

OCTOBER MEETING Monday, Oct. 9, 8 p.m. Eames Theater, Pacific Science Center.
Color film 'Growing Shitake in Japan' (22 minutes). English soundtrack.
It's the story of two young medical students in Vienna. Identification
of cadavers after the Exhibit sign-up.

We will have tables and committee chairmen for the Exhibit up front, all huckstering
for volunteers, so come and sign up to 'do your thing', or take a chance of being
drafted in the ensuing emergencies. A Hunting Area chart will be laid out, posters
will be ready for you to distribute--they are very well received by stores. (All
King County school systems and libraries have already been taken care of.) Bob
McCausland of the P.-I. designed our posters this year - they have a real flair.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT:

Dear Members: This membership meeting is the last before the exhibit. Some measure
of response has been apparent from the series of Rain Dances offered by dedicated
Society members. Most of these also take leave for several days or arrange days off
so they can hunt or work on the three days mainly concerned: Oct. 20, 21 and 22.

IT'S WORKING, TOO! Most of the people who have participated in the past
have greatly enjoyed the occasion. Most have learned
a great deal by being in proximity to the large and
varied number of species exhibited. It has even been
a favorable environment in which to become better
acquainted with fellow members and further enjoy the
personality (ies) of this Society.

We pray and dance
And chant and prance
With nary an inhibition.
Why all this pain?
To bring the rain
For the Mushroom Exhibition.
--G.R.

The Exhibit also represents the singular optimum oppor-
tunity of the Society to present and foster a public
image. It is a pleasure to note that the very favor-
able image this Society has effectively projected
is due to the unselfish dedication of its advisors,
officers, board members and membership.

COLLECTING FOR THE SHOW:

Please remember: don't pull
or break off specimens; try to
remove them with as much sub-
stratum as possible. Take
shallow cardboard boxes and
don't crowd your catch, or
they will crush. When good
moss is available, bring in
a boxful (put wax paper between
the layers).

We humbly ask that members will, as in the past,
generously offer their time and services for the
benefit of the Society.

I thank you,

George Rafanelli

REFRESHMENTS will be on hand behind the scenes for
workers--coffee, coffee, COFFEE, and marvelous tidbits
brought from home--last year I rejoiced at homemade

bread with a cheddar spread that was outstanding, both made by Lois Ohlson, and your
choice of sandwiches, cookies, cakes, pickles, the works, and boy was it welcome!
Please volunteer in droves to help Pauline Shiosaki, Hospitality Chairman, both behind
and in front of the scenes. You don't have to be able to identify mushrooms--if you
can identify Dr. Stuntz, Charles Volz, George R, and the many other experts.

AND REMEMBER THIS, TOO: PSMS members coming to the show through the front door of
Eames will need to be authenticated at the door from the latest roster. Tell the
guard or the cashier--final arrangements aren't final yet.

BOARD NOTES: Moved, seconded and passed with acclaim: that Charles Volz, immediate
past president, become an Honorary Member for life (in accordance with the bylaws).
Charlie says this honor greeted him on the 15th anniversary of his 39th birthday.

OUR SWINGING SUNSHINE COMMITTEE: Last summer Miss Margaret McKenney, Official Den Mother of PSMS, was visited in Olympia by Dr. Dan Stuntz, George Rafanelli and Tom Imori. She was presented with a framed membership certificate from the Society in formal, highflown language. She loved it; the fellows enjoyed themselves.

FIRST THINGS FIRST: Last month a field trip date got left out and it comes this weekend: October 7/8 - Dalles Forest Camp, 25 miles east of Enumclaw (a great movie title: "East of Enumclaw", starring those two gorgeous girls, Raquel Welch and Lassie) on Hiway 410. Meet at shelter at 4 p.m. Saturday for identification session. Potluck at 6; friendship fire after. PLEASE BRING DRY WOOD.

Oct. 20/21/22: Show hunt and show. See elsewhere for exhortations.

Oct. 28/29: Society-Wide Annual Fall Hunt. REPEAT: CLAM & OYSTER FEED by Nimrod Club of Shelton at Schafer State Park located 26 miles west of Olympia on 410. Turn north at Satsop. FEED is \$3 per person; reservations to be in by Oct. 9 at latest (you can bring to meeting). Actual date of feed is Saturday 10/29 at NOON. As I said before, no price is made for children, but most kids don't care for clams and oysters that much--bring peanutbutter.

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POESY, hey!

C. sudorifica

Tastes terrifica

While you perspire

And salivate:

!! Horrifica !!

--Ron Requa, from personal
experience

OREGON MUSHROOM SHOW OPENS Oct. 8 at 12 noon, Arend Auditorium in the new wing of the Oregon Museum of Science and Industry, 4015 S.W. Canyon Rd., Portland. This Myco Society is maybe 25 years old and has had shows for maybe 18 years; it would be a study in similarities and contrasts. Let me know, somebody, if you...

Elsie Burkman is in Fairbanks, having a wonderful time, but when doesn't she? She'll be back for the show.

HISTORICAL NOTES: 9/16-17 Field Trip - Paul Nestell reports 29 people, 36 species.

