



Ore-Cutts

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The Pres Box—February 2015

Dyana Cridelich



Whew! January has flown past and it's already February.

Our first meeting of the year went very well. A big thank you to Elaine for the yummy donuts and to everyone who brought their beautiful agate displays and special acquisitions. The

Kentucky Agate video from CFMS had some great information and the pictures of agates that Wes showed enhanced the program tremendously. Thanks Wes.

Eight people volunteered for the first highway cleanup of 2015. I would like to heartily thank everyone who showed up. It is so much Easier, Quicker and Safer to have enough people to work in pairs. The next highway cleanup will be March 14, 2015. Please put it on your calendar. After the cleanup, we all met at Francisco's for a little nourishment and camaraderie. Where else can you breathe fresh morning air, get a little exercise, a free snack and be with friends at the same time. Plus, all our names were put in a hat and a name was drawn for a special thank you gift. Jeanne was our lucky winner. Hope to see you there on March 14. Join in on the fun.

This month, we have some exciting activities. Our General meeting will be at 7:00pm on February 10th at the Luis Oasis Senior Center. Our Board meeting is one week earlier at 7:00pm on Feb 3rd at the Nipomo Chamber of Commerce. Come see what we do. Everyone is invited. On Feb. 21st, we will be taking our first field trip of 2015 and you don't

want to miss it! Ralph Bishop, legendary local rockhound and honorary member of OMS, has been rockhounding since a small boy and has been collecting high grade material his whole life. He is graciously opening his Museum to everyone who wants to come. I had the good fortune to see his museum several years ago and I am definitely going again to see what's new. Don't forget! Feb 21st at 10:00am at Ralph's Museum--618 E. Cook St., Santa Maria. Breakfast this month is on Feb 28th at the **Sunset Grill** in Santa Maria. This is a place for good food at a good price, so come join the fun.

Our February program will be a video narrated by Glen Close entitled "Home". Since February is the month of love, this video lovingly looks at our planet with all its magnificence and grandeur. The display for February will be Jasper and heart shaped stones. Remember: displaying earns you a free door prize ticket which means an extra chance to win something special.

Don't forget that Richard Wade will be back in March to talk about Astronomy. I am looking forward to his lecture, as he makes everything understandable and he never ceases to please. If you have friends, family or know any students that would like to hear a terrific speaker, please invite them to attend.

Just a reminder before closing: Dues are due by the end of March in order to be included in the "Red Book" (our club directory). Let me know if you have any changes in your address, phone number, phone number, etc. so that the "Redbook" will be up to date.

Goodbye for now. I'll see you all in February. Have a Happy Valentine's Day.

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES



Birthday greetings go out to those folks who are having Birthdays and Anniversaries in February:

Birthdays

Reeves, Marshall	2/8
Ferguson, Jan	2/16

Anniversaries

Peggy Johnson	2/14
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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 (2015).*

SUNSHINE

Jeannie Lingerfelt

None

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

FEBRUARY FIELD TRIP

Wayne Mills, Field Trip Coordinator

We will meet at Ralph Bishop's home at 10:00 am on Saturday, February 21 to tour his private museum. Anyone who has seen it will know that this is a rare opportunity to see premium examples of some of the most popular collecting materials in the United States. Ralph also has wonderful examples of local collecting materials, since he has lived in this area most of his life. Ralph's collection encompasses rocks, fossils and artifacts-- many of which he has personally collected during his long and colorful career. Many of Ralph's adventures are included in the archives of the **Ore-Cutts** that are found at: omsinc.org/archives. In case you are wondering, no, we do not have an index for all the articles we have published (but we probably should).

Ralph's home is located at 618 East Cook Street in Santa Maria. From south-bound Highway 101, get off at Main Street in Santa Maria and head west. Turn left on College Street, then turn right in three blocks on Cook Street. Ralph's is about 1.5 blocks west of College. Prepare to be amazed.

THE BIBLIOGRAPHY OF RALPH

Wayne Mills, Ore Cutts Editor

Since he is a prolific writer, and a rock legend in his own time, The **Ore Cutts** does happen to have a fairly complete bibliography of the writings of and about Ralph Bishop (at least the ones that have been published in the Ore Cutts). Unfortunately, our on-line archives only go back to 2002.

