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December Meeting

Date. December 2nd
Place. Gorman's Nature Center
2295 Lexington Ave
Mansfield, Ohio 44907
Time. Arrive 4:30 to 5:00 PM
Eat at. :5:30 PM
Members bring favorite dessert
Program..... .Beth Straubhaar
Of Buckeye Perennials
(Formerly: Cat Orchids)
Topic... Native orchids and other wild
flowers of Ohio
Beth and Kevin will have orchids for
sale.

iceberg."

Surveys have shown that the Green Corridor is home to many threatened species including 15 reptiles and amphibians and six bird species as well as the greatest number of one of the world's most endangered primates, the white-cheeked crested gibbon.

WWF fears that the endangered species are at risk from illegal logging, hunting, unsustainable extraction of natural resources and conflicting development interests.

WWF also believes the forests in the Annamites help to preserve critical environmental services such as water supplies for thousand of people who depend on the region's rivers.

Orchids.



Anoectochilus annamenis - A rare creepy shade-loving species with a beautiful multicolored pattern on the leaves, the species name refers to the location of collection in the Annamites mountain chain, also known as the Truong Son Mountains.

Gastrodia theana - A very rare leafless orchid which has no chlorophyll and lives on decaying matter, similar to many



fungal species, the species name is in honour of the discoverer, a young Vietnamese botanist called Pham Van The.



Lecanorchis vietnamica - Also a rare leafless orchid living on dead and decaying matter, it is another species known only from closed primary forest in Hue province, and named after the country of origin and is likely to be only found from this area of Vietnam.

A raft of new species of animals and plants has been found by scientists in a remote area of Vietnam.

They include two butterflies, a snake, five orchids and three other types of plant.

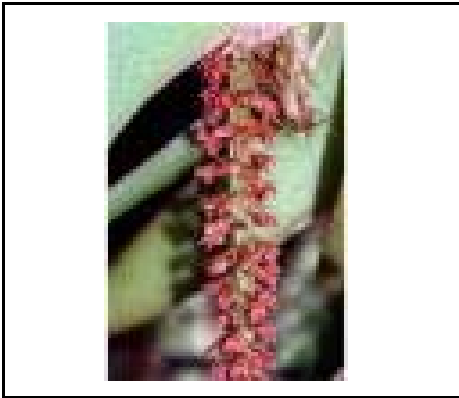
Another 10 plant species, including four more orchids, are still being studied but are also thought to be new discoveries.

All were found in tropical forests in the Annamites Mountain Range of central Vietnam which is known as the Green Corridor.

The Green Corridor is a four-year project that started in June 2004 by the WWF - formerly the World Wildlife Fund - and two Vietnamese groups, the Greater Mekong Programme and the Thua Thien Hue Provincial Forest Protection Department.

"You only discover so many new species in very special places, and the Green Corridor is one of them,"

"Several large mammal species were discovered in the 1990s in the same forests, which means that these latest discoveries could be just the tip of the



Oberonia huensis - Named after the province of origin, it is a beautiful flowering orchid likely to be restricted to lowland forest in Vietnam. Flowering March through June; name denotes location close to Hue City, central Vietnam.



Saccolabiopsis viridiflora - A species found in the canopy named after its red colored flowers, it is a rare species endemic to the region. This genus has not been recorded in Vietnam prior to this survey.

OYSTER AND HAM "PIE"

- 1 pint fresh oysters with liquid
 - 1 chopped onion
 - ½ cup flour
 - ½ cup butter
 - ½ cup milk
 - ½ cup white wine
 - 1/4 cup chopped cooked ham, preferably cured
 - 2 cups green peas or 1 package frozen
- Turn oven to 400 degs. F.

Separate oysters from liquid, and reserve both. Sauté chopped onion in 2 tbs. butter until golden. Remove onion and reserve. Adding remaining butter, melt; then add flour gradually, blending well. Let cool.

Stir milk gradually into butt-flour mixture, then simmer, stirring constantly.

Add wine and oyster liquid. This will make a very thick white sauce. Do not thin. Dish can be prepared to this point, then refrigerated until time of final cooking. Add oysters, cooked onion, ham, and peas to wine-oyster liquid mixture and turn into ovenware pot or dish.

Put in preheated 400f. oven and cook 15 minutes, or until peas are just done. Serve with tiny biscuits. If pie crust is added, bake until crust is golden.

Hickory Nut Pie Recipe

INGREDIENTS:

- 1 cup corn syrup
- 3/4 cup chopped hickory nuts
- ½ cup sugar
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 2 eggs
- 4 ounces butter (8 tablespoons)
- 1 unbaked pie pastry shell

PREPARATION:

Sprinkle nuts in pie shell.

In large bowl beat together remaining ingredients; pour over the nuts.

Bake in preheated 350 deg. F. oven for 35 minutes or until knife inserted in center comes out clean. Cool pie on rack.

Most Importantly:

Put the coffee pot on and call me.

“Last year, Old Tom didn’t come back from dinner, Must of been really good.”



November Meeting

Todd Zimmerman, from The COOS was the speaker on the subject of Semi-hydroponics and growing orchids. This is a vary interesting subject, and one that needs to be looked into with all seriousness. For those that may want more

information, or a refresher, ‘Google’ Hydroponics, and look under, ‘First Rays’.

Mr. Zimmerman was a contributor to this article.

We had one guest, a Ms. Suzanne Allison, from COOS, who came up from Columbus to hear this talk.

It was to bad that I had to leave some what early, there was information that I wanted to gleam from this young man, but, I am sure that with persistence, I’ll come up with it.

Show Table

Dick Cumberworth.....Lc. Loag Tone
Dan Pitzen.....Cyn. Pipeta ‘York’
Tom and Pat Stinson:

- ODM. First Step X ODM. Cirrhassven
- Dor. Pulchririum
- Den. Sweet Sugar
- Epi. Celan Thum
- Phrag. Bessie X Mountain man

Shylia Wies:

- Onc. Sherry Baby
- Cat. Arctic Star ‘Snow Queen’
- Alc. Sunday Best ‘Muffin’

Cat. Hauserman’s Cymphony ‘Pastoral’
(All these names are taken from tags, so don’t blame me for any misspelling)

Rambling

I spend a lot of time on the ‘net’ trying to find articles that would be of an interest to each of you. What I notice is that I end up with articles that are mainly of interest to me.

It has been mentioned in the past, if there is something that you have an interest in, write an article, I’ll post it, or let me know what you would like and I’ll try to accommodate.

Don’t waste your energy on someone else’s problem plant. Orchids grow slowly, so a problem plant from someone else will take 2-3 years to recover if it does so at all. You are better off spending your time and shelf space on a healthy plant that is going to flower for you.

Instead of using commercial products to clean the leaves of your plants try these cleaning tips:

Pineapple juice or milk can be used straight to wash the leaves. Rinse off the residue.

Mayonnaise will give a shine as well as remove calcium. Tea can also help remove calcium deposits.