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CALENDAR

Nov. 8  Annual Exhibit debriefing, Joanne Young's,
1916 N. 49th Street, Seattle, 7:00 p.m.
Nov. 9  Membership meeting, 7:30 p.m., CUH
Nov. 15 Board meeting, 7:30 p.m., CUH
Nov. 17 Cultivation Group meeting, 7:30 p.m., CUH
Nov. 26  Spore Prints deadline

CULTIVATION GROUP

Lynn Phillips

Because of gross contamination in morel cultures, the
November meeting date and place have been changed.
The group will gather at CUH at 7:30 p.m., Wednesday,
November 17, to watch a videotaped lecture on cultivation
and discuss morel cultivation techniques.

The Cultivation Group would like to thank all of its
members who set up and staffed the display at the An­
ual Exhibit, particularly Sue Murosako, who volunteered
to coordinate the event. Special thanks to Mike Hess,
who single-handedly brought over, set up, and manned
the cultivation display at the recent NAMA Foray at Fort
Worden. It is rumored that he also stayed up all
night transferring cultures donated by Fungi Perfecti.
Good job, Mike! Hope you got some morel culture; we
could sure use some.

Mushroom Missionaries:  Patrice Benson gave mushroom
lectures at Clark and Madrona elementary schools, a
class at the Everyday Gourmet, and a slide show and
lecture to the Food Group of Washington; she also led a
foray for the Virginia Mason Wildflower Group. Joy
Spurr gave a talk September 22 to the Mason Valley
Garden Club, October 2 at the Ocean Shores Interpretive
Center, October 26 at the Elder Hostel at Lake Quinault
Lodge, and October 27 to the West Seattle Garden Club.
Denis Benjamin talked to the Snohomish Myco. Soc.

Membership Meeting

Tuesday, November 9, at 7:30 p.m. at the Center for
Urban Horticulture, 3501 N.E. 41st Street, Seattle

The November speaker will be Lloyd Zook, mushroom
buyer and exporter and president of Golden Pheasant

Members whose last names being with A-D are asked to
bring a plate of goodies to share with us after the
meeting.

NEW EXHIBIT CHAIR

Joanne Young has agreed to take over as Exhibit Chair
from Bruce DeLoria, who has moved to Olympia. Joanne
will be assisted by Kathleen Otwell, a new member who believes in jumping in and getting involved.

At 7:00 p.m. on Monday, November 2, there will be a
debriefing/ planning meeting for the chairs of all the show committees at Joanne's house, 1916 North 49th
Street, Seattle. Please plan to attend.

SQUIRE CREEK FIELD TRIP

Russ Kurtz

The Puget Sound Mycological Society's first field trip of
the season was held at Squire Creek Campground be­
neath White Horse Mountain near Darrington on Sat­
urday, September 8. A cool morning was followed by
clear blue skies and a warm afternoon.

Twenty-five persons signed in and dispersed in several
areas of forest. At noon we met back at the Squire
Creek shelter. Brian Luther, George Rafanelli, Bill
Bridges, and Larry Baxter were identifiers. Thirty-three
species were collected. Most people found Cantharel­
lus cibarius, some just a few, some with baskets
overflowing.

It was Brian and Pam's 19th wedding anniversary, and
they wanted to leave at 12:30 to celebrate. With many
specimens coming in, Brian was stressed trying to identi­
fy everything in rapid order. The Luthers were finally on
their way about 20 minutes late. Thank you, Brian.
Your efforts were appreciated.

After lunch, some participants took off for more collect­
ing. Others stayed to learn more about the denizens of
the forest already collected.

THE DALLES FIELD TRIP

Beth Schnarre

The weather on October 2 was gorgeous, dry and hot:
great for people, bad for fungi. Despite the drought,
the mushrooms filled two picnic tables. Identifiers Sara
Clark, Larry Baxter, Brian Luther, Dick Sieger, and
George Rafanelli were kept busy at the microscope
Brian brought along. Sixty species were identified.

There was a good turnout, including some new mush­
roomers. Kathleen Otwell, who eschews heavy lifting,
directed the loading of 600 lb of material in the back
of Dick's pickup for the exhibit. Fourteen stayed for the
potluck.

