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THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE NEW JERSEY MYCOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION

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Family: \$15.00/year  
Individual: \$10.00/year  
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Grete Turchick,

### NEWSLETTER

### DEADLINES:

Feb.10, April 10, June 10  
Aug. 10, Oct. 10, Dec. 10

## CALENDAR

- April 5-** Ecology and Phenology of Lawn Fungi  
Beginners Workshop 1:00 pm
- May 3-** First Foray - Princeton Waterworks  
(Details in next newsletter)
- June 7 -** Wild Foods Picnic and Foray  
(Details in next newsletter)
- June 19-21** PEEC Weekend (See Inside For Details)

Directions to SCEEC (**Sommerset County Park Commission Environmental Education Center 908-766-2489**). Route 287 to the North Maple Ave. Basking Ridge exit. Follow N. Maple Ave. till it bends left and becomes S. Maple Ave. in town. Follow S. Maple Ave. past the horse stable (Lord Stirling Park) until you come to Lord Stirling Rd. Make a left onto Lord Stirling Rd. (look for the sign to the Great Swamp) and follow until you come to SCEEC on the left (about a mile).

Please note all meetings start at **2:00 pm**. (Except as otherwise noted).

### ***Editor Apologizes***

I'm sorry this issue has taken so long to be written. School, work, and moving to a new house has kept me a little too busy. I'll try to do better next time.

Michael Rubin

### **Cultivation Workshop**

That's right folks it's finally going to happen. Saturday April 18th 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Yes, we know it's Passover however our options were limited. The workshop will take place at Rutgers University, Cook Campus, Martin Hall. There is a limit of 20 people. Those of you that signed up earlier will be given the first opportunity to enroll. The cost is \$5. This will include all your materials except lunch. Please bring lunch for yourself. You can sign up at the April 5 meeting or mail your money (checks payable to NJMA) to Michael Rubin,

### ***Dues are Due!!!!!!***

This is your last chance! This will be your last newsletter until NJMA receives your dues (\$10 individual, \$15 family membership). It will be a shame since the next newsletter will contain all the foray information. Send your money to Grete Turchick (address on back page). Your club thanks you for your support.

### **Mushroom Course Offered**

Night classes will be taught on the identification of Agaricales - gilled fungi - at North Hampton County Community College, Bethlehem, PA (7 miles from N.J.). The course meets on Tuesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. from 5/19/92 to 7/7/92. The course will cover 2-3 families/night and will consist of lectures, slide shows, handouts and will examine specimens brought in. If you are interested please call Joe Lankalis (instructor) at

### ***Mark Your Calendar***

The **Northeast Foray** will be held **July 23-26** in Connecticut.  
The **NAMA Foray** will be held **August 13-16** in New Mexico.  
**PEEC Weekend** will be **June 19-21**. (see details in this newsletter)  
**Telluride Mushroom Conference** **August 20-23**.

### **Colorado Mushroom Foray**

The annual Telluride Mushroom Conference will be held three days after the NAMA Foray. It will take place in Telluride an historic mining town in Colorado. This conference is set in the beautiful Rocky Mountains and will consist of daily forays and programs. If you are interested contact Fungophile, POB 480503, Denver, Colorado, 80248-0503.

## Functions of Committees and Committee Heads

**Book Sales:** Marjorie Berrien, Jim Richards

Provide for the purchase, storage, transportation, and sale of books of mycological interest at meetings of the general membership.

**Culinary:** Bob Hosh, Jim Richards

Plan dinners periodically to foster interest in the preparation of ethnic gourmet cuisine, utilizing mushrooms when appropriate.

**Cultivation:** Michael Rubin, Gene Varney

Develop mushroom cultivation workshops and programs in conjunction with the Education Committee.

**Education:** Michael Rubin

Extend the knowledge of our membership and the general public on all aspects of fungi.

Work with the Cultivation, Mycophagy, Photography, Taxonomy, and Toxicology Committees in providing educational materials and courses.

**Executive:** Gene Varney

Consists of the Officers of the Association and all Committee Chairs.

Shall convene at the request of the President to provide direction and guidance in the conduct of Association affairs.

Shall critique the present status of the group, outline priorities, discuss budgetary requirements and advise the officers in the formulation of plans to insure a healthy and vigorous organization.

**Foray:** Open

Plan and schedule a series of forays.

Provide a leader familiar with the trails for each foray.

Work with Education, Mycophagy, Taxonomy and other Committees on programs and activities in conjunction with forays.

