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#### **The Prez Box**

By Wayne Mills, (Next Prez)

Since Madam Prez has pressing matters that take her away from the bulletin this month, I am her last- minute stand-in, so please don't expect much. I know that we all wish Debbie well with her impending knee surgery and we are hopeful that she makes a speedy recovery and will soon be able to go on some of those field tips that she has been trying to get us to have.

**Speaking of field trips**, we have one scheduled for November 17. See details later on in this bulletin. If you can think of a place that you would like to go collect, you are requested to contact Wayne Mills, our Field Trip Coordinator to discuss the details of the trip. Remember, if we can get 6 folks to lead just one trip each, we will have 5 more field trips in 2013 than we had in 2012.

**The November meeting** will feature Dr. Gray from Santa Barbara City College giving another of his fascinating programs on one of our great extinctions (a cheery thought, considering the Mayan Calendar predictions and all). The display for next month will be "Best 1 x 1". This means that whatever you can fit in a space 1 foot square (no height limitation) will be judged by your fellow rockhounds, and the winner will receive a prize. Treats for November are Cookies.

I have to say that **October** absolutely **rocked**. There were rock-related events (The Jade Festival and the San Luis Obispo Gem Club show in Cayucos) on the first two weekends, and the Open Artist Studio Tours sponsored by the San Luis Obispo Arts Council on the second and third weekends. At this event, one is able to see many different types of artists and their works in venues from Paso Robles to Nipomo. Several of these artists are jewelry makers, glass artists, and woodworkers (another of my interests). I saw several of these artists, and was duly inspired. If you have never seen Open Artist Studio Tours, you should. The website

#### for the tour is:

http://www.artsobispo.org/openstudios.php. On a personal note, I won the President's Award for my artifact reproductions at the Paso Robles show, and a door prize (pearl necklace) at the San Luis Obispo Club show.

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**Elections:** November is Election Month (how could anyone not know that). We're almost there- no more debates or political ads for another couple of yearsyippee! However, for the process to work the proper way, you should be registered, and you should vote for whichever side you believe will do our country the most good. On a smaller scale, OMS is holding their elections in November as well. For them to be legal, we need a quorum—of our registered members. That means 30 or more folks. You will have one-more opportunity to recommend yourself or another club member for a position as one of the club officers or one of the Board of Directors, or you can vote to accept the current slate (containing one person for each position) by acclamation. But please show-up to enjoy the meeting, and to vote!

**Programs:** In the October Ore-Cutts, Debbie alluded to our plan for having some "How-to" programs next year. Wes Lingerfelt got that effort started with his presentation on Silver work at the October Meeting. We need to know what other areas of the Lapidary Arts you would like us to explore in 2013. Please give your suggestions to Wayne or to Sharon Duncan (2013 Program Chairperson, and OMS President-Elect candidate)

### **Birthdays & Anniversaries**



**Birthday greetings** go out to those folks who are having birthdays in November: John Von Achen (14), Wayne Mills (21),

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Brenna Ferguson (27), and Dick Bazzell (30). Happy Birthday to all of you and many more!

**November Anniversaries** include: Bill and Jeanne Brown (9), Marshall and Glenda Reeves (18), and Mike and Margaret Henson (19). 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.

# Sunshine

Debbie Hood goes under the knife for knee replacement surgery on October 24<sup>th</sup>, and Jeannie Brown had hers' on the 18th. Our good thoughts are with both ladies with wishes for a swift recovery. At press time, both ladies are recovering well from their respective surgeries. Member John Von Achen had back surgery on October 20, and is at home resting.

# **Highway Hygiene**

#### Wayne Mills, Adopt-a-Highway Coordinator

Yes folks it is that time again. The second Saturday of odd numbered months is when OMS spiffs up our little corner of the local highway system. We meet in the turnout at the southeast corner of Routes 101 and 166 east (of Route 101) at 8:00 a.m. and split into smaller groups to hit the three areas that make-up our adopted highway section. The clean-up takes about 1.5 hours, and you never know what you might find during that time. Well, you can guess what most of it is, but there are some surprises! I think at our last clean-up, Lisa Azevedo found a \$10 bill!

