75th anniversary of Professor Bronislav Hlůza

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Professor RNDr. Bronislav Hlůza, CSc., has been involved in many activities during his scientific life. He was an excellent botany, mycology, mycotoxicology and ecology teacher. In many publications, lectures and at field excursions he also proved to be a great populariser of botanical, mycological and nature conservation work, not only to the benefit of students but also of members of the Natural History Museum Society in Olomouc and the general public. He was a specialist in didactics and environmental education.

Hlůza's most important publications include e.g. dissertations entitled "The distribution of several species of the genus Amanita in Czechoslovakia" (1976), and "The ecological study of Amanita citrina and A. porphyria and their distribution in Czechoslovakia" (1967) and several studies on Amanita phalloides (1982), A. pantherina (1985), A. gemmata (1986), A. regalis (1987), A. muscaria (1987) and other poisonous fungi (Inocybe erubescens, 1988; Boletus satanas, 1986) etc.

Prof. Hlůza was head of the mycological advice bureau for Olomouc and its surroundings for more than 30 years. He established a mycological working group of students and inspired many students of the Pedagogical Faculty of Palacký University to do research work and encouraged them to publish their results in this field.

Prof. Hlůza is a member of the Czechoslovak Biological Society, Czech Botanical Society, Czech Scientific Society for Mycology (he was a member of its Committee in the years 1997–2000), Czech Mycological Society, Slovak Mycological Society, and Natural History Museum Society in Olomouc (he was head of its Biological Department for 25 years). He collaborated for 40 years with scientists at several foreign universities – Halle and Kiel (Germany), and Lublin (Poland).

He has also been working as a judicial expert in mycotoxicology. He was the co-ordinator of the project "Mapping of poisonous fungi in the Czech Republic".

B. Hlůza has been working in mycofloristic research in the Litovelské Pomoraví Protected Landscape Area for more than 35 years, in the Jeseníky Protected Landscape Area, in the Military Training Area Libavá and in other regions of the Czech Republic.

Professor Hlůza has received more than twenty honourable commendations, diplomas, awards and many medals in the last thirty-two years – from the Czech Scientific Society for Mycology (of which he is an honorary member), the Natural History Museum Society in Olomouc (of which he is an honorary member, too), Palacký University in Olomouc, the Regional Pedagogic Institute Olomouc, and also from the Ministry of Education of the Czech Republic.

On behalf of all Czech and Slovak mycologists and friends, colleagues, collaborators and students from the Pedagogical Faculty of Palacký University in Olomouc we send cordial wishes and regards to Prof. Bronislav Hlůza to his 75th birthday. We wish him good health and pleasant years to come, even if we know that these years will be filled with further intensive work in botany and mycology – work that will certainly gratify him.

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