



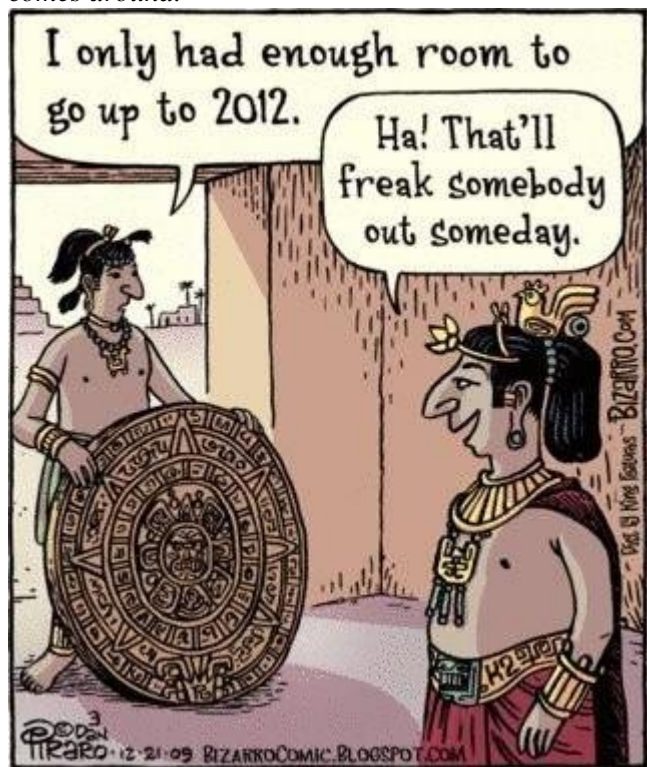
Ore-Cutts

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January 2013

Please join us on January 8, 2013 at 7:00 pm at the Luis Oasis Senior Center, 420 Soares Ave. in Old Orcutt for a **Program on Agates.**

- **The Display is Agates**, but as always you are welcome to bring any silver, rocks/minerals that you would like to share. (*Remember, those who display receive an extra door prize ticket.*)
- **The refreshments will be Donuts supplied by the club.** *Please sign up to bring refreshments when the sheet comes around.*



Sunshine

As far as we know everyone is healing up who had surgeries recently, and everyone else is staying well

except for the usual respiratory infections endemic to this time of year.

The Prez Box

By Wayne Mills

Here's wishing a happy, healthy and prosperous new year for all our members and their families.

We had a great representation of the membership at our annual meeting. About 48 members and guests attended a well-planned and well-run event. Thank you Bill Hood, Wes Lingerfelt, Sylvia Nasholm, and all others who helped make it so. I heard several comments about how good the food was, the table decorations (poinsettias) were lovely, and the speeches were short (always a good thing). We were able to elect our slate of officers for 2013 by unanimous acclamation, and since many of them did the same job last year, I have high hopes for smooth sailing in 2013. Incidentally, Bill and I were talking with the manager of Santa Maria Terrace after the meeting, and he has agreed to have us return for the Annual Meeting in December 2013.

I again want to thank Debbie not only for the great job she did running the club last year, but for the high honor she paid me at the annual meeting. I already have my Rockhound of the Year plaque on my "wall of fame". It will be a treasured memory of my OMS "career".

Coming up in January, we have our first Board Meeting on the 1st (Happy New Year!) at the Henson's home in Orcutt, and our first general meeting on the 8th. We will show the CFMS Program "Agates Uber Alles", this time with sound. The display of course will be agates. On the second weekend (January 12th), we will have our highway

clean-up, followed on the third Saturday of January (19th) by our first field trip of the year. Since we are opening the field trip up to the Santa Lucia and San Luis Clubs, please let me know as soon as possible if you plan to attend. The trip is to the Ventura Club Museum in Ojai, and then on to Kanan Road in Agoura to collect agates. It looks to be an all-day affair as it is about a 2.25 hour drive to Ojai from Arroyo Grande, and another hour to the Agoura Hills collecting site. The return trip appears to be about 2.5 hours via 101/154/101.

We have tentatively scheduled Wes's field trip to Ozena on the 3rd Saturday in March (16th). We are continually updating our on-line calendar, so you can check that out at www.omsinc.org. We have the programs, displays and desserts for the first half of the year, so you might want to fill in your own calendars with important dates like field trips and Highway Clean-ups! As Wes noted in his Annual Treasurer's Report, one of the areas our club falls a little short in is participation!

