

Fen Development and Paleoecology Workshops

June 28-29th (Wednesday & Thursday), Fen Development and Paleoecology Workshop Dr. Ronald B. Davis, Prof. Emeritus, University of Maine will lead a workshop on fen development and succession in fens on Grand Mesa. Various peat coring equipment will be available for viewing. The first day will be spent in a fen on Grand Mesa taking 1-2 peat cores. The 2nd day will be spent in a lab under microscopes (Mesa State College) looking at the peat samples, pollen, spores, diatoms, and whatever else we might find and estimating fen succession. Ron has 45 years of experience and teaching with various ecological and paleoecological publications. His focus has been in bog and fen hydro-geomorphic variation, distribution, and vegetation. Short amount of easy walking to get to fens. Co-sponsored by the Colorado Native Plant Society, USDA Forest Service, and Mountain Studies Institute. Limited to 6 people. Cost: \$125 which covers Ron's travel costs. For more information and/or registration contact Gay Austin at 970-641-6264 or austinaceae@frontier.net.

July 1st - 2nd (Saturday & Sunday), Fen Development and Paleoecology Workshop Dr. Ronald B. Davis, Prof. Emeritus, University of Maine will lead a workshop on fen development and succession in fens of Prospect Basin above Telluride. Ron will coordinate with Dr. David Cooper, CSU Wetland Ecologist, who has been researching fens in Prospect Basin for 6 years. Various peat coring equipment will be available for viewing. The first day will be spent in a Prospect Basin fen taking 1-2 peat cores. The 2nd day will be spent in a lab under microscopes looking at the peat samples, pollen, spores, diatoms, and whatever else we might find and estimating fen succession. Ron has 45 years of experience and teaching with various ecological and paleoecological publications. His focus has been in bog and fen hydro-geomorphic variation, distribution, and vegetation. Short amount of uphill walking required. Co-sponsored by the Colorado Native Plant Society, USDA Forest Service, and the Mountain Studies Institute. Limited to 6 people. Cost: \$125 which will help cover Ron's travel costs. For more information and/or registration contact Gay Austin at 970-641-6264 or austinaceae@frontier.net.