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FIELD TRIPS

Dave Schmitt

LET'S HAVE A GOOD TURNOUT - POOL - IT! BRING A FRIEND AND/OR NEW PSMS MEMBER.

MAY 17 - 18 Camp Zanika-Lache (note change in date and place)
Travel U.S.#2 over Stevens Pass. Take the road to Lake Wenatchee (#207) and follow the Lake Wenatchee State Park signs. Shortly before the entrance to the state park turn left on South Shore Road. Watch for the Campfire Girls' sign on your right and the entrance to Camp Zanika Lache is three miles down this road. The entrance road is steep and may be muddy. If you prefer, drive about one block further on South Shore Road to the parking lot on the road. We are requested to clean up our area and pack our garbage out.

May 24-25-26 Clear Lake Fieldtrip
Clear Lake is located about 7 miles east of White
Pass on U.S. #12. Watch for mushroom signs. We
hope to find boletus edulis (which eluded us last
year). This is a beautiful area, and the weather is
usually very nice. No shelter, we'll have to put
up plastic - just in case of rain.

June 7 - 8 A bonus fieldtrip to a yet to be announced location. (Rumors say that our fieldtrip chairman is scouting a large burn in a higher elevation.)

PROGRAM FOR THE EDUCATIONAL FIELDTRIP TO CAMP ZANIKA - LACHE Judy Roger

PSMS members will hunt fungi (hopefully morels) on Saturday. After returning to camp, identify your find (with or without help).

Around 5:30 pm a potluck supper will be held. The dining area is outdoors with a roof. PSMS can have limited use of the kitchen facilities.

After the potluck there will be short slide presentations by Brian Luther on Wood Destroying Fungi. Jenny Schmitt will present the Peziza Group. Coleman Leuthy will talk about the Spring Fruiting Mushrooms of the Lake Wenatchee Area. George Rafanelli's topic will be Spring Boletes.

The program will be approximately one and one-half hours long, so that a return trip to Seattle on Saturday evening is still possible.

BOOKS REVIEWED AT APRIL MEETING Jennie Schmitt

Morten Longe & Bayard Hora, A Guide To Mushrooms and Toadstools, published by E.P. Dutton & Co., Inc.

Alexander H. Smith, The Mushroom Hunters Field Guide, published by the University of Michigan Press, Ann Arbor.

Clyde M. Christensen, (two books) Common Edible Mushrooms; and Common Fleshy Funai, published by Burgess

Publishing Co., 426 South 6th St., Minneapolis, Mn. 55415.

PROFILE OF OUR FIELDTRIP CHAIRMAN "EMERITUS" H.R.H.

Martin Hansen was born in Seattle, but spent most of his boyhood on Vashon Island where he attended Columbia School, He graduated from Bremerton Highschool. Since Martin has retired from his machinist job at the Puget Sound Naval Shipyard in Bremerton, he is doing all the things he likes to do. For the past 3 years he was our fieldtrip chairman. He found most of the lovely campgrounds where there was the possibility to spy fungi. It was equally im-



portant that the campgrounds have a shelter so that we can have our delicious potlucks. However, the TIMING of the field trips was Martin's most taxing job. Since PSMS communicates with all of its members only once a month (because not every member attends the membership meetings), the dates for the field trips have to be set as much as 6 weeks in advance. A lot of weather conditions can occur in 6 weeks. He missed a few times, but was correct more often than not. Besides mushroom hunting, Martin and Estella enjoy boating, hiking, traveling, and clamming. I wonder if Martin picked many fungi when he hiked from Skykomish to Monte Christo, or Salmon La Sac to Alpental; or Dosewallip River to Lake Quinault? In their traveling the Hansens have visited the birthplace of Martin's parents in Oslo, Norway. In Hawaii, Estella nearly lost him to all the pretty hula girls. They also visited the Caribbean Islands (I guess Martin likes islands). After Martin had outfitted their Dodge van they traveled all over Mexico, Mexico City, Vera Cruz, Mazatlan... Right now the Hansens are attending the Master Gardener Program sponsored by the King County Extension Service, and they will serve at garden clinics this spring and summer. What will they be doing next? I hope that PSMS will continue to benefit from their experience and knowledge in accurately prognosticating the prime fruiting time of the wily, wild mushrooms. Monte and I wish to personally thank the Hansens for what they have done for PSMS. We well remember the personal attention we received as newcomers.



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CALENDAR

May 12, Monday, Membership Meeting, 8:00 pm

May 17 – 18 Educational Fieldtrip to Camp Zanika-Lache on Lake Wenatchee

May 19 Board Meeting

May 23 Actual Deadline for Spore Print Material. Send all art work, articles, and photos to the Editor, % 4029 E.Madison, Seattle, Wa., 98102

May 24 - 25 - 26 Fieldtrip to Clear Lake

June 7 – 8 tentative fieldtrip to a location yet to be announced.

June 9 Monday, Membership Meeting, 8:00 pm

REMINDER ABOUT REGISTRATIONS FOR CISPUS II FORAY

to Cartha

Membership Meeting

Monday, May 12, 1975, 8:00 pm, Eames Theater Pacific Science Center.

<u>Program:</u> Fred Van DeBoart, who has just completed his Ph.D. in Mycology at the U. of W. will talk about the genus Coprinus, the topic of his dissertation.

Tony Thorn, Fermentation Biochemist at the Rainier Brewing Company, will talk about Fungi and Beer Production.

BOARD NEWS

H.R.H.

The newly elected officers and board (dutifully rostered in the insert on this page) took office with the April board meeting. The meeting was chaired by Vice-President Scott Chilton since our president unexpectly had to go to Alaska. The first order of business consisted of the reports from the various committee heads.

The Educational Committee discussed the coming Educational Fieldtrip to Zanika – Lache Camp on May 17–18 (Note the change of date and place). The new date was chosen since the heavy snowfall and cold spring have slowed down the growth of fungi.

Some time was devoted toward finalizing the Cispus II Foray next October. Note that the fees printed in last month's Spore Prints as well as the registration form apply PER PERSON (i.e. Registration Fee of \$5 per person and Full Fee of \$17 per person).

Monte Hendrickson suggested to the board that Spore Prints in the future include more educational material, and asked the Educational Committee to furnish an article for each issue.

CORRESPONDENCE

The following letter was received from the Pacific Science Center Foundation:

Dear Milton:

We are very happy once again to receive your generous contribution of \$1,000 to the Pacific Science Center Foundation. Thank you for your continuing support.

You may be interested to know that, as a result of our long and happy association with the Puget Sound Mycological Society, we are now beginning to actively seek other amateur scientific and cultural organizations with whom we can develop similar ties. One very successful example of this is our association with members of the local model railroad clubs, which resulted in a Model Railroad Weekend show last November. This show was so successful that we almost beat the attendance record of the 1970 Mushroom Show. This is an example of one of the many ways in which your continued support of the Pacific Science Center is having profound effects on our programs and activities. The staff and the trustees of the Science Center look forward to a continuing happy relationship.

Sincerely, James R.Backstrom, Director

MAGAZINE: The March 1975 issue of Scientific American contains an excellent article by Walter Litten entitled: The Most Poisonous Mushrooms. It might well be the most comprehensive article on phalloidin-type poisonings published to date. Price: \$1,25.