



**Winner:** The **Leaf-nosed Anole, *Anolis phyllorhinus***, is a rare species known just from few localities in the southern Brazilian Amazon. It inhabits all levels of primary forests from ground to canopy. Photographer **Vinicius de Avelar São Pedro** found this anole at night, resting on a leaf about 2 meters from the ground, near Aripuanã, Mato Grosso, Brazil. Only the males of the species have the leaf-like nasal appendage, but its purpose is unknown. The Leaf-nosed Anole occurs in one of the most threatened regions of the Amazon. If nothing is done to stop the deforestation in this region, these anoles may disappear even before we know basic information about their biology.



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**Runner-up:** Photographer **Maria Eifler** saw chameleons all across Botswana, even in the dry scrub of the Kalahari. This **Flap-necked Chameleon (*Chamaeleo dilepis*)** appeared outside her cabin in Chobe National Park, in northern Botswana. Reptiles in general, and chameleons in particular, are feared by many of the local people, who often go out of their way to kill any reptiles they come across. Among tourists, few are as interested in the lizards as they are in the large mammals. Raising awareness is crucial.

## Year of the Lizard Photo Contest Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat		
<p>Look for the December Photo Contest Calendar at <a href="http://yearofthelizard.org">yearofthelizard.org</a></p>				1	2	3		
				<p>Kansas Herpetological Society Annual Mtg., Hays, KS</p>				
4	5	6	7	8	9	10		
Remem- brance Day (Can)	11	Veterans' Day Holiday (US)	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	Thanks- giving Day (US)	22	23	24	
25	26	27	28	29	30			