

CELEBRATION OF MOTHER'S DAY

Mother's Day in Panama and in many other Latin American countries is celebrated on December 8th. This is an official holiday in Panama and STRI offices will be closed on that day.

FELICITACIONES A TODAS LAS MADRES
EN STRI

SEMINAR NEWS

The luncheon seminar at Ancon on Tuesday, December 7th will be given by EUGENE SCHUPP, University of Iowa, who will speak on:

Cecropia and Azteca: Ant occupation and the growth of saplings

Also on Tuesday, at 2 p.m. in the Ancon Conference Room, HIRAM GONZALEZ and ANTONIO LOPEZ, from the Cuban Academy of Sciences, will give two complementary seminars:

Generalidades de la fauna cubana(aves)
by Hiram Gonzalez

La flora de Cuba
by Antonio López

On Thursday, Dec. 9th at 12 noon in the Naos Conference Room, DREW HARVELL, University of Washington, will speak on:

Operation of the hydrolab at St. Croix:
Competition on the Reef

ARRIVALS & DEPARTURES

DECEMBER 5 - Leaving, IRA RUBINOFF on official business to the Smithsonian in Washington. He will be away for one week.

DECEMBER 9th - Arriving, ELDRIDGE ADAMS, University of California at Berkeley, to work on Roy Caldwell's project at Galeta on the aggressive behavior of gastropods.

LIBRARY NEWS

New Books of Interest:
-Aves brasileiris
-Application of Remote Sensing to Wildlife Management
-Biogeography and Ecology of New Guinea
-Biology of Seaweeds
-Blue and White Transfer Ware
-Handbook of Genetics (5 V)
-Large White Butterfly
-Majolica in the New World
-Population Ecology
-Village Ethnoarchaeology
-World Conference on Birds of Prey

WORKSHOP TO BE HELD AT STRI

A workshop on demographic modeling being organized by ROBIN ANDREWS will be held at STRI during the next two weeks. The workshop will deal with the theoretical background of matrix population models. Simulations relevant to current research will be run on computer facilities available at STRI.

BERT LEIGH will introduce the topic at an initial session to be held on BCI on December 6 between 5 and 8 p.m. Anyone wishing to attend the initial session should advise BARBARA BUTLER at 252-2124.

FOR SALE

1982 LADA 1300 a/c, excellent condition, only 12000 km. \$3,950. Call 252-2378.

10 speed PEUGEOT bicycle, with extra tire, tube, tools and lock. Price: \$70. If interested, contact MILTON CLARK, or leave a note in the Visitors Box at the Tivoli Building.

IF YOU CAN, PLEASE PLAN AHEAD

NICOLAS ALAMANZA, who works for the Office of the Special Assistant to the Director at STRI and obtains paz y salvos, will be going on vacation for three weeks, as of December 13th. If you are planning to travel during the Xmas Holidays, send in your paz y salvo request forms to ELENA LOMBARDO, at the latest, by the morning of Tuesday, December 7th (paz y salvos are valid for at least one month). Other questions regarding immigration documents during this period should be consulted well in advance with ELENA LOMBARDO or GLORIA MAGGIORI.

JULIO JAEN RECEIVES SERVICE AWARD

At a recent ceremony held in the Office of the Director, JULIO JAEN received a Service Award for his past collaboration and contributions to STRI activities, such as the recent exhibition "Beauties of a Coral Reef". Julio is presently the National Coordinator of AECAP, the active ASOCIACION ESTUDIANTIL PARA LA CONSERVACION AMBIENTAL DE PANAMA, that receives financial support from the World Wildlife Fund and logistical support from STRI.