



STRI NEWSLETTER

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STRI Will observe a liberal leave policy on Tuesday, February 23 (Carnaval Day). Banks will be closed Monday - 1 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 24. As announced last week, government offices and many businesses will remain closed until Thursday.

SEMINAR NEWS

There will not be a luncheon seminar this coming Tuesday.

This evening (Friday, Feb. 19th), Dr. Malcolm Coe, Oxford University, will be giving an informal seminar at BCI on:

The Corpse Story

Dinner will be served at 6 p.m. and the seminar will follow.

ARRIVALS & DEPARTURES

STRI is finally having a real visiting fireman, Andy Wilson, from the Smithsonian Fire Protection Branch, will be arriving tonight, and will be in Panama for two weeks. He will be conducting a study on fire protection at STRI facilities.

FEBRUARY 20 - Arriving, Catherine Caufield, Conservation Editor for NEW SCIENTIST Magazine (London, England). She will be on BCI for approximately 2-3 weeks.

FEBRUARY 26 - Arriving, Carolina Murcia, Universidad del Valle, on an EXXON Assistantship to assist Dr. Gene Montgomery on marine birds studies in Taboga Island. She will be at STRI for 3 months.

Arrived this past week: Wilson Devia and Enrique and Gloria Moreno from Bogotá, Colombia. Wilson and Enrique have EXXON assistantships to conduct the second phase of a study on: "Pollen harvest by three highly social bees in lowland tropical forest: wet and dry season comparisons". They will be at STRI for three months.

We say goodbye this week to DR. W. JOHN SMITH, who will be returning to the University of Pennsylvania after being at STRI for 3 months. He will be leaving on Feb. 23.

LIBRARY NEWS

Recently received publications:

Life Cycles, Dynamics, Exploitation and Management of Coastal Penaeid Shrimp Stocks (FAO Fisheries Tech. Paper 203).

1980 Annual Report from the Institute of Terrestrial Ecology.

PLEASE RETURN

The microscope at Naos is missing an ocular. Someone switched an old 10x ocular for one of the appropriate 16x oculars, making the microscope useless. The return of the 16x ocular would be greatly appreciated; no questions asked.

NEW CHARGES FOR BCI USE BY OFF-BCI STUDENTS & OTHER RESEARCHERS

Effective March 1, 1982, the following fees will be charged for students/other researchers having projects on BCI but living off the island:

Weekly Rates

<u>1)W/Lab</u>	<u>2)W/Bench Space Only</u>	<u>3)W/No Lab or bench space</u>
\$35.00 (students)	\$25.00 (students)	\$15.00 (students)
\$60.00 (Other Researchers)	\$40.00 (Other Researchers)	\$20.00 (Other Researchers)

These fees cover transportation to and from BCI, on regularly scheduled* boat trips, and lunch. Meals missed or trips not made, will not be discounted.

STRI and SI supported fellows will pay rate #3.

*All unscheduled boat trips will be charged at \$5.00 per person, per trip, irrespective of status.

NOTES OF INTEREST

-From now until March 13th you can go on Saturday morning to the ruins of Panama Viejo to attend a program of Panamanian folkloric dances. The program is outdoors, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon and is free of charge.

-STRI's Dr. Dave Roubik has confirmed the arrival of the Africanized bee to the Darien area of Panama. (Complete story on the subject will appear in next Friday's Newsletter.)