



# Among Fungi

Cascade Mycological Society Newsletter

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## Mushroom Season Has Arrived

### 2012 Mushroom Show

#### Another Success

Once again, in cooperation with the Mount Pisgah Arboretum and Lane Community College, the Cascade Mycological Society put together a successful mushroom show.

Despite concerns about the dearth of rain, warm weather and the lack of mushroom, CMS volunteers managed to collect, identify and display 234 species of mushrooms. And, while it was no record, over 3,500 visitors came, looked and we hope, learned a little more about mushrooms.

Each year, with lots of help from uncounted volunteers, the show gets bigger and better. We hope to continue this tradition into the future. Please volunteer and join us next year to make an even better show.

We would like to thank everyone who helped out this year and invite you back next year.

Finally, we would like you to join us in supporting and thanking these generous donors for their help in making this year's show the best yet.

Bright Oak Meats In Springfield  
Longs Meat Market  
Great Harvest Bakery  
Grocery Outlet of Springfield  
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Sweet Life Patisserie  
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### Fund Raising Source for CMS

Did you know? United Way offers a convenient way to support local non-profits via payroll deduction through many local employers. If you or somebody you know works for an employer that participates in the annual United Way pledge drive, please consider designating some or all of your United Way donation to the Cascade Mycological Society.

As a local 501(c)(3) organization, the Cascade Mycological Society is eligible to receive funding via United Way if it is designated as a donation recipient on the United Way pledge form. Donations help CMS to continue and broaden its educational programs while keeping membership fees affordable for all of our members. If you itemize, you can deduct the entire amount of the United Way donation on your federal and state tax returns.

In case you would like to designate CMS as a United Way donation recipient, our mailing address is:

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If you have any questions or would like additional information, please contact CMS treasurer Pavel Gubanikhin at [treasurer@cascademyco.org](mailto:treasurer@cascademyco.org).



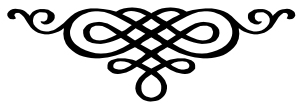
## Next Foray:

**Saturday, Nov.17, 2012**

Foray for edibles for Thanksgiving. This foray will be led by Chris Melotti and Molly Widmer. They will go to the Coast Range. Meeting time is 9:30. You will receive further information about the meeting place after you register. This will be an all day foray. Approximate travel distance 60 miles round trip. Bring your mushroom permit and trail parking permit (if you have one). Expect to carpool and to pay for a share of the gas and any parking fees (bring cash). The limit on participation is 24.

**NO DOGS.**

You **MUST** register and be a member to attend. Send an e-mail with your name and a phone number to [foray@cascademyco.org](mailto:foray@cascademyco.org). We will respond with further information and to let you know that you are the list.



## Next General Meeting:

**December 13, 2012**

Luis Gonzaga will be our December speaker. Dr. Gonzaga is a visiting professor from Spain. Dr. Gonzaga will be talking about studies on black truffle ecology which allowed for a new hypothesis: ECTOMYCORRHIZAE COULD BE "LIMING" HOST PLANT ROOTS. (That is, the European black truffle.)

**January 10, 2013**

Dr. Denis Benjamin. Dr. Benjamin will be our January speaker. He will have copies of his latest book available for sale (Musings of a Mushroom Hunter: A Natural History of Foraging) as well as a selection of original watercolor paintings of fungi. Stay tuned for more on the subject of his presentation.

**February 14, 2013**

CMS life members Sue Dockstader & Steen Mitchell will be our February speakers. They will be presenting a talk on their 2012 cross-country camping & mushrooming trip.

## Lichen Dye workshop:

Hidden colors, making dyes from Lichens!

Saturday, Jan 12, 2012, Cheshire Mayrsohn (who does the lichen display at the mushroom show) will be teaching a class on using lichen for dyeing wool and silk. The class will be held at Eugene Textile Center. We will extract yellow, browns, pinks and purples from lichens and dye wool and silk.

Cost is \$60, register at

[www.eugenetextilecenter.com](http://www.eugenetextilecenter.com)

## Photo contest winners

First Place - Dawn Stetzel, "The Prince"

*Agaricus augustus*



Second Place - Doug Gammie,  
*Phaeolus schweinitzii*



Third Place - Joaquin Sanchez Romero,  
*Oudemansiella mucida*



## President's Message

If there ever was a year that needed a lot of help, it was this year. Would people show up for the Mt. Pisgah Arboretum Mushroom Festival and find empty tables where mushrooms used to be placed in the past. What are we going to do? People went to their most promising mushroom spots and found nothing. Reports kept rolling in that there was just nothing out there. We even sent out an urgent email to the membership to please look for mushrooms. We were getting desperate.

Despite the lack of rain and the lack of mushrooms just a week or so before the mushroom show, the weather changed just in the nick of time; the mushrooms started popping up. Mother Nature even helped again by keeping the rain away during most of the day on Sunday while almost 3500 people came out to see the 234 species of mushrooms that were displayed, and 20 of these were new to the mushroom show. CMS pulled it off and the displays were really impressive. Thanks to everyone that helped. You did a great job.

If you see Bruce Newhouse or Peg Boulay, give them a pat on the back for pulling together the mushroom show this year. They have been doing this officially for at least 5 years, but have been involved for many more. We were lucky to have Steve Trudell (from Washington) again this year to help with identification, as well as Debbie Viess (from the Bay area). Debbie also gave a talk about Amanitas on the Friday before the festival.

There are so many people to thank including: Freeman Rowe, Susie Holmes, Marcia Peeters, Aryana Ferguson, Bitty Roy, Dan Luoma, David Rust and Erin Page Blanchard (from the Bay area), Bart Johnson, Joe Spivack, Dean Johnston, Doug Gammie, Chris Melotti, Molly Widmer and Cheshire Mayrsohn, as well as the CMS Board of Directors. Without these wonderful volunteers spending so many hours every year there would not be a mushroom festival.

If you would like to volunteer for any of our projects, please contact Michele at:

[volunteers@cascademyco.org](mailto:volunteers@cascademyco.org)

We are currently looking for help with publicity. If you have any experience with Facebook, Twitter, or Public Service Announcements (PSAs), please consider helping. Skye Weintraub, CMS President

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### The CMS Board of Directors

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CMS is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. Donations are tax deductible to the fullest extent allowed under the law.

Public meetings are held in the evenings, on the second Thursday of the month generally from September thru April. We have speakers on mushroom related topics geared for both beginners and advanced fungiphiles. Board meetings are the first Thursday of the month at various Board member's homes. If you would like to attend a Board meeting, contact us, we'd love to see you at a meeting.

If you haven't seen our website, you must check it out. Get onto the Forum and find out where the mushrooms are! See you there.

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## MEMBERSHIP

If you have any questions or need to update your membership info please contact Harriet at: [Membership@cascademyco.org](mailto:Membership@cascademyco.org).

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(or just go to our website)

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