

# Wildflowers

## THE BULLETIN OF THE BOTANICAL SOCIETY OF W. PA.

### JANUARY MEETING

Our first meeting of the new year will be Monday, January 12, at 8:00 P.M....at our usual place, Trinity Hall, Carlow College, 3333 Fifth Ave., Oakland. Always ample safe parking!

Our vice-president, Virginia Craig, will be the speaker. Her program is entitled "A Natural History Tour through Costa Rica".

### A WEEK ON THE BRUCE

At our December meeting, Virginia Craig showed us a slide of the Ram's-Head Lady's-Slipper, *Cypripedium arietinum*. She had taken the picture on Bruce Peninsula last June while on a week-long outing sponsored by The Eagle Foundation (TEF).

The Ram's-Head is just one of many orchids she encountered. In fact, the Bruce Peninsula is known as the "Orchid Capital of the World". You may see 20-25 species of orchids there.



The Bruce is in the province of Ontario, Canada, about 200 miles NNE of Detroit or 125 miles NW of Toronto. It separates Lake Huron from Georgian Bay.

TEF will have another "Week on the Bruce" in 1987.. June 13-20. The fee of \$325 per person includes cabin or room at Red Bay Lodge for seven nights, all meals (and Virginia says they are good ones), field trips, workshops and program, plus indoor swimming pool, sauna, and hot tub. The fee does not include transportation to and from Red Bay Lodge.

If you have questions about the program, call Virginia at 683-1444. And, if you decide to go, call me, Bob Bahl, at 921-1797. I have a supply of application forms and would be happy to send you one. I expect to have some with me at the January meeting. Virginia will be at the meeting, too. She has to be; she's giving the program.

### PHIPPS CONSERVATORY

A training class for new docents will begin on Wednesday, January 14.

Plants of the Bible tours will be conducted by docents --

Saturdays - January 31, February 7, 14  
Sundays - February 1, 8, 15  
Wednesdays - February 4, 11

Reservations are required.

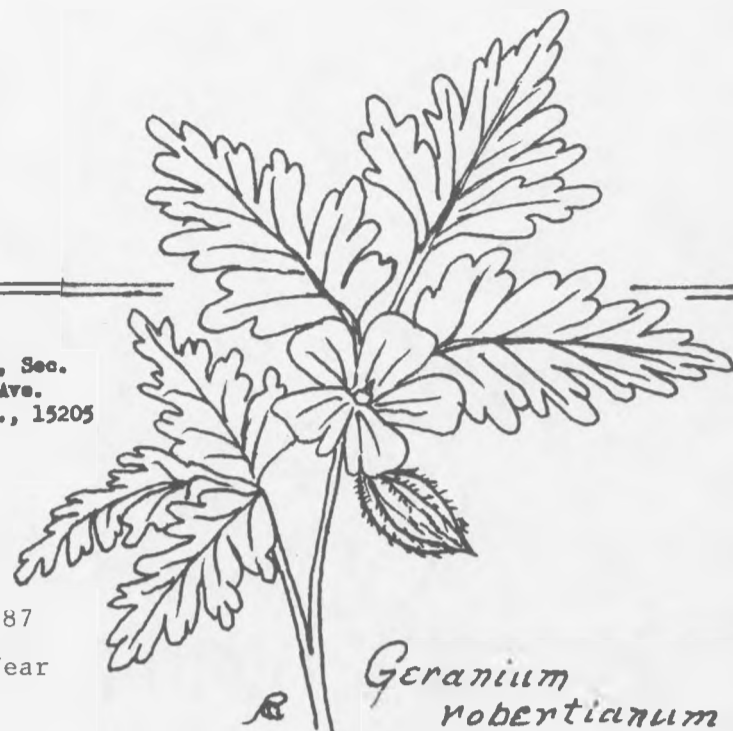
For more information about either of these programs please call 622-6958.

(Anne Bahl)

### MORELS

A gourmet catalog offers dried morels at \$16.05 for an .88 oz. package. If I pushed the right buttons on my calculator, that comes to \$291.82 per pound. I think I'll just continue to hunt my own in the woods.

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Our 101st Year

### GERANIUM ROBERTIANUM

The sketch of the Herb-Robert was drawn by our member, Phyllis Monk.

Our supply of illustrations is almost exhausted. We would welcome new ones from our previous artists. Even more, we would like to see something from new artists. I know we have the talent out there. How about it? Mary Lou? Peggy? Bob? Jerry?

### 1987 PROGRAM

Dr. Mary Joy Haywood has scheduled this program of speakers with an interesting balance of members and outside guests:

- January 12 - Virginia Craig  
A Natural History Tour through Costa Rica
- February 9 - Peggy Wiesner  
The Plants and Birds of Guffey Hollow
- March 9 - Sr. Bernadette Fondi, Ph. D.  
The Power of Plants to Survive and Sustain
- April 13 - Howard McIlvried  
Plants of Wet Places
- May 11 - Robert Little  
Early History of Nature Printing  
(demonstration and display)
- June 8 - Fr. Max Duman, Ph. D.  
Flora of the Arctic
- Sept. 14 - George Gerhart, Ph. D.  
All about Daylilies
- October 12 - Gould F. Schrock, Ph. D.  
Cacti and Other Succulents
- November 9 - Paul M. Brown  
Alpine Wildflowers
- Dec. 14 - Annual Christmas Party and Members' Night

### PAST DUES ARE DUE

On February 1, we make up a new mailing list for the coming year. There was a dues notice in the December bulletin. If you haven't sent it in yet, please do so before the end of January. Send it to our treasurer, Howard McIlvried, 8723 Highland Rd., Pittsburgh, Pa., 15237.

Application for Membership in BOTANICAL SOCIETY OF WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA	
Name	_____
Name	_____
Address	_____ _____ _____
Phone	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Renewal	<input type="checkbox"/> Single, \$5
<input type="checkbox"/> New Membership	<input type="checkbox"/> Family, \$8
	<input type="checkbox"/> Student, \$2.50