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News items, articles, ideas and criticism are solicited by your new editor, Lyle Mercer, 747 21st Ave. E., Seattle 98102, EA. 4-9258, who tips his pileus to Hildah Nolan, editor emeritus, whose unstinting assistance made the transition a pleasure.

MEMBERSHIP MEETING - 8 P.M., MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

Plan to take in an expert program on fall mushrooms at the first autumn gathering. The lecture will be illustrated with colored slides. Likely areas in which to harvest mushrooms will also be discussed according to David Schmitt, chairman of the Meeting Programs Committee.

Mushrooms brought by members will be identified and displayed before and after the meeting. Dave's Committee has lined up an enlightening series of programs for the year, including the raising of mushrooms, mountain safety and compass use, and a film on Shiitake propagation in Japan.

Membership meetings are held the second Monday of every month - except July and August - at the Eames Theatre in the Pacific Science Center, along the south side of the Seattle Center. Take the walkway above the pools and under the graceful arches.

CALENDAR THESE 1970 FALL FIELD TRIPS

Dedicated and durable Paul Nestell, chairman of the Field Trips Committee, has put together a fetching package of five fall outings. If you haven't made a field trip yet, you've missed an outstanding slice of the Society's education and camaraderie. All trips listed are overnight events for those desiring to stay. The fabulous potluck dinners will be held at 5:30 p.m. Saturdays, unless otherwise indicated at the PSMS site. PLEASE BRING WOOD for the communal fire.

- September 5-7 CLE ELUM - Fireman's Park Pavilion. Take Cle Elum exit from Freeway, turn right on second road. Note large sign - Swiftwater Recreation - cross bridge, pass Loggers' Field on left, turn left on Grant Street to the Pavilion. NOTE: This is a long Labor Day weekend field trip.
- September 19-20 SODA SPRINGS - In the Snoqualmie National Forest. Drive Highway 410 over Chinook Pass to Bumping River exit on right, go up river road five miles.
- October 3-4 DALLES - Camp is also in Snoqualmie Forest, 25 miles east of Enumclaw off Highway 410.
- October 17-18 ^{Crystal Springs} ~~PACK FOREST~~ - Take Highway 7 south from Tacoma through La Grande.
- Oct. 31-Nov. 1 LAKE ARROWHEAD - 14 miles west of Shelton.

More details on last two trips will be carried in future bulletins.

FURTHER FIELD TRIP NOTES

Henceforth persons taking part in field trips will be urged to help pay for some of the mounting expenses (e.g., the Society will have to shell out a \$50 fee for use of the Pack Forest site, possibly pay a fee at the Lake Arrowhead location). Previous costs have been paid out of the PSMS treasury. Last fall's trial of trying to collect from each car did not work well. Paul says a donation can will be available for those wishing to help. No set fee; you will be free to give whatever amount you desire.

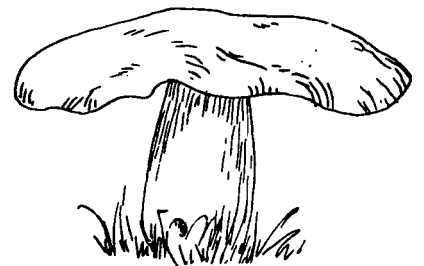
Because of our ever growing membership - now over 600 - Paul adds that we need larger shelters to accomodate our field trip turnouts. He would welcome suggestions. State parks are not considered suitable but sites such as Arrowhead are excellent.

Beginning with the Cle Elum Labor Day outing, Paul and Carol Nestell will be assisted in their labors so that they may take newcomers out on mushroom hunting forays. Temporary field trip chairmen will relieve them of work not requiring knowledge of fungus: handling of greeting and introducing folks, seeing that the register is signed, giving potluck information, etc. Ralph and Hildah Nolan are the first volunteers. Aiding them will be Carol and Seth Coleman, Mary and John Crosetto, Fred and Helen Wasson, Cle Elum; and Rex and Peggy Fay, Easton. If you are willing to assist likewise on future field trips, contact any of the above members.

REPORT ON JUNE MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Ken McLaughlin and Jack Barton of Audio Visual Associates shared their experiences via slides and narration in successfully bringing several sea otters from Alaska to the Seattle Zoo.