Fungus grows slowly

In harmony with the tree
Constant companion

—Patrice Benson
DANIEL E. STUNTZ MEMORIAL FORAY
Fort Worden State Park
Planning for the 1993 NAMA Foray started 3 years ago. Adjustments continued up through almost the last minute. About 50 PSMS members helped out at Fort Worden, from delivering supplies to conducting workshops.

Foray Chair
Dennis Bowman in a typical moment of controlled panic (oops, opportunity)

Colleen Holsapple, Bill Bridges, Dick Sieger, and Dennis Bowman—more "opportunities"

Kathreen Otwell distributing chocolate mushrooms

Foray Chair Dennis Bowman in a typical moment of controlled panic (oops, opportunity)

Marilyn Droge and Joanne Young (PSMS) and Lela Thurow (Michigan) displaying their wares

Michelle Seidl, Foray Mycologist Joseph Ammirati, and mycologist Scott Redhead at work, putting their reputations on the line with every identification

Penny Green (Alaska) and Kathi Marlowe (PSMS) helping with registration

Transportation Chair Mary Lynch returning with a group from Wolf Creek

Three to four guided field trips each day, some as far away as the Hoh Rain Forest and Lake Ozette, ensured people found some mushrooms.

Frances Ikeda vacuuming the USO building after the mushrooms hit the dumpster

Socializing is an important ingredient of every foray.

To a successful foray!

Foray Chair
Dennis Bowman, caught in a suit
NAMA DUES

Steve Trudell

It's dues time again! Because we are an "affiliated club," PSMS members can join NAMA at a discounted rate. To renew your existing NAMA membership or become a new member, you need to

2. Send me a check for $12 (20% off the normal $15 rate), made payable to "NAMA."

It's as simple as that. I'll take care of forwarding all the memberships to NAMA. If you have any questions about NAMA or how to join, feel free to call me at 721-0552.

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THANKS FOR THE MICROSCOPES

Not content with restoring our supply of compound microscopes, Russ Parker has saved three dissecting scopes from the salvage yard, and restored them to factory specs; he is also continuing to refurbish others. When people wanted 14 microscopes for classes at the NAMA Foray, we were able to supply them—thanks to Russ and his assistants. Lyle McKnight machined adapters for the lighting and machined the stages to receive adjustable slide holders. Mike Hess built some beautiful boxes to house our microscopes. We'll show them off at the next meeting.

PSMS is extremely lucky to have a certified technician like Russ who is willing to contribute his expertise. Money couldn't buy this service, especially since he has his friends scrounging the West Coast for parts.

Russ plans to give some classes in microscope maintenance to make sure his efforts aren't wasted.

MUSHROOM PIE

Linda Nadir

1 C long grain rice
Large onion
3-4 sage leaves
10 TBS butter
18 mushroom caps, any kind
(1/2 lb ground chicken
enough to line a pie pan)
Salt and pepper to taste

Boil rice. Chop onion and sage and cook in 1/3 of butter along with ground chicken or turkey. Put aside turkey mix and rice. Butter bottom of pie pan. Put in 1/2 of the mushroom caps, gill side up. Scatter stems over that. Put in 1/2 the rice, then 1/2 the turkey mixture. Add another layer of mushrooms, of rice, and turkey mixture. Slice hard boiled eggs and put on top. Dot with butter. Put pie crust on top. Smooth raw egg over top to make it glossy. Bake at 350 F until crust is brown. Serve hot or cold. Serves eight, or 16 as an appetizer.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

Calling All Artists: It's not too soon to start thinking about what you would like to show off at our second annual PSMS Christmas art show. Details will be reported in the December Spore Prints.

Mushroom Models: Dennis Krabbenhoft (874-2382) wants to hear from crafts people and artists. He is forming a group to make latex models of spring mushrooms for the Annual Exhibit. The procedure was explained in the June 1993 Spore Prints.

Microscope Class. Judy Roger, who taught mushroom microscopy at our spring foray, will lead two day-long classes this winter. Graduates will be certified to use the society's scopes. Look for details next month.

Congratulations: Carl and Betty Hermanson celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on November 7th.

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