JUNE MEETING
June 9, 8:00PM

**LADIES NIGHT!**
**STUPENDOUS!**
**SPECTACULAR!**
**SPECIAL EVENTS!**

We can't give many details on the program because a universal veil of secrecy surrounds the activities planned by the ladies for us. However, we have been assured by Elsie Gatcomb and Fay Melsen, the program directors, that it will be educational, informative, colorful, dynamic, dramatic, artistic and sexy. Male participation will be limited to manual labor of stage setting and other menial chores.

We have managed to learn that the feature attraction will be a showing by Joy Spurr of her superb mushroom slide collection with recorded narration - (Roger may have had something to do with this, but we can't mention a mere husband.)

This is the last meeting until September so let's all turn out for the Fungus Follies of 1969.

And there's more --- Coffee and cookies to be served after meeting

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MAY MEETING featured a program by another of our competent husband-wife team; an excellent slide presentation by Georgia and Bob Ramsey on the genus Amanita (and aren't the nasty little things beautiful?) We are indeed fortunate in our choice of Education Chairman.

Lillian Titland had a display of mushroom ceramics - it was a miscellaneous collection and included Boletes, Chanterelles, Stropharia and many others. Lillian said she thought this might inspire others to pursue their mushroom hobbies. It looks like a lot of work and there is a great deal of pains-taking preparation, but the results are well worth it.

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Any man who thinks he is more intelligent than his wife is married to a smart woman

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COOK BOOK NEWS! -reported by Pauline Shiosaki at May meeting.

Our long awaited gourmet's masterpiece "Oft Told Mushroom Recipes" is in the process of publication and Pauline Shiosaki, our culinary specialist and editor gave us an insight on the joys of compiling this book. She pointed out that these books make excellent gifts and also urged us to take advantage of the pre-publication discount price of $3.95 (plus tax and postage makes a total of $4.38.) This is a saving of $1.00 and we're sure that if you have made a contribution to the book, you'll want your relatives and friends to see your name in print. So start making your gift list now.

In a private interview when asked about the trials and tribulations attending this project, Pauline said there weren't any; that everything went along very smoothly. We don't know whether she is unduly modest or that she wisely picked a committee that pitched in and helped. Anyhow, a salute from the entire membership to Pauline and her committee for this marvelous job.

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Inasmuch as all books have to be mailed individually, don't forget to add postage of 25¢ - also Dan Evans wants us to collect 18¢ from all sales delivered in Washington, so remember the total for each book is $4.38. Willing order takers will help you again after the meeting (thus another saving of a 6¢ stamp.)

+++ FIELD TRIP FACTS +++

The Dalles Forest Camp May 3 & 4
92 people signed in - 74 for potluck. 28 species identified

Crystal Springs Forest Camp May 17 & 18
89 folks signed in - 60 for potluck. 31 species identified

Snow conditions at Crystal Springs made a last minute change necessary.
A couple of our energetic members managed to get a permit from the Northern Pacific Railroad to set up headquarters on the Cle Elum river near Roslyn. With the nice weather we had, it turned out to be one of the best outings ever and a good time was had by all.

And WHAT a pot luck! Belts were loosened, girdles stretched to the breaking point and then we went back for seconds and desserts. Hunting was mediocre to fair, depending on the amount of energy expended. Morels were found in some quantity in the burn area but were generally small. Looks like some moisture is needed to produce a good crop. Note:- we had wood to burn - thanx.

The Nestells wish to extend their thank you's to all the members who pitched in and helped to make the outing a huge success in spite of the unavoidable shift of location. Since this was not a regular camp or picnic area we had to furnish our own tables, chairs, fire pit, etc. but all needed items appeared as if by magic from campers, trailers, out of the woods and a couple of members from Roslyn went home to bring back a large picnic table.

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The New Membership Rosters Are Ready!

Sorry... None Will Be Nailed

So Be Sure And Pick-up Your Copy At The June 9th Meeting

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Some fungi, says mycology
Can turn you on like LSD
While others, aphrodisiac
Excite the sacro-iliac
RMN (and not Richard M. Nixon)
Our last outing was near Cle Elum and some of our members from there attended and two of them, Seth and CarolColemand took Ralph and me by car up to the burn to look for morels—a few were found, but we appreciated their cooperation. In case you don’t know it, Cle Elum is very much mushroom-minded and they have a contest every year. Prizes are awarded for the largest Boletes and the contest is open to all—last year’s first prize winner was a 5 pound, 2 ounce Boletus Edulis.

To quote The Northern Kittitas County Tribune—"The Pioneer Days Mushroom Contest is on its way with the first entry received Friday May 9 by veteran mushroom picker Matt Jacinich. The weight was not disclosed by official weigher, Petere Passero——".

This contest is sponsored by the Sons of Italy Lodge and is part of the big celebration over the 4th of July. You might start making plans now to become part of this celebration of "Pioneer Days." They have a fine and colorful parade.

In April there was a change made on the masthead of the bulletin—the drawing used for that issue was made by Charlotte Pierce of Enumclaw. In May, a couple of drawings on each end were contributed by Paula Jaffe. (Sort of a combination of talents from both members.) The one being used this time is Paula’s. There have been so many compliments on this artwork, we thought you’d like to know. Glad you like it. This is another example of the talent contained within the club—if you have anything to offer, please contact any officer or member of the board. We can use you!

PUBLICITY!

George Raffanelli, Publicity Chairman is looking for help on his committee. So if you have ideas for promoting the Society and the annual exhibit, give old lonesome George a call.

At the April Board meeting, Belle Swaffield suggested that society members on field trips might be interested in some type of apparel such as berets, neckerchiefs or arm bands which could be readily recognized by other members.

And so we dedicate this little ditty

To The Belles

Four abreast, they tramp the swamps
Singing their marching song
And the pinks and blues and other hues
Flash as they splash along

No, it isn't the Chinese Drill Team
Or a battalion of Viet Congs
It's only the P. S. M. S. girls
In their mushroom club sarongs
THE PREZ SEZ:

This month I'll own thoughts by quoting the way
If you are go get a Field & Stream, and start
When harvesting summer, don't tight keeping longer
let you fill in your for this column a well known phrase -"Now that's to run a railroad" still in the dark, June issue of turn to page 34 reading
mushrooms this put them in an air-plastic bag for They'll keep many times in a low wide box so the air can circulate over and through them.

Morrie Gatcomb

Tho once we esteemed A. bisporus, Commericially grown and picked for us, We've found Cantharellus, Boletes and Morchellas, And now A. bisporus just bore us.

Ethel Dassow of Mercer Island

When we see all this talent, we wonder if there isn't a lot more lying around that we just have to dig out.

Did we mention the special pre-publication price on the cook book? If not, we will - $3.95, plus tax and postage, total of $4.38 each. Hurry! Hurry! Supplies are limited and after publication the price will be $1.00 more. Mail in your checks, marked "Cook Book" or sumthin'.

This is the last bulletin until fall; have a good summer and a pleasant vacation and you'll be reading us in September.

Oh yes, some busy members volunteered to take over the detail work of the bulletin, like typing labels, preparing envelopes, keeping the membership file up to date, mailing, etc. etc. so if you wish to donate your services to this worth-while work, call either of the Gatcombs (preferably at 6:45 A.M.-no kidding) at PR 8-4793 or the Melsens at PR 8-8191. In addition to these members we also wish to thank those who came down and helped with the mailing:- Barbara and John Lansinger, Florence Coulsey and Eunice Harris.

Do nothing yourself- then you are safe in criticizing those who do

RMN (Now this could be Richard M)