Badge of Achievement

*Common Poisonous Mushrooms of Missouri*
*Common Mushrooms of Missouri - Part I*
*Common Mushrooms of Missouri - Part II*
*Common Edible Mushrooms of Missouri*

- Each class will have classroom and field experience.
- Each class will have independent take home field and study work.
- Each student will complete the “homework” in his or her own time and return it to the instructor for assessment.
- Each student will then be tested on the classroom work.
- After successfully completing the homework and passing the test for each class, the student will receive a specific award pin.
- Each student who successfully completes all four classes will be presented with the:

**Harry S. Thiers Award for Mushroom Proficiency**

Homework:
1. Identify and record 3 mushrooms in the category of your class (ie. poisonous mushrooms). List each one by scientific name and common name.
2. Note the date, location, habitat, and abundance of each mushroom.
3. Include a dried specimen and/or a spore print of each mushroom.
4. Illustrate each mushroom with a photograph or drawing.
5. Write a short essay (approximately one page), with two references, on anything of interest in the category of your class.