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TUPPER CENTER SEMINARS

No noon seminar scheduled for Tuesday, October 29. If you wish to give a seminar, please contact Neal Smith.

CHARLA SMITHSONIAN DEL MES

The sixth "Charla Smithsonian del Mes", will be presented by Annette Aiello at the Salón Las Oropéndolas in the Metropolitan Park, on Wednesday, Oct 30, at 7:30pm ••• *El Patronato del Parque Natural Metropolitano y STRI invitan a toda la comunidad a la sexta Charla Smithsonian del Mes, la que será dictada por Annette Aiello en el Salón las Oropéndolas, Centro de Visitantes del Parque Metropolitano, el miércoles 30 de octubre a las 7:30pm*

Las Orugas de Panamá

BAMBI SEMINAR

Thursday, October 31, "Halloween" Bambi seminar speaker will be Dietrich von Staden, University of Tuebingen

Comparison of Two Neotropical Bat Communities: Methods, Approaches, First Data

PEOPLE

Arrivals

- Wiebe Kooistra, visiting scientist from the Alfred-Wagener Institute, Germany, Oct 27-31 Oct 1997, to do molecular analysis of the reef building green alba *Halimeda*, at Naos.
- Gabriela Hissel de Menendez, Museo Argentino de Ciencias Naturales "Bernardino Rivadavia", to collaborate with Noris Salazar on the revision of the Anthocerotophytas Neotropicales, at the Tupper Laboratories.
- Martin Wikelski, post-doctoral fellow from the University of Washington, Oct 28-10 Dec, to study the physiological mechanisms of reproductive seasonality in the rainforest dwelling spotted antbird, in Gamboa.
- Michaela Hau, University of Washington, Oct 28-10 Dec, to work with Martin Wikelski, in Gamboa.
- Stuart West, Imperial College, U.K., Oct 29-10 Dec, to study the evolution of reproductive strategies in non-pollinating fig wasps and the stability of the fig pollinator mutualism, at BCI.

Departures

- Ira Rubinoff, Oct 31-1 Nov, to Atlanta, GA, on official business.

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THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW

Reminder from the Visitor's Office

Recorderis de la Oficina de Visitantes

When visiting a national park, a visitor permit must be requested. This can be done through María Leone, at the Visitor's Office, Tupper Center. You must submit the name of the visitor(s), passport or cedula number(s), date of the visit and the particular national park. The permit is processed through the IN.RE.NA.RE. regional office and it takes 5 working. Researchers that have collecting/research permits must report to the director of the park at the beginning of the project *** *Para visitar un parque nacional es necesario un permiso de visita. Este permiso puede tramitarse a través de la Oficina de Visitantes, con María Leone, en el Centro Tupper. Para ello se necesitan el nombre o nombres de los visitantes, número de pasaporte o cédula, fecha de visita a parque y nombre del parque en particular. El permiso se procesa a través de la oficina regional del INRENARE, y toma 5 días laborales. Investigadores que tienen permiso para colectar y hacer investigaciones deben reportarse con el director del parque al principio del proyecto.*

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

Director of Communications

The Center for International Forestry Research (CIFOR) is one of the 16 international centers of the Consultative Group for International Agricultural Research (CGIAR). The center is located in Bogor, Indonesia, with activities throughout the tropical world. CIFOR's objective is to enhance the contribution of forests to human well being, especially to poor people in tropical developing countries.

CIFOR is seeking a director to lead its communications and outreach activities, especially the global forest research community. The selected candidate will manage and coordinate all CIFOR's capacity building and outreach activities with partners, including the provision of training, workshops and seminars; produce and distribute scientific publications, including the Center's newsletter, the Annual Report and a range of other

scientific reports and books, for both print and electronic media (i.e. Web-Publishing). The incumbent will also be responsible for the CIFOR Research Library (both electronic and paper), and promote CIFOR through public affairs activities and develop CIFOR's links with the private sector.

Candidates must have an excellent record in the management of communications in the natural resources management area; about 10 years experience, at least some of which is in developing countries; sensitivity to the concerns and needs of the developing country science community; managerial and leadership skills; a good network of contacts in natural resource research and with NGOs and international agencies; the ability to work comfortably in English and preferably, at least one other language which is widely used in tropical developing countries.

The position is in Bogor, 60 km south of Jakarta. CIFOR offers a competitive compensation package and is an equal opportunity employer. Women and developing country nationals are encourage to apply. Those interested please send their Curriculum vitae, together with a letter of application to: Jacqueline Parisi, Manager Human Resources, CIFOR, P.O. Box 6596 JKPWB, Jakarta 10065, Indonesia. Fax: 62 251 326 433 20 • E-mail: j.parisi@cgnet.com. The selection process starts on December 2, 1996. At STRI, you may consult Stanley Heckadon, Latin American and the Caribbean representative for CIFOR, for more details.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Xenia Guerra	2
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Ma Josefa Villar	8
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