. A reminder that Camp Paradise has two sessions: 6-13 September, and 14-20 September.

Field Trips, Safety: Dick Shields reported on the two trips near San Miguel (Big Sandy and Slack Canyon areas). Wes brought a sphere made from materials on Salty's ranch. There will be a July 12th field trip to Vandenberg beaches. There will not be an August field trip.

**Gem Show:** will be discussed under Old Business.

**Sunshine:** Debbie Hood asked Lucky Virgin to give us an update on Lynda. Cards and phone calls to Lynda would be appreciated.

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- *Sun Valley Indian School* newsletter.
- *Tumble Rumble* newsletter from Capistrano Valley Rock & Mineral Club.
- *Rocky Review* newsletter from Conejo Gem & Mineral Club.
- *The Agatizer* newsletter from South Bay (Torrance) Club.
- *Rockhound Notes* newsletter.
- *Tule Smoke Signals* newsletter from Tule Gem & Mineral Club.
- *Lapidarian* newsletter from Santa Cruz Mineral & Gem Club.
- *Pick & Shovel* from San Geronio Mineral & Gem Society.
- "100 Ways to Play in SLO County" magazine article citing OMS Gem Show.
- *Rockonteur* newsletter from Santa Lucia Rockhounds Club.
- Fiesta of Gems (Culver City) announcement.
- Cuesta College, thank you for scholarship.
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- Mineral Hunter board game information.
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- BLM public lands by county brochure.
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**Old / unfinished business:**

Geary Sheffer has a list of excess OMS lapidary equipment that will be sold. Any equipment not sold by the Gem Show will be sold in the Country Store.

Wes Lingerfelt reported that security for the show has been arranged, the fields will be plowed by John Von Achen, the posters have been printed, and highway signs will go up soon.

Sylvia Nasholm has finished preparations for the Thursday night dinner for dealers, exhibitors, helping hands, and demonstrators. She can always use more help in the kitchen while the show is going on.

Wayne Mills has done the news releases.

Bess Shields reported on displays and demonstrations. There are more spaces available for OMS members who

wish to show off their work. We have a wide variety of demonstrators lined up this year.

**New business:**

Bess Shields and Ralph Bishop put up the Santa Maria main library display earlier this month. Thanks also to Geary Sheffer for loaning us his spheres to display. The library multimedia coordinator reports a positive response to the display. Dick Shields has arranged to show OMS materials again later this year in the Santa Maria main library.

Wayne Mills read a funny article from the CFMS newsletter called "English is a Crazy Language" which gave us all a giggle.

Following the break for refreshments, Wayne Mills conducted a Petrified Wood "Show and Tell". Participants who exhibited their materials were Sylvia Nasholm, Wayne Mills, Debbie Hood, Dick Shields, Wes Lingerfelt, and Fred Summerson.

In lieu of a program this month, we discussed preparations for the Gem Show. Volunteers are still needed in many club activities. Please refer to the *Ore-Cutts* article concerning chairmen for the various activities, and call if you can donate a block of time.

- Please bring Country Store donations on Thursday to Classroom 3 for pricing.
- Classroom 1 will again be the Fluorescing Room.
- Table skirting begins on Thursday morning at 8 am (there will be donuts and coffee for volunteers).
- The Snack Bar needs a donated pie from each OMS family.

A reminder was made that members should "wear your OMS vest or tee shirt during the show".

A sphere donated by Ralph Bishop was awarded tonight as the prize for best donation to the Gem Show Treasure Chest. Members voted during the refreshment break, and decided that the dichroic glass and silver chain donation by Wayne Mills was the winner.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:54 p.m. by President Mills. Respectfully submitted, Bess Shields, Secretary, OMS

Remember to put out hand bills for the Gem Show when you visit the bank, the doctor's office, or anywhere else the public might see them.

## The Wanderer

### Voyage to Vandenberg

To enter Vandenberg AFB during heightened security, you must have escorts. For our special VAFB odyssey, our escorts were John McCabe from Santa Lucia Rockhounds, and Dick Shields. Visitor Passes were issued at the front gate, and rules of the facility were explained (no collecting above the high tide line, and give the Snowy Plovers the complete right-of-way!).

Attending were: Dee Dee Magri, Sharon Duncan and her brother-in-law Lee Brazil, Christine Clason, Robby Bullock, Ralph Bishop, Wayne Mills, Ken Kreh, Debbie Hood, John McCabe, Dick and Bess Shields.

