



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 PM-

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PLEASE BRING ALL AVAILABLE SPECIMENS! !

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FEBRUARY MEETING February 9, 8:00 P.M.

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Our speaker will be Irving Clark Jr., local attorney, TV and radio personality, and a dedicated conservationist.

Mr. Clark is associated with the Washington Environmental Council and is a member of Puget Sound Mycological Society.

Morrie Gatcomb, our Prez, will report on the progress of the Society's study of the genus morchella.

NOMINATIONS- Members are asked to make nominations from the floor for 1970 officers and board of trustees. (More about this later)

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The meeting will be preceded by the scheduled Beginners Class in the Science Theatre #7 at 6:30 P.M. Please use front entrance. The subject will be "Morphology" Explanation of the visible parts of a mushroom - Ben Woo will be the speaker. Come early and get a seat.

The next session of the class will be on February 23rd when Buss Kurtz will

--Kudos to the Ramseys; -- Bob, (Educational Chairman) and Georgia, who develop and direct these classes

Because of the vast amount of information which has to be put forth in this bulletin, you will not have as many pictures as usual; we want you to read and assimilate all these words of wisdom instead of looking at pictures. If you contributed something to the bulletin and it didn't appear, it was because of this. If not too late, we'll try again.

CRAB FEED -Lake Arrowhead, put on and sponsored by the Nimrod Club. We do not have space for a full report on this event, but to those P.S.M.S. members who attended, it should be made clear that this was not one of our events. We were invited to participate by the Nimrod club and from the great crowds who showed up, they ran out of food, but anyone arriving late who was not served had their money refunded. Altho not many mushrooms were found a good time was had by all.

### JANUARY MEETING: -

featured a question and answer panel sess; with all our top experts fielding members questions on all phases of mycology

A vote of thanks to Dr. Stuntz, George Rafanelli, Ben Woo, Charley Volz and Bob Ramsey. Because of the flu bug, Paul Nestell was absent.

This type of program always seems to be popular with the members and we'll - repeat it occasionally. Before the question and answer program, an instructive talk on poison from mushrooms was given by George Rafanelli.

The meeting was preceded by the first of Education Chairman Bob Ramsey's beginners classes. Dr. Stuntz lectured on "Fungus - what is it?" and other fundamentals of mycology. More than 150 attended - there was standing room only; about 300 attended the regular meeting.

Clarence Bates, Election Chairman, requested nominations for 1970 officers and board of trustees. Elsewhere in the bulletin is published the list of nominees to date. Clarence asked every member to consider this thoughtfully and to become involved in the affairs of the society. Be sure you have permission from a member before placing his name in nomination.

Hildah Nolan, Banquet Chairman, announced that tickets would be on sale after—the meeting and a great many of you took advantage of this. We are grateful to our ticket sellers for the splendid job they did - I also love every one of you who mailed in reservations - believe it or not; not one failed to enclose a self-addressed envelope (stamped, no less). This speeds up the operation and if it continues thus, you can figure on receiving your tickets within a week or ten days from the time you mail in your reservation. There is going to be something new and different this year - door prizes, so be sure and don't lose your tickets; you may have the winning number.

We have received confirmation from Dr. Stuntz that his old friend and colleague has accepted our invitation to be the featured guest speaker He is Dr. Phineas H. Oakes, O.B.E; A.C; Ph. D; D.C; - world renowned paleo-mycologist, lecturer and author of "Fossilized Fungi", "Mushrocms of the Sahara" and "The Fabulous Fungi of the Philippines." Dr. Oakes is currently working on a grant from the Fontanelle Foundation of Physical Research on a study of the aboriginal fungi of Australia. Dr. Stuntz has assured us that this man gives a most interesting talk and we are looking forward to meeting him.

More notes on the banquet - There is a reservation slip enclosed with this bulletin; if you fill it out and mail in, your tickets will be mailed to you. However, if you plan on being at the February 9th meeting, they will again be on sale following the meeting.

Hoom - here it is:- just north of the Coliseum at
Warren avenue N & Republican street.

Date - First day of Spring, March 21, 1970
Time - Attitude Adjustment at 6:00 P.M. Banquet at 7:00 P.M.

Because this dinner is being catered by The Continental Hosts, if we want a meal that is palatable and warm, it is essential that we all be seated and ready to be served at 7:00 P.M. sharp. This is not the same as a restaurant where the kitchens are adjoining the canquet room.