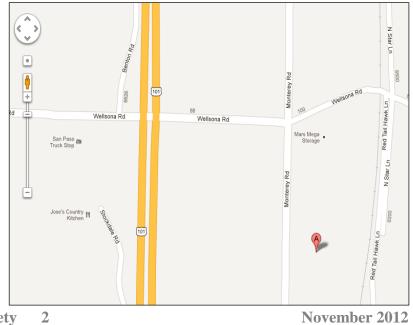
In November we will be without our most faithful scourer, Wes, so we can use some extra support. The pay-off for your efforts, in addition to whatever treasures you might find, is snacks at Francisco's afterward, and the companionship of your fellow rockhounds. We look forward to seeing you out there. If you have any questions, you can call Wayne at 481-3495.

November Field Trip Wayne Mills, Field Trip Coordinator

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Our first field trip of the year (sorry, we're a little slow) will be to the home of Cliff Brewen, a longtime member of the Santa Lucia Rockhounds. The date is November 17 (our field trips will always be on the third Saturday of the month unless otherwise noted). Cliff has an annual tailgate where members of the Santa Lucia Rockhounds can sell their rocks (from their tailgates) at his place north of Paso Robles. Everyone is invited to come and purchase the rocks. This will be an informal field trip, as we will not gather beforehand and travel en masse. Rather, show-up when you feel like it, and leave when you wish. Carpooling is encouraged, so please call me well in advance if you plan to attend, and I will try to hook-you up with someone else coming from your area. Also, we will discuss the trip at our next meeting.

Cliff's address is **6384 Monterey Road, Paso Robles**. The hours are 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. This gives you enough time to get down into the Salinas River bed on the way home and see what beauties you can uncover (talk to Chris and Ralph of the Santa Lucia Club about the best places to access the Salinas river bed). To get to Cliff's, take the Wellsona Road off-ramp from northbound Highway 101 and turn right at Wellsona Road. Turn right again at Monterey Road and look for the signs advertising the sale. Cliff's place is about <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> mile south of the (Wellsona/MontereyRoad) intersection on the left (east) side of the road.



# **Rocktober on the Central Coast**

Wayne Mills, OMS

**October** is a busy month for rocks on the Central Coast. On the first weekend, the Jade Festival is held at the Pacific Valley Schoolhouse about 21 miles north of the Monterey County line on Highway 1. The festival seems to be getting better and better, and the rocks and entertainment this year were amazing. For a glimpse of what all three days of the Jade Festival were like, check out Kin Noyes Blog "Eclectic Arcana" on the internet. Kim enjoys taking pictures of rocks, and he is quite good at it. His blog is the best summary of the local rock scene that I know of.

A few of my pictures of the Festival are included below. I think the Jade Cabazon is an amazing piece, worthy of a museum or art gallery, but my personal favorite is the jade mountain stone and its Lacewood base. I also think one of those jade tabletops would be wonderful to have to in one's home to look at and fondle a few times per day. Also shown below is some of "Twister's" unique jewelry. As usual, the trip to the Jade Fest made for a fun day, even if we didn't find any jade at Willow Creek.





Suseiki jade mountain



Jade Cabazon—just amazing!



Local wire artist "Twister's" jewelry

The second weekend of October is the San Luis Obispo Gem and Mineral Society bi-annual show at the Vets Hall in Cayucos. This year, I arrived late on the first day (Saturday), but things still seemed to be hopping, and I got to talk to a few of the dealers and club members. I believe that Kim Noyes was in charge of this show too, making the first time I have heard of one guy setting up club shows for two different clubs in the same year—well done Kim! Richard Sittinger (formerly Mineral of the Month Club, now Wonderworks), and his "disciple" Sandy Berthelot were also in attendance, Richard on the stage, and Sandy finding treasures all around the show room. Now, if we could just get her to show some of the neat stuff she has purchased over the years...There were some elegant Indonesian carvings, and some beautiful jade as well as jewelry findings and other lapidary materials. The San Luis Club is to be congratulated (and held in awe) for putting on two shows each year (June and October).



