

SPORE PRINTS

Puget Sound
Mycological
Society

200-2nd North
Seattle Wa
98109

-Meets SECOND MONDAY of every
month, except July & August
Eames Theater-Pacific Science
Center 8:00 P.M.-

IDENTIFICATION SESSIONS BEFORE AND AFTER MEETINGS

NOVEMBER MEETING
NOV. 10, 8:00 PM

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PROGRAM- Will include a demonstration by
President Gatcomb on "Survival in
the Woods" (Provided he doesn't get
lost on the way to the theatre.)
In addition, we hope to have a slide show and dis-
cussion on the genus *Agaricus* by
Paul Nestell

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OCTOBER MEETING Featured an illustrated lecture on
Puffballs by Bob Ramsey, Educational Chairman.
This was especially interesting to the novice
(as well as the veteran) mycologists because it
was coached in language we could understand and
also just the right length of time. There were
many comments on these two features. (You did it
again, Bob)

ODDS N' ENDS

FOUND At Bainbridge Island Library, September 25th after lecture
by Dr. Stuntz - a black cuff link, Alaska diamonds. Owner
call the library at VI 2-4162



P.S. "Outdoors" is
everywhere outside
your home!

COOK BOOK - It must be the cook book of the century from the plaudits
we are receiving from far and near. We received orders from all
over the country and many repeat orders. For those that missed the
bargain the price now is \$4.95, plus 22% tax, plus 25% postage -
total of \$5.42

REPORT ON 6th ANNUAL EXHIBIT

In spite of the fact that this year has been below average in fungus production, the concerted efforts of the members made it possible to put on one of our finest exhibits. By thoroughly combing the woods from the Pacific to the Cascades and beyond we were able to display 222 species. Largest specimen brought in was a 20 pound *Herecium Weirii* found in the Wenatchee area.

Sadly we were not able to show any *Armillaria Ponderosa* until late Sunday PM when two lonely specimens were brought in from Poulsbo - which inspired our poet editor to the following:-

Please, oh please
You Japanese
Forsake your cup of sake'
On bended knee
We beg of thee
WHERE ARE THE MATSUTAKE?

Additional space made available on the balcony enabled the exhibit committee to greatly expand our book sales, memberships and arts and crafts. This appeared to be quite attractive to our guests and also helped reduce congestion in the main display area. Joy Spurr's mushroom slide show again played to S.R.O. in all 12 showings.

The back room banquet, set up by the Nendzas for the nourishment of exhibit workers operated on a continuous basis from Wednesday night 'til late Sunday night. Choice food items, mostly contributed by committee members, kept up the flagging strength of the workers and provided a respite from the hectic pace of the exhibit.

PERTINENT DATA

Paid attendance*	7,000
Book Sales	\$3,600.
Art & Craft Sales	\$ 715.
New Members	158

* Attendance figures do not include PSMS or Annual Science Center members.



HISTORICAL COMMITTEE

As our society grows in size, stature and range of activity, so do the duties of the organization as a whole. One of the things we have planned for some time is the establishment of an historical department to maintain records of our activities, mushroom finds and general mycological information.

After considerable arm twisting, we have convinced Ann Bard to accept the demanding job of society historian. Ann is asking for volunteers to help in this activity. If you feel you can contribute, give her a call - 827-1903.

PLACES WORTH VISITING

Federation Forest State Park

Located on the White River about 17 miles east of Enumclaw on State Route #410 - contains 612 acres of virgin timber, well marked nature trails and an impressive interpretive center. Excellent area for fungus study - Ranger Joe Cowan invites you to enjoy this forest primeval.

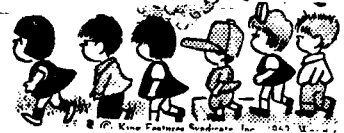
ANNOUNCING A JOYOUS EVENT!!!!!!



Carol Kottong, that efficient and pleasant gal who was in charge of the labeling is putting a new label on herself sometime between now and the month of June. It didn't take her long to know a bargain when she saw it and is now announcing her engagement to our vice president, Clarence Bates. Each of them bring three children to this union and it is a delight to see the happiness and compatibility which exists in this little group. Unfortunately we may not see as much of them as we would like because they are moving to Orcas Island where Clarence



will have his own business of building and contracting; in addition to taking care of six children and two adults, Carol is planning on setting up a business at home - bookkeeping and office services. Where she is going to get the time is a mystery, but knowing how efficiently she attacks any job she takes over, she'll manage. Good luck, Clarence and Carol-our best to all 8 of you.



REPORT ON LAST TWO FIELD TRIPS.