So please have a happy, healthy, safe and sane "Hollydaze" (I know safe and sane is usually applied to the 4th of July, but it seems appropriate at this time of the year as well). I look forward to seeing you all in 2013.

I welcome any of your questions, comments or suggestions about our activities.

Wayne Mills can be contacted at wwmills50@hotmail.com.

Annual Meeting--Incoming President's Remarks

I must first begin by sincerely thanking Debbie Hood for the fine job she did in leading us through the troubled waters of 2012. Debbie has had a lot of experience being president of this organization, as she has held the position five times—each time a 3 year commitment. She has held the position more times than any other member of OMS. After that many times at the helm, one would think that she might be ready for a different kind of commitment...but I will stop there, because I am right behind her. This will be my fourth time as President, and the fact that we are still here suggests that, well, we have a LOT of great people who help keep this ship on an even keel. As I have said many times before, Wes Lingerfelt is invaluable to our organization, and again this year he proved his pricelessness by working with Nipomo High School to find a home for our show, by working with our dealers to encourage them to keep coming back, by keeping track of our finances, by moving our tables all over south county for several different events, by giving two of our programs, is our club Webmaster, by being our Federation Director, by doing the final edit, printing and mailing our bulletins, and by numerous other acts of kindness and necessity that our members seldom hear about. In addition, he has paved the way for our 2013 show getting our contract with Nipomo High School already. Wes, you are our hero!

Looking ahead to the coming year, we hope to learn more about our hobby, and about parts of the hobby that are meaningful to us. Armed with the results of the poll conducted at our November meeting, and accepting ballots until the end of the year, we will try to give you programs that are of interest to a large number of you, our members. The results of the first round of balloting are in the December bulletin. Interestingly, the most requested program was wire-wrapping, followed closely by stone carving, dinosaurs and gem trees. Speaking of dinosaurs, I think we have a monster surprise for you in March.

We have promises from three of our members to lead field trips to nearby locations so we can get back to our collecting as a club, and activity that has languished for the past few years. Our first outing was kind of a bust, but at least three of us enjoyed Cliff Brewen's tailgate. Our next trip is January 19



Birthdays & Anniversaries

Birthday greetings go out to those who are having birthdays in January: Paul Berthelot, Daniel L., Pat

Nuernberg and Elaine Von Achen. Happy Birthday to all of you & Many more!

Members celebrating an anniversary in January are: Don & Sylvia Nasholm.

Many happy returns!



If you don't see your name here when you should, then the information is not in the Red Book. Please write it down and give it to Wes Lingerfelt to get it updated.

Rock Breakfast

There was no breakfast in December due to the press of the holidays.

For January we will be getting together on January 26th at the Girls Restaurant in Arroyo Grande. See you there!

(3rd Saturday). We will carpool to the newly opened Ventura Club museum in Ojai, then on to Agoura to collect agates. It will probably be an 8 hour trip, and if we don't get 25 folks from our club by early January, we will invite the Santa Lucia and SLO clubs as well. I need to know who from our club is going on that trip as soon as possible.

While we are on the subject of collecting, let me remind you of some of our on-going collecting activities. We collect food for the homeless (at our annual meeting), donations for abused children (Jan Ferguson), pull tabs for Ronald McDonald House (Debbie), Campbell's soup labels for Sun Valley Indian School (Wes), and used \$20's for our Scholarship fund (Wayne).

That is about all I have for now, except to congratulate and thank our old and new officers for a job well done, to ask you to thank these folks individually for the great job they have done this year, and to wish you all a joy filled Holiday season and a happy, healthy and prosperous new year.

PUBLIC LANDS ADVISORY COMMITTEE – NORTH

**BY DICK PANKEY,
PLAC-NORTH COMMITTEE**

UP's, RMP's, TMP's (Land Use Plans, Resource Management Plans, Travel Management Plans). What are they? What do they mean? How do they affect you?

The PLAC-North Committee is planning a seminar in conjunction with the BLM to answer these questions and many more. The Seminar will be held on Saturday, April 27, 2013 at the Stanislaus County Fairgrounds in Turlock, CA. LUP's, RMP's, TMP's are part of the process used by BLM, FS and other agencies to manage our public lands. The process established by federal legislation dictates how regulations to manage are to be developed. It also specifies that the public is required to participate and contribute to the process. We are the public. Dr. Gregg Wilkerson, from the BLM Bakersfield District Office, will be the lead presenter.