View of the SLO Show from the stage

### **Brecciated Jasper—Ore Cutts, June 2002**

# From a talk by Ralph Bishop at the May 2002 General Meeting

Brecciated jasper is the most common semiprecious gemstone in our area. Because of that, people have taken it for granted for many years, thinking it is overly common. Because it is so abundant, people don't hold it in very high esteem (and I, at a younger age fell prey to the same attitude). It is very rare in other areas of the world, although it is common in our area because of the faults on our continental plate boundaries. In the last several years I found that no other jasper, since I have become more familiar with this material, has a wider variety of color (blue, green, red, orange, yellow and purple) and pattern. That in itself, should attract a broad spectrum of people.

There are many local places to hunt brecciated jasper. Stone Canyon near Parkfield is a classic location for this material. Other locations are: San Simeon, See Canyon, Figueroa Mountain, and

Jalama Beach. Jasper and chert are both nothing more than silt or mud that has been silicified with silica agate



(quartz). In the old days, it was said that if you liked it, "it was jasper", and if you didn't, "it was chert". But there <u>is</u> a difference between the two.

Chert is derived from marine sediments, and the silica that hardens it comes from the exoskeletons of radiolarians (microscopic plants). Whereas, jasper is derived from terrestrial silt transported with silica and other minerals from deepseated hydrothermal waters. The source of the hydrothermal water is found in the deep faults, and is heated by magma that is close to the external mantle of the earth. This water is so hot that, as it courses through the rock formations, it picks up

silica and other minerals such as iron, manganese, chrome, and other ferric minerals. As this hydrothermal water approaches the surface of the earth, it cools down so that, at certain temperatures, silica and some of the other minerals precipitate out, changing from a liquid to a solid state, leaving the water to continue on to the surface. This activity over a period of time continues to fill the fault with silicified silt, and other minerals. The best



comparison to this process would be iron water pipes that slowly fill up with sediment until they are full. So the faults become filled with this siliceous silt. When this happens, the water takes another course. This

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silicified mud is usually a solid, single colored mass of jasper, probably in a plastic state, and quite brittle.

Somewhere along the line in the life of the fault, an earthquake occurs. This shatters the jasper, and often widens the fault. When this happens the jasper breaks (or brecciates). This allows the water to again course through the fault, carrying another load of silt or silica. The silica in this particular hydrothermal flush generally fills in the broken areas between the jasper and cements them together again. At the end of that process Brecciated Jasper has been formed. This process can happen on more than one occasion. Sometimes a person can see places where brecciated jasper has been cemented and re-cemented on several occasions. So, take it from me, don't look down your nose at this humble stone!



Jaspers pictured in this article are from: San Simeon Creek (first two and See Canyon).

# Tell Me What you Want!!

As we mentioned above, we are trying to fulfill a request to have more interactive, hands-on type programs next year. We have several people in our club who are quite proficient in various aspects of lapidary work, and we have access to CFMS videos that explore many other areas of the hobby. But without your input, we are kind of stumbling around in the dark—so to speak. So we have developed a handy dandy questionnaire that we would like ALL members to fill out and bring into the November or December meeting to help guide us along the right path toward providing the best programs for the greatest number of our members (Malthusian Principle). It's like voting, if you don't turn in a questionnaire (or vote), then you can't (or shouldn't) complain about the results.

