



Western Pennsylvania Mushroom Club Newsletter

Fungi, Fun & Friends!

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WPMC Announces 2024 Officers

AT THE OCTOBER monthly meeting, WPMC members elected four officers to a one-year term beginning in January. WPMC Mycologist Garrett Taylor will complete his term as NAMA Trustee in 2024.



PRESIDENT: BARBORA BATOKOVA

Barbora Batokova was born and raised in the Czech Republic, where she developed her passion for mushrooms. Barbora joined WPMC in 2019 and had three winning photos in that year's Photo Contest. She became a WPMC Identifier in 2021 and earned a 300 ID button in 2022. Barbora is also an excellent cook and did the cooking demonstration for this year's Gary Lincoff Foray. Barbora works at the Carnegie Mellon Software Engineering Institute as a User Experience Strategist and Team Lead. She has over 110K followers on her Instagram account @fungiwoman, where she educates people about mushrooms through her daily posts.



VICE PRESIDENT: JULIE TRAVAGLINI

Julie Travaglini joined WPMC in 2018. In 2021, Julie became an Identifier, ID Button Chair, and Secretary for the club. She has also served as Lincoff Foray Co-Chair and in 2022 received WPMC's President's Award. Julie is Senior Director of Education & Curriculum at Allegheny Land Trust and

President Elect for the Pennsylvania Association of Environmental Educators.



SECRETARY: SARA KLINGENSMITH

Sara Klingensmith joined WPMC in 2020 and has served as an Identifier, Photography Chair, and Lincoff Foray Co-Chair. Sara is currently the Education Associate for Allegheny Land Trust, where she manages school and education partner relationships, outreach program coordination, and internal material supplies.

Prior to joining ALT, Sara worked as an Environmental Educator at Powdermill Nature Reserve. She also serves on the Board of Directors of the Pennsylvania Association of Environmental Educators.



TREASURER: JARED DELANEY

Jared Delaney joined WPMC in 2018 and became Treasurer in 2020. He has also served as the club's Sales Chair, Lincoff Foray Co-Chair, and Cultivation Chair.

Jared is a Learning & Development Consultant at PNC. His wife Alana and daughter Dylan are also active WPMC members.



NAMA TRUSTEE: GARRETT TAYLOR

Garrett Taylor joined WPMC in 2017 and quickly became a club Mycologist. He has been WPMC's NAMA Trustee since 2021. This year Garrett also agreed to serve as the club's Representative to the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources.

Garrett is extremely active on iNaturalist and regularly contributes to the Continental Mycoblitz by leading walks and collecting samples for DNA sequencing.

Annual Auction Breaks Fundraising Record

By Cecily Franklin

THANKS TO THE generosity of WPMC's members, the club broke another fundraising record at this year's Lincoff Foray auction. More than 50 prizes were donated and then awarded to the lucky winners. The auction team included Past President **Cecily Franklin**, **Kathy Gilotty Croft**, and Hospitality Chair **Carissa Mendez**. Donations are already coming in for next year.

WPMC Photo Contest Winners

THIRTY WPMC MEMBERS submitted a total of 117 photos for this year's Photo Contest. Photography Chair **Sara Klingensmith** chose the winners (see pages 4 – 7).



