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Crabgrass Tip

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'Lonesome Plants' TO Be Discussed

BLOOMFIELD HILLS Plants get lonesome, too, says Warren H. Wagner, Jr., University of Michigan botany professor.

Remoteness from relatives, one reason for rarity in certain Michigan plants, is discussed by Dr. Wagner in his Dec. 3 Cranbrook Institute of Science members' lecture: "Rare and Disappearing Plants of Michigan." Color slides illustrate his 8:15 p.m. program in Cranbrook School Auditorium, 500 Lone Pine Road.

Changes in the customary habitats of some Michigan plants is another reason for their almost complete disappearance," says Dr. Wagner.

Ferns, wildflowers, trees and grasses are Dr. Wagner's chief botanical interest, and lecture concentration, though his comments apply generally to all major groups of plants.

Director of University of Michigan Botanical Gardens, Dr. Wagner is an authority on a wide range of subjects — plants, butterflies, rocks and minerals. His particular interest in field study is ferns.

Dr. Wagner, who continually draws overflow enrollments in his classes, considers his last summer's one-week Dearborn campus course in teaching basic ecological principles to inner city teachers his greatest recent experience.

Having received his doctorate from University of California at Berkeley and a doctoral fellowship from Harvard, Dr. Wagner is vice-president of the Botanical Society of America and president-elect of the Society for the Study of Evolution.

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Entrants may exhibit up to two steers, four lambs, and four hogs. Each entrant may exhibit all three kinds of livestock. All entries will be judged Thursday, Dec. 9, and will be sold at a special auction Friday, Dec. 10.

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