

**Northwest Lichenologists Newsletter**  
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If you have any thoughts or fond memories of Bruce, please submit those to Katherine Glew: kglew@u.washington.edu.

The following entries may include updated contact information for the contributor.

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Request assistance from Lichenologists

I recently happened upon the Northwest Lichenologist Newsletter website and read your most recent newsletter. I note that it provides a way to communicate with Lichenologists about a variety of subjects. Rocky Mountain National Park is trying to develop a list of the lichens known from the park, preferably those for which vouchers exist somewhere, but reliable sight identifications would also work. We have begun the effort by developing small museum collection (thank you Bob Egan), and have also started a web page (**Error! Bookmark not defined.**) and are trying to provide photos to the public to encourage their interest. We also are discussing some sort of visitor center display or presentation to get people more interested.

Given that we have so many lichens, and that they are easily observable even in winter (lots of cliff faces!), we think this might be a way to help the public enjoy the amazing diversity of our park. My disciplinary training is as a limnologist, so I am somewhat "out of my element" but trying to learn. Would it be possible to use the newsletter or some other mechanisms you may know to contact lichenologists. My request is that if lichenologists have worked the park, or just visited and observed, we would like to know what they saw, where (at least tundra, subalpine, montane if an exact location is not possible), and if there are vouchers. Also, if lichenologists deal with collections that are catalogued electronically, we would appreciate it if they would search their collections for specimens collected in the park. We would very much like to have a much more comprehensive list. Finally, if anyone would like to share photos of the species we have in the park, especially those for which photos are lacking on our web page, we would love to post them with the appropriate photo credits and copyright information.

Thank you for considering this request.

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stop me from inviting you to check your files for things that we could include in Evansia. I have about what I need for the first issue; however. Regardless, please consider sending some of your appropriate manuscripts for inclusion in future issues of Evansia this year. All I need is an MS Word document as an attachment to an email note. Thanks and take care, Larry Larry St. Clair Professor & Chair of Integrative Biology 401 Widtsoe Building Provo, UT 84602 Phone: 422-6211 Cell: 319-5093 Fax: 422-0090

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Hi Katie!

Might give an update on my new job.

Chiska Derr is now back in her homeland, Juneau, Alaska, where she is an ecologist for the National Park Service. She manages a natural resource inventory and monitoring program for the parks in Southeast Alaska: Glacier Bay National Park and Preserve, Klondike Gold Rush National Historical Park, and Sitka National Historical Park. Although the official inventory portion of the program only included vascular plants and some vertebrates, and is no longer being funded, some cryptogamic inventory work has been done. Sitka initiated a bryophyte inventory in 2004 and jplans to conduct a lichen inventory in 2005. Klondike Gold Rush is conducting a preliminary air quality and lichen inventory recon trip in 2005 (with Jim Bennett, Chiska, Linda Geiser and Meg Hahr), and will implement the study in 2006 and 2007. Glacier Bay, where Alaska-sized cyanolichens abound, has not yet initiated any recent lichen work. Chiska is also keeping busy with Forest Inventory & Analysis (FIA) lichen trainings and certifications in Southeast and Southcentral Alaska, and is looking forward to a week of helicoptering and lichen collecting on seven nunataks in Kenai Fjords and Lake Clark National Parks (Southcentral Alaska) this summer. After an incredible year living at the mouth of Glacier Bay in Gustavus (where there are only 10 miles of paved road), she's delighted to be in Juneau with a whopping 190 miles of road to bicycle on.