After satisfying the base officials that we were just a bunch of rockhounds out for a good time, we wound our way up to Lion's Head by entering the Titan Gate, north of the main gate. After spotting abundant wildlife, and benefiting from unusually beautiful weather, we arrived at Minuteman Beach. There was a wildlife attendant ("snowy plover guardian") who explained the rules of the beach, and directed us to collect only to the north. We found satin spar, xonitlite, jaspers, Franciscan chert, agates, and numerous other minerals. Hiking back up the sand dune hill was hard! (especially with full backpacks).

The second stop was on the road, as far north as the road goes. There was a washout years ago, and the road between VAFB and Pt. Sal was never repaired. We looked for swallowtail caterpillars for Ralph's mom, Helen, but there weren't any.

After lunch, we climbed back in the car for the trip to main base, and "Slick 2" (Space Launch Complex 2). Broken abalone shells and chiton plates were everywhere! Tidepools, sheer cliffs, an abundance of tumbled agates and jaspers... there was something for everyone on this beach. Why don't you come along next time we have the opportunity to explore this wild, remote central California treasure?

Happy Hunting,  
Love, Bess

### **Joint Field Trip to Griselle's with Santa Lucia Rockhounds Club**

Bess wrote about our beach trip so the field trip chairman has the pleasure to report on another joint venture with the Santa Lucia Rockhounds, to Bea and Sherm's beautiful hilltop home site on 70+ acres, on a country road in the rolling hills of the Paso Robles area. The Griselles have developed their property into a rockhoulder's wonder, complete with extensive piles of interesting rocks, odds and ends during the day, which we found turns into glowing masses of minerals by night.

Their museum sports a fossil whale skull, numerous mussel shells and bone fragments, an extensive collection of biconoids (which do fluoresce),

a vast library of resource books, a fluorescent closet, and a full lapidary shop.

We want to extend a special "thank you" to Griselle's for their hospitality and sharing spirit.

Bea now knows what they missed when other Santa Lucia Rockhounds were taking fluorescent field trips, and she a Sherm couldn't go since they didn't have a fluorescent lamp. Her son, Paul, suddenly woke up to rocks when he saw how fluorescent rocks "glowed like lava".

Bess found an easy way to get a return invitation: ply Sherm with cheesecake...

### **Chef Sylvia needs a hand**

Our Rock show is drawing close. I've had a few generous souls volunteer to help in the snack bar, but I could use a LOT more help. Please consider helping, either in the snack bar or one of the many other jobs that need it. Shifts will be three hours – 10 to 1, and 1 to 4 Friday, Saturday, and Sunday.

Once again, I will need a pie from each family to sell in the snack bar. No cream or custard pies, please. Bring your pie Friday or Saturday. If you need help delivering it, please call me. Your donations provide extra money for the scholarship fund, and are a huge crowd pleaser with the dealers and the public as well.

Please call me at 481-0923 to sign up. Or, if you have any questions, don't hesitate to call me.

Thank you! Sylvia

### **Treasure Chest & Hospitality**

Once again our OMS 2003 Rainbow of Gems Show is nearing. One way to raise revenue for our club is by having a Treasure Chest --- Raffle drawing with anywhere between 65 and 75 prizes. The raffle will be held on Sunday, August 10 at 4:00 p.m. A big thanks for all the wonderful donations already received.

With much appreciation, Dee Dee Magri

### **Country Store**

It's once again time to clean out all those wonderful garage sale items you've been wanting to pass on. Also, plants are great sellers, so pot up your cuttings and bring them along. And, be sure to stop by and shop the great bargains at the country store.

A great big thank you to everyone for your support in helping our club do all the nice things we do. Debbie Hood

### Displays & Demos

It's time to show off your goodies, treasures, and special pieces for others to admire. If you haven't signed up for a spot to exhibit your case, please give me a call, and I'll reserve a spot for you. We already have quite a few out-of-town displays and demonstrators lined up. If you are interested in conducting a special talk, demonstration, or "how-to" session, please give me a call.

Love, Bess Shields

### Volunteer Opportunities!

It's almost OMS Gem Show time again. This is our opportunity to welcome friends, neighbors, and fellow rockhounds from other rock clubs to the central coast. It takes a lot of coordination, but with everyone doing just a little, we can accomplish much! An hour of volunteering in the kitchen, welcoming guests at the Hostess Table, directing visitors to the demonstrator tables, and answering the numerous questions about our club is all it takes.

So, you aren't sure who to contact? Just give the following chairmen a call, and say, "I'd like to help out!" Together, we can make it bigger, better, friendlier, and more fun!