Publish in the newsletter the foray rules and a foray schedule with detailed directions to each site.

**Hospitality:** Linda and Paul Meyer

Provide refreshments and a setting to enhance the congeniality of Association activities.

**Library:** Bruce Vansant

Maintain a lending library of books of mycological interest for the use of members and control their circulation.

Maintain a reference library of non-circulating materials.

Promote acquisition of additional materials for both libraries.

**Mycoesthetics: Open**

Develop and promote activities with a mycological theme in the areas of painting, sketching, cartooning, prose, poetry, photography (in conjunction with the Photography Committee), arts and crafts, etc.

Work with the Newsletter Editor and Publicity Committee to publicize shows of general interest to the public.

**Mycophagy: Bob Hosh and Jim Richards**

Plan and develop programs concerning selection, preparation, and preservation of edible mushrooms and an awareness of their poisonous look-alikes.

Submit material for the "Mycophagists Corner" in the newsletter.

Work with the Foray Committee in planning the Annual Picnic.

Collect recipes and publish a mushroom cookbook.

**Newsletter Editor and Staff: Michael Rubin**

Write, edit, and arrange for printing and distribution of a bimonthly newsletter to all members. The newsletter will contain notices of upcoming activities, reports on past events, information on committee activities, articles of mycological interest, educational features, recipes, and artistic work.

**Photography: Open**

Sponsor an annual photo contest in conjunction with the Mycoesthetics Committee.

Develop programs and activities of general interest to our membership and programs of specific interest to photographers.

Maintain a permanent reference library of slides and prints for use in slide shows, lectures, and educational courses.

**Program: Gene Varney**

Develop programs of mycological interest for winter meetings, weekend forays, etc.

Establish contact with professional mycologists, mycophagists, artists, and photographers, etc., with a view to providing quality presentations.

**Publicity: Dorothy Smullen and Alex Adams**

Inform the public of Association programs and activities.

Seek to promote our organization with the general public.

**Taxonomy: Dorothy Smullen**

Promote interest in and develop programs concerning the classification and morphology of fungi.

Develop, with the Education Committee, mushroom identification courses.

Establish and maintain a herbarium of New Jersey fungi.

**Toxicology: Hana Tschekunow**

Development of programs and information for our members, the New Jersey medical community, and the general public concerning poisonous mushrooms, toxins, hallucinogens, and cases of poisoning by fungi.





# NORTHEASTERN MYCOLOGICAL FORAY 1992, JULY 23--26

March 1992

Dear Fellow Mycophile(s),

Our site for this year's foray is Quinnipiac College in Hamden (Mount Carmel), Connecticut. This is a very central location so far as our member clubs are concerned and we are expecting a large turnout. We're also expecting a large turnout of 'shrooms - -since according to the *Old Farmers Almanac* -- there will be plenty of showers in Western New England between July 9 & 25.

The Quinnipiac campus is absolutely delightful -- beautiful and immaculately maintained -- but its crowning glory is its situation in the near picture-perfect surrounding countryside, including the "Sleeping Giant State Park", which is just across the street. Really! Low lying hills form the outline of a "sleeping giant" as represented in the NEMF 1992 logo above. Skillfully planned trails make it a popular hiking area. Also-

- ☛ Tower path to highest point, 739 ft. Vista
- ☛ Camping: 6 casual sites. No reservations.
- ☛ Hiking: 25-mile trail network designated a National Recreation Trail. 6-mile loop touches high points. Quinnipiac Trail extends West & links with other through trails.
- ☛ Over 1300 acres.
- ☛ Fishing: Streams, Quinnipiac River, stocked !
- ☛ Pets must be on leash and under control. No pets in campground.

But, our Field Foray Chairman, Joe Lenoce, isn't even planning a "regular" field trip to "Sleeping Giant", he has much better places in mind ! However, he does expect to have some "Walking Forays", through the park in very small groups -- perhaps 10 or 12 maximum. No bus ! --just walk across the street !

Our chief mycologist will be Dr. Allen Bessette, Professor of Biology at Utica College of Syracuse University. Our host biologist will be Dr. Dennis Opheim, Biology Professor at Quinnipiac College.