November 21 2023 Meeting : Potluck & Annual WPMC Awards

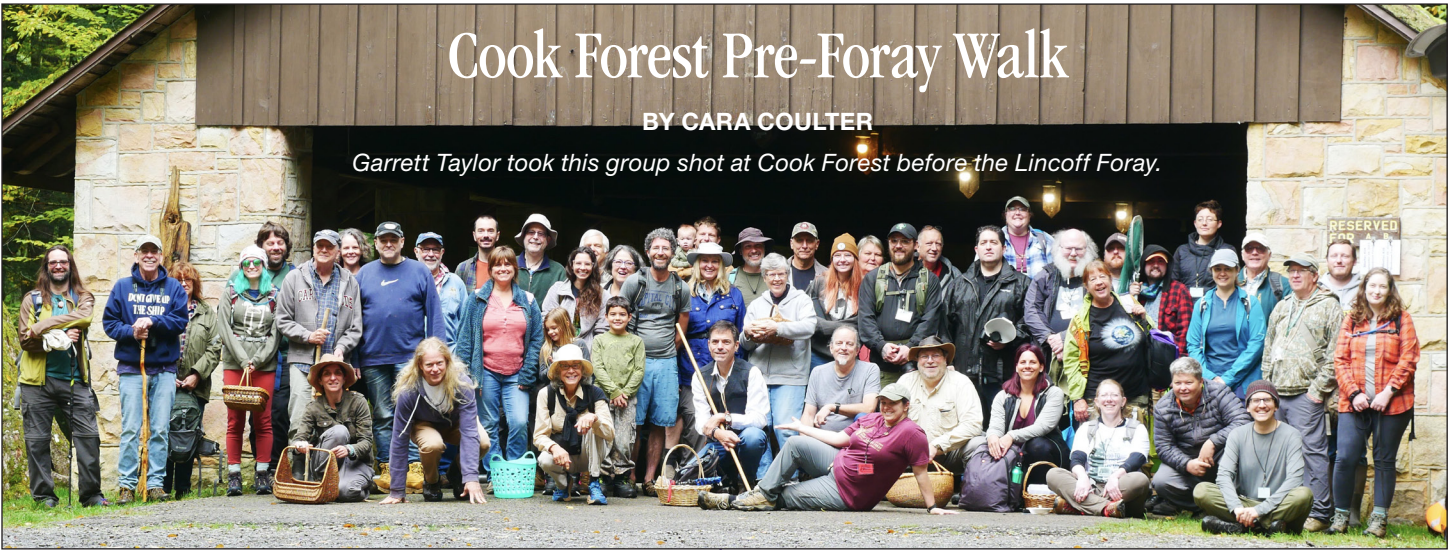
FOR THE POTLUCK, bring something for 6-8 people, along with serving utensils. The categories are Appetizers, Salads, Hot Dishes, Cold Plates, Soup, Casseroles, Desserts, anything you want—be creative. It does not need to be mushroom related but, if so, wild mushrooms must be identified and approved by a club Identifier or Mycologist before cooking, and any non-members will have to sign a waiver before trying them. Since electrical connections are limited, bring hot food hot, and bring cold food cold. WPMC will provide beverages, plates, eating utensils, napkins, and take-home boxes.



Cook Forest Pre-Foray Walk

BY CARA COULTER

Garrett Taylor took this group shot at Cook Forest before the Lincoff Foray.



IT WAS ANOTHER GREAT year for the Cook Forest Pre-Foray walk. We decided to again perform DNA analysis on many of the foray specimens, but this time we took a more laid-back approach and focused on our attendees, which worked out great.

We had about 50-70 or so people in attendance, including our guest speaker and highly respected mycologist **Noah Siegel**, and the MAW Program Chair **Tom McCoy**. We also had our own club Mycologists **John Plischke**, **Garrett Taylor**, **Kim Plischke**, **La Monte Yarroll**, and **Cara Coulter**, along with many of our club Identifiers.

Our members were treated to some rare and fascinating fungi this trip. We found about 293 species, which I'm sure will increase in number once we get our DNA results back! Among the more notable finds were:

- An unknown *Cudoniella* species found growing on a log inundated with water.

- A very rare *Ophiocordyceps* species that was the first one recorded on iNaturalist, called *Ophiocordyceps crinalis*.
- Strange tubed fungi found underneath a small log called *Woldemaria filicina*, which was one of only four sightings ever found on iNaturalist.
- Another beautiful *Guepinia helvelloides* (Apricot Jelly) this year!
- A very interesting Bolete that could possibly be *Suillus sub-aureus*, which would make it one of only eight sightings in Pennsylvania.
- Lastly, a beautiful blue *Entoloma* from the subgenus *Cyanula*.

It was a great year for rare fungi, and it was no less fun finding the common ones again! Since things were a bit more organized this year, we were able to give the finders of these fungi credit for their discoveries. We can't wait to find out what our DNA results will show and to see who discovered a new species, or something undescribed! I hope to see all of you again next year.

