

JANUARY MEETING Monday Jan. 9, 8 p.m., Eames Theater, Pacific Science Center.

Dr. Dan Stuntz, Professor of Mycology, U. of W. will lecture. His title:
"Getting acquainted with: Fries and his ideas/fungi/mushrooms;
First steps on the long mycological/fungus road;
What to do til the witch-doctor/mycologist comes." (Copyright 1967)

MEMBERSHIP ROSTER (we have 84 new members!) will be enclosed with this bulletin if we don't all get snowed in before nightfall. It will be particularly helpful (the roster) when you get down to the annual nominations push below. Report errors in roster to Connie Wood, Membership Secretary, LA 5-7732.

HELP, HELP, ALL MEMBERS: We repeat here our request for your slides to show at the February meeting. So far, frankly, we could use many more than we have. The limit has been removed; send everything. Call George Rafanelli, PA 2-7011, by Jan. 15. Your slides will be carefully handled. Don't hesitate - the membership really wants to see them.

DUES ARE DUE in January, traditionally (since last year, but you have to start a tradition some place). In case you have forgotten: \$5 for family or individual memberships; \$2.50 for students. Mail renewals to Society office.

1966 FINANCIAL STATEMENT is compiled by Treasurer Al Crosetti, and on file. The gist of it will be read at Monday's meeting; anyone with a deep interest in fungal fiscal facts is welcome to inspect the statement.

FUNGUS FLASH!



Armillaria Ponderosa (pine mushroom!) (matsutake!) were found, December 12, in a Seattle park under a madrona tree 100 yards from any conifer, by, of all people on earth, the editorial me. This find further demonstrates my long-held proposition that mycology is not yet an exact science, and that I am not helping it any. But most city parks are ecologically disturbed areas. Let this give hope to other earnest strugglers.

'The fairest thing we can experience is the mysterious. It is the fundamental emotion which stands at the cradle of true science. He who knows it not, and can no longer wonder, no longer feel amazement is as good as dead. We all had this priceless talent when we were young. But as time goes by, many of us lose it. The true scientist never loses the faculty of amazement. It is the essence of his being.' --Dr. Hans Selye, NEWSWEEK, March 31, 1958

'Most probabilities are greatly influenced by our own actions.'
--Oswald Jacoby, HOW TO
FIGURE THE ODDS



BEN WOO wrote this last year and stated it so well, we simply re-run it:

NOMINATIONS 'In a group with as large and diverse a membership as ours, we encounter the hazard, common to many organizations, of having the leadership increasingly concentrated in a small clique who happened to be around at the beginning. While this arrangement may not of itself be bad, and indeed may yield good results, the accompanying rigidity often precludes participation by other gifted and talented individuals and prevents infusion of new ideas and viewpoints that may benefit the Society.

'Under its Articles of Incorporation, the Society places all of its governing and policy-making powers as well as its management functions in its officers and board. At the present time the governing body consists of the President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer together with 10 Trustees. This Board is under normal circumstances only controlled by the membership through selection of its members during the annual nomination and election process. It is therefore of greatest importance for members to exercise their rights of nomination and voting.

"We have been most fortunate during these past years of formation of our Society in having received the dedicated service of persons both in official positions and out. While the duties undertaken and the responsibilities assumed have been at times highly demanding, those who have participated have been rewarded by many personal satisfactions - deep feelings of accomplishment, warm friendships and associations, and access to the most valuable kind of information on where to find mushrooms.

'We therefore urge you to give serious consideration to nomination of persons, not excluding yourselves, who will be assets to the Society as officers or trustees.' Thank you, Ben.

The handy form at the bottom of this page may be detached and mailed to the Election Committee consisting of Connie Wood (Chairman), Lois Ohlson and Ben Woo. Deadline for mail nominations should be February 3 to give the Committee time to consult with the nominees and prepare its report to be presented at the membership meeting on February 13. ACT NOW!

Connie Young, Editor

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NOTE: Name any member, including yourself, giving reasons. Sign and mail by Feb. 3. Committee will consider all suggestions but reserves right to limit number of nominees for each position, for obvious practical reasons.

Dear Connie Wood: I think the following members will be great in the positions noted:

PRESIDENT _____

Reasons:

VICE PRES. _____

Reasons:

SECRETARY _____

Reasons:

TREASURER _____

Reasons:

TRUSTEE _____

Reasons:

Signed _____