Oct 4/5

The Dalles-Snoqualmie Forest- Elevation 2200 feet. Ground wet from recent rains. 147 persons signed in. More than 30 did not sign in. 68 at potluck. Sun both days. Lots of Coprinus, Cantharellus clavatus, cibarius, Pleurotis porrigens, Hericium. Some Sparassis; Boletes in very short supply. Most frustrating - a large Hericium weireii on a living fir tree about 30 feet off the ground, where no one could get to it. No Armillaria ponderosa brought in nor bragged about. Wood by Bob and Bill Zimmerman and others. Specimens for Drs. Stuntz and Brady.

Oct 25/26

Masonic Park- Elevation 400 feet. 203 persons signed in, 112 at potluck dinner at about 5 PM. Mushroom slide show at 7 PM Saturday. Sunny and cold Saturday; cloudy and warmer on Sunday. Woods: wet. 170 mushrooms identified with the help of Charlie Volz. Good catches of Chanterelles, Pleurotis porrigens, Sparassis radicate, Russulas and some other edibles. Many Amanitas and other mushrooms to Dr. Stuntz by Joy Spurr. It was well publicized that non-Masons were to donate \$1.00 per car. PSMS was to collect it. A pay sheet was set up, with 55 drivers signing it to collect \$47.00 (free Masons, no doubt). 31 drivers did not sign the pay sheet nor donate. If we go to Masonic Park again, it will be necessary to man the gate ourselves. We were furnished with all the wood we could burn, electric lights, water tap at the shelter and pit toilets. There were no restrictions of hunting mushrooms in the park. A thing of beauty greeted us Friday night - Jack and Lucille Wilson of Whidbey Island had spent many hours making a spectacular showing of mushrooms, the same as at the show in their natural habitat. We never cease to wonder at the various and unusual talents which show up among our members.



It was also reported that many of the new members - most of whom signed up at the show took advantage of this last outing of the season and from all reports it was an enjoyable occasion. At this point we usually welcome our newcomers, listing names and addresses. Space does not permit this, but we do welcome you and hope you will come to the meetings and make yourselves known to us.



-and now to that delightful part of our bulletin known as

"The Prez Sez"

Congratulations to all of you professionals for making this year's exhibit a whopping success. Only the determined effort of every one of YOU who came forward to do your thing made this possible. Truly an amazing example of team work. Well-done, fellow mycologists.

Now on to the next rung of the PSMS ladder. Elsie is boasting that the membership is now over six hundred and climbing rapidly. We are somewhat like the little country town that wakes up one morning to find that the big industrial plant which moved in across the tracks has made it a large and vigorous city. However, the old town hall, two ancient councilmen and a part-time mayor are still trying to keep the explosive growth under control and headed up a worthwhile path.

I guess what I'm trying to get across real loud and clear is that with this growth comes an expansion of function. In the near future you may be asked to serve on a committee. If you want your organization to keep its growth and purpose you'll have to do your part.

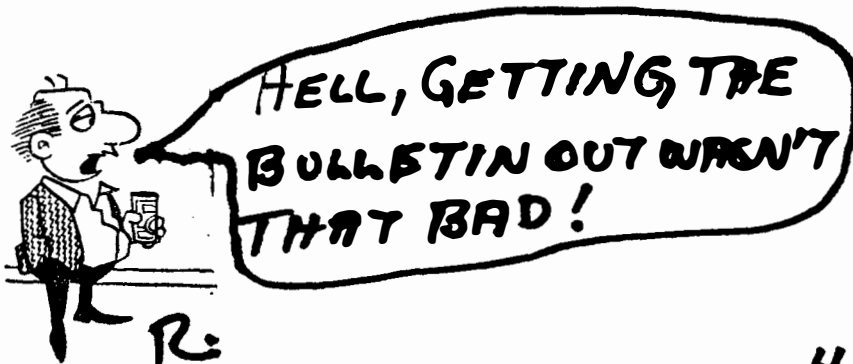


THINK ABOUT YOUR DUES!

A considerable number of members renewed their memberships at the show; in transferring the information to the membership cards it was noted that most of these joined last year as indicated by the date. At the present writing, we have a membership of 609 and that entails a great amount of work (all by volunteers) to keep the records up to date. We appreciate those who did renew at the show, but it brings to mind - don't you think we are DUE some help in this matter. If you will renew your membership right now while you think of it, it will stretch the work out a little and not make a peak labor load. It seems to have been the custom of many members to wait until just before the banquet (when the help is most overloaded) to renew. Your membership is from January 1 to December 31. We are asking, please send in that check now. All memberships not paid by December 31st will be considered delinquent and those members will receive the January bulletin as their last. Under the circumstances, we can only deduce that any who have not paid by the January meeting, do not intend to continue their membership. So mail that \$5.00 now (if you are on a student membership, it is \$2.50) You don't know how much this will be appreciated by your over-worked staff of few volunteers.

AND **DO NOT**

DELAY. It seems the bigger the club, the most work is done by the fewest number - if that is confusing, blame it on the virus.



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