# My choice for programs in 2013 is:

Techniques	More Specifically	Check up to 5
Beading		
Cabochon making		
Chain making		
Gem Trees		
Sphere-making		
Stone carving		
Wire-wrapping		
Other?		
Programs		
Agates		
Dinosaurs		
Earthquakes		
Favorite Field Trips		
Fossils		
Other?		
Prospecting		
Specific program from CFMS Website:		
http://www.cfmsinc.or g/slide and video program catalogue		
Surprise me!		
Volcanoes		

# Off the Cuff—Links

The following are links to websites that may prove quite useful for lapidarians. At least they have pretty pictures or rocks and stuff!

Covington http://www.covington-engineering.com/

Diamond Pacific http://www.diamondpacific.com/

Fire Mountain http://www.firemountaingems.com

Indian Jewelry Supply <a href="http://www.ijsinc.com/">http://www.ijsinc.com/</a>

Monsterslayer

 $\underline{https://www.monsterslayer.com/Pages/CatalogIndex.aspx}$ 

Rio Grande http://www.riogrande.com/Default.aspx

#### **Orcutt Mineral Society Board Meeting**

Home of Mike and Margaret Henson, Santa Maria, CA October 2, 2012

President Debbie Hood called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Members present were: Debbie Hood, Wes and Jeannie Lingerfelt,, Sandy Berthelot, Janis Ferguson, Wayne Mills, Mike Henson, Michael Schmidt, Gloria Dana, and Jeanne Brown. Guests included Paul Berthelot, Margaret Henson, Samantha S., and Bill Hood.

MINUTES: The minutes for the July and August board and general meetings were posted in the bulletin. The minutes were approved as presented.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Wes Lingerfelt gave the treasurer's report for the period ending September 30, 2012. The treasurer's report was accepted as presented. Wes also presented the 2012 OMS Gem Show report. It was noted that even with all the hurdles of the new venue, etc., this show netted the second highest profits historically, and most importantly, it was a tremendously improved show. (Yahoo!)

CORRESPONDENCE: Salvation Army asked for Thanksgiving donations. Club policy is to donate at Christmas, and we will continue to do so.

#### COMMITTEEE REPOSTS

1. Bulletin-No report

2. Refreshments—Next meeting (October 9) will be cakes.

- 3. Membership—No report.
- 4. Field Trip—Thank you Wayne for taking the Chairperson (Coordinator) position. The new interim plan was discussed that would have trips every other month by different hosts: Wes, Wayne, Stan and Ralph, etc. (if 6 trip sponsors can be found we only need two more). Suggestions so far are: Willow Creek (Stan), Ozena (Wes), the Ventura Rockhound Club Museum (Wayne), and possibly Agoura Agate.
- 5. Adopt-a-Highway—the next clean-up will be Saturday, November 10, 2012. Meet on the eastbound side of Highway 101 at the south east corner of Highways 101/166 East. The clean-up is always the second Saturday of odd-numbered months.
- 6. Breakfast— to be at The Girls Restaurant at 1237 E. Grand Ave. in Arroyo Grande, CA on Saturday, October 27, 2012 at 9:00 a.m.
- 7. Education—No report.

- 8. Library—Remember the library inventory is now listed on our website for club members' convenience.
- Sunshine—Gloria Dana has been hospitalized with a kidney infection; Jeanne Brown is having carpal tunnel surgery 10/18/12; Debbie Hood is having knee surgery 10/24/12.
- Old Business—Directors are evaluating changes to monthly programs including more workshops. Discussion followed regarding programs within the club by club members.

The Annual Meeting will be held at Santa Maria Terrace retirement home dining room at 1405 E. Main Street, Santa Maria, CA. The date is 12/08/12 from 12-3 p.m. (Bring a rock-related gift exchange for those who wish to participate.)

The next General Meeting is to be Tuesday evening, October 9, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. The program will be "SILVERSMITHING". The display is to be "your hand made creations in silver".

Next month, November, the program will be on "Extinctions" by Dr. Gray of Santa Barbara City College, and the display will be the "BEST 1 x 1".

Meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted, Jeanne L. Brown, secretary, October 8, 2012

A CALL TO ALL MEMBERS: OMS needs your rock-related items for door prizes please contact any board member.

#### **Orcutt Mineral Society General Meeting**

Luis Soares Senior Center, Orcutt, CA October 9, 2012

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Debbie Hood. The Invocation was given by Rodger Lehman, and the Flag Salute was led by Samantha S.

MEMBERSHIP: At the beginning of the meeting, there were 30 members and no guests present.

TREASURER: Wes Lingerfelt read the Treasurer's report for September 30, 2012. There were no corrections, so the report was accepted as presented. Wes recapped the August Gem Show expenses and income and reported that he (finally) received the bill from Nipomo High School, and after all expenses, we cleared over \$6,000 for the show, making it the second best earning show ever. Considering that it was our first time in the new location, and that the show was vastly

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improved over our previous efforts, the show was remarkable indeed. Wes hopes to convene a panel before next June to discuss ways to improve the show. One needed improvement is a way to make announcements heard on the inside of the gym.

BULLETIN: The bulletin is out after some difficulties. One correction is that Wayne Mills is <u>Coordinator</u>, (not Chairman) of the Field Trip Committee.

REFRESHMENTS: Virginia Rogers is standing in for Margaret Henson. Virginia announced that cakes were provided by Silvia Nasholm, Roger Lehman, and Elaine Von Achen.

CFMS: Wes is going to the CFMS Fall meeting in Visalia November 9-11. If anyone wants an item brought to CFMS, please contact Wes before he leaves.

SUNSHINE: Gloria Dana was in the hospital with Kidney failure. She made a splendid recovery, and was at the October meeting. Sandy Berthelot is scheduled for more surgery. Debbie is slated for knee surgery on October 24 and Jeanne Brown for hand surgery on October 18.

JUNIORS: No report.

ANNUAL MEETING: Bill Hood reported that the annual meeting is at Santa Maria Terrace from noon to 3:00 p.m. on December 8. We will be served ham and turkey and all the trimmings. The cost to members will be about \$12.50 with the club underwriting part of cost of the meal.

SCHOLARSHIPS: Wayne made a motion to have the \$991.34 that represented 10% of the show's earnings plus \$300 rounded up to \$1000 for the Scholarship fund. The motion was passed after a quorum of members (30) was attained at the meeting.

PROPERTY: No report.

EDUCATION: Wayne reported that he had been forwarded a message from a second grade teacher in Porterville asking about what rocks could be collected at San Simeon State Beach. Wayne responded and offered to (try to) identify any unusual rocks they collected by email.

FIELD TRIPS: Wayne said that he is working on a couple of trips. Field trips will be on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month when they occur. Debbie asked Wayne to coordinate with the Paso Robles and San Luis Club Field Trip Chairmen on planning joint trips. The next planned trip is November 17<sup>th</sup>. Stay tuned for details.

ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY: The next highway clean-up is November 10 at 8:00 a.m. at the south east corner of Route 101 and 166 East. <u>Clean-ups are always on the</u> second Saturday of odd-numbered months (unless otherwise notified).

LIBRARY: There are no tables to put the library on. This matter will be looked into. Members are reminded that a list of the club's books, pamphlets and videos is on our website at <u>omsinc.org</u>.

BREAKFAST: The monthly breakfast will be held at the Girls Restaurant in Arroyo Grande at 9:00 a.m. on October 27.

RAFFLE: There are "just rocks" a green quartz sphere donated by Lucky Virgin, and other lapidary–related materials.

POLITICAL ACTION: No report.

NOMINATIONS: President Hood announced that the Nominating Committee had submitted a slate of officers for 2013. The candidates are: Sharon Duncan (President Elect), Elaine Von Achen (Secretary), Wes Lingerfelt (Treasurer), and Sandy Berthelot, Jan Ferguson, Mike Henson, Jeannie Lingerfelt, and Mike Schmidt (Board of Directors). Per Robert's Rules of Order, President Hood asked three times for each of the positions listed above if anyone else would like to run for or make a nomination for that position. No nominations were made. If no nominations are received at the November, the slate of officers will be approved by acclimation. The minimum age for holding a position as officer or board member is 18 according to our bylaws.