Title	Date story appeared in Ore Cutts
Amazing Grace	8-9/2007
Breaker, Breaker 1-9, We're At Stonewall, Over	4/2006
Brecciated Jasper	6/2002
Chandler Mountain Carnelian-Leo's Luck	6/1995
Cold as a Well Diggers Ass—as told to Chuck Vollmer	4/1999
Collecting Eggs With The Kid	4/2004
Dawg Gone!	4/2004
Dam The Torpedoes, Scallops Ahead! Hey! Where's Sue?	5/2006
Digging In The Fog Of Time	6-7/2007
Diggin' Stonewall Pass	12/1995
Dry Head Agate	2/2005
Girls Gone Wild!	5/2005
Habits of Halite	8/2005
Ice Age Mammals on the Central Coast	5/2001
Lord, it's HARD to be Humble!	5/2004
"Make A Place For A Rock To Go And It Will Go There"	3/2006. 5/2005
Miocene Volcanism and Central Coast Gem Treasures	2/2000
The Moon Stone Odsessy	2/2006

My Ole Buddy, Wes	2/2009
The Pride of Morgan Hill	12/2004
Pseudomorphs – MEOW	11/2005
Revelations 22 & 26 according to Ralph	12/2005
South Fork (Possum Toothpick) As Told To Charles Vollmer	3/1998
Stone Canyon Rockhound Adventure	7/2000
Stone Canyon Rock Hound II	4/2009
A Weekend With Ralph	6/2006

DIGGIN' STONEWALL PASS

Ralph Bishop, Honorary Member OMS (First published in Ore Cutts, December 1995. Photos by Ralph Bishop



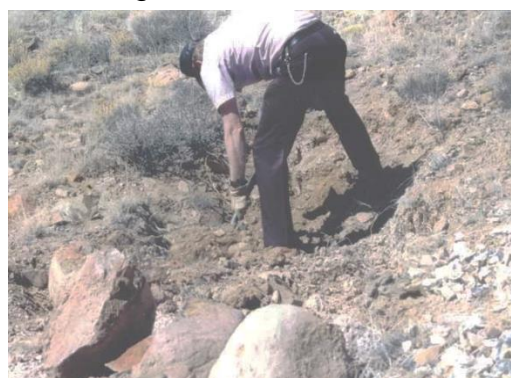
Ole Stonewall Lingerfelt felt it was obligatory that the folks here got the diggin' news (from last month's trip), and with him vacationing in Florida, I figured it's up to me.

Well, it was a beautiful morning, and we were packed and ready to go...no such luck. Jeannie hailed Wes "the kitchen faucet just sprang a leak". To make a wet story short, 2-hours later we were on the road, and we pulled the "Lingerfelt Hilton" into Beatty, Nevada just after dark. There we met Ralph Todd and his brother Richard from Buellton, and a couple of gals—one from Australia (a fossil huntress), and the other from the Bay Area. I know Wes was hoping for a better turn-out, so I promised to be obnoxious enough for 10 people.

We got to the camp the next morning, and headed for the ash hills. We poked and prodded for half a day or so, and ended up on a hill with Wes's nose leading the way. Just another hill, except for the litter of agate for 30-yards up the hill. "The game is afoot Watson" I remarked.

A majority of the agate was black dendritic moss in white to clear agate. Here and there were pastel pinks, red and yellow chips to whet the appetite. Ralph Todd motioned me over to

look at a rock. It was a 4-pound piece of vein, "ho-hum" in color, but un-fractured and naturally weathered on both sides. Running horizontally was a small, round structure that sure looked like a limb cast welded to the mass. Seemed like a good test site, so I picked up my new-styled Utah Pick, nick-named "The Raptor". Everything was fine until I layed 'er down. The agate vein was 2 inches under the soil, and I don't know if my hands or toe nails stung worse. After a few muttered statements, I pried 2 or 3 twenty-pound pieces out and hollered for Wes. The vein was right around 78-inches wide with predominately black moss in clear agate.



The vein was laying with a 50-degree strike to the east, and widening with

depth. As we ran the vein uphill, it widened so as to accommodate a zone of yellow moss agate. At 4 feet up the hill, the vein was 14-inches wide with black and yellow moss. (Did I mention that the weather was absolutely unbearable—tee-shirt days, and cherry sunsets with mildly brisk evenings).

That evening Wes was loading the "Lingerite" under the bed and in the shower of his mobile home. The big worry that evening was what we would do if we found any more agate tomorrow.

The next day the vein immediately widened to 18-inches, and the



pink and red were increasing. By noon we knew the truck springs would scream. So we loaded the most colorful agates and decided to prospect. That basalt rim (stonewall) to the east was under-slung with pink ash. You couldn't believe what we found THERE..!