Chairman	Wayne Mills
Co-chair	Debbie Hood
Dealers	Wes Lingerfelt
Exhibits	Bess Shields
Country Store	Debbie Hood
Treasure Adventure	Wayne Mills
Snack Bar	Sylvia Nasholm
Treasure Chest	Dee Dee Magri
Demonstrations	Bess Shields
Decorations	Ralph Bishop
Grab Bags	Bess Shields
Hostess	Dee Dee Magri
Electrical	Wes Lingerfelt
Publicity	Wayne Mills
Signs	Don Nasholm, Wes Lingerfelt
Security	Marshall Reeves
Show Layout	Wes Lingerfelt
Skirting, set-up & clean-up	All members
Thursday Dinner	Sylvia Nasholm

### Equipment Sale

Excess OMS lapidary equipment which is currently stored in our locker is being offered for sale to OMS members only between now and the Gem

Show in August. A complete list of equipment for sale was offered to members attending the General Meeting on July 8<sup>th</sup>. There will be a viewing at the locker. For further information, please contact Geary Sheffer.

All equipment not sold by our August Gem Show will be sold to both members and the general public in the Country Store.

### Web Sites of Note:

August 2003

Petosky Stone:

<http://www.geo.msu.edu/geo333/petoskystone.html>

Cambria:

[http://www.centralcoasttourist.com/San\\_Luis\\_Obispo\\_CO/SL\\_O\\_Area\\_Info/Cambria/cambria.html](http://www.centralcoasttourist.com/San_Luis_Obispo_CO/SL_O_Area_Info/Cambria/cambria.html)

Geothermal maps of California:

<http://geoheat.oit.edu/bulletin/bull24-1/art1.pdf>

One method to repair broken (fossil) bones:

[http://www.bhigr.com/pages/sans/prep/glue\\_tech.htm](http://www.bhigr.com/pages/sans/prep/glue_tech.htm)

University Cooperative Extension Service:

<http://cesantabarbara.ucdavis.edu/>

Multiple Mammoths:

<http://www.ivyjoy.com/coloring/mammothus-search.html>

Oregon geology (and sunstones):

<http://www.oregongeology.com/learnmore/Sunstones1.HTM>

American Federation of Mineralogical Societies:

<http://www.amfed.org/>

California Federation of Mineralogical Societies:

<http://www.cfmsinc.org/>

Official Stuff

### OMS Purpose

Founded in 1958, and is named after William Orcutt, a geologist and civil engineer who worked in the Santa Maria Valley as a district manager for Union Oil Company in 1888. In 1889, Orcutt discovered the fossil wealth of the La Brea Tar Pits, one of the most significant fossil finds in paleontological history. The Society is a non-profit club, dedicated to stimulating an interest in rocks and minerals. The club offers educational programs, field trips, youth activities, and other opportunities for families and individuals to pursue an interest in collecting and lapidary treatment of rocks, fossils, gems, minerals, and other facets of Earth Sciences. In addition, a 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 purposes. Affiliations: California Federation of Mineralogical Societies and American Federation of Mineralogical Societies.



OMS Logo

A rock saw cutting a piece of stone was selected when the first bulletin, *ORE-CUTTS* (name-sake, William Orcutt) was first published in 1966. Member Helen Azevedo was the first editor.

#### 2003 OMS Elected Officers

President	Wayne Mills	(805) 481-3495
President Elect	Debbie Hood	(805) 481-6860
Secretary	Bess Shields	(805) 937-0357
Treasurer	Wes Lingerfelt	(805) 929-3788
Immediate Past President	Dick Shields	(805) 937-0357
CFMS Representative	Wes Lingerfelt	(805) 929-3788

#### 2003 OMS Board Members

Geary Sheffer	(805) 925-8009
Sylvia Nasholm	(805) 481-0923
Bill Hood	(805) 481-6860
Sharon Duncan	(805) 929-2209
Marshall Reeves	(805) 733-2775

#### Ore-Cutts Editors

Dick and Bess Shields	(805) 937-0357
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#### Webmasters

Dick Shields	(805) 937-0357
Wes Lingerfelt	(805) 929-3788

Check our OMS web site at the new location, <http://omsinc.org> or send email to [oms@ix.netcom.com](mailto:oms@ix.netcom.com).

