

### Next Meeting

Monday, June 4th, 7:00pm at the  
New Mexico Museum of Natural History,  
1801 Mountain Rd NW, Albuquerque.

Program: Of his *Introduction to Identifying  
Trees of New Mexico Mountains*, Mark Kalin  
states, "Mushrooms & Trees often go  
together like a Horse & Carriage. But --  
Do trees always grow on the south of moss?"



### Save the Date !

July 14, 2007  
Summer Potluck in Santa Fe  
Details in July Issue

### Submission Deadline June 16, 2007

Next newsletter will be July Issue.

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## Newsletter of the New Mexico Mycological Society

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### President's Message

Our second meeting in Santa Fe was quite successful, and Andrea Porrás' talk on the biotechnology of fungi was most informative and entertaining. In addition to hearing about the development of new techniques for the use of fungi in industrial processes, we were also told that enzymes are eating our clothes to keep the colors sharp. The backdrop for our meeting was a springtime snow shower, which is not expected for our next meeting in Albuquerque on June 4th.

NMMS Secretary Mark Kalin's talk about New Mexico Trees will assist us in classifying and identifying mycological specimens.

I hope that you have been taking advantage of our very pleasant spring to get out into our mountains and get into shape for our Foray 23-26 August.

David Wallis is providing excellent reports on trips to the Sandias on our Website [www.mycowest.com](http://www.mycowest.com); please note there may be a field trip the weekend of 2-3 June -- check the Website for updates. We will be having a potluck in Santa Fe on 14 July.

Spencer Campbell

### Foray News

There is something I need to mention right off the bat: **the 2007 Foray is limited to 60 people.** That's because the Plaza Hotel can feed only this number. Anyone who wants to participate after the limit of 60 is reached will have to arrange for meals elsewhere. Should this happen, we will notify you, of course, but I can only urge you to register early and avoid this nuisance. Remember, the hotel will not hold the rooms after July 12.

As of this moment, it's looking like a very good year for mushrooms. A wetter than normal spring nurtures hope that the moisture will continue through the summer. Fruiting seems to be earlier than in past years. We're already finding polypores, tree ears, and jelly fungus at 9000 feet in the Sandias. Oregon grape and violets are blooming. As we near the end of May the afternoon thunderstorm is becoming a common occurrence. Darn the bad luck! I can hardly wait for August!

Libba Campbell

**NMMS ANNUAL FORAY  
23-26 AUGUST 2007 - LAS VEGAS, NM**

## Close Encounters of the Ursine Kind

David Wallis reports meeting five bears in the Sandias during April and May. The only encounter of any particular interest was when he and his dog Seamus came upon one fellow doing what we are frequently told that bears do in the woods. "He just looked over his shoulder, rolled up his magazine, and shuffled out of sight."

Jonathan Caldwell, NMMS VP, lives in Ribera, about 20 miles south of Las Vegas. Jonathan wrote on May 21st, relating a story a bit more serious.

"Too exciting last Saturday; we went up a little canyon in search of morels, and my little Honey-dog decided to chase the

baby bear up the hill, until mama bear decided to chase her back down instead... mama counted coup on Honey, tagged her a good swipe that sent her tumbling to the bottom of the hill with mama hot on her heels, until mama saw me standing there and took a second to decide which one of us she'd go after... Honey beat it on down the trail and i just prayed, and mama decided to get back to her cub.

Whew. got the adrenaline going for sure. Honey hasn't been moving much yesterday and today, obviously a couple of cracked ribs, but otherwise seems ok."

Jonathan later reported, "Honey is considerably perkier today than she was yesterday, but it was a VERY close call, for sure. Closer than I ever hope to see happen again."



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