We sure missed the folks that couldn't make the trip. But there will be another trip and good rock to look for....soon.

KID'S CORNER

THE WORLD'S 6 MOST FAMOUS ROCKS

<http://www.livescience.com/29844-worlds-most-famous-rocks.html>

Ayers Rock, Australia—Located 208 miles southwest of Alice Springs in Australia's Outback, Ayers Rock (Uluru in Aborigine) is the largest monolith in the world. It is 1,192 feet tall and 5.8 miles in circumference. It is made entirely of sandstone and is also sacred to the native aborigines.



Credit: public domain

Black Stone of the Kabbah—The Kabbah is the most sacred site in Islam. It is a black, cube shaped building made of granite and located in the middle of the Masjid al Haram Mosque in Mecca, Saudi Arabia. In the eastern corner of the Kabbah is a set of fragments of a black stone set in silver. The stone is said to date from the time of Adam and Eve when it fell from heaven. People try to kiss the rock



as did the Prophet Mohammed, according to Islamic texts.



Credit: Zsrsas.com

Blarney Stone—(Near Cork, Ireland). A chunk of Bluestone in the battlements of Blarney Castle. Kissing this stone is reputed to bring the kisser the gift of eloquent speech.



Credit: public domain

Plymouth Rock—Said to be the rock upon which William Bradford and the rest of the Pilgrims who founded Plymouth Colony disembarked in 1620. Located southeast of Boston in Plymouth, Massachusetts.



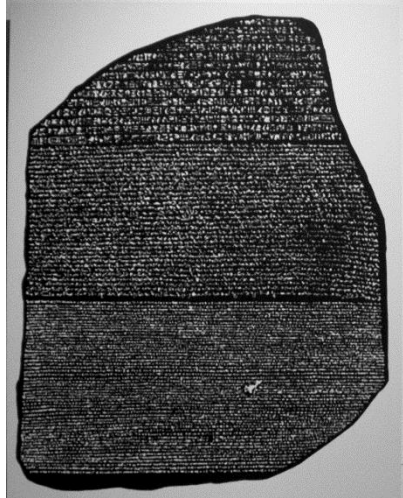
Credit: public domain

Rock of Gibraltar—is a 397-foot tall promontory of limestone at the southern end of the British territory of Gibraltar which is connected by an isthmus to Southern Spain, and which guards the entrance to the Mediterranean Sea.



Credit: dreamstime

Rosetta Stone—Discovered in Egypt in 1799, the (45 x 28 x 11 inch) Granodiorite slab contains a decree issued by Egyptian Priests on the coronation of King Ptolemy V in 196 BC. The message was inscribed in three languages, and became the instrument for deciphering Egyptian hieroglyphics (by Jean Champollion in 1822) that were previously undecipherable. The Rosetta Stone currently resides in the British Museum in London, England.



Credit: Jessemclean.com

Quartzsite January 4 – 9, 2015

Wes Lingerfelt, OMS Treasurer

The first decision we had to make before our journey south was what car to drive. My choices were the Hyundai SUV or the big 1-ton F-350. We settled on the F-350 as we were invited out to a claim near Quartzsite to look for Jasper-agate. The claim belonged to Ron Jones and Violet Kiss who have quite a homestead in Quartzsite. More will be told about that later.

We always go down to the Snowbird Capital of the United States early in the year before the major show called the QIA Powwow held in the third week of January every year since the wholesale warehouses open around the first of January. If you go later in the month the warehouses are decimated and all the products wind up in the Powwow at three times the cost. We spent Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday shopping at Gem World on West Main Street then spent a lot of time walking Tyson Wells and Desert Gardens. There wasn't much to see. It is becoming obvious that the good rock places are being closed off and we are left with the "Leverite" of days gone by. I have better

rock at home so why purchase lesser quality being offered at the shows.

On Thursday we gathered at the home of Ron and Violet for the day long field trip to their claim not far from Bouse, AZ. Several other friends of theirs were also invited to go along. We began the convoy a little after 8:00 am out to the rendezvous at the Plomosa Rd campground north of Quartzsite where more of Ron & Violet's friends were to meet us. I'm standing next to my truck waiting when a little white car drove up and the driver said, "Hi there Wes". It was Chris Dreisbach from Paso Robles now enrolled at Arizona University in Flagstaff. I was awestruck! Way out there in the middle of nowhere a fellow rockhound just happened to drive by. I invited Chris to come along on our trip with permission from our hosts. It was going to be a good day.