Saturday at North Park

By Julie Travaglini

THE 23RD ANNUAL Gary Lincoff Foray came and went in the blink of an eye! It was a day packed to the "gills" with mushroom facts and fun. The morning started off with our North Park walks along various trails. Shout out to all the club Identifiers and Mycologists for leading experts and newbies alike through the trails in search of fungal friends! While we're still tallying up the total number of species found, more than eight tables were covered in mushrooms once all of the walks returned with their finds. Mushrooms spilled over the tables into baskets and the grass as Identifiers and Mycologists worked tirelessly for hours to catalog them all.



Barrie Overton



Noah Siegel

Photos by Cecily Franklin

Noah Siegel and **Barrie Overton** provided their expertise on fungal oddities and white nose syndrome, respectively. Both Noah and Barrie were engaging speakers with tons of knowledge on not just their specific fields of interest, but general mycology as well. Not only were their afternoon talks great, but their evening table talk really rounded out the day's learning.

The early evening was filled with more mushrooms and merriment as we enjoyed the band New Age Adenas, shopped from local vendors, and patiently awaited the evening mushroom feast. Local vendors included the PA Mushroom Company, Fairygifted, Jen Schnakenberg Jewelry, Heart Filled Macrame, Wobble Mud Studios, Secret Plant Co. and Herby Chesler.

Then it was time for what we had all been looking forward to...THE FEAST! Our annual mushroom feast was one that Noah Siegel described as the best he has ever seen at any foray ever! What a compliment! THANK YOU to everyone who brought delicious dishes to share and to the kitchen crew who volunteered the entire day making sure everything was ready to enjoy.

2023 was a foray to remember, and we couldn't do it year after year without the help of our volunteer crew. If you want to volunteer to help plan and execute the 2024 foray, please let a club Officer know and we will make sure you are included.

Here's to next year!



Cook Forest UV Walk

By Stephen Bucklin

WE WERE GRACED with wonderful weather for this year's Lincoff Foray. I arrived at Cook Forest mid-afternoon on Thursday with our guest mycologist **Noah Siegel** and the temperature was cool enough to bust out my jacket. The staff member at the park office said they got rain earlier that day, but that it was the first rain they had in a while. After setting up camp, walking the campground area a bit, and enjoying some tea and soup to warm up, I met folks at the amphitheater in the campground. Among the 20 or so participants, we had **Dale Luthringer**, Environmental Education Specialist for the state park.

After a brief introduction to ultraviolet light and fluorescence at the amphitheater, we departed for the Ridge Trail, which took us on a loop through some old growth forest adjacent to the campground. It did not take us long to find things that were glowing, and folks fanned out through the forest as we spotted bright *Russula* mushrooms of many colors. Dale led folks off trail at one point to check out a 300+ year old tree. Meanwhile we found a *Laccaria* mushroom that glowed a brilliant deep blue color. Along the trail we also spotted many millipedes that glowed a vibrant white/blue



Stephen Bucklin found lots of things glowing in the dark at Cook Forest.

color—it was one of the species that uses hydrogen cyanide as a defense against predators. My hands smelled of toasted almonds for the next day or so from handling them to show a gathered group of folks their stunning fluorescence.

As we wound our way through the forest, we continued to find beautiful things that glowed—mushrooms of varying shades of green and blue, lichens that glowed bright yellow, and a cave cricket with a faint blue glow. Eventually we wound up back where we started, mingled for a bit as we discussed the evening's finds, and dispersed. Shortly thereafter it began to rain, which continued off and on through the night, creating a beautiful crisp fall morning on Friday just in time for our pre-Foray walk.

Another Fabulous Foray Feast!

WPMC MEMBERS ONCE again outdid themselves preparing a most memorable Foray Feast. The kitchen crew, led by **Mike Henry**, included **Liz Berckmann**, **Sierra Weir**, **Kim Plischke**, **Becky Plischke**, and **Heather Henry**. Additional help came from **Richard Jacob**, **Talis Jacob**, **Julie Case**, **Ron Ciciarelli**, **Bobby Bosiljevac**, **Sara Klingensmith**, **Julie Travaglini**, **Scott Pavelle**, **Matt Stahlman**, and **Dawn Wehman**. Here's a list of all the delicious dishes.