CORRESPONDENCE: We received show flyers for the Lemoore (3/16-17/2013), and Tule (1/19-20/2113) clubs. The San Luis Obispo Club is having their show in Cayucos the weekend of (10/15-16/2012). We received a bulletin for ALAA (American Lands Access Association).

OLD BUSINESS: Wes Lingerfelt made reservations for our semi-annual meeting in Pioneer Park in Santa Maria. The event is planned for Saturday, June 8, 2013.

NEW BUSINESS: Roger Lehman has a casting machine, burnout oven and wax pen for sale.

After a break for refreshments, Wes Lingerfelt gave an informative program, on Silver work, emphasizing different techniques for soldering various materials. Thank you Wes!

The meeting was adjourned by President Hood at about 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Wayne Mills, president-elect for Jeanne Brown, secretary, 10/25/12

# **Rock Breakfast**

No, it's not Ham and (Thunder) eggs, the October 27<sup>th</sup> Breakfast will be held at The Girls Restaurant at 1237 E. Grand in Arroyo Grande at 9-10 a.m.

November's Breakfast is at the Sunset Grill, 1424 Fairway Drive in Santa Maria. Also from 9-10 a.m. Come early, stay late, and enjoy the good company.

# November 2012 Calendar

Tuesday Nov. 5 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.	OMS Board Meeting, home of Mike and Margaret Henson. Call 934-1308 for directions. All members are welcome at this business meeting.		
Saturday Nov. 11 8:00 to 10:00 a.m.	Roadside Clean up After the cleanup, coffee and pastry at "Francisco's Country Kitchen" in Santa Maria.		
Tuesday Nov. 13 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.	<ul> <li>OMS General Meeting—</li> <li>Luis Oasis Senior Center.</li> <li>Program-Dr. Gray from SBCC on Extinctions</li> <li>Display-Best 1 x 1</li> <li>Refreshments-Cookies</li> </ul>		
Saturday Nov. 17 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.	Field Trip—Cliff Brewen's Tailgate in Paso Robles. Call Wayne if you plan to go.		
Saturday Nov. 24 8:15 to 9:15 a.m.	OMS Monthly Breakfast- <i>Sunset Grill</i> 1424 Fairway Dr., Santa Maria		
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Tuesday Dec. 5 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.	OMS Board Meeting, home of Mike and Margaret Henson. Call 934-1308 for directions. All members are welcome at this business meeting.		
Saturday, Dec. 8 12 to 3 p.m.	Annual Meeting Santa Maria Terrace. Bring canned food, gift for exchange		
	No Field Trip		
	Merry Christmas!!		
	No Breakfast		