About half way between the campground and Bouse we made a left turn out into the desert on a very rough desert road that went through steep washes and had lots of rocks in the travelled path. I was really glad I brought the right vehicle at this point. About 3 miles across the desert we came to the claim. The area is very similar to the area in California called Hector Hills and Lavic Siding not far from Ludlow, CA. We spent the day walking the rolling hills and washes looking for the moss agate that our hosts had shown us. Being the first time on the claim it was very difficult to see anything through the desert varnish on the rocks. We filled a couple of buckets with what looked good and then took our hosts to one of my favorite places to search for Sagenite in Agate. It's located about 3 miles Northeast of Bouse, AZ.

After a wrong turn on one of the forks in the road we finally found the right spot. After all it's been a couple of years since I was out there. Ron and Violet were pleased to learn of the new digging area. I hope they can find the really pretty Sagenite agate that Ray Larson and I used to dig there.

On Friday morning Jeannie and I packed up everything and headed home. We made it to the rest stop near Essex, CA and decided to

make a pit stop. I was about to pull out and get back on the freeway when a fellow came running up shouting "Hey, you have a flat tire". Sure enough the left rear tire had lost all of its air. I was in the process of getting out the jack and lug wrench when no less than six truck drivers came over to assist me. I heard one lady standing nearby say "That really strengthens my faith in human nature". All I had to do was lower the spare tire from underneath the truck and my helpers did the rest. I tried to offer them a tip but they would not take it. It's nice to know the truck drivers on the road are there if you need them.

We made it home with no more trouble and it wasn't long before Jeannie was polishing one of our new found stones. Here's a picture of the result.

We had a great trip and made some new friends. The weather was fantastic the whole time we were there. The one big problem was the fact that once I arrived in Quartzsite I could not locate my camera. It was at home waiting for me. Just think of the many pictures and memories lost due to my failure to remember to load the camera in the truck.



Credit: Wes Lingerfelt

FOR SALE

New Mineral cabinet capable of holding up to 420 2" x 2" mineral specimens. I paid \$279.94 for it, including shipping to our home in Cambria, and would like to offer it to any interested at my cost. Please contact me via Email or 805-927-2223 if anyone is interested. I'm leaving for Tucson on Sunday (January 25) and will probably sell it there, but if someone local would like to purchase it at my cost, it

would save me carrying to Tucson. Thanks in advance!
Richard Sitinger,
WonderWorks
805-927-2223



ORCUTT MINERAL SOCIETY— Board Meeting Luis Oasis Senior Center, Orcutt Ca January 13, 2015

President Dyanna Cridelich called the meeting to order at 6:00 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.

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

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

Correspondence: Elaine reported receiving a newsletter from Santa Lucia Gem and Mineral Society.

Committee Reports:

Abused Children: None

Annual December Luncheon Meeting: With a show of hands, members voted to again hold this year's luncheon at the Madonna Inn. Elaine has reserved the round room for the 12th of December. A contract will be signed this month.

Annual Gem Show: None

Breakfast: January's breakfast will be held on the 24th at 8:30 a.m. at the Girl's Restaurant, 1237 E. Grand Avenue, Arroyo Grande.

Bulletin: On the web and mailed.

CFMS: None

Education: None

Field Trip: None

Highway Clean-up: Our next highway clean-up will be on March 14th at 8:00 a.m. Members will meet on the South East corner of Highways 101 and 166.

Library: None

Membership: None

Refreshments: Elaine will bring donuts for the January meeting.

Scholarship: None

Sunshine: Jeannie Lingerfelt had nothing to report so all is well.

Old Business: Wes stated that he needed to send in the reservation papers for our annual gem show for Nipomo High School as soon as possible and wanted to know what the board wanted to do regarding renting the kitchen. It was decided that he would include the kitchen, as we have in the past, and that we would then have some time to look into other options and if we decide not to use the kitchen we can opt out at a later date.

New Business: None

The meeting was adjourned by President Dyanna Cridelich at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted: Elaine Von Achen,
Secretary, OMS

**ORCUTT MINERAL SOCIETY—
General Meeting
Madonna inn, San Luis Obispo, Ca, CA
January 13, 2015**

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

Mike Henson gave the invocation.

Mariah Martinez led the flag salute.

Minutes: Elaine Von Achen read the minutes from the January 13, 2014 board meeting. Minutes were approved as read.

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

Correspondence: Elaine reported receiving one newsletter from Santa Lucia Gem and Mineral Society.

