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## President's Message

Things are lining up nicely for our August Foray.

I was pleased to announce at our last meeting that Steve Trudell from the University of Washington in Seattle will be joining us as our Foray Mycologist. Members will recall Steve in this role during the 1996 Las Vegas and 1999 Jemez Springs Forays.

The Foray Committee recently determined a fee and created a registration form for this year's gathering. One difference from the last several years is that non-members will pay an additional \$10. I will explain. A couple of months ago, the Board re-affirmed that club membership is based strictly on the calendar year and agreed that people paying their dues after June 30th should pay only half of the annual dues.

The Board also decided that the NMMS Foray is a benefit for club members, and if visitors want to attend they should be overjoyed to join our club in order to do so.

Thus, non-members, as well as members who have neglected

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## 2005 21st ANNUAL NMMS FORAY AUGUST 11-14th



Ruidoso, NM is the chosen location for this year's foray. "Why Ruidoso?" you ask when the northern part of the state is an almost sure thing for good harvests. The foray committee decided on the southern part of the state simply because we have not been there for quite some time and, if this continues to be an unusually wet year, the area should yield some interesting finds.

A little Ruidoso PR:

Ruidoso is nestled in the Rocky Mountains of southern New Mexico. Towering above the village of Ruidoso is Sierra Blanca and the ski resort Ski Apache. Ruidoso weather is mild and great for outdoor activities including camping, hiking and bicycling (and of course mushrooming) in the Lincoln National Forest.

The Ruidoso Area claims two of New Mexico's finest casinos, horse racing at the Ruidoso Downs race track, mountain golf courses, horseback riding, golf, tennis, art galleries, museums and shopping. So there is plenty to do if you should (egads!) bring some one that does not share your enthusiasm for mushrooms.

Committee members have worked very hard on finding suitable lodging and offers a range of choices. To offset the unfortunately high cost of lodging every effort has been made to keep the foray price as low as possible: \$90.00. Despite this reasonable price we will enjoy great food catered by the "Buttery". *read more on page 3*

### MONDAY, JUNE 6th MEETING 7:30pm—PROGRAM

Are you a fungi novice and would like an easy way to learn about our local mushrooms? If so — be sure to attend this meeting.

Ruth Bronson will be showing a PowerPoint presentation with the emphasis on what genera you are likely to collect during a foray.

Ruth is very knowledgeable and got involved in learning about local mushrooms when she helped Ellen Reed in listing the finds from one of our first forays using her computer.

*Terri Wallis*



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### Membership

Yearly dues are \$20  
(optional NAMA dues are \$32)

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**Meetings:** Are held on the 1st  
Monday of the month, except  
July & December at 7:30pm at  
the NM Museum of Natural  
History 1801 Mountain Rd NW

5/2/05

### General Meeting Minutes

7:35pm – President Dave Wallis  
called the meeting to order.

Attendees - 16 plus Speaker Relf  
Price and assistant Kathy Barco.

#### New Business

Treasurer's Report: Sharon Chong  
reported a checking account bal-  
ance of \$3557 plus a CD of \$1762  
maturing on 6/7/05. NMMS has 48  
paid memberships.

#### Committee Reports

Foray: Will be in the Ruidoso area,  
8/11 – 8/14/05. Steve Trudell will  
be the mycologist. The Annual  
Banquet on the following weekend  
at Villa Fontana in Taos.

Bill Isaacs' book: Ted Stampfer  
sent Pat Brannen a disk with Bill  
Isaacs' notes. Plan to make a deci-  
sion by the time our certificate of  
deposit matures in early June.

#### Other

On May 21st Dave Wallis is lead-  
ing some Forest Service personnel  
from the Sandia Ranger District on  
a hike to introduce them to fungi.

Ruth Bronson talked about and  
showed morels from a local garden  
with raised beds filled with a soil  
mixture provided by Western  
Organics.

Members brought in some black  
morels they recently collected.  
Dave donated a large specimen as a  
door prize, won by Mark Kalin.

Program: "Cryptogams of Valles  
Calderas," by Relf Price, PhD. Dr.  
Price presented an interesting slide  
show. He is a volunteer scientist at  
the preserve and seeks volunteers to  
help him with identifying mush-  
rooms there. He can be contacted  
at 505/662-3738 in

Los Alamos; e-mail address:  
[relf3@cybermesa.com](mailto:relf3@cybermesa.com).

Meeting adjourned at 9:00pm

Respectfully submitted,  
*Mark Kalin*

## NMMS SHOPPING

### AVAILABLE AT MEETINGS

Select from great books, CDs  
and DVDs that are practical  
and entertaining. They are  
useful to beginners as well as  
veteran mushroom hunters and  
make great gifts!

