



The Fungal Gazette

June 2022

Newsletter of the Central New York Mycological Society



*Morel from Pratt's Falls
Photo by Steve Reiter*

May Recap

Garrett Taylor talked about why sequencing is important (phylogeny rules taxonomy). He also encouraged us to keep specimens that can't be ID'd because molecular methods continue to become less expensive, so nameless mushrooms could be sequenced at some point. And there are many unidentified mushrooms out there. Check out iNaturalist and Mycoquebec for more info
<https://www.inaturalist.org/>
<https://www.mycoquebec.org/bienvenue.php>

The Morel Foray was great, attended by about 25 paid-up members. Everyone either found or saw a morel, and the rain held off until 3:00!

Our June program (20th) will be **Connie Noftsier** and **Mushroom Art**. Connie is a fiber artist specializing in sculptural art, including 3D embroidery. Please check out her Facebook page or website (<https://www.connienoftsierstudio.com/>)

The next foray is at **Nelson Swamp**: take State Route 20 east from the village of Cazenovia to Stone Quarry Road. Proceed south on Stone Quarry Road for 2.2 miles. The trail head is on the left.

2022 Calendar of Events

Meetings are on the 3rd Monday of the month at **7:30 pm**, room 334 Illick Hall at ESF on the SU campus.

Forays are on Sunday at **1:00 pm** unless otherwise announced. (If there is an all-day pouring rain or another hurricane, the foray will be held the following Sunday. If in doubt, call Jean Fahey to find out when the trip will take place.)

June 12th Nelson Swamp Foray, followed by a trip to a local brewery.

June 20th Meeting at 7:30 pm, Illick Hall. The **Mushroom Art** of **Connie Noftsier**. Connie exhibited her works at the Mushroom Festival last year.

July Tentative foray at Wellesley Island State Park

August 21st Salmon River Foray (upper parking lot)

August 22nd Meeting at 7:30 pm, Illick Hall. 3D Mushroom Madness.

September 18th Verona Beach Recreational Area Foray

September 19th Meeting at 7:30 pm, Illick Hall. Enchanting **Edible Mushrooms** program by Dr. Tom Horton.

October 9th The Vince O'Neil Mushroom Festival at Beaver Lake Nature Center. All members needed to help.

October 16th Selkirk State Park Foray

October 17th Meeting at 7:30 pm, Illick Hall. Mushroom ID meeting.

November 13th Mexico Point Foray

*After all these years . . . Membership in CNYMS is still only \$10. **Membership includes your newsletter - what a bargain!** If possible, it's easier and more efficient if members pay for 2 years at once by sending \$20 to: [Rick Colvin, 1848 Whiting Road, Memphis, NY 13112.](mailto:rick.colvin@twcny.rr.com)*

**A working email address is
"MANDATORY"
at the time you join the club**

This is how ALL newsletters and announcements are sent.

Contact Rick or me if you don't know your membership status so you can keep the news and schedules coming!



Any questions, or input for newsletters, contact:

Jean Fahey (President) at (315) 446- 1463 (after 9am)

Rick Colvin (Treasurer) at (315) 569-5771 or rcolvin@twcny.rr.com

Julie Siler (Newsletter) at (607) 749-2915 or jds88@cornell.edu

WANTED:

Does anyone know **Rob Anderson, Rick Herodes, Carol Ilaqua, Carol Leach, Alyssa Mattingly, Leo Monette, Dannon Trahan, or Kenneth Yankauer?** If you know them, or if you see this online, please email me so I can send you your newsletter! They are sent electronically.



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The Future of CNYMS

As CNYMS enters its 44th year (thanks to charter member Gloria Sage for that info), the club leadership has some questions it would like you to consider.

- 🧑 How important is CNYMS to you?
- 🧑 If you enjoy getting outdoors and learning about mushrooms in the field, or if you appreciate what you learn from programs or even the newsletter, would you be willing to help keep the club running smoothly?

