PIKES PEAK MYCOLOGICAL SOCIETY NEWSLETTER MARCH 1980

I called this the March newsletter even though it's already April because it should have been done by March. I'll bet if you got one of these on time, you'd think someone else was doing it. Let's all hope that the recent snowstorms (and moisture) will encourage lots of mushrooms when it warms up.

MUSHROOM IDENTIFICATION CLASS. George Grimes will be coming back for his fourth consecutive year to teach his course in Colorado Springs. He has added the name of each mushroom to his slides - a monumental task, but really helpful in learning identification. Details of the course are on the attached flyer. If you know of anyone who wants to take the course, have them come register at the first session.

NEW OFFICERS. According to the club's by-laws, elections take place at the annual meeting in April. I am pleased to present the following nominations for club officers for 1980: President - Judy Urban

Vice-President- Bea Lyon

Secretary - Nannie Lee Griffith

Treasurer - Verna Bowlby

Additional nominations will be accepted at the meeting and a vote will be taken. New officers will take charge at the May meeting.

MEETING - APRIL 5. In addition to elections, there will be a slide and tape program from NAMA on "Mushroom Photography". If I can set it up, the program uses two projectors to show the do's and don't's of mushroom photography. It will be at 7:30 pm, Monday, April 5, in Room 208, Rastall Center, on the Colorado College campus, on the northwest corner of Cascade and Cache La Poudre.

MEMBERSHIP CARDS. If your membership cards aren't included with this newsletter, then, alas, this will be your last newsletter because you aren't on our membership list. Just \$5 for a family membership. Send it to Verna Bowlby, 105 Williams, Colorado Springs, CO 80905 or to me, Dave Smith, 10565 Burgess Rd., Colorado Springs, CO 80908. If you need additional membership cards for other members of your family, please let me know.

QUESTIONNAIRE. Thanks for the tremendous response on the questionnaires. They were the basis for the nomination of officers and I will pass them on to the new officers for their use in planning programs for the coming year. Some unexpected information also came from them - Barb Laura (for those of you who were members two years ago) has returned from Hawaii and is back in Colorado Springs for at least another mushroom season. It's good to have you back, Barb!

ROCKY MOUNTAIN MUSHROOM CONFERENCE. Formerly called the Aspen Mushroom Conference, this week-long gathering will be held August 10-15, 1980, in Snowmass, Colorado. I have brochures with a schedule of events, classes, fees, and other information. They will be available at the meeting Monday night.

TALKS TO OTHER GROUPS. One of the suggestions we got this year was to set up a short program on mushrooms that could be given to interested groups on request. It seems the request came before the program, so I will be giving a talk to the Pikes Peak Garden Club on Tuesday, April 6. If anyone has any suggestions or slides that might be borrowed to set up a permanent program for the club's use, please let me know.

T-SHIRTS. If anyone would like to order club T-Shirts, they are still available at \$6 each (\$5.75 for children's sizes). I'll send the order in when we have at least six ordered.

Just a quick question - Does anyone have a good name for our NEWSLETTER. newsletter?

NEWSPAPER ARTICLE. The Colorado Springs Sun is still anxiously awaiting publication of their article on mushrooming in the Pikes Peak region. It doesn't look like we're going to be able to provide them with a real live foray anytime soon, so they are looking for some slides of mushrooms (and hunters) they can use (and return). Call me at 495-4067 or 591-4142 if you have some.

THANKS. I've really enjoyed the support of everyone in the club over the past year and have had fun during my term as president. Thanks especially to Glen, Nannie Lee, Verna, and Uwe for their participation as board members. Thanks also to Red Klekacz for designing our logo and membership cards. Finally, a big hug to Susan for putting up with my late night typing, coming up with good ideas, helping with the meetings, and for her support. Good luck to the new officers and see you all Monday.

Dave Smith

President