Filling in for ailing Fay Melson, Elsie Gatcomb presented Hildah Nolan a ceramic bowl of mushroom design in appreciation of her stellar volunteer work this past year. Let Hildah's list of citations be a reminder to the rest of us that if PSMS is to carry out its aims, members must step forward and participate: She filled and mailed all orders for our cook book for several months, worked at the annual exhibit, brought mailing and membership files up to date for this year's roster, served as chairwoman of the banquet committee and handled mailing of all tickets, worked on the election committee, nominated and campaigned for several officers and board members, wrote, edited and delivered the bulletin copy (with help from Ralph) to the printer and the Nolans also helped with the mailings.



The meeting concluded with delicious refreshments from volunteers contacted by Fay.

PAST PRESIDENT DOES HIS THING

Ralph Nolan represented the Society at the Cle Elum Pioneer Days Festival over the Fourth. Mrs. Mary Molinar, Roslyn, was crowned Mushroom Queen for her prize 4-lb. 10-Oz. Boletus edulis. In appreciation of PSMS use of city facilities during recent field trips, Ralph presented \$15 for prize money to the sponsoring Sons of Italy Lodge which was most appreciative of our interest and participation. Hildah has pictures of the event.

Morrie Gatcomb, another past president, likes his new job in Chicago. Elsie says: "We will have a commuter type marriage for a few years. Reduces the number of fights tremendously".

EDIBLE AND CHOICE

"Identifying Mushrooms in the Pacific Northwest", the fall course given by Dr. Daniel Stuntz, botany professor, leading Northwest mycologist and charter PSMS leader. His popular non-credit course is limited in size and fills up rapidly. Register early to get in. The class meets from 7 to 9:30 p.m., Mondays, October 5 through December 7. The fee is \$40. Write the Office of Continuing Studies, University of Washington, Seattle 98105 (or call 543-2140) for a copy of Spectrum (out about September 1) which contains a registration form. This is an invaluable and enjoyable course for budding mycologists.

RESUME OF JUNE BOARD MEETING

- * President Robert Ramsey, 21 board members and two guests present at retreat sessions.
- * Memorial donation made in honor of the late Joe Deyling, former bulletin editor.
- * Treasurer Fred Wasson reported a balance of \$4,041.73.
- * Board approved various repairs and additions to the PSMS field trip trailer.
- * Items discussed included book sales, colored prints for PACIFIC SEARCH, PSMS properties, planning for the annual banquet and member education programs.

PUBLICATIONS PSMS Membership Roster - you can get your copy by writing Fay Melsen, 23106 58th Ave. W., Mountlake Terrace WA 98043.

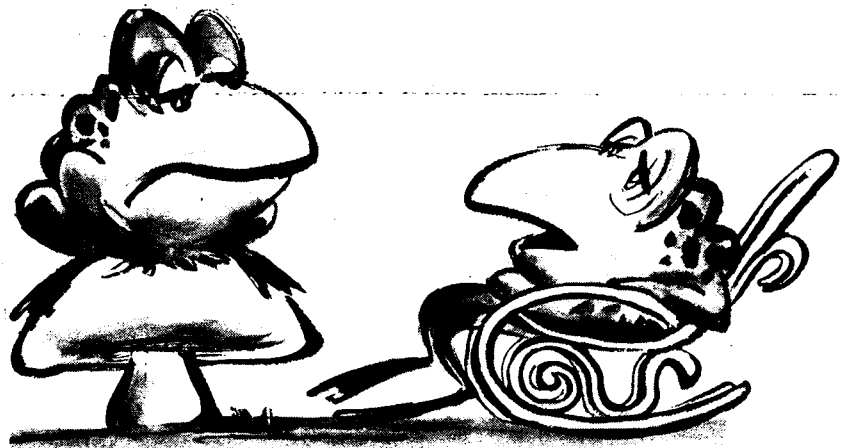
Oft Told Mushroom Recipes - Edited by Pauline Shiosaki, published by PSMS, 1969. This slow season is the time to study up on this lovingly compiled compendium of mushroom cookery. Be ready to prepare your treasures during the harvest season. Send \$5.42 for a postpaid copy, PSMS, 200 2nd N., Seattle WA 98109.

HELP WANTED

Cabinet Maker - Ben Woo has drawn up plans for a new type of dryer and is looking for someone with the talent to build it. Contact Ben or Vic Nendza.

