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Shut Down Dates for Canal Zone Post Offices

The Canal Zone Postal System has announced the close down dates for its post offices. The main post offices at Balboa and Cristobal will be closed effective Sept. 29, but the branches will begin closing before. However, prepaid articles deposited in the drops at the branch offices will continue to be postmarked and dispatched until Sept. 28th. The branch offices at Fort Amador will close on Sept. 21; Albrook AFB and Gatun on Sept. 24; Coco Solo and Fort Callick on Sept. 25; Fort Clayton on Sept. 26; Gamboa, Paraiso and Howard on Sept. 27th. The branches will be functioning as delivery units until Sept. 29.

Seminars

The luncheon seminar on Tuesday, Sept. 18th will be given by Dr. Uriel Safriel, from the Hebrew University at Jerusalem, who will be giving a seminar on: "Can Potential Colonizers Be Identified?" The seminar will be in the Ancon Conference Room.

House in Gamboa

Space available in house at Gamboa. Three bedrooms, three bathrooms with showers, kitchen, and living room. Empty bedroom is large. For further information call John Wenzel 56-6346. Best to call after 6 p.m.

For Sale

1968 Datsun pick-up, 1300 cc engine, runs well. $650 or best offer.

Frigidaire refrigerator; 18 cubic feet, old, but in good condition, $125.

If interested in any of the above, please call Manin Erixon at 52-5669 or 52-2490.

Arrivals & Departures

September 15 - Leaving Dr. Olga Linares for a 9-month stay at the California "Think Tank". She has been given a grant to write a book on the Ecology and Social Organization of the Diola Peoples of Casamance, Senegal. Her address will be: Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences 202 Junipero Sierra Blvd. Stanford, California 94305 Telephone: (415) 321-2052

Also leaving - Mr. Mark Hay after completing his tour of duty at Galeta. He will be going to Kentucky, Washington DC and then back to California.

September 16th - Arriving Dr. Uriel Safriel, from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. Dr. Safriel, who has been spending his Sabbatical Year partly at the Edward Grey Institute of Field Ornithology, in England, and partly in the U.S., will be visiting STRI until the 23rd of Sept., and will also be giving a seminar.

September 17th - Leaving Dr. Dave Janos to become Assistant Professor of Biology at the Univ. of Miami.

Black Vulture Study on Ancon Hill

Patricia Parker and her two assistants, Carlos Ayarza and Guillermo Garcia de Paredes have been color-bandng black vultures, first at Flamenco, and now on Ancon Hill, as part of a project to determine the social behavior of these birds. They have marked approximately 500 birds with different color bands; orange for adult males, yellow for juvenile males, white for adult females and red for juvenile females.

If you happen to see one of these color-bandng black vultures, they would appreciate receiving any of the following information: the color of the band and the identification number on it, where it was placed (on the left or right wing), and the day, time, and place where the vulture was seen. You can call and report the information to either the Tivoli or the Ancon Offices.

Races Tomorrow at the Fort Amador Causeway

The "I Ran with El Presidente" multi-races will be held tomorrow at the Fort Amador Causeway. Registration will take place before the race (from 7:30 - 8:30 at the Amador Officers' Club). The entry fee is $5.00, and the proceeds will be used for scholarships to enable Panamanian students to attend the California Maritime Academy. President Royo is expected to participate in the races.

The causeway will be closed during the morning to non-runners.