#### August 2003 Calendar

Tuesday August 05, 2003 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM	OMS Board Meeting -- Mussell Senior Center. All members are welcome at this business meeting
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Friday - Sunday August 08 - August 10, 2003 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM	36th Annual OMS Gem Show -- St Joseph's Church, 298 South Thompson Avenue, Nipomo. For details go to <a href="http://omsinc.org/tailgate.html">http://omsinc.org/tailgate.html</a> For reservations call Wes Lingerfelt at (805) 929-3788 or Wayne Mills at (805) 481-3495
Tuesday August 12, 2003 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM	OMS General Meeting -- Mussell Senior Center <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Program: Tiffany McCoy Eckhart on "Glass Bead Making"</li> <li>• Display: Amazing Agates</li> <li>• Refreshment: Cookies</li> </ul>
Saturday August 23, 2003 8:30 AM - 9:30 AM	Monthly OMS Breakfast -- Baker's Square, Santa Maria Breakfast location alternates between Baker's Square in Santa Maria and The Girl's in Arroyo Grande. Call Dick Shields at 937-0357 for details.

#### September 2003 Calendar

Tuesday September 02, 2003 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM	OMS Board Meeting -- Mussell Senior Center All members are welcome at this business meeting
Tuesday September 09, 2003 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM	OMS General Meeting -- Miname Community Center, 600 West Enos. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Program: Ralph Bishop on "Rock Treatments"</li> <li>• Display: Crystals</li> <li>• Refreshment: Cake and Cup Cakes</li> </ul>
Saturday September 13, 2003 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM	Field Trip to Morro Bay and Cayucos -- Meet at Mussell Senior Center Parking Lot Observational trip to a classic location. Bring a lunch and bottled water. Some hiking required.
Saturday September 20, 2003 8:00 AM - 10:00 AM	OMS Highway Cleanup -- Intersection of Hwy 101 and Hwy 166 After the cleanup we have coffee and pastry at "Omelets and More" in Nipomo. Contact Marshall Reeves at 733-2775 for details.
Saturday September 27, 2003 8:30 AM - 9:30 AM	Monthly OMS Breakfast -- Girl's Restaurant, Arroyo Grande Breakfast location alternates between Baker's Square in Santa Maria and The Girl's in Arroyo Grande. Call Dick Shields at 937-0357 for details.

#### October 2003 Calendar

Tuesday October 07, 2003 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM	OMS Board Meeting -- Mussell Senior Center. All members are welcome at this business meeting
Saturday October 11, 2003	Field Trip to Gaviota and Re-

8:00 AM - 5:00 PM	fugio Beaches -- Meet at Mussell Senior Center Parking Lot. Entrance fee required for an all-day pass covering both parks. Bring a lunch and bottled water.
Tuesday October 14, 2003 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM	<b>OMS General Meeting</b> -- Mussell Senior Center <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Program: Wayne Mills on "Mining Minnesota"</li> <li>• Display: Rocks from 2001-2002 Field Trips</li> <li>• Refreshment: Pies</li> </ul>
Saturday October 25, 2003 8:30 AM - 9:30 AM	<b>Monthly OMS Breakfast</b> – Baker's Square, Santa Maria Restaurant, Breakfast location alternates between Baker's Square in Santa Maria and The Girl's in Arroyo Grande. Call Dick Shields at 937-0357 for details.

**Santa Lucia Rockhounds**  
**Annual Gem and Mineral Show**  
 September 20-21, 2003  
 At Pioneer Park and Museum  
 2010 Riverside Avenue, Paso Robles  
 (next to the Mid-State Fairgrounds)

If you wish to exhibit at their show, call Gene & Barbara Bilyeu at (805) 434-2708 or email at [gbilyeu@tcsn.net](mailto:gbilyeu@tcsn.net).

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ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED

<p align="center"> <b>36th Annual OMS Gem Show</b>                   Earth's Treasures - Rocks - Minerals - Gems Exhibits - Tailgaters - Demonstrations - Lapidary Equipment   <b>St Joseph's Church</b>                  298 South Thompson Avenue                  Nipomo, California  <b>3 Big Days! 10 AM-5 PM</b>  <b>August 8th, 9th, 10th 2003</b>                   ONE-OF-A-KIND CRAFTED STONE MERCHANDISE FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD. ROCK BOTTOM PRICES! RAFFLES! PRIZES!                   FOOD ON SALE!                  MONSTER SANTA MARIA STYLE BBQ ON SATURDAY NIGHT ONLY \$7.50 FOR ADULTS, \$3.50 FOR KIDS 12 AND UNDER.                   Free Parking – Free Admission!             </p>
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