Committee Reports:

Hospitality: There were 32 members and 4 guests in attendance. Our guests were Fred Moreno, Andrew Richey, Linda Neadu and Jeri Richard. Guests were greeted and thanked.

Refreshments: Dyanna thanked Elaine for bringing the donuts for the evening's refreshment.

Committee Reports:

Annual December Luncheon Meeting: See old business.

Abused Children: Jan Ferguson said she is accepting all donations.

Breakfast: January's breakfast will be held at the Girl's Restaurant, 1237 E. Grand Avenue, Arroyo Grande at 8:30 a.m. on the 24th.

Bulletin: Wayne Mills asked members for stories and articles for the newsletter. He said he is having a hard time coming up with material.

CFMS: None.

Door Prizes: Joseph Martinez reported donations from Roger and Donna Lehman of agate, a stone pyramid and some other items as well. He also received donations from Wes Lingerfelt of various items from purchases he made in Quartzsite.

Education: None

Gem Show: Wes said he was going to submit the paperwork to the Santa Lucia School District for rental of their facilities at Nipomo High School for our annual gem show.

Field Trip: Wayne told everyone to be sure to mark their calendars for February 21st for a field trip to Ralph Bishop's museum. It will be worth the trip as Ralph has some fabulous items in his museum.

Highway Clean-up: Wayne reported that the next clean-up will be held the 14th of March with members meeting at 8:00 a.m. on the south east corner of highways 101 and 166.

Library: Dyanna said we need a chairman for the library and asked members to volunteer for this position.

Membership: Elaine was happy to report that we had, just this evening, received an application for membership from Drew Richey. She said it was a good way to start out the year. She also reminded members that it is time to renew their memberships and that she has new membership cards and they can pay her during the break.

Junior Members: None

Political Action Committee: Dyanna said we need a chairman for the library and asked members to volunteer for this position.

Property: None

Scholarship: None

Sunshine: Jeannie Lingerfelt had nothing to report.

Old Business: Elaine reported that she and John, Don and Sylvia Nasholm and Wayne Mills attended a memorial service on the 10th for our member Ken Kreh. She noted that it was a very nice service followed by refreshments.

New Business:

Our program for the evening is hosted by Wes Lingerfelt and is an award winning video on Kentucky Agates as well as a slide program arranged by Wes on some beautiful agates. The display is agates as well.

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

Respectfully submitted:

Elaine Von Achen, Secretary, OMS

	this meeting
Tuesday, March 10 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.	OMS General Meeting— Luis Oasis Senior Center. • Program -Richard Wade-- Astronomy • Display - Out of this world objects (anything) • Refreshments -Cakes
Saturday, March 14 8:00 am	Highway Clean-up. SE Corner 101/166 East
Saturday, March 28 8:30 a.m.	OMS Monthly Breakfast- Hometown Buffet--SM

CFMS SHOWS

FEBRUARY 2015

February 13 - 22: INDIO, CA

San Gorgonio Mineral & Gem Society, Cabazon
Riverside Co. Fair & National Date Festival
82-503 Highway 11
Hours: 10 am - 10 pm daily
Contact: Bert Grisham, (915) 849-1674
Email: bert67@verizon.net

February 27 - March 8, IMPERIAL, CA

Imperial Valley Gem & Mineral Society
Imperial Valley Expo
200 East 2nd Street
Hours: Sat-Sun: 12-10 pm; Mon-Fri 4 pm - 10 pm
John Pyle, Jr. (760) 562-3453
Email: jcwus@sbcglobal.net
Website: www.IVGMS.org

February 28 - March 1: VALLEJO, CA

Vallejo Gem & Mineral Society
Solano County Fairgrounds,
Mc Cormack Hall
900 Fairgrounds Drive
Hours: 10:00 am - 5:00 pm daily
Contact: Dan Wolke, 707 334-2950
Email: dncwolke@sbcglobal.net
Website: www.vjgems.org

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March 6 - 8: NEWARK, CA

Mineral & Gem Society of Castro Valley
Newark Pavilion
6430 Thornton Avenue
Hours: Fri & Sat 10 - 6; Sun 10 - 5
Contact: Cathy Miller, (510) 887-9007
Website: www.mgscv.org

March 7 - 8: ARCADIA, CA

Monrovia Rockhounds
Los Angeles Arboretum

OMS CALENDAR

FEBRUARY 2015

Tuesday, February 3 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.	OMS Board Meeting, Nipomo Chamber of Commerce meeting room, All members are welcome at this meeting
Tuesday, February 10 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.	OMS General Meeting— Luis Oasis Senior Center. • Program -“Home” –a loving view of our planet Display- Jaspers, heart-shaped rocks • Refreshments -Pies
Saturday, February 21 10:00 a.m.	Field Trip to Ralph Bishop’s Museum
Saturday, February 28 8:30 a.m.	OMS Monthly Breakfast- Sunset Ridge Golf --SM

