## **Foray Etiquette**

- Find out at what time the leader plans to stop and return to the cars. If you know the area and strike out on your own, make a point of being back at the meeting place on time, in consideration of others.
- If you plan to leave early, let the leader know (you can leave a note on their windshield if they're still out foraging). Cars will be monitored so that no one is left behind.
- If you are the driver, do not leave the foray site before making sure that none of your passengers are stranded.
- When you find something new or interesting it's nice to invite everyone to come over and see what it looks like in the duff. Step carefully around the specimen, as quite often where there is one there are several.
- If someone finds something, go over, congratulate the picker on their find, but never start picking someone else's patch unless invited to do so.
- Never pick every mushroom in a patch:
  - 1. Leave some to spread their spores for next year
  - 2. Leave some for the animals in the area
  - 3. Leave some for the other shroomers who may consider this as their "special" place
  - 4. Leave the forest like you were never there.
- When cleaning your fungi, leave the pieces in the woods.