Thanks for your splendid response and your cooperation in marking your entree and enclosing the return envelope. All I can say "You are the greatest"!!!! Thanks, thanks (HMN)

From the fluent pen of Gentle Best Noo -excerpt from December 1965 I and December 1967 bulletins

---"Under its Articles of Incorporation, the Society places all of its governing and policy-making powers as well as its management functions, in its officers and board. At the present time the governing body consists of the President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer together with 10 Trustees. This Board is, under normal circumstances, only controlled by the membership through selection of its members during the annual nomination and election process. It is therefore of greatest importance for members to exercise their rights of nomination and voting.

officers or trustees."

(Ed note- Ben said it better than we could; however when you make a nomination, be sure you have the consent of the nominee.)

We therefore urge you to give serious consideration to nomination of persons, not excluding yourselves, who will be assets to the Society as

The following is a list of nominees to date -NOMINATIONS WILL BE MADE FROM THE FLOOR AT THE FEBRUARY 9 MEETING -THEN NOMINATIONS WILL BE CLOSED.

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# For the Board of Trustees:-

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Dorothy Nendza
Victor Nendza
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Georgia Ramsey\*
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Charles Proctor\*
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Fay Melsen\*
Milton L Grout Claude Coffman

Howard Melsen\*
Belle Swaffield\*
Ben Woo\*
Ann Bard
Claude Dilly
Fred Wasson
Helen Wasson

VOTE! \*Board Incumbents VOTE - VOTE- VOTE

Freda Paice

-SUPPORT THE CANDIDATE OF YOUR CHOICE-



They have such refined and
delicate palates
That they can discover no one
worthy of their ballots,
And then when some one terrible
gets elected
They say, There, that's just what I
expected

---Ogden Nash

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At the January 26th board meeting, the Board authorized the purchase of a trailer for the use of the field trip chairman with the idea of equipping it with a microscope, slides, hand viewer and other items of use on the field trips

# SPECIAL NOTE: -

\_Shortly after the February 9th meeting, you will receive a ballot - special mailing. When this received, please mark and return as soon as possible. Because of the confidental nature of this, mark your envelope - ELECTRION COMMITTEE.





(Membership now is 560 as of Jan 19)

Our Prez sez: This is the last time, from this column that I'll be urging you to jo your partas an active member of the Puget Sound Mycological Society.

Last year only a few over 100 voted for the officers and trustees even though the voting population was more than three times that number. If we want an active, vigorous society, we must scout out the active diversified professionals in administration, accounting and other fields in order to have a strong working group at the helm.

As far as we can tell, this is the largest society of its kind in the world. Our membership has more than doubled this past year, going well beyond the size for hit and miss organization.

We must always be surging ahead with a program that enlightens and encourages all members at all levels in the search for a better understanding of mycology.

CAST YOUR VOTE FOR THE OFFICERS AND TRUSTEES FOR THE COMING YEAR.

# HELP WANTED

Publishers for the bulletin - we feel that jobs should be rotated each year. We took the bulletin in an emergency - only intended to issue one and were persuaded to go on. Our first issue was April 1969 - we'd like to have someone take it over this April. Think about it. As Morrie stated above, we have grown. Connie Young published this bulletin for many years - did all the typing and assembling and then mimeographed it, getting help on the mailing. By the time Joe and Peggy Deyling took it over, it had grown to the proportions that it was sent to a printer. However, the publisher was still responsible for typing labels and affixing them to envelopes and then getting help in mailing once a month. When we took it over, the mailing list was so mobile that before the labels were hardly typed, there were additions and corrections. Elsie Gatcomb took over the job of typing and correcting the labels. Howard and Fay Melsen took over the affixing of labels to envelopes. Elsie and Morrie, Howard and Fay have faithfully mailed out this bulletin each month. They are looking for replacements on the mailing job. Help on typing labels and affixing to envelopes is also being sought. If you are a typist, we can use you for typing labels; if you are not a typist, we can use you to put the labels on the envelopes. Will you help?

Ann Bard asks that you be reminded that they are still accumulating material for the historical committee. If you have any newspaper clippings, pictures, slides or the other things that have been mentioned, please bring them to meeting and either give them to Ann, or drop them in the container. Will you help?

happen if he keeps his mouth shut.

Before we but this bulletin to bed, we'd just like to add our word. It begins to sound like a broken record - that so few do so much, but

Don't be like that - instead, at the next meeting, step up and make yourself known - BE A OddE!

it becomes very much "Let George Do It"

Nothing will

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