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## **Mushroom Council® Announces Newly Elected Officers**

### ***Nominations Open for 2023-2025 Term***

March 8, 2022 – At its February 10 meeting in Dallas, the Mushroom Council® elected new officers for 2022.

- **Chairperson:** Curtis Jurgensmeyer, CEO, J-M Farms, Miami, Okla.
- **Vice-Chairperson:** Mark Moran, Kaolin Mushrooms/South Mill Champs, Kennett Square, Pa.
- **Secretary:** Meghan Klotzbach, C.P. Yeatman & Sons/Mother Earth, West Grove, Penn.
- **Treasurer:** Edward M. Wuensch III, Kitchen Pride Mushroom Farm, Gonzales, Tex.

The nine-member Council is comprised of eight domestic growers and one importer representing four regions. The program's purpose is to maintain and expand existing mushroom markets and uses. Members are:

#### **Region 1 (Includes all states except for CA and PA)**

- Curtis Jurgensmeyer, J-M Farms Inc.
- Edward M. Wuensch III, Kitchen Pride Mushroom Farm
- Fletcher Street, Ostrom Mushroom Farms

#### **Region 2 (Includes Pennsylvania)**

- Joe Caldwell, Giorgi Mushroom Company
- Meghan Klotzbach, C.P. Yeatman & Sons/Mother Earth
- Mark Moran, Kaolin Mushrooms/South Mill Champs Mushrooms
- Michael Basciani, M.D. Basciani & Sons/Basciani Foods

#### **Region 3 (Includes Calif.)**

- Jack Guan, California Terra Garden/Guan's Mushroom

#### **Region 4 (Includes importers)**

- Jane Rhyno, Highline Mushrooms

The officers' responsibilities include ensuring the Council develops and implements an annual research, marketing and promotions plan, and ensuring the Council manages and follows its annual budget.



***Mushroom Council Calls for Nominations — 2023-2025 Term***

A call for nominations for three-year terms beginning January 1, 2023, is now open. Completed nomination forms must be emailed or postmarked no later than May 2, 2022. The regions with positions available are:

- Region 1 (All states except CA & PA) – two open positions
- Region 2 (PA) – one open position

For more information, please contact [Cheryl@mushroomcouncil.org](mailto:Cheryl@mushroomcouncil.org).

**About the Mushroom Council:**

The Mushroom Council is composed of fresh market producers and importers who average more than 500,000 pounds of mushrooms produced or imported annually. The mushroom program is authorized by the Mushroom Promotion, Research and Consumer Information Act of 1990 and is administered by the Mushroom Council under the supervision of the Agricultural Marketing Service. Research and promotion programs help to expand, maintain and develop markets for individual agricultural commodities in the United States and abroad. These industry self-help programs are requested and funded by the industry groups that they serve. For more information, visit [mushroomcouncil.com](http://mushroomcouncil.com).

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