Barbora Batokova: Czech mushroom & dill soup

Liz Berckmann: vegan mushroom stroganoff

Fluff Berger: breakfast muffins

Robert Bosiljevac: potato & morel chowder

Xiaoyan Cai: shiitake noodles

Julie Case: chicken-fried chicken of the woods sliders

Ron Ciciarelli: Bulgarian cream of mushroom soup

Barbara DeRiso: stuffed mushrooms

Alex Eowyn: baked salmon

Rachel Gallagher: fattoush, humus

Marion Hall: apple dessert

Mike Henry: buffalo chicken of the woods pizza; chicken & hen pasta alfredo

Richard Jacob: mushroom & beef stew

Sara Klingensmith: pumpkin-lentil mushroom soup, banana bread, beverages

Marylou Lenhart: sourdough/herb bread

Judy Mackenroth: veggie tray

Becka Jean Marsh: spinach balls

Scott & Kate Pavelle: mushroom cream puffs

Becky Plischke: sausage & hen; chicken & mushroom flatbread pizzas

Kim Plischke: apricot, bacon & black trumpet pound cake; lactarius quiche; hen salsa; grifola goulash

Matt Stahlman: chanterelle butter, soy-marinated shiitake, Nashville hot chicken of the woods & waffles

Julie Travaglini: pasta salad, chips, buffalo chicken dip, cookies

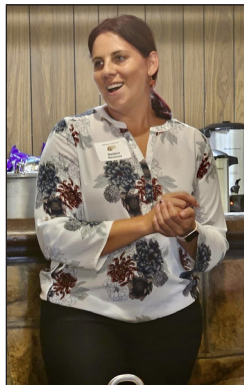
Jim Wasik: oxtail soup

Martha Wasik: carrot ginger soup

Dawn Wehman: spicy rice with chanterelles and Asian vegetables

Megan Wetherington: pumpkin bread

Vincent Wojtyna: caprese salad



Barbora Batokova demonstrated how to make a Czech mushroom and dill soup.

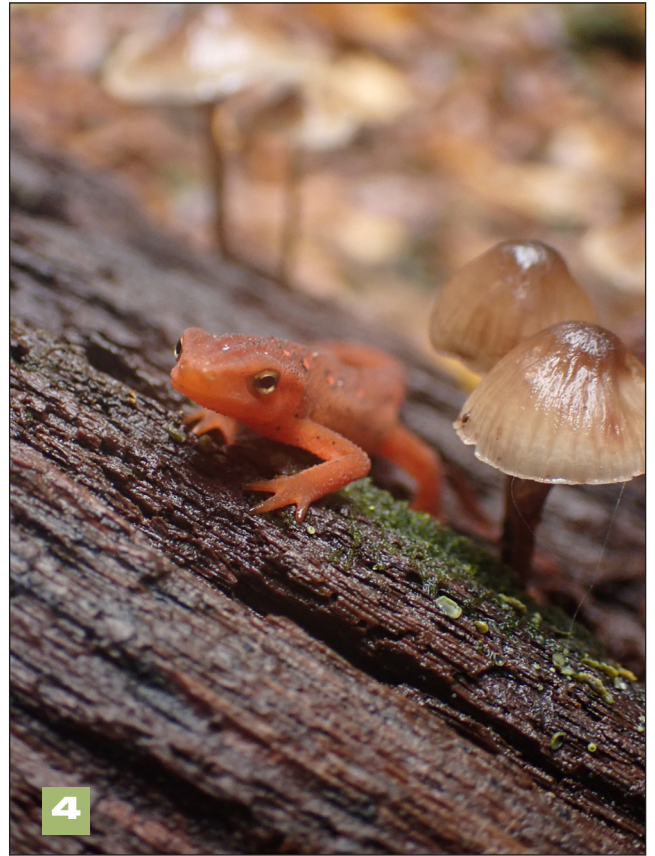
Photo by Dan Stockman

Sierra Weir, Julie Travaglini, Mike Henry, Liz Berckmann, and Heather Henry in the kitchen at The Lodge.

