



SPORE-ADDICT TIMES

PIKES PEAK MYCOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF COLORADO SPRINGS AUGUST 1985 NEWSLETTER

The meeting for the month of August will be something new! The El Paso County Parks department in their recent news release has announced the presentation of several programs of specific interest to our members. By coincidence, a program entitled "The Fungus Among Us" will be presented at 8:00 FM on the night of August 24th, our regular meeting night by Mr. Ken Pals of the Parks Department. It is open to the public. We saw this as a fine opportunity to do something a little different and so we have planned to attend this program instead of the meeting at Rastall Center. A short business meeting will be held prior to the program at the Bear Creek Nature Center where the program is to be held; it will begin at our regular time of 7:30 PM. Individual reservations must be made by those planning to attend by calling 520-6387 where additional information may be obtained. Reservations should be made as soon as The Parks agency is also planning a mushroom foray open to possible. the public on Saturday August 24th to the west side of Pikes Peak, departing from the Nature Center at 7:30 AM. Reservations are required and may be made at the number above. As announced in the previous bulletin, Mike Chladek is leading the regular club foray on the same date to the Wetmore area. Choices, choices!

Mike has an excellent set of forays planned for us and if collecting continues as recent outings would indicate, we are in for a great year! The 90 degree temperatures for the first two weeks of July followed by the recent heavy rains augur well for the August-September collecting so do try to join us on the forays. Steve Stuvner from the Colorado Springs Sun will join us on the Club foray of August 17th to Horsethief Park. Please come out with us and enjoy the fine collecting in this area and demonstrate the enthusiasm of our group. Our associates in the Denver Colorado Mycological Society are holding their annual MUSHROOM FAIR the following day and will appreciate the specimens we collect. Dr. Harry Thiers will be present on the identification committee and will also present a program at the Denver meeting Monday night, the 19th.

The joint foray with the Denver club led by Art Zanon on July 27th to Michigan Creek was a great outing! The weather was superb and the collecting excellent. Frieda Davis who was the winner of the Simon and Schuster mushroom book in the raffle at the last club meeting joined the foray to exercise the book and loaded up on Flammulina velutipes. Other attendees were Dennis Craig, Don Berrigan and Noel & Genevieve Damon. Art and Gary Pickett helped the group in identifying the collections, which were specimens of Naematoloma fasiculare and capnoides, among Morchella angusticeps, Coprinus atramentarius and sterquilinus, Laccaria laccata, Hydnum imbricatum, Agaricus silvicola, Leccinum aurantiacum, Russula emetica and xerampelina, various Cortinarius including collinitus, Lactarius deliciosus and zonarius, Lyophyllum infumatum, Russula Melanoleuca melaleuca, Leucopaxillus amarus, Peziza, Hebaloma, Inocybe, Mycena, Pleurotus ostreatus, Gyromitra esculenta, Hygrophorus purpurascens, Tricholoma saponaceum, Agrocybe praecox, and Albatrellus confluens.

Dur second joint foray with Denver on August 3rd was to the Bailey Group Picnic Area. Attending were George and Frieda Davis, Don Berrigan, Mike and Jean Chladek, Liz Ras, and Noel and Genevieve Damon. While the number of specimens found was smaller than the preceeding week, more species were collected. A picnic table was solidly covered by single specimens of the various species of Clavaria, Suillus, Boletus, Lactarius, Lepista, Calvatia, Cortinarius, Armillaria, Lacaria, Mycena, Leucopaxillus, Clitocybe, Tricholoma, Russula, Pleurotus, Pholiota, and polypores. Over 50 species were collected. The picnic lunch which followed collecting was superb! Wine, various salads, barbequed beans, fresh melon (carved in the shape of a whale) deserts and perhaps the highlight provided by Liz, cucumber mousse!!!

Malfred Ferndock, Box 86, Dennison MN 55018 is compiling a morel cookbook. He will give a \$10 gift certificate and a copy or his book to anyone submitting an item on morels which he uses in the book. This may be a literary reference, recipe, poem or story. Include in any submission the author, publisher etc. and any reference or source.

Don't say Dentinum say Hydnum! In the ever-changing field of taxonomy, the genus Dentinum has gone away. No longer is it to be Dentinum repandum. If you got in the habit of using "Hydnum repandum" you will now be correct. The Dentinum species have been moved into Hydnum, but what of the Hydnum species? Well of course! They have been moved into Sarcodon. So what you say? Well Hydnum imbricatum has now become Sarcodon imbricatus that's what! If all this adds to an already confused state be at ease in that some things always stay the same, confusion, not necessarily edibility.

RECIPE CORNER...a free leaflet of mushroom recipes may be obtained by writing The American Mushroom Institute at 907 E. Baltimore Pike, Kennett Square, Pennsylvania 19348.

From the Mycological Assoc. of Washington D.C. comes a recipe by Louise Priest: MUSHROOM STUFFED EGGS

6 eggs hard boiled 3/4 cup mushrooms butter mayonnaise parsley Boil, peel and halve the eggs. Saute finely chopped mushrooms in butter. Add mushrooms to mashed egg yolks and add mayonnaise to desired consistency. Stuff whites with mixture, garnish with parsley & slice of mushroom (sauteed).

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