Exhibit Hospitality Chairman - Person to host the food section for volunteer workers at the annual exhibit. Contact Vic Nendza, chairman of the Annual Exhibit Committee.

New Heading for Bulletin - Send artwork ideas to editor.



"For years I had a low-grade backache and I finally discovered it was that damn stool."

Charles and Nan Woodruff and their activities in the Bel Vu Deers Trailer Club were recently featured in the Bellevue American. Nan boosted mushrooming and the use of Chanterelles in a recipe. Charles is a former PSMS board member.

PHOTOGRAPHERS, TAKE NOTE

"I am going to try my best to work up a really useful series of educational photographs for PSMS this year, and while I doubt if anyone would practice plagiarism purposely in our group, this article will acquaint them with the facts of life in photography." -- Joy Spurr, Photography Chairman.

PHOTOGRAPHS AND PROPERTY RIGHTS

A recent problem with duplication of slides from our slide sets has brought attention to the matter of legal responsibility in cases where the original owner feels that he is damaged by this form of plagiarism. Several members unaware of the owner's objections, have taken a short-cut to first class photography by duplicating all or a portion of our slide sets. This act is forbidden by NAMA and can only be accomplished by contacting the owner of each slide and obtaining specific written permission.

A quick legal check revealed the following cases:

"A photographer who takes a photograph gratuitously, for his own benefit and at his own expense, is the owner of the negative (original) and has the right to make, sell, or use copies therefrom." Lumiere v. Pathe Exchange, 275, Fed. 550.

"A photographer may acquire a property right in photographs, and may transfer or assign such rights to another." Luray Caverns Co. v. Kauffman 112 VA 725, 72 SE 709.

"The wrongful making or use of the copies of a photograph may render the photographer or person making the wrongful use liable for damages." Douglas v. Stokes, 149 Ky. 506, 149 SW 849, 19 Am. Law Reports 953.

NAMA therefore asks all photographers and viewers of its slide sets to refrain from making any duplicates of any slides without the full knowledge and written consent of the original owner of each slide or photograph so duplicated.

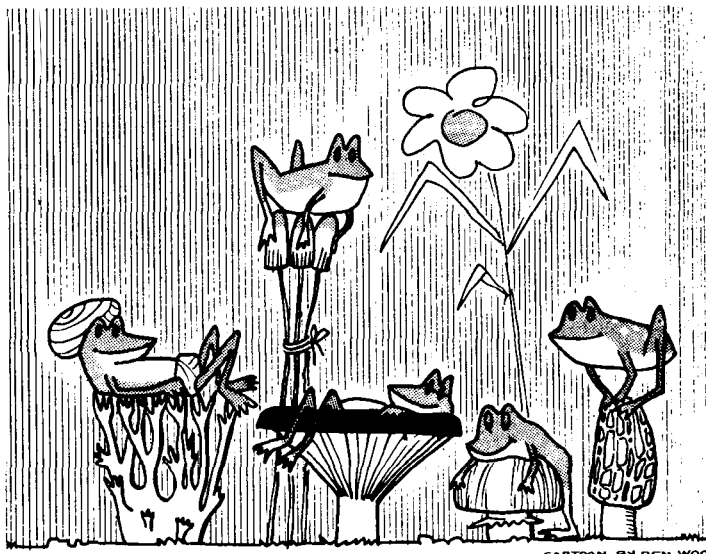
-- The Mycophile, June, 1970

EXCERPT FROM "MUSHROOMS OR TOADSTOOLS? AN AMATEUR STUDY OF FUNGI" BY BENJAMIN WOO

"In our Puget Sound flora of about 2500 species of fleshy fungi, we could construct a rough edibility chart as follows:

EDIBILITY	Approx. No. of Species
Edible and very good	30
Edible and fair	200
Edible but poor	300
Inedible, unpalatable, or unknown	1700
Poisonous to some degree	250
Poisonous and dangerous	20

These diagnoses can be only approximate, since at the edible end of the chart, personal preferences and cultural values play a large part, while among the poisonous species, some are eaten regularly by many people without ill effect."



Ben's full article available from PACIFIC SEARCH, 200 2nd Ave. N., Seattle WA 98109, for 15¢. Annual sub (10 issues), \$3.50.