This seminar will:

Explain the process – the terms, what they mean, how the process works.

Show you how to participate and give you the tools to participate in the process.

Explain how BLM and FS manage their lands. Empower you to participate and contribute.

This seminar is for everyone who uses our public lands, BLM and FS managed land. It is for the rockhounds that collect. Also it is for everyone who camps, hunts, hikes, or fishes. It is for everyone who drives their truck, car, jeep, dirt bike or ATV on the roads and trails. It is for everyone who cares about our future to use our public lands and is ready to participate and contribute to that future.

A complete announcement for the seminar with all of the details will be published in the February issue of CFMS Newsletter. The Stanislaus County Fairgrounds in Turlock is centrally located in California, has very good meeting facilities and has plenty of inexpensive, convenient camping. Mark your calendar now and make plans to attend what promises to be a great, informative seminar that can change our future.

PUBLIC LANDS ADVISORY COMMITTEE - SOUTH **FROM JOHN MARTIN, BY SUSAN MARTIN**

Have you ever picked up a rock?
Cut it open and revealed the beauty
Fashioned it into a beautiful piece of jewelry?

Have you ever found a mineral specimen?
Examined the structure and marveled at the color
Observed the entire specimen as a wonder of nature?

Have you ever found a fossil?
Looked at the pattern left long ago
Wondered about life before us?

Have you ever taken these rocks
These minerals, these fossils
to the children at the schools?
Shared with them the beauty and wonder
Showed them a record of the history of life?

Don't make them simply look at pictures in a book.
Don't tell me I'm using up your resources
Destroying something that should be preserved

I am preserving the most precious resource
Let the children touch and see
The wonders of my hobby
Pass on the natural curiosity and zest for life I harbor.

January Field Trip—Ventura Club Museum and Agoura Agates **By Wayne Mills**



Here is some more about the January Field Trip to Ventura. Eight of our folks have expressed an interest. After our meeting on January 8,

I will open the trip up to the SLO and SLR Clubs in attempt to get 25 folks (a manageable group?) in on the trip. I hope to encourage carpooling to increase communication between our group and cut down on trip expenses. You might consider helping whoever drives with their gas expenses.

We will meet at the Pappy's Park and Ride on the east side of Betteravia and 101 in Santa Maria at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday, January 19, then proceed to the Ventura Club museum in Ojai. The museum is located at in Camp Comfort Park at the junction of Creek Road and Hermosa Road in Ojai. The site is about 1 mile south of the junction of Route 33/150 (North Ventura Avenue) and Hermosa Road. We plan to be there at 10:00 a.m. After an hour or so at the museum, we will have lunch in the park (bring a sack lunch and drinks), then head back to Route 101 and south to the junction of Route 101 and Kanan Road in Agoura. The collecting site is about 1.7 miles (east) up Kanan Road. Some hiking is involved to get to the float material, and more hiking is involved to find the best agate material. The most desirable



agates found here contain marcasite and sagenite. Some (regrettably fuzzy) pictures of the material are included.

Please contact Wayne Mills (804-

481-3495) as soon as possible if you would like to go on this trip. All participants will sign a release form prior to departure. Recommended equipment includes: collecting bags, bucket, digging tools, gloves, broad-brimmed hat, eye protection, sunscreen, lunch, water and sturdy shoes.

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brimmed hat, eye protection, sunscreen, lunch, water and sturdy shoes.



Tequila into diamonds!!

Condensed by Wayne Mills

A recent article on the web was entitled Tequila into diamonds!! Being both an appreciator of fine tequila, and an admirer of diamonds, I had to read it. The essence of the article is that Dr Victor Castano and a team of scientists from Nano Labs Corporation of Waltham, Massachusetts, discovered that 80 proof (40% alcohol) tequila had an ideal ratio of ethanol (CH₃CH₂OH) to water (H₂O) to create diamond (pure carbon (C)) films.

So the team vaporized the tequila (what a waste), and heated the vapor to 1400 degrees F before depositing it on steel trays. The resulting diamond film was between 100 and 400 nanometers in thickness. Possible applications of this technique include coatings on cutting tools and optical electronic devices. Let's just hope they don't get too carried away and use up the supply of tequila... See original article at

<http://www.theamericansignal.com/#reasons>

ORCUTT MINERAL SOCIETY BOARD MEETING HOME OF MIKE & MARGARET HENSON, SANTA MARIA, CA., DECEMBER 04, 2012

President Debbie Hood called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm. Members present were: Debbie Hood, Wayne Mills, Wes & Jeannie Lingerfelt, Sandy Berthelot, Janis Ferguson, Mike Henson, Michael Schmidt & Jeanne Brown. Guests included Paul Berthelot, Margaret Henson, Samantha S. & Chris Craig.

