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WELCOME to Ethnobotanical Leaflets. New in the Policy Corner of this issue is an interview with Meredith Lane entitled, "Teaming with Life." Dr. Lane was involved in production of the Report by the Panel on Biodiversity of Ecosystems of the President's Committee of Advisors on Science and Technology (PCAST). The proposals in the Report are being presented for consideration starting with this year's federal budgets for NSF, NASA, EPA and other executive branch institutions. The interview focuses on points of interest to all biologists and to economic and ethnobotanists in particular. Dr. Peter Raven of the Missouri Botanical Garden was chair of the committee which produced the report. Also in this issue you'll find a number of new subject areas worth exploring, including recent contributions to our Web Journal. Under this heading will be found various short articles and research notes of general interest to our readers. Please check the link, Ethnobotanical Leaflets Starch Research Page for further news. As always, contributions from our readers are welcome.

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