



PIKES PEAK MYCOLOGICAL SOCIETY

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It looks like Fall is here and Mushroom season is winding down, but our club activities aren't - not yet, anyway. Because of the recent dry weather, followed by the cold, there won't be an organized foray this weekend. But, if you feel like going out and want some company, use your membership list and your phone to find someone to go with, and bring your specimens - cooked or otherwise - to Monday's meeting. That's right, this Monday, September 17th, is the date for our annual Mushroom Tasting Fair. It starts at 7:30 PM in Room 209 at Rastall Center on the Colorado College Campus. Unfortunately, this room doesn't have kitchen facilities, so please bring your delicacies ready to eat or bring a hot plate or electric frypan, if you have one. Also, please be certain of your identification or use commercial mushrooms from the store. Don't forget to bring a copy of your recipe and we'll put it in the next newsletter.

I'd like to welcome new members Mark & Rowenna Bloom, Sue & Bob Routh, and John & Beverly Clare to the club. Also returning as a member is Judy Urban, who decided not to leave Colorado Springs after all.

For those of you who helped at our last foray and the Denver club's Mushroom Fair, Dennis Richards sent a nice note thanking all of you for your help. I think our collections added a lot of new varieties to the specimen tables. It is kind of scary, though, to have Dr. Alexander Smith hand you a mushroom and say, "Taste this and tell me if it's bitter."

A few T-Shirts are still available and I'll be taking orders for more at the Monday meeting. The cost is \$6 for regular sizes and \$5.75 for children's sizes. It will take about the first dozen to break even, and, after that, all proceeds will go into the club treasury. If you miss the meeting, call me at 495-4067 (home) or 591-4142 (office) to order one. I'll order them next Wednesday afternoon.

The October meeting will be at Colorado College on the 15th. Tentatively, George Grimes will speak on the Gastromycetes, but I still have to get confirmation from him. This will probably be our last meeting of the year until early next Spring.

Sharpen your culinary talents and get your taste buds ready. See you Monday.

Dave

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President