MINUTES: The minutes for the November, 2012 board & general meetings were posted in the bulletin. The minutes were accepted as published.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Wes Lingerfelt gave the treasurer's report for period ending November 30, 2012. The treasurer's report was accepted as presented. The annual budget was reviewed and accepted with amendments.

CORRESPONDENCE: The Salvation Army asking for Christmas donations. As established by club policy, \$50.00 plus food items will be donated at Christmastime and we will continue to do so. The Gem Shop is offering annual calendars of Gems/Agates. Pacific Western bank sent info about sending our savings account to the state of California because of non-activity. Wes notified the bank not to. There was a discussion about how to avoid this in the future.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Bulletin-online & mailed out.
2. Field Trip-there will be a field trip on January 19, 2012 to the Ventura Club Museum in Ojai, CA; followed by an Agate search off 'Kanan' Road in Agoura. Look at calendar for events next year.
3. Refreshments- next meeting, December is the annual meeting...no refreshments needed.
4. Membership-no report.
5. Education-Jeanne Brown suggested we offer a grant to a school rather than a scholarship to a student. Jeanne B. will obtain more information.
6. CFMS: Wes has posted a report on the CFMS meeting online in the OMS archives. From the meeting Wes brought some merchandising ideas; small bags, buttons, pins, earrings, license plate frames, etc.
7. Adopt-a-Highway – next meeting to be Sat., January 12, 2013... meet on the eastbound side of hwy 166 at the S/E junction of Highways 101/166 (always on odd months.)
8. Breakfast-there will be no breakfast in December. The next one to be Saturday, January 26, 2013. (9:00am) Location to be determined.
9. Library- Remember, the library inventory is now listed on our website for club members' convenience.
10. Sunshine- John Von Achen is recovering from surgery nicely.
11. Political Action-no update...will have a short movie about this at our annual meeting.

12. Abused Children- Jan needs check for \$500 for our abused children donation.
13. Old Business: Wes visited Nipomo High School again with some details about the August 2-4, 2013 gem show to keep the action moving forward. Jeanne Brown got through to the Secretary of State and all is fine there; when she contacted the Franchise Tax Board, she was informed that the Attorney General's office is missing a report, but she was not told which one. Jeanne couldn't get through to the Attorney General's office and will continue to pursue this. The next General meeting is to be Saturday, December 08, 2012, the ANNUAL MEETING...we host our installations and our holiday luncheon, held at the Santa Maria Terrace retirement home dining room @ 1405 E. Main St., Santa Maria, CA. Please bring a rock related gift if you wish to participate in the pirate gift exchange.

AGENDA:

- 12:00 START-SOCIAL
- 12:20 INVOCATION, ETC
- 12:30 LUNCH
- 1:10 PRESIDENT'S REPORT
- 1:55 AWARDS & RECOGNITIONS (GOLDEN BEAR)
- 2:00 INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS
- New President's Pep Talk
- 2:30 GIFT EXCHANGE
- 3:25 RAFFLE POINSETTAS
- 3:30 ADJOURN

The January meeting will be on January 8, 2013, the presentation will be a CFMS AGATE Program; and the display will be agates. Refreshments will be donuts supplied by the club.

Meeting was adjourned @ 7:57 pm.
Minutes respectfully submitted,
Jeanne L. Brown, secretary
December 7, 2012

A CALL TO ALL MEMBERS:

OMS needs your rock related donations for door prizes...please contact any board member.

**ORCUTT MINERAL SOCIETY
ANNUAL MEETING
SANTA MARIA, CA
DECEMBER 08. 2012**

President Debbie Hood called the meeting to order at 12:00 noon. The invocation was led by Mike Henson. The pledge of allegiance was led by Samantha S.

The following guests were introduced and thanked for attending: Velvedeen Elder and Roberta Hall. Members and guests were then served a traditional Christmas dinner including turkey, dressing, potatoes and gravy, etc. Following dinner we continued with our meeting.

