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NOVEMBER MEETING - November 11, Bames Theater, Pacific Science Center.

Brock Evans from Washington Environmental Center
will talk on "What Will Washington State be Like
in 1976?" ****

Maurie Gatscomb will discuss more mushroom areas
(and 1f you didn't get the locations given at the
last meeting THIS time do as you'me told and bring
pen and paper.)

FOLLOWED by Slide Show - "Fall Mushrooms". Photography Chairman, Harold Heterline - Commentator,
George Rafanelli.
At the November meeting the winner of the \$750
scholarship donated by PSMS will be announced and
introduced.

After the meeting plans will be discussed for
evacuation to Hudson Bay area.

BOARD MEETING

- Exhibit discussed thoroughly. 6819 attended in '68. 5400 in '67. Total sales and memberships netted \$3780.29 and books accounted for \$1300 of this. Discussion of advice to give new members, which follows later on in this issue so keep reading. CLARENCE BATES was thanked for his masterful handling of chairmanship of Exhibit.

KUDOS - Ralph Nolan, President, and Clarence Bates, Chairman (see above) would like the Bulletin to thank and personally compliment all chairmen and all committees and EVERYBODY for great cooperation, and a great Exhibit. They also ask that all chairmen keep notes so that next year life will be a little easier for the next chairmen. Seems it gets a little chaotic at times.

RUTH BELL, Chairman for the Banquet asks that all donors of mushrooms notify her as to the amounts - Quarts, pints, pounds - Variety - please keep them separate - and condition - canned, frozen fresh or dried. Mail information to PSMS - 200 - 2nd N, Seattle 98109.

ADDITIONAL KUDOS - To DE. DIXIE LEE RAY for permission given Relph N. to allow a continual showing of the Slide Show put on by Joy Spurr on Sunday. Guess the crowd kept piling up outside the show so from 3PM to 5PM the slides were shown at half hour intervals.

To DR. DANIEL E. STUNTZ who always gives so lavishly of his time labeling, identifying and lugging those heavy display boxes around.

FOR SALE - Books left over from Exhibit. "Mushroom Cookery"

Members may buy at cost - \$3.00 Books will be at meetings and may be obtained from Will Lowe or Mauric Gatscomb.

ALMOST FORGOT - How many members bought books at the Exhibit? . The Board would like to know. Call us (SU 2-3732)

O. albo-violaceus
Don't smell so very gracius
Ron Requa

P. Sulfureus
Tastes delirius
Ron Requa

LOST - At Masonic Park, Granite Falls Oct 26 - A key ring in the shape of a Shamrock with a green glass stone in tenter, containing a padlock key. Finder contact Herb or Arva Burroughs - EA9-4645

PAUL NESTELL reports that there were 125 people present at the field trip on Oct 26-27 held at Masonic Park, Granite Falls. 69 were present at the potluck dinner on the 26th. Our thanks are given to Homer and Lucille Munz of Hungry Gulch Trout Farm who donated two BEAR roasts for the potluck. The Editor of the Bulletin cocked them. (Wifely comment - "Been married ALL these years and didn't know he could cook") Anyway, lots of good food, a great gang, good fire (more about THAT later) and those of you who don't believe this come along and see for yourselves.

PAUL RULE came in and cleaned up the camp completely. Incidentally we can thank Paul for the invitation to visit the Park.

There were 108 specimens identified and reports of lots of chanterelle and coprinus.

NEXT TIME BRING WOOD, YOU HEAR? Look, Paul Nestell has been asking for wood at every field trip and the response has been remarkable for its absence. Some of the members are good about this but they don't always come. Paul Rule brought his chain saw. The wood this last trip was wet. In this country it is very unusual except in the summer time to get dry wood. So IF you like warmth and fires, BRING WOOD. Those of you who wear transistor heating pads bring presto logs.

FUTURE plans are for at least one if not two field trips (winter). First is planned for the Shelton area after the holidays. A clam feed will be available, also a shelter. Announced later.

GETTING BACK TO THE WOOD - knots to you too. ANY retired member with a pickup, who is interested in picking up extra money, call or contact Paul Nestell (Tel. 491-5648) or 4500 Martin Way, Olympia Space 40, about obtaining wood for field trips.

Before our advice to the FORLORN (new members) the Editors (got that? Plural yet) of the Bulletin would like to make a few comments and observations of their own on field trips in general and the Exhibit in particular.

We have enjoyed the trips we have been on. We have been impressed with the patience Paul Nestell displays when asked for the millionth time "Whasszat huh?" And we are just thinking that SOMEDAY Paul is gonna snap. And SOMEONE is just going to stand there with a whole box of Wooley Chanterelles and Amanita's parked on his little pointy head and coming out of his ears. (That is a real polite way of putting it Joe) so why not do as Paul asks and take your specimens over to the table and identify them with the ones already identified? YOU HAVE BEEN WARNED.

