

STRI NEWSLETTER

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ESTABLISHMENT OF SILBERGLIED MEMORIAL FUND

The recent tragic death of Bob Silberglied in the Washington Air Florida crash was a shocking loss to tropical science, STRI and the Smithsonian Institution. It was also a crushing blow to the wide circle of his personal friends. At STRI and at the Smithsonian we have received a large number of inquiries and suggestions about how we can respond in a fitting way to this loss and honor our memories of Bob. We feel we should do this in a way consistent with his hopes and aspirations. Since his life was dedicated to science and since tropical biology was his absorbing passion, we have established through the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, D.C., a Robert E. Silberglied Memorial Fund. At present the overwhelming view is that this fund should be devoted to providing fellowships in tropical entomology for young biologists. Arrangements to establish a committee of trustees are being made. Should you feel moved to support the fund, you can do so by sending your contribution to the Smithsonian Institution Accounting Office, L, Enfant Plaza 3500, Washington, D.C. 20560. This fund will be administered without overhead and donations will be considered as charitable contributions for U.S. tax purposes.

Ira Rubinoff

IV LATINAMERICAN AQUACULTURE SYMPOSIUM TO BE HELD NEXT WEEK

The "IV Simposio Latinoamericano de Acuicultura" will be held in Panama from January 25 - 29, at the Convention Center ATLAPA. The registration fee is \$10 for participants and \$5 for students. Gloria de Yee from Galeta will be speaking on: "El Uso de las Algas en Panama y Posible Importancia Comercial". (The program schedule will be posted Monday on the Library Bulletin Board).

NEW TELEPHONE NUMBER FOR GALETA

The Galeta Laboratory has been assigned a new telephone number which will hopefully improve telephone communication with that facility. The new number is (2)89-4200, and will replace the old number which has been disconnected. NOTE: Please remember that the 2 before this and other numbers in the Canal area are used only when calling from the Canal area. If calling from Panama or the U.S., etc. the 2 is not used.)

SEMINAR NEWS

There will not be a luncheon seminar on Tuesday, January 26th. Instead, there will be an evening seminar, at 7:30 p.m. which will be given by Dr. W. John Smith, University of Pennsylvania. Dr. Smith will be speaking on:

Kinds of information animals communicate: II: Current directions and controversies.

(This is the sequel to the seminar that Dr. Smith gave two weeks ago.) There will be refreshments served and this will be in the Ancon Conference Room.

LIBRARY NEWS

In spite of the initial enthusiastic response, very few have taken advantage of the Library's 9:00 P.M. closing on Tuesday.

Following Smithsonian Library procedures, a number of volunteers have been interviewed and several are already working on cataloguing and maintenance projects.

MISSING

Remote control for slide projector from the Ancon Conference Room. Please return as soon as possible, it is urgently needed for weekly seminars.

FOR SALE

1975 Renault 4, \$2,200. Please contact Mike MacDonagh at Ancon.

ARRIVALS

Arrived this past week, Dr. Leonard Freed, from the University of Iowa, to begin his Postdoctoral Fellowship. He will be at Gamboa for one year, working on: "Evolution of clutch size in a tropical passerine".

AND

a"special"new arrival:

KATHERINE GRACE DENNY, was born on Monday, January 18th to Mark and Sue Denny. She weighed 8 lbs. CONGRATULATIONS, Mark and Sue.

ARTICLE OF INTEREST

In the January 1982 issue of NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC MAGAZINE, "The amazing frog-eating bat", article and photos by MERLIN TUTTLE.