Photo by Cecily Franklin



2023 PHOTO CONTEST RESULTS



1: PICTORIAL

1ST PLACE

Josh Doty

Slime mold

2: DOCUMENTARY

1ST PLACE

Devin Hilty

Hodophilus

3: PICTORIAL

HONORABLE MENTION

Nicole Pardus

Morel

4: JUDGE'S OPTION

1ST PLACE

Pete Woods

Mycena & eft



2023 PHOTO CONTEST RESULTS



5: DOCUMENTARY

2ND PLACE

Barbora Batokova

Entoloma quadratum



6



7

6: PICTORIAL

HONORABLE MENTION

Devin Hilty

Lactarius

7: PICTORIAL

2ND PLACE

Barbora Batokova

Laetiporus huroniensis



8

8: MUSHROOM SELFIE

2ND PLACE

Vince Wojtyna



2023 PHOTO CONTEST RESULTS

9: MUSHROOM SELFIE

1ST PLACE

Cara Barkley Coulter

10: DOCUMENTARY

3RD PLACE

Kathy Gilotty Croft

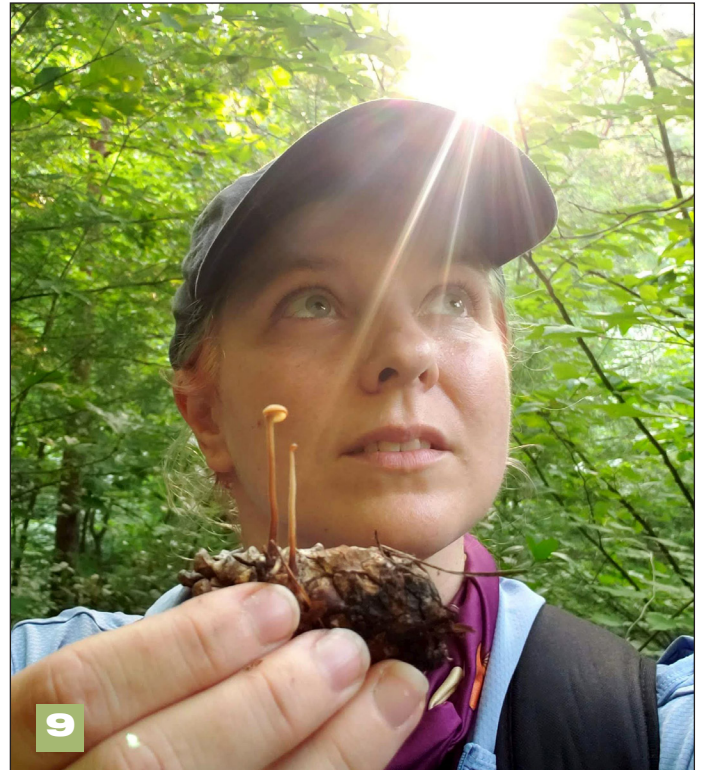
Amanita jacksonii

11: PICTORIAL

3RD PLACE

Cara Barkley Coulter

Frost's Bolete



2023 PHOTO CONTEST RESULTS



12: JUDGE'S OPTION

2ND PLACE

Dawn Webman

Hypomyces chrysospermus

13: JUDGE'S OPTION

3RD PLACE

John Stuart

Xanthoconium purpureum "var. infinity"

14: MUSHROOM SELFIE

3RD PLACE

Josh Mowris



WPMC Awards New ID Buttons



Six WPMC members were recently awarded ID buttons for their ability to identify different mushroom species. They include **Haley Moore** with 10, **Vince Wojtyna** with 25, **Alex Eowyn** with 50, **Liz Berckmann** and **Dan Stockman** with 100, and **Rachel Gallagher** (not pictured) with 150.

