

SEMINAR NEWS

The luncheon seminar at Ancon on Tuesday, April 26, will be given by JACK PETERSEN, Gorgas Memorial Laboratory, who will speak on:

Effects of deforestation on
Chiriquí black flies (Diptera:
Simuliidae)

ARRIVALS

APRIL 26 - Arriving, HAL BLACK and four collaborators from Brigham Young University to study buttressing in Tachigalia versicolor. They will be on BCI until May 14.

LIBRARY NEWS

A rose is a rose is a rose, but is a STRI always a STRI? For answer check:

Acronyms, Initialism and Abbreviations
8th ed. 1983-1984
World Guide to Abbreviations of
Organizations 6th ed. 1982

Other new reference books:

- Flowering Plants of the World
1983 (Heywood).
- International Foundation Directory
(with index to broad activities
such as Conservation of Natural
Resources).
- German-English Science Dictionary
4th Edition 1978 (DeVries and
Jacoley).
- French-English Science Technology
Dictionary 4th ed. 1976 (DeVries and
Hochman).

WHO'S NEW AT STRI OFFICES

DAISY ISABELLA REY will be replacing Argelis Ruiz three days a week (Mondays, Wednesdays, and Friday afternoons) at the Ancon Office, until September. Daisy is a second year biology student at the University of Panama.

ASSISTANT AVAILABLE

ALEXANDRA BAKER, a high school student interested in studying marine biology would like to work as an assistant to a researcher at STRI. For further details, please call G. de Alba at Ancon.

QUITE A CELEBRATION

More than 100 persons were at BCI on Thursday evening to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the islands as a nature reserve and the completion of the book, Ecology of Tropical Forests. There was good food and plenty to drink, and the two launches that brought the people to Frijoles and Gamboa made the crossing safely. It was quite a lively celebration, particularly enjoyed by the island residents and those who stayed till the end.

1983 SCHOLARLY STUDIES GRANTS TO
SUPPORT RESEARCH AT STRI

During 1983 the following Scholarly Studies Grants have been approved to support projects of members of the STRI staff, research associates, and collaborators.

"Mating Behavior of Tropical Fresh Water Fishes" MICHAEL ROBINSON.

"Evolution of the Reproductive Rate of a Neotropical Passerine Bird" NEAL SMITH and LEONARD FREED.

"Continued Study of Impact by African Honeybees in Panama: the Effects on Native Plants and Pollinators" DAVID ROUBIK.

"Environment, Subsistence, and Settlement in Prehistoric Central Panama" RICHARD COOKE.

"The Diving Biology of Pelamis platurus" IRA RUBINOFF and JEFFREY GRAHAM.

PANAMA AUDUBON SOCIETY GOES BILINGUAL

The Panama Chapter of the Audubon Society has begun to publish a Spanish version of THE TOUCAN, and is interested in broadening its membership among the local non-English speaking community. The different categories for annual membership are:

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| -Adult (local & international Audubon Society) | \$ 25.00 |
| -Family (Local & International) | \$32.00 |
| -Student (Local & International) | \$15.00 |
| -Local Affiliation only | \$5.00 |

All international affiliations receive in addition to the bulletin (THE TOUCAN) the organization's magazine AUDUBON and FLORIDA NATURALIST.

If interested, write:

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