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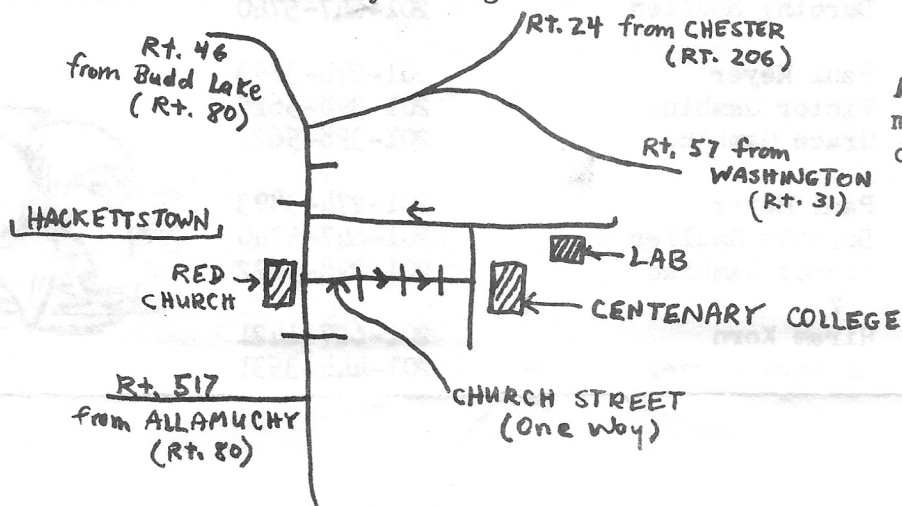
Meetings: 2nd Sunday Nov. - April 1:30 p.m.  
Morris County Outdoor Education Center,  
247 Southern Blvd., Chatham, New Jersey

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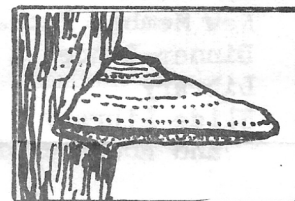
## POLYPORE WORKSHOP

**IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT** - Thanks to the assistance of a recent new member, Dr. Erica Frank of Centenary College for Women, the polypore workshop will be held in the biology lab of Centenary College, Hackettstown, April 17th, 1977. The time of the 4 hour workshop has been changed to 1:30 instead of 1:00 to allow for extra driving time, but please be prompt. Because of the increased number of microscopes, Dr. Sam Ristich has opened up the session to more members of NJMA. The first 6-8 people that call him at \_\_\_\_\_ will be accepted. Please bring specimens, and a snack for a coffee break.

Directions to Centenary College for Women - - Enter town via Rt. 46 west, 24 west, 57 east.



Ask at entrance desk at main building for directions to Biology lab.



## MEETING NOTES

A hearty THANK YOU to Dr. Gene Varney of Cook College, Rutgers, who told us about mycorrhiza at our March meeting. It is possible that 90% of vascular plants have mycorrhizal relationships. Radioactive labeled compounds have been used to trace the transport of materials from the root to the fungus. Of concern to forestry is the fact that in soil of low nutrients, seedlings of trees and some vegetables have shown increased dry weight when mycorrhiza are present. Many other facts were discussed. Those members present thoroughly enjoyed the lecture, slides and examination of fresh specimens of mycorrhiza from Dr. Varney's white pine tree.

The library has received some items through the time and effort of Robert Peabody. All the newsletters of mycological clubs that correspond with NJMA and all of NJMA's past newsletters have been photostatted and are now in the library for your examination. Our librarian, Hiram Korn, has sent me a list of the eight books the library contains. Three of these are wild plant books. Any donations will be gratefully accepted. Thanks Bob and Hiram for all your work!

Is there anyone who has a special interest in mushroom toxicology (poisons) and would like to chair this committee? A hospitality committee is also needed for the next series of winter meetings - - please volunteer.

The taxonomy group has found a permanent home! Club members at the March meeting voted to pay \$25 for a group membership to New Jersey Audubon. This enables us to use the one-room museum at the Scherman Wildlife Sanctuary, Hardscrabble Road, Bernardsville, every Tuesday night at 7:45 after a Sunday foray.

