

So here's the question:

Mushroom photos from Dorothy Thetford— what

exactly are they?

NATURALIST NEWS



Translucent pleated inkcap mushrooms
(*Parasola plicatilis*, *Coprinus plicatilis*) or, are
they?



"Hello anyone" in our Chapter who is mushroom/fungi knowledgeable! Please let the editor know who you are. I spent considerable time looking within our Chapter for such a member and not finding anyone, then hours "trolling" the internet trying to find out about the two depicted here. I think I have looked at every species known to man. I finally decided that above (another view to right) are Translucent pleated inkcap mushrooms (*Parasola plicatilis*, *Coprinus plicatilis*); however, myself and several others in the chapter could only agree that the one to the immediate right, is some type of shelf mushroom but no one knew the name.

**OK, Chapter mushroom/fungi experts what is your verdict?
Please weigh in. w. odum**



Same shelf mushroom taken on different dates shows, on the right, how it has grown.



FIELD NOTES IN FOCUS



**FLAME SKIMMER—FROM THE GALLERY OF
MARGARET LANGE**

*Featuring Master Naturalist photographers—flora
and fauna as you see them*



Are you still looking for this?

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## What's Next at BRIT's Brown Bag Opportunities

*Information from Becky Bertoni*

September 6, 2016

**Conservation Ranching  
and Land Stewardship**

Gary and Sue Price, owners of the 77 Ranch, have spent the last 40 years making their 2500-acre ranch into an award winning cattle operation that focuses on conservation practices that not only increase production but also improve water quality and wildlife habitat and protect natural resources. Join us as the Prices share their approach to conservation ranching and land stewardship.

**Noon - 1 p.m.**

October 4, 2016

**The Pollination Biology of Waterlilies**

BRIT's new Executive Director, Ed Schneider, will discuss his four decades of botanical research into the Nymphaeaceae, or water lily family. Dr. Schneider's work has ranged from student-directed projects related to field and reproductive biology of waterlilies in Texas to detailed anatomical studies utilizing scanning electron microscopy (SEM) to explore the water-conducting tissue (xylem) of these plants.

**Noon - 1 p.m.**

October 20, 2016

**2016 International Award of Excellence in Conservation**

Honorary Hosts Ed Bass, Ramona and Lee Bass, and Laura and Greg Bird, along with Event Chair Grant James, cordially invite you to the International Award of Excellence in Conservation gala and dinner. **Carter Smith, Executive Director of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department**, and his contributions to conservation will be recognized with this prestigious award. A fabulous celebration is being planned, and your support will help sustain and grow BRIT.

Save the Date for an evening to remember. For more information and reservations, contact Sara Richardson at [srichardson@brit.org](mailto:srichardson@brit.org) or [817.332.2748](tel:817.332.2748).

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