SEMINARS - ANCON CONFERENCE ROOM

The noon seminar on Tuesday, NOVEMBER 24, will be given by GUSTAVO RODRIGUEZ, from the Universidad Simon Bolivar, Venezuela. His subject:

Mammalian Surveys in Gigante Peninsula (BCNM) With a Management Perspective.

ABSTRACT: Mammalian fauna of Gigante is compared with that on BCI. Census methods used are discussed. Also, a forest provisioning experiment is described and possible applications discussed

That evening at 7 p.m. the staff seminar entitled "The Bee Thing (En Grande)" will be given by DAVID ROUBIK. All visitors and students are invited; snacks as usual before talk.

ABSTRACT: Studies on Africanized bee interaction with native bees indicate that there is a balance between resources and consumers in bee communities, but a community-level impact of this invading bee has not been found. Also, predators or parasites seem to be catching up to them.

NEXT WEEK

The noon seminar on Tuesday, December 1, will be given by Douglas Brust from Cornell University. He will speak on:

Maternal Brood Care by Dendrobates pumilio: a Frog that Feeds its Young.

ARRIVALS & DEPARTURES

November 18 - Arrived, ANDREW PULLIN AND THERESA KNIGHT, from the University of Leeds, England, on a short-term fellowship to study the influence of the environment on life-history strategy in tropical lepidoptera. They will be on BCI for 2 months.

November 22 - Departing, ELENA LOMBARDO, for Washington D.C. on official business. After a short vacation, she will be back on December 5.

November 27 - Arriving, ROGER VILLANUEVA, from the Centro de Investigaciones de Quintana Roo, Mexico, to work with David Roubik on pollen selection by honeybees. He will be at Ancon until Dec. 7.

HOLIDAY

Thursday, November 26, is THANKSGIVING, a STRI holiday. There will be a liberal leave policy on Friday, November 27.

NOTICE

Gloria Maggiori will be on annual leave December 15 - January 4. Anyone planning official travel during those months should contact the travel office before December 1 in order to starting processing of necessary paperwork.

PERSONNEL CHANGES & CAMBIOS DE PERSONAL

In order to offer more effective support to the STRI staff and visitors, the administration has made the following changes:
BARBARA CUSATTI has been reassigned to the Facilities Management offices at Tivoli, where she will continue to be in charge of logistics for the operation of Barro Colorado and the management of maintenance programs.
ROXANA DURAN is now in charge of giving assistance in the sensitive areas of Personnel, Travel and Budget, in the first floor of the Tivoli Building.

Con el fin de brindar un apoyo mas efectivo, la administracion de STRI dispuso recientemente siguientes cambios: BARBARA CUSATTI ha sido reasignada a las oficinas de Facilities Management en Tivoli, desde donde seguira encargada de la logistica para el funcionamiento de BCI y el manejo de programas mantenimiento. ROXANA DURAN estara encargada de brindar ayuda a las areas sensitivas de Personal, Viajes y Presupuesto, desde su despacho en la planta baja de Tivoli.

FOR SALE

"Marsh-nesting Blackbirds", by G.H. Orians, paperback, \$11.16
Bell Helmet, like new, L, \$15.00
Skid-lid Helmet, with visor, L, \$15.00
Nikon Lens, 300mm f4.5 AIS, \$100
(See or call Neal Smith, Ancon)

CONGRATULATIONS

To VIELKA VERGEL for the great job she did organizing STRI's contribution to the Combined Federal Campaign. STRI's quota was \$900 which we surpassed by \$1460, giving a total of \$2360.

THE EARL S. TUPPER RESEARCH AND CONFERENCE CENTER EL CENTRO DE INVESTIGACIONES Y CONFERENCIAS EARL S. TUPPER

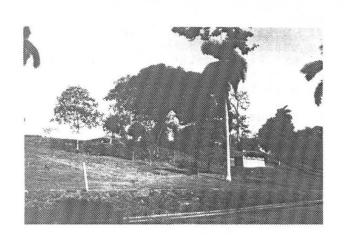
Ground was broken on April 3, 1987 for the construction of the new Earl S. Tupper Research and Conference Center at S.T.R.I. When completed (tentatively in November 1988), this new center will provide laboratory space for 12 permanent staff and 24 visiting scientists, areas for a growing house and research animal rearing, as well as a 176-seat auditorium.

Construction on this new center has been underway since April; work started first on the foundation for the Animal Holding Facility. In May 80% of the demolition work was completed and major progress had been made on relocation of utility lines.

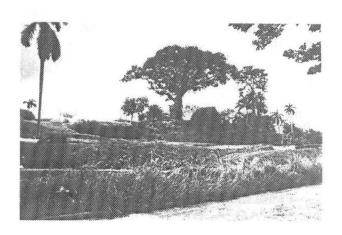
By September, the foundation for the auditorium was complete, and that of the main building was 90% complete. That month also the animal cages were 50% complete and one of the new parking lots was nearing completion.

During the month of October, the laboratory building foundation was completed, and also the second level of the main building. The photographs below (taken by Marcos Guerra) show graphically the progress of the work up to now.

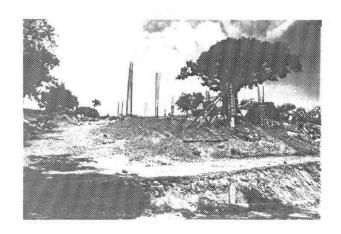
NOTE: EVERYONE PLEASE BE AWARE THAT THE NEW PARKING LOT SHOULD BE USED BY ALL VISITORS TO TIVOLI AND THE LIBRARY. PARKING UP THE HILL IS NOT ALLOWED.



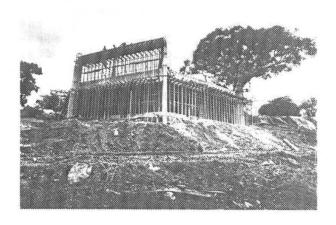
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