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SEMINAR NEWS

We do not have a luncheon seminar scheduled for Tuesday, February 1st. Please check your bulletin boards for last minute scheduling.

Dr. T.J. Pandian from Madurai Kamaraj University, India will be presenting two seminars during his visit to STRI. The seminars will be on ecological physiology, and the times and titles will be posted on Thursday after Dr. Pandian's arrival.

ARRIVALS

FEBRUARY 1ST - Arriving, MARY HAGEDORN, Scripps Institute of Oceanography, to study sexual dimorphism of the electric organ discharge of the weakly electric fish, Hypopomus occidentalis. Mary will be at Gamboa until March 15.

Also arriving is JILL TRAINER, University of Michigan, to continue her studies on song dialects, communication and social organization in chestnut-headed oropendolas and yellow-rumped caciques. She will be working in the mainland until June.

FEBRUARY 3 - Arriving, T.J. PANDIAN, Madurai Kamaraj University, to visit STRI facilities and present two seminars (see Seminar News above).

FEBRUARY 4 - Arriving, ERNEST WILLIAMS, Smithsonian Regents' Fellow from Harvard University, to conduct research on the evolution of Anolis lizards. He will be at STRI until September staying at Gamboa.

JIM CRISP, University of California at Santa Barbara, arrived this past week to work on Robert Warner's project in the San Blas.

LIBRARY NEWS

Gifts and free materials received by the Library:

Thanks to Dr. Rubinoff for new books such as IGUANAS OF THE WORLD, and serial runs to fill in sets, or if duplicates to use for exchange.

State Department documents:

- MAN AND THE BIOSPHERE
- BIOLOGICAL AND SOCIOLOGICAL BASIS FOR A RATIONAL USE OF FOREST RESOURCES.
- MAN AND THE BIOSPHERE PROGRAM IN GRAZING LANDS.

NSF BULLETIN FOR JANUARY 1983: Listing Programs and Proposal Deadlines.

PRESENTATION OF "EVOLUCION EN LOS TROPICOS"

At an informal ceremony held this morning at the University of Panama, STRI's Deputy Director, MICHAEL ROBINSON presented a volume of EVOLUCION EN LOS TROPICOS to CEFERINO SANCHEZ, Rector of the University of Panama. The book, which is a collection of STRI publications translated into Spanish, was co-edited by STRI and the EDITORIAL UNIVERSITARIA.

A JAGUAR ON BCI

GREG WILLIS reported citing a jaguar last Friday morning at Wheeler 5.9 on Barro Colorado Island. No trace of the jaguar has been seen ever since. Dr. Robert K. Enders, a naturalist who visited BCI years ago, had reported citing a jaguar on the island. But this will remain a subject of controversy unless the jaguar is cited again and proof can be given to all doubting Thomases.

FOR THOSE MAILING PACKAGES

Please be sure to indicate how you would like to have packages mailed (via air mail, surface mail, etc). Packages that do not have this instruction on them will be returned to the sender.

PLEASE RETURN

NEAL SMITH would like to have the following books returned:

- MIMICRY (Wickler)
- ECOLOGY (Ricklefs)
- THE ECOLOGY OF PREDATION (CURIO)

INTERESTED IN WORKING FOR RESEARCHERS  
AT STRI

ROBERT HUIE, a high school student at Cristobal High School on the Atlantic side, is interested in assisting researchers at STRI, particularly in the marine area. He has scuba certification and can be reached at 89-4339.

DOMINIQUE BELLOSTAS, who has experience as a laboratory technician is interested in working on a contract basis for a researcher at STRI. She has had experience with data processing (FORTRAN IV - BASIC) and can be reached at 64-5777.

AND LAST BUT NOT LEAST

The first iguanas have arrived to nest at Slothia, so from now on, STAN RAND and collaborators will be extremely busy studying their activities.