

### SEMINARS - ANCON CONFERENCE ROOM

Tuesday, October 18, noon seminar speaker will be JAMES WEINBERG, Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution.

Effect of Central American Land Bridges on Marine Isopod Evolution.

Abstract: Divergence has occurred between Caribbean and Eastern Pacific populations of a marine isopod. The divergence can be explained by considering the effects of today's Isthmus of Panama as well as an earlier land bridge between North and South America.

#### NEXT WEEK

Tuesday, October 25, noon seminar speaker will DAVID WAKE, University of California, Berkeley.

Evolutionary Diversification and Ecological Geography of the Tropical Salamanders.

### ARRIVALS

October 17, MARTIN MOYNIHAN and OLGA LINARES, returning from official travel and work in the U.S., Europe and Asia.

October 22, 1988 - November 22, RACHEL LEVIN, University of Washington, and assistant SUSAN SHARBAUGH to continue her research on the reproductive stategies of a tropical wren in Gamboa.

### **DEPARTURES**

October 15 - 23, NORIS SALAZAR, for Bogota, Colombia, to give a talk at the I Simposio Latinoamericano de Briología.

October 16 - November 13, DAVID and JEANNE ZEH, for the U.S. to give seminars and on vacation.

October 20 - 30, ERIC FISCHER, on official business to Washington, D.C. and Seattle, Washington.

October 21 - 30, DAVID ROUBIK, to Bogota, Colombia, to consult with collaborator, Enrique Moreno.

# ON LEAVE

Everardo Curney, October 7 - 19 Gilberto Ocaña, Oct. 17 - Nov. 4

### REMINDER

The monthly scientific staff meeting will be held on October 18, at 9:30 a.m. in the Ancon Conference Room.

### LIBRARY NEWS

Until further notice, the STRI Library entranceway from the Tivoli Building will remain closed due to Tupper construction. Visitors must enter through the gate leading from the circular driveway, in front of the Library building.

Sylvia Churgin's new home address is El Peñon, Calle 40, Ave. Chile, telephone 25-0175.

# SUGGESTION PROGRAM / PROGRAMA DE SUGERENCIAS

All STRI employees are encouraged to submit their suggestions for ways to improve any aspect of our operations. If idea is adopted, employee will be eligible for award. Fill out suggestion form (available from facility secretaries), and send it through your supervisor to the Director's Office.

Se les insta a todos los empleados de STRI a que sometan sugerencias de como mejorar cualquier aspecto del funcionamiento del Instituto. Usted sería elegible para un premio si su sugerencia es adoptada. Complete su formulario de sugerencias, los cuales estarán disponibles con la secretaria de su instalación, y envielo a la Oficina del Director por intermedio de su supervisor.

# <u>CONTEST TIME!</u> / <u>LLEGO LA HORA DE CONCURSAR!</u>

The Mini-Store needs an artistic design for a new T-shirt for the marine stations. First place prize will be \$50 and second place \$25. The deadline for submitting your drawing to the Executive Officer is Friday, October 28. YOUR PARTICIPATION IS GREATLY APPRECIATED.

La Mini-Tienda necesita un dibujo artístico que represente las estaciones marinas de STRI, para el diseño de una nueva camiseta. El primer premio será de \$50 y el segundo de \$25. El último día para hacer entrega del dibujo a la oficina de la Sra. Motta, en Tivoli, será el viernes, 28 de octubre. SE LE AGRADECE SU PARTICIPACION.

Research assistant to work on laboratory and field projects relating to the biology of Panamanian fishes. Requirements include a Bachelors degree and some understanding of English. SCUBA certification preferred. Send C.V. to the Education Office at Ancon.

### ASSISTANT AVAILABLE

TRACY A. FARMER (34 Tarbell Street, Pepperell, MA 01463) is interested in working as an assistant at STRI. Ms. Farmer has a B.A. in biology from Smith College, with experience in marine research. She has SCUBA certification (NAUI Openwater II) and has worked with computers (IBM and APPLE).

### POSITIONS AVAILABLE

The Department of Botany of the University of Florida invites applications for a tenure-track assistant professorship in physiological ecology. Applicants should submit a C.V. and a description of research interests, and have letters from four referees sent by 8 December 1988 to Dr. William Stern, Department of Botany, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL 32611.

The Department of Entomology, University of California at Davis, invites applications for a tenure-track faculty position for one year in HONEY BEE POPULATION GENETICS. The letter of application, C.V., reprints, and names and addresses of three referees should be sent by 15 November 1988 to Christine Y.S. Peng, Dept. of Entomology, University of California, Davis, California 95616.

A two-year position as an Aquatic Ecologist at the faculty level is available immediately at the University of Oklahoma Biological Station, Lake Texoma. Submit C.V. and letters of recommendation to Dr. Loren Hill, OU Biological Station, Kingston, OK 73439.

One or two graduate research assistantships (at M.S. or Ph.D. level) are available immediately under the direction of Dr. Bill Matthews, University of Oklahoma Biological Station (Kingston, OK 73439), for three years, with duties related to a large-scale survey of ecology of fishes of a major river basin and its tributaries in Oklahoma. Students will enroll in the graduate program of the Dept. of Zoology, OU, Norman, Oklahoma in January 1989, but could begin work immediately.

The University of Oklahoma Biological Station has funding for two graduate research assistantships at MS or Ph.D. level. Research will involve the effects of water transfer from Lake Texoma (OK-TX) to Lake Lavon (TX) on fish and other aquatic organisms. Students will enroll in the University of Oklahoma, Dept. of Zoology, in January 1989. Contact Drs. L. G. Hill or M. R. Meador, UO Biological Station, Star Route B, Kingston, OK 73439.

### FOR RENT

House in Chilibre just off the Transisthmian. Two-hectare lot with fruit trees and forest. Contact Lizzy Leigh or Bob Hall (52-5711 home, 62-4047 office).

## FOR SALE

Two air-conditioners (5,000/15,000 BTU), two ceiling fans, and 12 gal electric water heater. 1983 Toyota Corolla station wagon with a/c, AM/FM radio, automatic, \$4000, available mid-January. Contact Sylvia Churgin, STRI Library.

# WANTED

House and cat sitter for two weeks late October-early November. If interested, contact Sylvia Churgin, STRI Library.



What sloths do when no one's around