President Debbie Hood gave the annual report and touched the major highlights of the year. Items such as the education fund where Wayne Mills arranged good and educational programs (would have liked to have seen more participation in these programs); community services, again, under Wayne Mills, we successfully aided the community six times this year; We gave \$ 1000.00 in scholarship to Santa Barbara City College; \$500.00 to Santa Barbara Dept. of Children Services (to make sure each child gets at least one birthday and one Christmas gift); and our annual \$50.00 plus food drive to salvation army. Our major goal was our new venue for our gem show...thanks to the detailed planning of Wes Lingerfelt, our club patriarch, the show was a success; and thank you Marge & Mike Henson for managing the snack bar.

We have started to set up plans for our lapidary shop with the Luis Oasis Center's new building. All in all, a very good year! Debbie thanked everyone for their help and then turned the meeting over to Wes Lingerfelt for the Treasurer's report.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Wes Lingerfelt gave the treasurer's report for period ending November 30, 2012 and for the proposed budget for 2013. Wes pointed out the extraordinary expenses of the sea train for storage; the 26 tables to increase the interior show dealer spaces; the skirting for these tables; etc., totaling just under \$10,000.00. The treasurer's report was accepted as presented. The annual budget was accepted as proposed for 2013. Motion made by Jan Ferguson and seconded by Debbie Hood. The motion passed unanimously.

MINUTES: The minutes for the November, 2012 board and general meetings were posted in the bulletin. The minutes were accepted as published. Awards & Recognition- Debbie Hood announced that there was an outstanding individual this year for the Golden Bear Award. This year the award goes to Truman Burgess. Also, the rockhound of the year award goes to Wayne Mills.

Debbie Hood then asked that elected officers and board members for 2013 come up to the stage and be

sworn in. The following people were sworn in for the following positions:

President: Wayne Mills
President Elect: Sharon Duncan
Immediate Past President: Debbie Hood
Treasurer: Wes Lingerfelt
Secretary: Elaine Von Achen
Board Members: Jeannie Lingerfelt
Janis Ferguson
Sandy Berthelot
Mike Schmidt
Mike Henson

Following the swearing in Wayne Mills gave the new presidents' address, first thanking Debbie Hood, and then touching on his goals for the following year especially the annual gem show, community services, the newsletter, field trips, education and more.

The meeting was ended with a gift exchange hosted by Sylvia Nasholm. The gifts were rock related thank you one and all that participated! Among the gifts were cabs, fossils, spheres, specimens, slabs, rock jewelry, gem jewelry and lapidary tools.

Wes then gave the poinsettia centerpieces as door prizes. Meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeanne L. Watkins-Brown
Secretary, OMS

By Brad Smith

ADJUSTABLE CHUCK FOR DREMELS

Many of us have a Dremel motor tool to use at home or when out to a class or workshop. The one thing that makes this tool much more productive is the addition of one inexpensive option, an adjustable chuck.

The basic motor tool as sold typically comes with a collet chuck. This means you have to use a wrench to change every tool bit, you have to switch collets to use different shaft sizes (3/32 or 1/8 inch bits), and you can't use ordinary drills at all - only the special ones that have a 3/32 shaft.

A simple and inexpensive (\$10) adjustable chuck solves all of this. It's available in most large local hardware stores or model making outlets. Tightening the chuck is done easily by hand to any size shaft. No key is required.

AVOIDING SOLDER LINES

After finishing a soldered joint on say a bezel, have you ever seen it reappear when you solder the bezel to a base plate? What's happening is that every time

you heat a soldered piece to the temperature that solder flows, the liquid solder dissolves a little bit more into the base metal. This leaves a small furrow where the solder had been sanded off flush at the joint. To get rid of the furrow, you have to re-sand the joint area down to the bottom of the furrow.

To avoid this when I have another soldering operation to follow, I try to leave a little extra solder on my joints. For instance, when trimming off excess base plate from around a bezel, I leave a paper thickness of excess plate material whenever possible until I'm done with all soldering.

Of course, this isn't always possible as when a soldering operation will prevent you from gaining access to an area for final sanding and polishing. In that case I coat the finished solder joint with ochre to prevent a furrow.

OCHRE APPLICATOR

Yellow ochre is used when you want to be sure the solder will not flow onto an area of your piece while you're soldering on another area. The only problem with ochre is coming up with a good way to store and apply it. I like recycled nail polish bottles. They seal well and have a built-in brush. Just clean them out with a little acetone or nail polish remover, and they're ready to go.