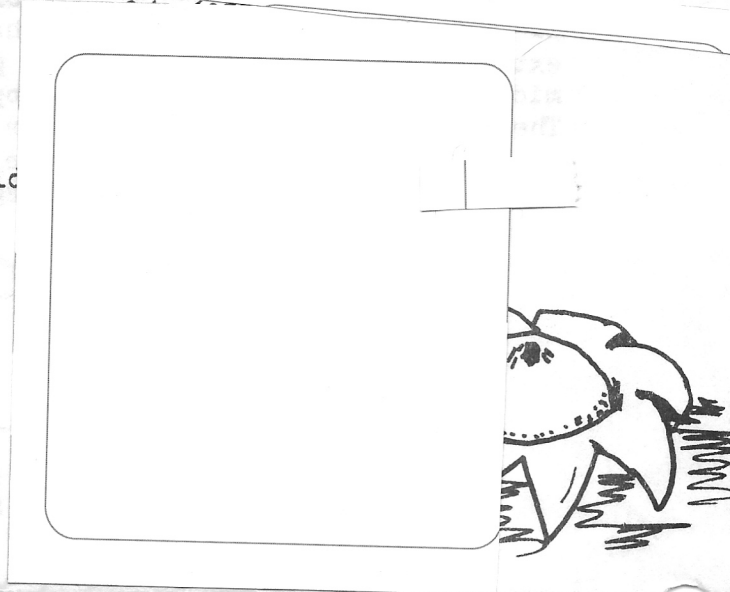
This means that the first meeting there will be Tues. night, May 3. Come early and scout the trails. The sanctuary is only two minutes from the Bernardsville exit of Rt. 287. If you like puzzles, you'll like working on taxonomic keys. Call Dorothy Smullen for information and directions. Many thanks to Anna Gerenday for her recommendation of the sanctuary.

The taxonomy group is also delighted to have received an invitation from Gary Lincoff and the N.Y.M.S. to visit (two or three at a time) the Monday evening workshops at the New York Botanical Garden.

## OFFICERS — COMMITTEES — 1977

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| Newsletter         | Dorothy Smullen                      |
| New Member Package | Victor Gambino                       |
| Dinner-Dance       | ?                                    |
| Library            | Hiram Korn                           |
| Slide Library      | Al Leyenberger                       |
| and Round Robin    |                                      |



## PUZZLE

Al Leyenberger has created an acrostic puzzle (similar to mine in Jan. issue) that includes a quotation and some definitions concerning fungi. Give me a call ( ) or drop a line to receive a copy of this fun puzzle. Al has also informed me of great news that the slide library now has close to 100 slides. Mr. H.R. Johnson of Wayne, N.J. (member of Al's photography club) has recently donated 40 slides of fungi. Thank you Mr. Johnson -- I can't wait to see them.

## DIRECTIONS

MOREL HUNT SUNDAY, MAY 1

Help us celebrate our sixth anniversary by joining our Morel Hunt at Jenny Jump State Forest.

Driving Instructions: Take Route 80 and exit at Hope, N.J. Proceed south on Rt. 521 until the intersection of 519 and a local road towards Great Meadows. Turn left, (east) on this local road until you see the small "Jenny Jump State Forest" Sign; turn right and bear right at the fork; continue past the children's swing sets and meet at the next parking lot.

## HAIKU

Does spring bring out your creativity or would you like to be a published author? Write a Japanese Haiku about mushrooms! Haiku are three line nature poems - 1st line - five syllables

Standing still at dusk  
Listen ... in far distances  
The song of froglings!

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2nd line - seven syllables  
3rd line - five syllables

Send your poetry to the editor for publication.

## 1977 FORAY SCHEDULE

| <u>SUNDAY DATE</u> | <u>PLACE</u>   | <u>FORAY LEADER</u> |
|--------------------|--|---------------------|
| May 1              | Jenny Jump State Forest  | Beabody             |
| May 15             | Worthington State Forest   | Meyer               |
| June 12            | <i>SUNDANCE STABLES &amp; FARM</i><br>(mushrooms & wild foods-<br>foray & cooking demonstration) | Lincoff.            |
| June 17, 18, 19    | Annual weekend foray-Pocono<br>Environmental Education Center                                    | Dr. Rogerson        |
| July 10            | Echo Hill Farm.  | Espenscheid         |
| July 24            | Hacklebarney State Park  | Wanelik             |
| July 21-24         | NAMA Foray - Athens, W. Va.  |                     |
| August 14          | Lord Stirling Park   | Smullen             |
| August 28          | Mahlon Dickerson Park  | Gambino             |
| Sept. 11           | Stokes State Forest  | Turchick            |
| Sept. 16, 17, 18   | Northeast Foray - PEEC   |                     |
| Sept. 25           | The Tourne   | Macdonald           |
| Oct. 2             | Annual Picnic - Stokes State<br>Forest   | Meyer               |
| Oct 16             | Holmdel Park   | Gambino             |
| Oct 29             | Dinner Dance   |                     |
| Nov. 13            | Winter Schedule Starts   |                     |