Accommodations on campus are very limited but with the help of Quinnipiac College your committee has secured additional accommodations at nearby motels to accommodate the expected NEMF registrants. The campus accommodations are in double dormitory rooms with shared bathrooms. The college can only make 76 rooms, (one complete dormitory), available to us. This dormitory can accommodate 152

registrants, (nominally), and a maximum of 172 registrants. (i.e. 20 rooms can accommodate a third party.) It is expected that the additional capacity will be occupied by couples with their children. The campus facilities do not include linens, (including pillows); --in other words, *the college furnishes mattresses only.*

The off campus accommodations have the disadvantages of requiring some travel and a somewhat higher price with the advantages of a private bathroom and motel services. The following arrangements have been made:

- HOWARD JOHNSONS - 32 each double (double queen)  
occupancy rooms -64 persons  
- 35 each single (single queen)  
occupancy rooms -35 persons
  
- DAYS STOP MOTEL - 7 each double occupancy rooms

Total pre-arranged accommodations --265-285 persons. This anticipates that approximately 60 attendees will commute for one or more days of the foray. Normal commuters include those who are camping nearby and some members of our local clubs, (Connecticut Valley & Nutmeg Mycological Societies). All of our members who live within reasonable commuting distance are encouraged to do so.

Again, all children under 6-years are free (except for any motel extras required), and children 7-12 years (bring your own sleeping bags for on-campus facilities) are at rates specified in the schedule.

We are anticipating one or more all day tours (mostly non-myco), e.g. MYSTIC SEAPORT & AQUARIUM & FRANKLIN MUSHROOM FARM. These outings are tentative, but if you have an interest please let us know on the registration form. More information will be forthcoming with your acknowledgement.

Again, planned accommodations are limited, and we will acknowledge preferences on a first received - first reserved basis. If we have an extraordinary enrollment, we will attempt to find and arrange special rates at a number of other nearby motels.

Your Registrars,

Harley & Terry Stoleson  \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*\*1992 NEMF FORAY REGISTRATION\*\*\*

All categories of registration, unless otherwise stated, include all NEM Foray scheduled activities. Linens are not included with campus room accommodations. Single rooms are only available off campus. All off campus accommodations (approx. 3 miles from campus) require car for transportation.

Foray dates July 23-26, Thursday afternoon to Sunday noon. Meals, except as noted below - Thursday dinner through Sunday breakfast.

A late fee of \$30 per person applies to all registrations received after June 23. For all cancellations received prior to July 1, we will refund all fees minus \$15 per person. Refunds after that date are improbable. Space and the specific registrant categories are limited to predetermined numbers. Early registration will assure that you are not closed out of your preferred category.

<u>TYPE</u>	<u>REGISTRANT CATEGORY</u>	<u>FEE PER PERSON</u>	<u>NO. OF PERSONS</u>	<u>SUB-TOTAL</u>
1	Commuter without meals (July 24 & 25 only)	\$95	_____	_____
2	Commuter with meals (July 24 & 25 only)	\$142	_____	_____
3	Campus accommodations (meals & dbl. room)	\$185	_____	_____
4	Motel accommodations* (meals & dbl. room)	\$220	_____	_____
5	Motel accommodations* (meals and sgl. room)	\$265	_____	_____
6	Mycological students (Sunday, July 26 only)	free	_____	_____
7	Extra night campus accommodation	\$17	_____	_____
8	Extra night motel dbl room	\$20	_____	_____
9	Extra night motel sgl room	\$35	_____	_____
10	Late fee - if received after 6/23	\$30	_____	_____

**NOTE:** \* Persons using these accommodations must travel approx. 3 miles to campus, so an automobile is essential.

**REGISTRANTS WITH CHILDREN**

B Children age 7-years through 12-years \$84 \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE:** Children must be in same room as parents. Bring sleeping bags or cot may be provided if reserved in advance.

Total amount enclosed \_\_\_\_\_

Total no. of people in your party \_\_\_\_\_

Dr./Mr./&/Mrs./Miss/Ms. name(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
 address: \_\_\_\_\_

smoker: yes/no club: \_\_\_\_\_ tel. \_\_\_\_\_

special needs: \_\_\_\_\_

I want to room with \_\_\_\_\_

names and ages of children: \_\_\_\_\_

Banquet entree choice: sole/chicken \_\_\_\_\_

Are you interested in any side trips? Mystic Seaport & Aquarium \_\_\_\_\_

Franklin Mushroom Farm \_\_\_\_\_

Other \_\_\_\_\_

(over)

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

If you are registering someone else with a different address:

Dr./Mr./&/Mrs./Miss/Ms. name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

address: \_\_\_\_\_

smoker: yes/no club: \_\_\_\_\_ tel. \_\_\_\_\_

special needs: \_\_\_\_\_

I/We hereby release NEMF from any and all liability arising out of any injury, accident or illness occurring as a result of any NEMF Foray activity.