"Bench Tips for Jewelry Making"

"Bench Tips for Jewelry Making" is now available as an e-book for Kindle and Nook readers. Free apps allow it to be read on most phones, tablets, and home computers.

The book can be found at several locations:

Kindle edition -
www.amazon.com/dp/B00A5ELDRU

Nook edition -
www.bn.com/w/?ean=2940015848915

Print edition - www.createpace.com/3976439

Makes a good holiday present for friends who do jewelry.

SANDING/POLISHING IN TIGHT PLACES

Often you'll need to sand or polish an area that's impossible to reach with even a small wheel on a flexshaft. Other times it might be the bottom of a pocket or inside bottom corner of a box that needs to be finished. One trick for these nit-picky jobs may be left over from your last Chinese dinner - a chopstick.

I've found quite a few uses for these in the shop. Prepare the tip by simply sawing it off at a 45 degree angle. Then apply whatever abrasive grit you will

need for the job or hold a strip of sandpaper around the end. Loose grit can be held onto the tip with a bit of Vaseline or oil. Tripoli or rouge can be just rubbed onto the end of the chopstick.

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yahoogroups.com/group/BenchTips/*

January 2013 Calendar

Tuesday Jan. 1, 2013 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.	OMS Board Meeting- Meeting at the Henson's home All members are welcome at this business For information or directions call Mike at 934-1308.
Tuesday Jan. 8, 2013 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.	OMS General Meeting- • Luis Oasis Senior Center, 420 Soares Ave., Old Orcutt. • Program: Agates • Display: Agates • Refreshments-Donuts
Saturday, Jan. 12, 2013 8:00 to 10:00 a.m.	Highway Cleanup. Meet at the junction of Hwy 101/166 E. Snack afterward at "Francisco's Country Kitchen" in Santa Maria
Saturday, Jan. 19, 2013 8:00 a.m.to aprox 5:00 p.m.	Field Trip to Ventura GMS Museum in Ojai, followed by Agate hunt at Kanan Road in Agoura. Contact Wayne Mills ASAP at 481-3495.
Saturday, Jan. 26, 2013 9:00 to 10:00 am	OMS Monthly Breakfast- The Girl's Restaurant, 1237 E. Grand Ave., Arroyo Grande.

February 2013 Calendar

Tuesday Feb. 5, 2013 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.	OMS Board Meeting-Luis Oasis Senior Center, 420 Soares Ave., Old Orcutt. All members are welcome at this business meeting.
Tuesday Feb.12, 2013 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.	OMS General Meeting- • Luis Oasis Senior Center, 420 Soares Ave., Old Orcutt. • Program- Sharon Duncan & Friends on Wirewrapping. • Display- Wirewrapped pieces. • Refreshments-Pies.

??????	Field Trip - to be announced - you could be leading a trip to your favorite collecting site! Speak to Wayne Mills.
Saturday Feb. 23, 2013 8:15 to 9:15 a.m.	OMS Monthly Breakfast- <i>Sunset Grill</i> 1424 Fairway Dr., Santa Maria

CFMS Show Schedule 2013

JANUARY 2013

FEBRUARY 2013

February 15 - 24: INDIO, CA
San Geronio Mineral & Gem Society
 Riverside County Fair & National Date Festival
 46-530 Arabia Street
 Hours: 10 - 10 daily
 Contact: Bert Grisham, (915) 849-1674
 Email: bert67@verizon.net

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March 1 - 3: 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) 305-4196
 Email: Cdmiller59@gmail.com
 Website: www.mgscv.org

March 2 - 3: ARCADIA, CA
Monrovia Rockhounds
 The Arboretum & Botanic Gardens
 301 Baldwin Avenue (Ayers Hall)
 Hours: 9:00 - 4:30 daily
 Contact: Jo Anna Ritchey (626) 359-1624
 Email: joannaritchey@gmail.com
 Website: www.Moroks.com

March 2 - 3: VENTURA, CA
Ventura Gem & Mineral Society
 Ventura County Fairgrounds
 10 W. Harbor Blvd.
 Hours: Sat 10 - 5; Sun 10 - 4
 Contact: Krishna Juarez, (805) 323-6725
 Email: abaris2007@gmail.com
 Website: www.vgms.org

March 9 - 10: 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

March 9 - 10: SPRECKELS, CA
Salinas Valley Rock & Gem Club
 Spreckels Veteran's Hall
 5th & Llano Streets
 Hours: 10 - 5 daily
 Contact: Karin Salomon, (831) 375-5233
 Email: kcbakes27@yahoo.com
 Website: www.salinasrockandgem.com