WPMC's Button ID Button Program offers members a fun way to increase their knowledge of mushroom species. To learn more about the ID Button program and how to submit your list of known mushrooms, go to: <http://wpamushroomclub.org/about/button-id-program/>



Haley Moore



Vince Wojtyna



Alex Eowyn



Liz Berckmann



Dan Stockman

WPMC Names New Mycologist



WPMC is proud to announce the newest club mycologist: **Stephen Bucklin**. In order to become a WPMC Mycologist, a member has to be able to identify at least 500 different species of mushrooms, lichens, slime molds, and rusts. In addition, all of the current WPMC Mycologists must unanimously recommend the candidate. Finally, the Board of Directors needs to approve. Stephen has been a WPMC Identifier since 2020, so he has already taken on the responsibilities of leading mushroom walks, working at the identification tables, entering species lists for the WPMC website, and much more. Congratulations, Stephen!



Young Former Member Finds Rare Bolete

SILAS CLAYPOOL and his father Rick were WPMC members before they relocated to Rhode Island. Back in 2020, when Silas was only seven years old, he received his first mushroom ID button and successfully played Mushroom Bingo with other WPMC members.

Silas, now a ten-year-old fifth grader, found an unusual mushroom in August: *Boletus biliae* or Billie's bolete. This mushroom is one of 20 species in the Fungal Diversity Survey (FunDiS) Northeast Rare Fungi Challenge. It had been found in Massachusetts, New York, and New Jersey, but never in Rhode Island.

According to FunDiS, **Sigrid Jakob** has the most records of finding Billie's bolete. Sigrid was "so thrilled for young Silas. It's a gorgeous species and a thrill to find." To read the full article in *ecoRI News*, go to:

<https://ecori.org/barrington-boy-finds-rare-mushroom-species-never-before-seen-in-r-i/>

Silas Claypool and Billie's Bolete
Photos by Rick Claypool



Appalachia NAMA 2023

By Richard Jacob with Garrett Taylor

THIS YEAR'S North American Mycological Association (NAMA) annual foray was held in Hendersonville, North Carolina, on the last weekend of August. As it was a bit later in the year and did not clash with school holidays, I was able to attend. Kanuga Inn and Lodging in the Blue Ridge Mountains is a pretty location set on a lake with a range of accommodations, from an air-conditioned inn to cabins to camping, and a large dining hall.

NAMA meetings typically consist of daytime activities (forays, talks, and workshops) and an evening program. The forays are at nearby locations to hunt for mushrooms for a half day or full day. There were concurrent lectures each morning and afternoon, for a total of 21 lectures. Subjects ranged from introduction to mushroom identification, *Polypore* identification, the genus *Mallocybe*, and multiple talks on truffles and DNA based projects, including one that covered both subjects: "The Forest Microbiome: a DNA-based study of a Truffle Orchard" by Dr. Rytas Vilgalys. Workshops covered cooking, DNA barcoding, and other topics. Pretty much something for everyone.

For my part, I really enjoy hunting for mushrooms all day, thereby missing all the lectures and workshops. Although it had been dry, I was pretty lucky with my two walks, and we encountered a wide variety of mushrooms. I was collecting for the foray table and therefore looking for the unusual and less frequently found things. One of my favorite finds was Fairy Sparklers, *Xylaria tentaculata*, a species that grows in our area but not one I have found before. (See photo.)

The goal of **Stephen Russell** was to sample every species identified at the foray and anything else on the collection tables that looked interesting. WPMC Mycologists **John Plischke** and **Garrett Taylor** helped Steve by selecting specimens, photographing, sampling, and drying them. Over 1000 specimens were collected for sequencing—a record which probably won't stand for long but is a milestone, nonetheless. The foray's iNaturalist project "2023 NAMA North Carolina – Appalachia NAMA" currently lists 483 fungi and lichen species. This is an unofficial number and I expect it to go up once the species identified by DNA are added.