# **CFMS Show Schedule 2012**

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November 2 - 4: EUREKA, CA Humboldt Gem & Mineral Society **Redwood Acres Fairgrounds** 3750 Harris Street Hours: Fri 9 - 6, Sat 10 - 6, Sun 10 - 5 Contacts: Toni Tyson or Diane Reed, 707-502-9574, 707-839-2079 Email: <u>bluiis911@msn.com</u> November 3 - 4: CONCORD, CA Contra Costa Mineral & Gem Society Centre Concord 5294 Clayton Road (near Ygnacio Valley Rd.) Hours: 10 - 5 daily Contact: Harry Nichandros, (925) 289-0454 Email: show-cf@ccmgs.org Website: www.ccmgs.org November 3 - 4: LANCASTER, CA Palmdale Gem & Mineral Club Antelope Valley Fairgrounds 2551 West Avenue H Hours: Sat 10 - 5; Sun 10 - 4 Email: pgmc@antelecom.net Website: www.palmdalegemandmineral.com November 3 - 4: RIDGECREST, CA Indian Wells Gem & Mineral Society **Desert Empire Fairgrounds** 520 West Richmond Road Hours: 9 - 5 daily Contact: John DeRosa, (760) 375-7905 Email: IndianWellsGems@hotmail.com Website: www.indianwells.weebly.com November 3 - 4: SAN DIEGO, CA San Diego Mineral & Gem Society Al Bahr Shrine Center 5440 Kearny Mesa Road Hours: Sat 9:30 - 5; Sun 10 - 4 Contact: Bob Hancock, (619) 889-6886 Email: rhbobhancock@cs.com Website: www.sdmg.org November 10: VALLEJO, CA Vallejo Gem & Mineral Society Vallejo Veterans Building 420 Admiral Callaghan Lane Hours: 9 - 5 daily Contact: Dan Wolke, (707) 745-1816 Email: dncwolke@sbcglobal.net November 10 - 11: SACRAMENTO, CA Sacramento Mineral Society Scottish Rite Temple 6151 H Street Hours: Sat 10 - 5; Sun 10 - 4 Contact: Stanley Henneman, (916) 363-5011 Email: lakota27@sbcglobal.net Website: www.sacramentomineralsociety.org

November 10 - 11: SANTA CRUZ, CA Santa Cruz Mineral & Gem Society Live Oak Grange Hall 1900 17th Avenue Hours: 10 - 5 daily Contact: Julia Cornblatt, (831) 687-0509 Email: juliacornblatt@gmail.com Website: www.scmgs.org

November 10 - 11: YUBA CITY, CA Sutter Buttes Gem & Mineral Society Yuba-Sutter Fairgrounds 442 Franklin Ave. Hours: Sat 10 - 5; Sun 10 - 4 Contact: Erik Anspaugh Email: <u>show@sutterbuttes.net</u> Website: <u>www.sutterbuttes.net</u>

November 17 - 18: Livermore, CA Livermore Valley Lithophiles The BARN 3131 Pacific Avenue Hours: Sat. 10 - 5; Sun. 10 - 4 Contact: Lee Davisson, (925) 371-0699 Email: linfo@lithophiles.com Website: www.lithophiles.org/lithorama.html

November 17 - 18: OXNARD, CA Oxnard Gem & Mineral Society Oxnard Performing Arts Center 800 Hobson Way Hours: Sat 9 – 5; Sun 10 – 4 Contact: Brett Johnson, (805) 822-3836 Email: show\_info@oxnardgem.com Website: www.oxnardgem.com

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December 7-9: SAN BERNARDINO, CA Orange Belt Mineralological Society Tailgate Show Western Regional Little League Ball Park 6707 Little League Drive Hours: 9am to dusk daily http://<u>OBMSrocks.yolasite.com</u>

# FOR SALE

### White's Spectrum XLT Metal Detector

Second search coil, and accessories. \$300.00

# FOR SALE

Vigor Centrifugal Casting Machine Model CA-1030 with cylindrical guard and several different crucibles. 8 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> inch Burn-Out Oven which will hold a 4-inch flask and operates on 110V standard current. Included with the above are wax ring patterns, electric wax pen, investment vibrator, tongs, flux and more – everything you need, except the metal, to start making gold, silver or other metal jewelry. Price for all is \$250.00 Contact Roger Lehman at (805) 349-2030.

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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 Jeanne Brown (805) 481-1811

#### IN MEMORIAM Florence A. Meisenheimer, 1920-2012

Florence Meisenheimer passed away on Friday, September 21, 2012, at the age of 92.

Florence's obituary may be access online at: http://obits.dignitymemorial.com/dignitymemorial/ obituary-print.aspx?n=FLORENCEMEISENHEIMER& lc=4791&pid=160094485&mid=5248711





**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. The La Brea Tar Pits are one of the most significant fossil finds in paleontological history.

OMS is a non-profit club 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

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