AND ALSO some of us may decide that it can't be much fun for Paul and Carel to do ALL the work around camp for two days without getting out to look for mushrooms. Like making coffee, signing in new arrivals, dispensing hospitality, keeping the fire going, etc. Sure Paul and Carol get some help but it is usually the same people. How about a committee (rotating) set up? Mind you this is our idea, there haven't been any beefs from the Nestells.

RIDDLE - What's the difference between DEWS and DUES?

Ans. - DEWS come in the morning and DUES come due oncet a year.

Like now.

BEN WOO, certainly very photogenic, was interviewed before the Exhibit on Oct 18 - Channel 5. Program Telescope. PSMS members were described as sophisticated and cultured. CHEEREBERI

we thought we could write a description of the Exhibit but after typing up four single spaces pages realized that it can't be did. Not and give averybody their just dues. (There's that word again) Nowever we did see many of the young people working along with the parents. INEZ Bogdan vacuuming up leaves, CARL Mack distributing Ref. 18 material as was a cute little girl dressed in green (sorry we didn't get your name). BECKY Regeth holping Mama with the cake (her picture wasin the University Herald advertising the Exhibit) and WILL Lowes twodaughters, SHARON and VICKY helping with book sales as well as demonstrating their own creative ability with ink on canvas sketches. We realize we have missed the names of many who helped. Our apologies to those who were left out.

Anyway, the Exhibit was great, exhausting, with the workers bubbling over with vim and vigor to make it the greatest ever. Remember, next year will be another challenge so make your plans now to volunteer and get in on the fun.

OVERHEARD AND SEEN AT THE EXHIBIT

DR. RAY coming through the back door with Jacques - "Oh, yes, Jacques is a real truffle hound." HILDAH NOLAN "So are our dogs. NUFFIN but truffle."

"Huh, I'd rather have peanuts anyday." Member of committee, tired, absentmindedly replying "Most monkeys would."

"Say, I have a whole lot of funny looking things and I think they are mushrooms, They're white, powdery kind of, kind of smooth on top but I can't see anything here that looks like them. WHAT ARE THEY? Member - "Did you bring in a specimen?" "Gee, no, I thought you could just tell me."

"HEY, that sign says those are possonous. THAT's funny, we eat them all the time." Wife firmly - "Yes, Throckmorton and what's more, we have eaten them for the last time. I keep telling you it doesn't mean a thing if the slugs don't die."

PAULINE, has anyone come up with a good recipe for a mushroom hotdog? Think of the money we could make at the Exhibit.

For those of you who are gathering mushrooms for the spring orgy the following may be helpful.

HAVE PRESSURE COOKERS - WILL COOK

JESSIE MACBRIDE - Box 152, Medina - GL 4-8216

GAIL EDE - 12645 2nd Ave. S CH 2-7365 (Toll charge for some)

DOROTHY NENDZA - Bainbridge Island - VI 2-3474

JENNIE SCHMITT - 10837 ,109th Pl. 3E, Renton AL 5-5286

FEGGY DEYLING - 6731 Sycamore Ave. NW SU 2-3732 WILL TRAVEL

No pressure cooker but two willing hands for cleaning
and preparation.

ADVICE TO THE FORLORN

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Otherwise known as new members - Welcome to the PSMS. Someday there will be information available in pamphlet form (members are working on this now) but right now here are some of the things you might like to know.

Bring pen and paper to the monthly meetings. All sorts of information is given out and without equipment you miss out.

It is handy and also necessary to buy a three ring notebook for material given out at meetings which you will want to keep in a file (and not in the piano bench, for instance, it can get lost that way.)

NEVER est anything that hasn't been correctly identified as edible. And the easiest way to identify is to come on the field trips, learn and observe. Have your mushrooms identified by one of the experts. Many people think that they can identify by studying the books. It takes a long time, kids, and since there are about 2500 identified species in the Northwest plus about 2000 unidentified, and since the books don't include every member of each specie it is wise to ask. Besides you don't want to get sick now do you?

NEVER put everything in one box or bucket. You can get dead awful easy that way. Spores spread and one poisonous variety can ruin the rest of your specimens, if said specimens are edible and you trot them home to cook them. See? Like we say, DAID. Or awful damn sick, anyway.

Paul Nestell says that paper sacks are best for separation of specimens because the plastic sacks make the mushrooms sweat. However, if you get coprinus and put them in plastic sacks it is a real cheap way to make ink. Fast too. Of course you don't have anything to eat when you get home but that's life for you.

Field trips are fun. Everyone goes out on his own and starts looking. Bring your specimens back to camp for identification - refer to page 2 of this Bulletin for warning.

Join the gang for potluck dinner. Bring your own dishes, etc. Bring a goodie or two you can share with the rest. A great way to become acquainted.

And Noah, he often said to his wife When he sat down to dine, "I don't care where the water goes If it doesn't get into the wine."

G. K. Chesterton

Editorially yours,

The JoePeg Endeavors

Joe and Peg Deyling