David Arora's  
*Mushrooms Demystified*  
\*M \$35.00 \*\*NM 38.50

David Arora's  
*All that the Rain Promises....*  
M\* \$16.00 \*\*NM\$17.50

Jack States'  
*Mushrooms and Truffles  
of the Southwest*  
\$7.00 \*MP \$9.00 \*\*NMP

Vera Stucky Evenson's  
*Mushrooms of Colorado and  
the Southern Rocky Mountains*  
**NOW ONLY** \$15.00 \*MP  
\$16.50 \*\*NMP

Toadstool's Interactive CD  
*The Secret Lives of Mushrooms*  
\*MP \$16.20 \*\*NMP \$18.00

Taylor Lockwood's DVD  
*Treasures from  
the Kingdom of Fungi*  
\*MP \$15.00 \*\*NMP \$17.00

Taylor Lockwood's Book  
*Treasures from  
the Kingdom of Fungi*  
\*M \$25.00 \*\*NM \$27.50

Available at meetings or  
contact Ann Floyd  
at 839-3890 or via  
e-mail: [ann@mycowest.org](mailto:ann@mycowest.org)

\*M = member price  
\*\* NM = non-member price

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## **FORAY RESERVATION DEADLINE JULY 28th!**

Use the enclosed registration form or download copies from [www.mycowest.org](http://www.mycowest.org). Also—**be sure and make your room reservations as soon as possible**—our weekend competes with several local events and rooms will become scarce. The dead line for reservations at the Best Western Ruidoso Inn, 505-257-3600 (NMMS special price of \$ 309.30 for Thursday to Sunday including buffet breakfast) is **July 14, 2005**. There is no guarantee that they will have any rooms left if you wait until the deadline.

Other choices for lodging that are close by are:

### **Holiday Inn Express Ruidoso**

400 West Hwy 70, Ruidoso, NM 88345, 505-257-3736

Room prices include (taxes and Continental Breakfast)

3-night total - \$414.01

### **Motel 6**

412 US 70 West, Ruidoso, NM 88345, 505-630-1166

Room prices include morning coffee in lobby (7-10 am)

3-night total with tax for 2 people: \$221.97 for 4 people: \$239.97

### **Cherokee Mobile Village**

501 W Highway 70, Ruidoso, NM, Phone: 505-257-2604

RV hookups available –see more information at:

<http://www.hikercentral.com/campgrounds/107887.html>

### **Please note:**

If you choose lodging at other than the Best Western Ruidoso Inn — you are on your own for breakfast.

### **New this year:**

The additional \$10.00 foray fee for non-NMMS members includes a 6-month membership and six monthly newsletters

**Helpers are still needed, so please sign up if you are able to assist with:**

Set ups

Field trips

Microscopy

Scouting

Display coordinating

Collection & display processing

Cooking & cleaning for the mushroom tasting.

Sign up on your registration form or contact Ann Floyd by phone (505) 839-3890 or Email: [ann@mycowest.org](mailto:ann@mycowest.org)

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## **President's Message**

to renew, will pay the pro-rated membership fee in order to attend the Foray.

At this point, we have no definite outings planned for June or July. There could be a field trip or two if conditions are moist enough. I expect this will be a good year for *Boletus barrowsii* and would like to visit the Jemez in search of our state mushroom.

We also need to line up at least one scouting trip to Ruidoso prior to the Foray.

As a reminder, dates and details for scheduled field trips are available at [www.mycowest.org](http://www.mycowest.org).

*David Wallis*

**...and another vote for carrying whistle, compass, walkie-talkies, GPS or other means of communication:**

### **LOST MUSHROOM HUNTER**

By *ERICA KOLASKI, Tribune Staff Writer*

**CHEBOYGAN** - The 81 man who was missing for more than two days was found alive Tuesday night.

A canine unit from the Michigan State Police working with several local agencies, discovered Clem Biasch of Belleville, Mich., badly dehydrated and going into shock at 6:05 p.m. Tuesday.

Biasch had been missing since Saturday, when he was separated from his family while mushroom hunting in the Pigeon River Country Forest in Cheboygan County's Nunda Township.

Rescue workers braved miserable weather conditions, as well as remote and rough terrain during the three-day effort.

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### Submission Deadline

for the July issue is  
Thursday June 23rd

## THE CULINARY CORNER



### Corn Bread Topped with Slow Roasted Morels

Prepare your favorite savory corn bread , keep warm and set aside.

30 to 40 medium size morels  
1/4 cup Extra Virgin Olive Oil  
1/4 cup thyme leaves  
1 tbsp chopped Garlic  
1 tbsp Kosher Salt  
2 cups cold water  
Preheat oven to 200 F

Lightly toss all ingredients together in roasting pan, cover and bake for one hour until the morels are soft. Strain and reserve the liquid.

Presentation:

Place a piece of corn bread in the middle of 6 soup bowls. Top with 5 or 6 of the Morels.

Pour the reserved liquid in equal proportions among the six bowls. Garnish with fresh thyme sprigs and serve immediately.

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