

# STRI NEWSLETTER

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### ANNOUNCEMENT REGARDING MAIL

Once more we would like to remind you that in order to reduce bookkeeping, we have started to enforce an old STRI policy regarding the placing of stamps and mailing through our offices.

All visitors' mail can still be sent to our Tivoli offices for the purpose of having it taken to the post offices, however, all letters must have the stamps on them, except for the mail coming in from <u>BCI</u> and <u>San Blas</u>. We will NOT keep a "stamp charge" for visitors not living at BCI or San Blas. Unstamped mail will be returned to the sender. The policy also applies to all personal mail posted by the STRI staff, nonresidents of BCI.

Please remember to use our APO address for shipping research equipment and supplies(non-personal items) to:

> Smithsonian Tropical Research Inst. APO Miami 34002 Attn.:

Non-official and personal mail can be sent to:

Smithsonian Tropical Research Inst. P.O. Box 2072 Balboa, Republic of Panama Attn.:

Also, please remember that all nonofficial mail must have your name above the return address. Nameless envelopes will be returned to the originating facility.

Your cooperation in adhering to this policy will be greatly appreciated.

#### SEMINAR NEWS

Several seminars this week:

On Monday, December 14, at 7:30 p.m. there will be an informal seminar on BCI given by Robin Chazdon, Scholarly Studies Fellow from Cornell University, who will speak on:

> Geonomoid palms: plants that never grow up

The luncheon seminar on Tuesday, Dec. 15, will be given by Dr. Roy Caldwell, University of California at Berkeley, who will speak on:

Agressive behavior in stomatopods

This seminar will be in the Ancon Conference Room.

On Thursday evening at 7:30 p.m. in the BCI Lounge, Mandy Medvin,

in the BCI Lounge, Mandy Medvin, Educational Outreach Fellow from the University of Washington, will give an informal seminar on:

> Differential Reproductive Strategies with Age in Female Anolis limifrons (Sauria, Iguanidae).

#### ARRIVALS & DEPARTURES

December 15 - Arriving, Mary Hagedorn, Scripps Institute of Oceanography, to continue studies on: "Social communication in the weakly electric fish, <u>Hypopomus occidentalis</u>". Mary will be at Gamboa until March 15.

> Leaving, Dr. Alan Smith, for the Xmas Holidays, and then on to the University of Miami where he will be teaching during the spring semester He is expected back at STRI in May.

December 18 - Leaving, the Roubik family, to spend the Xmas Holidays in the U.S.

> Also leaving that day, the Spight Family, who will be in Alaska until January 23.

Barbara Butler will be leaving on vacation this week-end for two weeks. Linnette Garcia will be filling in for Barbara on BCI until the New Year

## COLL CROLLIG WHERE ARE YOU?

We have been receiving a suscription of the <u>NEW YORKER</u> Magazine addressed to Coll Crollig at the STRI address for over two months, but our visitors office has no record of anyone at STRI with that name. If you know anyone by that name, please call the Procurement Office so that the magazines can be forwarded to their owner.

#### APARTMENT AVAILABLE

Two bedroom apartment in Ancon, from December 18 - January 22nd. For further information, please call Tom or Alane Spight, at 252-2378.

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