March 9 - 10: TURLOCK, CA
Mother Lode Mineral Society
 Stanislaus County Fairgrounds
 900 North Broadway
 Hours: 10 - 5 daily
 Contacts: Bud & Terry McMillin, (209) 524-3494
 Email: terry_mcmillin@yahoo.com
 Website: www.turlockgemshow.com

March 16 - 17: VALLEJO, CA
Vallejo Gem & Mineral Society
 Solano County Fairgrounds
 900 Fairgrounds Drive
 Hours: 10 - 5 daily
 Contact: Dan Wolke, (707) 745-1816, cell (707) 334-2950
 Email: dncwolke@sbcglobal.net

March 16 - 17: VISTA, CA
Palomar Gem & Mineral Club
 Antique Gas & Steam Engine Museum
 2040 North Santa Fe Avenue
 Hours: Sat 9 - 5; Sun 9 - 4
 Contact: Diane Hall, (760) 741-0433, cell (760) 213-1377
 Email: dhall13@cox.net
 Website: www.palomargem.org

March 23 - 24: 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 23 - 24: ROSEVILLE, CA
Roseville Rock Rollers
 Roseville (Placer County) Fairgrounds
 800 All American City Blvd
 Hours: Sat 10 - 5; Sun 10 - 4
 Contact: Gloria Marie, (530) 367-2262
 Email: gloriarosevillerockrollers@gmail.com
 Website: www.rockrollers.com

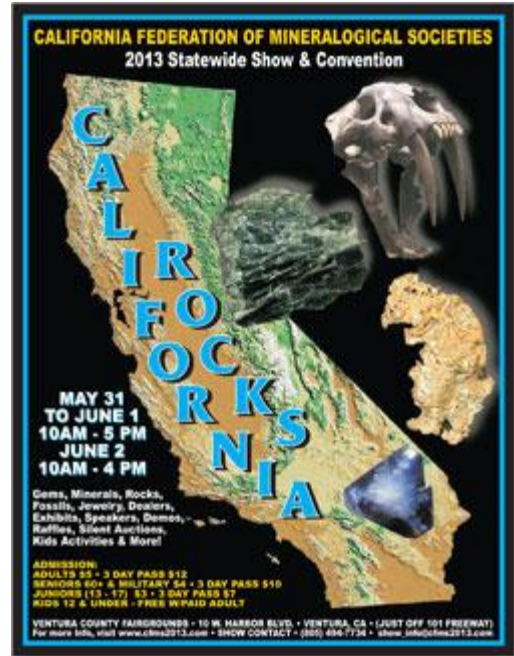
March 23 - 24: TORRANCE, CA
South Bay Lapidary & Mineral Society
 Ken Miller Recreation Center
 3341 Torrance Blvd.
 Hours: Sat 10 - 5; Sun 10 - 4

Contact: Bill Sudduth, (310) 787-7851
 Email: Sudduth3@msn.com
 Website: www.palosverdes.com/sblap

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April 13 - 14: MARIPOSA, CA
Mariposa Gem & Mineral Club
 Mariposa County Fairgrounds
 Hwy 49 South (1.8 miles south of Mariposa)
 Hours: 10 - 5 daily
 Contact: Chel, (209) 742-7625
 Email: mineralmuseum@sti.net

April 20 - 21: SAN JOSE, CA
Santa Clara Valley Gem & Mineral Society
 Santa Clara County Fairgrounds
 334 Tully Road
 Hours: Sat 10 – 6; Sun 10 – 5
 Contact: Frank Mullany, (408) 265-1422
 Email: info@scvgms.org
 Website: www.scvgms.org



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Second search coil, and accessories. \$300.00
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8 ½ inch Burn-Out Oven which will hold a 4-inch flask
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 wax pen, investment vibrator, tongs, flux and more –
 everything you need, except the metal, to start making
 gold, silver or other metal jewelry.

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 349-2030.

**The Tri-Clubs of Ventura County, Conejo,
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 will host the**
2013 CFMS SHOW & CONVENTION
"California Rocks"
MAY 31 - JUNE 2
Ventura County Fairgrounds
Ventura, CA

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The OMS is planning a Tailgate at the Von Achen's ranch in May. If you would like to participate contact Wayne Mills and request a space. It's a chance to buy and sell your treasures.



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