



PIKES PEAK MYCOLOGICAL SOCIETY
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Well, the weather looks perfect for bringing out those fall mushrooms - and just in time for this weekend's foray to support the Mushroom Fair in Denver. In case you've forgotten since the last newsletter, I'll remind you. This Saturday, August 18, we're going to have a foray. Meet at 9 AM at the Red Rocks Canyon East shopping center just west of the intersection of Colorado Avenue and 31st Street. Depending on the number of people who come, we may split into different groups to cover as large an area as possible. Tentative plans are to send groups onto Gold Camp Road, Emerald Valley, Rampart Range Road, and Pikes Peak, but it will take a good attendance in order to get to all of these places and find mushrooms. They're out there just waiting for us to come get them.

The purpose of this foray, of course, is to support the Colorado Mushroom Fair in Denver on Sunday, August 19th. The information about it is on the enclosed flyer. Note that Dr. Smith is going to be the official identifier at the fair. Just to see him in action should be worth the trip alone! If you would like to car pool up with our specimens from the foray, meet at 8:30 AM at the Convention Center (the old Dutchman restaurant, if you've been a resident for a while), east of the Sheraton Motor Inn at the intersection of Academy Blvd. and I-25. If you can't make the foray or fair, go to your favorite spot on Saturday and call me at 495-4067 and I'll try to arrange transportation for your mushrooms to Denver on Sunday. Dennis Richards, the foray coordinator for the Fair, would like our specimens marked as being from Colorado Springs (on the bags) with 7 or 8 specimens of each mushroom - young as well as old, if possible. I hope to see you all on Saturday and Sunday.

I hope you all noticed the logo on the top of the newsletter. It was done by Red Klekacz, a recently-joined club member. It will appear all over before long. Our membership cards should be available soon and Sue and I will have our PPMS T-shirts on for the foray and the Fair, with some extras available for sale for those of you interested in having one or two (or three). Thanks, Red!

The El Paso County Park and Recreation Department has contacted us recently. They're in search of volunteers for their Naturalist Docent Program at the Solar Trails Center. Basically, they would train you to lead hikes in the area of the center. If you're interested and would like more information, call them at 471-KIDS.

Don't forget that our September meeting will be our mushroom tasting fair (September 17 - mark it on your calendar now). It will be at 7:30 PM on the Colorado College campus at Rastall Center. Start thinking now about what you would like to bring. If you're unsure about your identification abilities or otherwise unable to bring a wild mushroom dish, there's nothing wrong with good old store-bought Agaricus bisporus or other canned varieties of mushrooms - don't forget to bring your recipes, too.

Maybe Jim and Beth Watson will be back from Scotland by then and can tell us all about Scottish mushrooms. In the meantime, good mushrooming to all.

Dave
Dave Smith
President

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