Signature(s) & date(s): 1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_

All fees must be paid in full at time of registration. Make checks payable to NEMF and mail with this form, signed, to \*NEMF\* Stoleson,

\*\*\*\*\*SAD NEWS\*\*\*\*\*

*We are sad to report the recent passing of long time OMS member and well known mycologist William Bridge Cooke. Dr. Cooke died December 30th, 1991 at the age of 83. He was well known for his intensive study of the non-gilled fungi. He was a frequent sight at OMS forays in the past. Our condolences to his wife, Vivian, his partner for 50 years.*

## New Jersey Mycological Association Library

Our NJMA library books are available for borrowing and research reading at the Somerset County Park Commission Environmental Education Center (SCEEC) library.

Our NJMA books are located on the last bank of shelves on the left as you walk in the main door of the library. They are separately marked and shelved at this location.

To borrow a book, see either of our librarians, Bruce or Janice Vansant, at any of our SCEEC held meetings. In the absence of our librarians or at any time the SCEEC library is open, books may be borrowed through the SCEEC librarian or staff.

## PEEC Weekend June 19 through June 21

The Victor Gambino Memorial Foray at the Pocono Environmental Education Center (PEEC) will take place June 19-June 21. The foray is named in honor of its founder Victor Gambino a former President of NJMA and friend to many members of our club.

The weekend consists of slide shows, daily forays, possibly a workshop, and a wine and cheese party. All meals are included. The accommodations consist of dormitory style housing in the rustic yet comfortable setting of PEEC. This years guest mycologist is our own world renown *Amanita* expert Rod Tulloss. Rod brings a wealth of knowledge of not only the genus *Amanita* but many other mushrooms as well.

Come and enjoy a quite weekend of mushrooming, hiking, bird watching, camaraderie, and fun. PEEC has many trails and waterfalls for you to enjoy. This is a great opportunity for you to hone your mushroom skills without the pressure of our normal forays. Beginners will especially enjoy learning from our more experience members.

All this for the mere cost of \$80/person. This includes all your meals from Friday evening through Sunday lunch and the wine and cheese party. Enrollment is limited to 30 people. Applications and money must be sent by June 1, 1992. Send your check (payable to NJMA) to Michael Rubin,

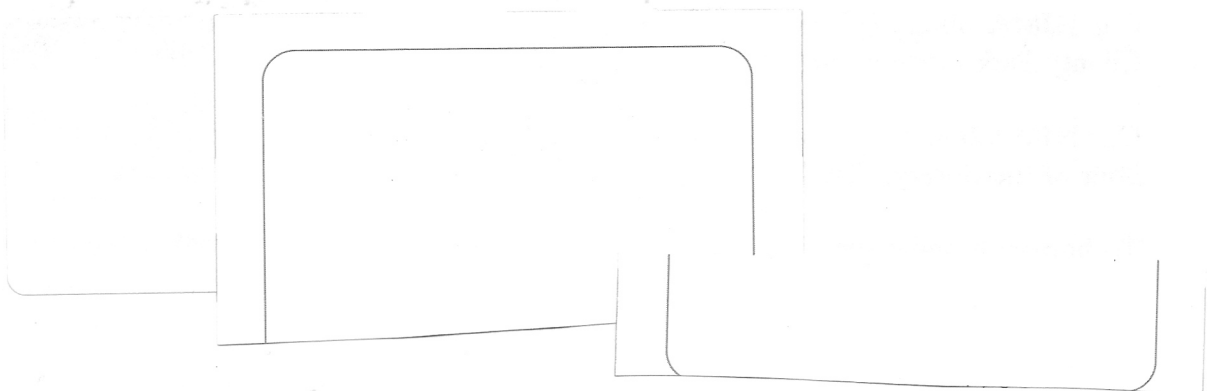
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c/o  
Sue Kibby

## Do you or someone you know want to become a member of NJMA?

If so fill out the form below and mail it to: NJMA c/o Grete Turchick,  
5. Enclose a check (\$10 for individual or \$15 for family membership).

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

I here by release the New Jersey Mycological Association from any liability that may occur as a result of meetings, forays, or any other club related activities. I also acknowledge that eating wild mushrooms is inherently dangerous and that each member and guest is responsible for their own actions.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_