HYSTERICAL HISTORICAL NOTES: Sept. 29/Oct. 1, Crystal Springs, 87 people, 65 species; one very rare Amanita Spreta identified by Dr. Stuntz; Paul Nestell took him all the interesting ones.

INCIDENTALLY, and sadly, Paul and Carol Nestell have moved to Olympia, but will be active in the show and field tripping. Their new address: Space 40, 4500 Martin Way, Olympia. PHONE: 943-1838.

At this Crystal Springs hunt we were joined by members of the Audubon Society, and a camera crew from KOMO TV to immortalize the wonderful world of mushroomers. Their intent is to laugh with us, rather than at us (they said), and the results of their day will be shown on some Thursday night at 10:30 on "Spectrum". It will be a 3-5 minute segment, and you may have to wait through 20 or so minutes of documentary on unimportant subjects first.

(The lady with the very short uncombed hair is me, Connie Young. (Connie Wood has naturally curly hair. Connie Wheeler is more petite.))

Mrs. Steve Fisher, riding on the front fender of their vehicle, spotted boletus edulis for Steve, driving. (Sounds like there's some San Juan rabbit-hunting experience there). They found two big, beautiful, blond edulis, and Steve offers to accept and process any edulis you may wish to dispose of.

KOMO TV Reporter and organizer Bill Brubaker (visible in civilized clothing nightly on 11 p.m. news--you think mushroomers wear funny hats, you should have seen his), and cameraman Pat May and his wife Mari came to share hilarity and a picnic lunch with us. They was some well-chosen white wine to go with the fried chicken. It's called freedom of the press.

Don Duncan had an article on the hunt in the Oct. 2 TIMES. Bea Donovan will be interviewing George Rafanelli on KING TV TELESCOPE sometime before the Exhibit.

PHOTOGRAPHERS: A request from Dr. Dick Black: We are advancing in our aim of accumulating a comprehensive color slide file on fungi of the Pacific Northwest. Will you mail as many slides as possible to Dr. Black, 9818 - 38th N.E., Seattle 98115 (or bring to Oct. 9 meeting). If you want them back, write your name & address on each: we will duplicate and return. If you wish to donate, scratch your name off, if it's on, and we'll add them to the collection. Sending your slides for duplication implies that we have your consent to make use of them as the Society sees need. And thank you.

FAT-HEADED FAKELORE about fungi is sought by me (C.Y.)--does anybody have any besides the "silver spoon nonsense"?

Will anyone seeing any mention of our Myco Society activities any place at all, please save the item, with date and publication noted, and send to the office? We are keeping a big brown scrapbook as a legacy and warning to future officers and members.

WE NEED A, UH, MECHANICAL MAN OR WOMAN to go down to the Science Center for a couple of days, or perhaps only an afternoon, and be trained to operate the projector there, so we have an operator available when we need one. It would only be once or twice a year when we show a movie. Call George Rafanelli, RO 7-4408.

A COPY OF BULLETIN NO. 2 came in from Florence Tsukui, thank you so much. NOW, what I would really love to get is recipes from members. For instance, Albertina Parisio said "We always saute mushrooms in butter with garlic and fresh parsley." I hadn't thot of parsley, even tho I use it a lot. Either drop me a postcard with your recipes or call me up--I take short-hand. No novels or autobiographies accepted over the phone. --CY

THERE'S A TIME TO LIVE AND A TIME TO DRY: Paul Nestell points out a very handy compact dryer design that appeared in July, 1965 SUNSET. It was designed for fruit, but works for mushrooms, too. The magazine would be available a most public libraries.

RUTH BELL has turned up a book that covers growing of shitake (we'll know quite a bit about that after Monday night), padi straw mushrooms (hah?) and MORELS - potential cultivation, it says. "Mushrooms and Truffles: Botany, Cultivation and Utilization," by R. Singer, Ph.D., Dr. Bio. Sc., USSR, formerly Acting Director, Farlow Herbarium, Harvard University. (That word utilization sure takes the romance out of a gourmet treat, don't it?) Ruth adds that the book has a 14-page small-print glossary, 13½-page bibliography, 32 plates, and costs a mere \$10.25. Cheap for a potential morel machine.

MUSHROOMANIA: In a for-then (1940) sophisticated detective story by Elliot Paul, "Mayhem in B-Flat", in which musicians, murderers, sailors, thieves, cowgirls and good guys dash all over France, it is revealed that some of the mysterious murders were committed by arranging for the victims to be bitten by tarantulas (not poisonous themselves) that had been fed (listen closely now) crickets that had been fed Amanita Verna, for heaven's sake!

MYCO MEETINGS* ARE SECOND MONDAYS. Please be reminded that anyone wishing to distribute material of other organizations is asked to submit it first to the Board meeting, as a matter of courtesy. Board meetings are held two weeks before member meetings. The next one will be Oct. 23, unless the Board is laid flat by the show, which could happen.

FRIENDS, you couldn't possibly be any sicker of this goldenrod color paper than I am. I hated it when I was five, and why I bought a case for the Bulletin I do not remember nor understand. Next month we'll have a change.

I'd like some various size cartoons-- I may have time to try something a little different. No bigger than 1/4 page, I think, and some small spots as well. Mail to me soon? please.

On with the Show...

Connie Young, editor