Leadership fatigue has been the death of more than one organization. As mushroom clubs go, CNYMS is still very viable – we had programs and forays throughout the pandemic! But we're getting tired. 2022 is my 15th year doing the newsletter. Rick Colvin has been Treasurer for longer than that. Jean Fahey has been President for at least that long, not to mention different stints as club mycologist and newsletter editor before becoming our leader. And Steve Reiter has been posting our events on our Facebook page, putting the newsletters on our website, and fielding frequent inquiries on both platforms.

We're not going away just yet, but if you -- The Membership -- want the club to continue we need some extra help. What exactly do I mean? A co-editor of the Fungal Gazette maybe? It's up to you - want to write articles? Great, welcome aboard! Are you good at formatting? I'm happy to send content and let you update the look of the newsletter.

How about a VP position, or President-in-training? Help Jean set up programs and other events, or lead forays. Maybe keep track of NAMA events.

Are you honest, trustworthy, hardworking, and detail-oriented? No, we're not looking for a Boy Scout, but we would like someone to take over the job of Treasurer/Membership Chair and give Rick a break. Keeping track of dues and new members is an ongoing job, and you'd be working closely with Jean,

Steve, and me. Right now our most pressing need is a better way to collect dues and allow new members to join. Are you familiar with the intricacies of setting up PayPal, Venmo, Google Pay, or some other platform for an organization? If you are, we need you! This can be separate from the Treasurer job.

Give it some thought CNYMS members! We're a great group to work with, and you don't need to be an expert on mushrooms, just have a passion to help others learn. Let's keep the club growing and improving. Contact me to help with the newsletter and Jean to help in any other way. Thank you!



More Pratt's photos by Steve Reiter

Save the Dates

NEMF: NEMF 2022 Samuel Ristich Foray in Joliette, QE

Le Cercle de Mycologues de Montréal is hosting this year's NEMF Foray September 16-19. Registration is open. Capacity is only around 150 registrants so don't delay.

<https://www.mycomontreal.qc.ca/fr/?fbclid=IwAR3CpnBgavly6Rm5KVQtbwzqDgM7-MHM8-vvne3ml6EFb8hjrDoWNyMM1YE>

Peck Foray: No information available yet.

NAMA (Note - **NAMA membership is required** to attend annual and regional forays):

NAMA 2022 Annual Foray: September 29 - October 2, 2022; Trout Lodge near Potosi, Missouri Information on speakers, workshops and registration to follow.

WMS/NAMA 2022 Northwoods Regional Foray: Thursday, September 15 - Sunday, September 18 Lakewoods Resort & Lodge in Cable, Wisconsin

For registration questions and/or assistance, please contact NAMA/WMS Northwoods Regional Foray Registrar, Kristen Blizzard, at NorthwoodsRegionalRegistrar@namyco.org

22nd Annual Gary Lincoff Foray: September 24, North Park (Pittsburgh, PA). Hosted by the Western Pennsylvania with guest mycologists Alan and Arleen Bessette. More to follow.

COMA: No information available yet.

Wild Mushroom Tartlets

<https://www.bbcgoodfood.com/recipes/wild-mushroom-tartlets>



Ingredients

375g block all-butter puff pastry flour (~13 oz)
25g butter (~1 oz)
300g mixed wild mushrooms or just one type, cleaned and sliced (~10.5 oz)
25g parmesan (or vegetarian alternative), finely grated (~1 oz)
small handful parsley leaves, chopped
1 garlic clove, finely chopped
1 egg, beaten

INSTRUCTIONS

STEP 1 Roll the pastry out on a floured surface and cut out 4 circles, about 15cm wide. Leave to chill on a lined baking tray in the fridge.

STEP 2 Heat oven to 200C/fan 180C/gas 6. Heat a large frying pan until hot, then add the butter and fry the mushrooms for 5 mins until there is no liquid left in the pan. Season, then take off the heat and mix mushrooms with the Parmesan, parsley and garlic.

STEP 3 Score a 1cm border around the edge of each tart, then spoon the mushrooms into the center circle. Brush the edge with beaten egg, then bake the tarts for 20 mins until puffed up and golden. Serve immediately.