



## SPORE-ADDICT TIMES

### PIKES PEAK MYCOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF COLORADO SPRINGS APRIL 1988 NEWSLETTER



The first meeting of our new 1988 mycological year will take place on Monday, April 25th. Along with a new season, we will have a new meeting place and a new time schedule and meeting format. We will be meeting at Colorado College Worner Center (the old Rastall Center) in room 213 upstairs. The meeting will begin at 7:00 PM with a half hour socializing interval, followed by the business portion of the meeting to 8:00 with the program of the evening following. The program will be provided by Bill and Karen Adams from the Pueblo Mycological Society who will discourse upon early season mushrooms and their identification.

Our new officers will be in office and lead the group for the ensuing season. Dirk Baay, our new president sends "Welcome to another year of learning about mushrooms and searching for them! You know how it is when you have found good mushrooms somewhere once: you go back to the same place next year! That's the way I approach my membership in the local chapter of the Mycological Society. I found good people there to talk about mushrooms, where to find them when, how to cook them if, and whom to trust regardless! So again this year I look forward to lots of learning, good forays, and excellent company. I hope you do too. Come to this first meeting (bring your winter mushrooms) and if you have new ideas, share them."

Dues become due with the start of the new season. The Board of Directors held a meeting in March to plan for the coming year and one of the topics was the dues. The Board feels it is necessary to raise the dues for a family membership to \$10 to cover program costs, speakers' fees, postage and supplies. Members will vote on this issue at the meeting.

A proposal was made at the board meeting to develop a composite listing for our library. Members desiring to borrow a book would then contact the librarian and request a book and this would be brought to the next meeting. This would minimize the number of books that are carried to each meeting, reducing the burden on the librarian. Dennis Craig will continue to bring the books offered for sale.

Lee Barzee and Annette Campbell will be working on a new project this year: setting up an educational slide file. The file will contain slides illustrating groupings, characteristics, and variations in local mushroom species. Lee will tell us more at the meeting, but I am sure that anyone having slides they are willing to donate will be encouraged to do so and could give a boost to the project by bringing them to the meeting. The Board also discussed the possibility of making the Labor Day foray to Estes Park an annual affair. It seems that Dr. Gaptor, our contact with the Park will no longer be available to provide this service to the group and alternate arrangements will be necessary.