MARCH 2015

Tuesday, March 3 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.	OMS Board Meeting, Nipomo Chamber of Commerce meeting room, All members are welcome at
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301 Baldwin Avenue
 Hours: 9:00 - 4:30 daily
 Contact: Jo Anna Ritchey, (626) 359-1624
 Email: joannaritchey@gmail.com
 Website: www.Moroks.com

March 7 - 8: VENTURA, CA

Ventura Gem & Mineral Society
 Ventura County Fairgrounds
 10 West Harbor Blvd.
 Hours: Sat 10 - 5; Sun 10 - 4
 Contact: Krishna Juarez, (805) 323-6725
 Email: info@VGMS.org
 Website: www.vgms.org

March 13 - 15: VICTORVILLE, CA

Victorville Valley Gem & Mineral Society
 Stoddard Wells Road & Hwy 15
 Hours: 9 - 5 daily
 Tele: V.V.G.M.C. (760) 243-2330
 Website: www.vvgmc.org/tailgate

March 14 - 15: SAN MARINO, CA

Pasadena Lapidary Society
 San Marino Masonic Center
 3130 Huntington Drive
 Hours: Sat 10 - 6, Sun 10 - 5
 Contact: Marcia Goetz, (626) 260-7239
 Email: joenmar1@verizon.net
 Website: www.pasadenalapidarysociety.org

March 14 - 15: SPRECKELS, CA

Salinas Valley Rock & Gem Club
 Spreckel's Veterans Hall
 5th & Llano Streets
 Hours: 10 - 5 daily
 Contact: Karin Salomon, (831) 375-5233
 Email: k1.salomon72@yahoo.com
 Website: www.salinasrockandgem.com

March 14 - 15: TURLOCK, CA

Mother Lode Mineral Society, Modesto
 Stanislaus County Fairgrounds
 900 North Broadway
 Hours: 10 - 5 daily
 Contacts: Bud & Terry McMillin, (209) 524-3494,
 cell (209) 484-4416
 Email: terry_mcmillin@yahoo.com
 Website: www.turlockgemshow.com

March 21 - 22: LEMOORE, CA

Lemoore Gem & Mineral Society
 Trinity Hall, 470 Champion Street
 Hours: Sat 10 - 6; Sun 10 - 4
 Contact: Keith Olivas (559) 622-9440
 Email: georgersilva@sbcglobal.net

March 28 - 29: ANGELS CAMP, CA

Calaveras Gem & Mineral Society
 Calaveras County Fairgrounds
 101 Frogtown Road
 Hours: Sat 10 - 5; Sun 10 - 4
 Contact: Robin Williams, (209) 728-8277
 Email: amy95247@yahoo.com
 Website: www.calaverasgemandmineral.org

March 28 - 29: ROSEVILLE, CA

Roseville Rock Rollers
 Roseville (Placer County) Fairgrounds
 800 All American City Blvd
 Hours: Sat 10 - 5; Sun 10 - 4
 Contact: Gloria Marie, (916) 216-1114
 Email: gloriarosevillerockrollers@gmail.com
 Website: www.rockrollers.com

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ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED



The ORE CUTTS (named after, William Orcutt) was first published in 1966. Member Helen Azevedo was the first editor. The Orcutt Mineral Society was founded in 1958, and was also named after Orcutt who was a geologist and civil engineer who worked in the Santa Maria Valley as a District Manager for Union Oil Company in 1888. In 1889, William Orcutt discovered the mineral and fossil wealth of the La Brea Tar Pits on the property of Captain Alan Hancock in Los Angeles. The La Brea Tar Pits are one of the most significant fossil finds in paleontological history.

OMS is a non-profit organization dedicated to stimulating an interest in the earth sciences. The club offers educational programs, field trips, scholarships, and other opportunities for families and individuals to pursue an interest in the collecting and treatment of lapidary materials, fossils, gems, minerals, and other facets of the Earth Sciences. In addition, another goal of this Society is to promote good fellowship and proper ethics in pursuit of the Society's endeavors. Operating Rules have been set forth to guide the officers and members of the Society in accomplishing these aims. Affiliations of the OMS include American Federation of Mineral Societies, and California Federation of Mineral Societies.