Fairy Sparklers, Xylaria tentaculata.
Photo by Richard Jacob

The evening program included overviews of the day's finds, awards, results of the Visual Arts Contest, and a keynote lecture, followed by an evening social. Before Saturday's keynote with guest speaker **Arleen Bessette**, there was a rousing rendition of "Arleen" to the tune of "Jolene" by Dolly Parton. Arleen then gave a presentation of mushroom pictures set to music. Unfortunately, the low lights, the temperature in the room, and general heat exhaustion from the day sent me to sleep, so I can't tell you how wonderful the pictures were!

Due to the long drive, I left Sunday morning before the final collection walkthrough. I did hear that when John Plischke went back to his cabin late on Saturday night, after working on the DNA project, he was followed by a black bear. Ask John for more details when you see him next. Other WPMC members in attendance included **Julie Case**, **Daniel Foshee**, and WPMC Mycologist **Kim Plischke**. All in all, a good weekend full of mushrooms morning, noon, and night.



Out & About with Cara Coulter

AS IF THE LINCOFF FORAY and its pre-Foray walks in Cook Forest weren't enough mushrooming for one person, WPMC Mycologist **Cara Coulter** volunteered to represent WPMC at additional mushroom events throughout October!

OCTOBER 4, Cara gave a presentation on mushrooms to the Ingomar Garden Club.

October 14, Cara led the second mushroom walk this year for the Allegheny County Parks Foundation's "Park 'til Dark" event, this time at North Park.

October 21, Cara led a mushroom walk at Glade Run Lake for the Glade Run Lake Conservancy in Butler County.

Thanks, Cara!



Mushroom Hunter Survey Results

By Amy Wroblewski

FOR THE PAST few years, I have been letting you know about a survey of mushroom hunters and mycologists in the Mid Atlantic. Well, the survey is finally complete thanks to your help! To everyone who filled it out, I want to start this by thanking you. This project quite literally would not exist without you and all the clubs (including WPMC) that helped to let folks know about the survey. When people took the survey, I asked them how they found out about it. The largest category by far was from mushroom clubs and mycological societies. So quite literally, it would not exist without you all. I do want to say though, before going on, I'm still analyzing this data. These results are the bedrock for more complex questions about the ecology of mushrooms and mushroom hunting. I'm hoping to share those more detailed results this upcoming spring!



For those who may not have taken the survey, my name is Amy Wroblewski. I'm a graduate student at Penn State working on a PhD in Ecology supervised by Dr. Eric Burkhart. I'm interested in people's connections to the environment and land through foraged food, including mushrooms! Before I was at Penn State, I worked for Michigan State as an Ecological Technician, doing plant surveys. This is where I really got interested in foraging—first for plants, and later for mushrooms.

In total, 904 people completed the survey, which is huge! In terms of basic demographics, a majority of respondents were women (467), closely followed by men (313), with a good number of people being Agender or Nonbinary (31). A majority of respondents were white. Respondents also came from a large variety of educational backgrounds, but most had some level of higher education or vocational training. People also earned a variety of incomes, but most people made between \$35,000 and \$59,999/year.

When asked about the activities people do while mushroom hunting, the most common activity was "to spend time in nature". While this might seem obvious, I know that I've done my fair share of urban mushroom observation and mushroom inoculation! Most people also picked mushrooms for food. Some people did pick mushrooms for their medicinal uses, but it was much less common. Despite this, all of the favorite mushrooms by people in the area are either edible or medicinal: Morels, Chicken of the Woods, Chanterelles, Hen of the Woods, Oyster, Lion's Mane, Black Trumpet, Turkey Tail, and Honey Mushrooms.

People have a variety of uses for mushrooms, besides food and medicine. People were also very interested in mushrooms for their beauty, being described from "silly" or "gross" to "enchanted". Many mushrooms are loved by this community for the brilliance they bring to a walk or a hike. Art, particularly dyeing and photography, were other prominent uses for mushrooms. There was also excitement surrounding DNA barcoding and searching for rare or species that have not yet been described. Overall, mushroom hunters and mycologists are a diverse group that care about an equally diverse set of fungi!

WPMC Walk

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25 • 10:00 A.M.

