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TUPPER CENTER SEMINARS

Tuesday, August 15, noon seminar speaker will be Walter Hoedl, Institute of Zoology, Brasil

Reproductive Strategies in Amazonian Frogs

BAMBI SEMINAR

Mon, Aug 14, Bambi seminar speaker will be Walter Hoedl, at 7:30 pm, BCI. Please note change of day.

Natural History Filming in Brasil

NAOS LAB LUNCHEON

Fri, Aug 18, Naos Marine Lab luncheon speaker will be Jeff Hunt, Southhampton College, NY

The Phylogeography of Lesser Antillean Birds

PEOPLE

Arrivals

- Jennifer Apple, University of Utah, Aug 12-31, to study the patterns in facultative ant-plant mutualisms, on BCI.
- Courtney Murren, University of Connecticut, Aug 12-20, to work with Mario Sousa on the systematics and reproductive biology of the plant genus *Witheringia*, at Tupper and Fortuna.
- Patrick O'Hara, Simon Fraser University, Canada, Aug 13-Apr 29, to study the site choice and survivorship in the Western Sandpiper (*Calidris mauri*) in Panama, at the Naos Labs.
- Deborah Olander, STRI's 10 week fellow from the University of Missouri, Aug 14-20 Oct, to study the late second growth forest light environments: implications for forest regeneration, at BCI.
- Helena Korpelainen, Short-term visitor from the University of Helsinki, Finland, Aug 16-30, to do collaborative research in the population genetics and reproductive systems of some Pteridophyte and Bryophyte species with Mireya Correa, Haris Lessios and Noris Salazar, at Tupper.



ANCON docent Miguel Zimmerman leads a group of students from Panama city during their recent visit to the exhibit "Nuestros Bosques: Nuestra Herencia" at the Tupper Center Exhibit Hall. The exhibit will be open to the public at STRI until August 31 ••• Miguel Zimmerman, docente de ANCON, conduce a un grupo de estudiantes de Panamá durante su reciente visita a la exhibición "Nuestros Bosques: Nuestra Herencia", en el Salón de Exhibiciones del Centro Tupper. La exhibición se mantendrá abierta al público hasta el 31 de agosto. (Foto: A. Montaner)

Nuestras Condolencias

A Rosa Zambrano y su familia, por la muerte de su hermana Mirna Zambrano, el miércoles 9 de agosto.

At the Tupper Reception Desk ••• En la Recepción del Tupper

Effective Monday, August 14, Marcela Vargas will be on maternity leave until November 21. During this period, Lorena Tobón, who has worked at the STRI Mini-bookstore, will replace her. We welcome her at the Tupper Center ••• A partir del lunes 14 de agosto, Marcela Vargas entrará en licencia por maternidad hasta el 21 de noviembre. Durante este período, Lorena Tobón, quien ha trabajado anteriormente en la Mini-Librería de STRI ocupará su lugar. Le damos la bienvenida.

THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW

About Bambi Seminars

Anyone attending a Bambi who is not a BCI resident *must* make a reservation with Daniel Millán or Vielka Rodríguez at 272-2124 no later than noon on the day of the Bambi. These reservations are essential to insure dinner. Effective July 20, all non-residents who attend the Bambis will be billed \$5 for dinner and transportation.

THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW

Reminder to All Visitors

Recorderis Para Todos Los Visitantes

All visitors must notify their departure date to the Office of External Affairs at Tivoli, at least 8 working days in advance to insure exit permits. We will appreciate your attention to this matter ••• *Todos los visitantes deben notificar su fecha de salida del país a la Oficina de Asuntos Externos en Tivoli, para asegurarse los permisos de salida, con una anticipación no menor de 8 días laborables. Agradecemos su atención a este asunto.*

At the Tupper Center

- Tue, Aug 15 ■ Noon seminar by Walter Hoedl, AUD
 Wed, Aug 16 ■ Interamerican Institute for Global Change Research meeting, LMR, 2pm
 Thu, Aug 17 ■ OFE-INRENARE meeting to discuss an ant exhibit at *Parque Omar*, SMR, 9am
 ■ Housing Committee meeting, SMR, 2pm
 Fri, Aug 18 ■ CAFSAC meeting, CH, 11:30am

At the Culebra Marine Reserve

- Tue, Aug 15 *Grupo de la Cruz Roja*
 Wed, Aug 16 *Colegio Las Esclavas*
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 Fri, Aug 18 *Colegio Bilingüe Jesús de Praga*
 Sat, Aug 19 *Colegio Remón Cantera*

At Barro Colorado Island Station

- Sat, Aug 12 Group from Panama City and Europe and visitors from Balboa, Panama
 Sun, Aug 13 *Colegio Bilingüe Las Cumbres*
 Sat, Aug 19 *Grupo de Conservacionistas de Penonomé* and the University of Columbus, Panama
 Sun, Aug 20 *Instituto Profesional y Técnico de Veraguas*

NEW STRI PUBLICATIONS

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Mireya and Pilapitiya. 1995. "Inhibitory Effects of Various Ayurvedic and Panamanian Medicinal Plants on the Infection of *Herpes simplex Virus-1* *in vitro* and *in vivo*." *Phytotherapy Research* 9(4): 270-276.

Heckadon-Moreno, Stanley. 1995. "El Jardín de Orquídeas de C.W. Powell en Cerro Ancón." *Epocas (Segunda Era)*: Julio: 9.

Petersen, Christopher W. 1995. "Reproductive Behavior, Egg Trading, and Correlates of Male Mating Success in the Simultaneous Hermaphrodite, *Serranus tabacarius*." *Environmental Biology of Fishes* 43: 351-361.

Wellington, G.M. and Dunbar, R.B. 1995. "Stable Isotopic Signature of El Niño Southern Oscillation Events in Eastern Tropical Pacific Reef Corals." *Coral Reefs* 14(1): 5-26.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

At the Office of Education

En la Oficina de Educación

You may find information on courses, congresses, training opportunities, positions, etc., that are too long to publish. Some of this information concerns:

- Position announcement for a Plant Systematist in either the Department of Pomology or Department of Vegetable Crops, University of California at Davis.
- Training sessions and field school programs at the Central American Institute of Prehistoric and Traditional Cultures at Belize.
- Doctoral Fellowship 1996 application at the Lizard Island Research Station, Great Barrier Reef, Australia: a Facility of the Australian Museum.

Important ••• Importante

Since all telephone numbers in Panama changed recently, please send your new home phone number via GroupWise to ARZEA. If you are not connected to GroupWise, contact your facility's secretary. For emergencies after working hours please contact the security guard at the Tupper Center at 227-6014. You may also call Alejandro Arze at 226-2475, Fernando Caballero at 230-0775 or your immediate supervisor ••• *Ya que todos los números de teléfono en Panamá cambiaron recientemente, favor enviar su nuevo número a ARZEA, via GroupWise. Si usted no está conectado a GroupWise, comuníquese con la secretaria de su lugar de trabajo. Para emergencias fuera de horas de trabajo llame al guardia de seguridad en Tupper, al 227-6014. También puede llamar a Alejandro Arze al 226-2475, a Fernando Caballero al 230-0775, o a su supervisor inmediato.*