THANKSGIVING WEEKEND WALK AT HARTWOOD ACRES

Meet WPMC Identifier **Richard Jacob** at the Mansion parking lot for our annual Thanksgiving weekend mushroom walk.

Other Events



FANTASTIC FUNGI MOVIE SCREENING

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 30 • 7:30-9:00 P.M.

Phipps Conservatory – Botany Hall Auditorium

AS PART OF ITS Adult Education program, Phipps will be presenting "Fantastic Fungi." Delve into the magical world of fungi while snacking on mushroom-salted popcorn. From mushrooms that clear oil spills to underground fungal networks that help trees to communicate, come be mystified by the magic of mushrooms. \$10 for Phipps members; \$15 for non-members. Register here:

<https://3989p.blackbaudhosting.com/3989p/Fantastic-Fungi-Screening>

SUSTAINABILITY AT HOME: MUSHROOM CULTIVATION

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2024 • 11:00 A.M. TO NOON

Citizens Library, 55 S College St, Washington, PA 15301

JOIN ALLEGHENY LAND TRUST for the Sustainability at Home workshop on Mushroom Cultivation. **Espo Wilcox** of PA Mushroom Company will lead this session on how to grow and cultivate your own mushrooms at home. Each participant will take home a cultivation book, Lions Mane grow kit and Oyster grow kit per ticket purchased. You must attend the workshop to receive the provided materials. Espo may have additional mushroom products available for sale at the workshop as well. Walk ins are not permitted. To purchase tickets:

<https://allegHENYlandtrust.org/event/sustainability-at-home-mushroom-cultivation/>

NOTE: The Western Pennsylvania Mushroom Club does not endorse or support the commercial harvesting of wild mushrooms from any state, county or city park. WPMC does promote the gathering of mushrooms—where permitted—for recreational, educational and scientific purposes.



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Foraging Information for Identification

- Try to dig up three of the same species at different stages of development.
- Don't pick old mushrooms; leave them to drop spores.
- You are responsible for not getting lost. Find a buddy to search with.
- Only Club Mycologists and Identifiers should be used for identification and advice.
- Take notes and pictures to help you remember the mushrooms: location, habitat, etc.
- Whether you decide to eat a mushroom is ultimately your responsibility alone.
- **Help Keep Our Parks Clean!** It's easy to bring a bag to collect cans, bottles or other trash you find. Trash cans are generally found nearby. If not, take it home for disposal.



WPMC Scholarships & Grants

WPMC ADMINISTERS AN annual Scholarship/Grant program to promote wild mushrooming by providing monetary support for educational events, projects, research, or mycological studies by individuals or institutions. Application forms are available on the WPMC website and must be sponsored by a WPMC member. For more information or to register, go to:

<https://wpamushroomclub.org/education/wpam-scholarship-grant-application/>

Donations Help Fund WPMC Projects

LOOKING FOR A WAY to support WPMC beyond paying your annual dues? Make a donation anytime; it's tax-deductible (if you itemize deductions) because WPMC is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. Donations may be made in honor or in memory of a loved one. Your employer may even match your contribution. Make checks payable to Western Pa. Mushroom Club and submit them to WPMC Treasurer, **Jared Delaney**.

WPMC Membership Report

By Kris Kenealy and Dawn Wehman

As of October 20, WPMC has 914 members from 516 households. Thank you to everyone for renewing your membership or becoming a new member in 2023, as these dues are vital to keep the club running. They contribute over 40% of the WPMC's income every year. If you joined after September 1, or if you joined when you registered for the Lincoff Foray, your WPMC membership is good through 2024. If you need to renew your membership or would like to become a member, please go to <https://wpamushroomclub.org/about/join/> and fill out the form.

Some benefits of WPMC membership include: Bi-Monthly WPMC Newsletter • Monthly Meeting Notices • Updates on WPMC Events • Free 'Grow-Your-Own' Mushroom Kit at the annual Cultivation Meeting • Mushroom Identification at Monthly Meetings • Mushroom Walks • Mushroom Education Day • Annual Photo Contest • WPMC Gary Lincoff Foray Discount • WPMC Facebook Group

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