

SEMINAR NEWS

The luncheon seminar on Tuesday, July 17 will be given by LEO FLEISHMAN, Cornell University. His subject will be:

Visual Ecology of Anolis Lizards

Tuesday, July 24, the speaker will be PEDRO LEON, a visiting professor from the University of Costa Rica. His subject:

The Evolution of a Maize-Leafhopper-Virus

ARRIVALS & DEPARTURES

At the invitation of the University of Costa Rica RICHARD COOKE travelled to San Jose this past week to give a seminar at the Conference on Indigenous Peoples of Costa Rica.

July 14 - Leaving, JORGE VENTOCILLA, to Costa Rica to visit various National Parks and to consult with various persons on conservation programs. He will also take a few days vacation and will return July 29.

July 15 - Arriving, GEORGE BARTHOLOMEW, University of California at Los Angeles, and ELIZABETH BARTHOLOMEW, THERESA BUCHER, and J. LIGHTON. They will be on BCI for one month conducting studies on thermoregulation in insects.

July 15 - Arriving, JOSHUA SCHWARTZ, University of Connecticut, to conduct studies on communication in the Neotropical treefrog Hyla microcephala, and the proximate and ultimate causes of male vocal responses. He will be in Gamboa until the end of August.

July 16 - Leaving, TRACY MILLER, to Colombus, Ohio, to present a seminar on the Igauana Management Project at the meetings on "Captive Propagation Husbandry". She will also be taking a brief vacation in D.C.

July 18 - Leaving, ROSS ROBERTSON, to D.C. and to Indianapolis on official business. He will return to STRI July 21st.

The R.V. Benjamin is leaving for the Gulf of Chiriqui July 16 - 25. Going on this trip are: P. GLYNN, J. WRIGHT, C. CAMPBELL, B. RICHMOND, A. VELARDE, and A. YEDID,

ANOTHER 'NEW ARRIVAL'

MELISSA MARIA born July 10, weighing 7 lbs. 9 oz to JOHN and BEATE CHRISTY. Both mother and baby are doing fine. FELICITACIONES.

LIBRARY NEWS

The Library's Reprint Collection, much of which dates back to Zetek is currently being indexed on the IBM Computer. Pat Bennett set up the system on the Rbase program and is assigning subject headings. Marcia Smith is entering the data. This project is a pilot project for the long requested indexing of the STRI and Panama bibliographies.

New books:

- Colonización en la Amazonia (C.E. Aramburú, 1982).
- The Comparative Biology of Southern African Vultures (P. J. Mundy, 1982).
- Elementary Mathematical Ecology (J. Vandermeer, 1984).
- Hydrology and Water Resources in Tropical Regions (J. Balek, 1983).
- Interaction and Coevolution (J.N. Thompson, 1982).
- The Logic of Scientific Discovery (K.R. Popper, 1968).
- New Guinea Tapeworms and Jewish Grandmothers; tales of parasites and people (R.S. Desowitz, 1981).
- New Zealand Medicinal Plants (S.G. Brooker, et al, 1981).
- Pollination Biology (L. Beal, ed., 1983).
- Population Dynamics of Infectious Diseases (R.M. Anderson, ed., 1982).
- Savages and Scientists (C. M. Hinsley, 1981).
- Synopsis and Classification of Living Organisms (2V. 1982).
- Time, Space and Pattern in Embryonic Development (W. R. Jeffery and R. A. Raff, 1983).

The new book, ANIMAL SOCIAL BEHAVIOR by James Wittenberg, was not checked out of the library. The Library would appreciate if the borrower would return it since it's needed by other users.

NOTES OF INTEREST

-PHYLLIS D. COLEY, University of Utah, won the Mercer Prize, for her paper: "Herbivory and Defensive Characteristics of Tree Species in a Lowland Tropical Forest", Ecological Monographs, 53(2), 1983. This award is given by the Ecological Society of America for the best paper published in its journals.

-The Smithsonian Institution has a new Treasurer, ANN R. LEVEN, who is expected to join the Institution's staff in early August. Ms. Leven holds degrees from Brown University and the Harvard Business School, and has strong business experience having worked in various institutions such as the Metropolitan Museum of Art, where she was treasurer for eight years, and the Chase Manhattan Bank, where she served as vice-president for planning. Since 1975 she has also been on the faculty of the Columbia University Graduate School of Business as adjunct professor of business policy and

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determination. Before joining the Smithsonian, Ms. Leven had her own consulting firm, which specialized in strategic planning.

-The Nature Conservancy International Program has just begun publishing a bulletin in Spanish called Diversidata. The bulletin is produced by the Data Centers for the the Conservation of Latin America and the Caribbean. The main activity of these centers is the inventory of scientific information on biological diversity and natural communities, particularly focusing on threatened species and/or communities. Four of these centers are currently in operation in Costa Rica, Puerto Rico, Dutch Antilles and Peru. These serve as storehouses of central information to be used by investigators and planners in the development of renewable natural resources. New centers are planned for Panama, Colombia, Ecuador and possibly Mexico.

FOR SALE

9 cu.ft. refrigerator, 110 V AC or 12 VDC. 1975 VW Camper van, with stove, icebox, sink, full bed, and newly rebuilt engine, \$1,500. If interested, in either of these items see G. Montgomery at Ancon.

UPCOMING SYMPOSIUM

The Latin American Institute of Advanced Studies is a non-profit organization recently created in Panama to promote the study of contemporary problems in Latin America. STRI director Ira Rubinoff is a member of its Board of Directors. In March of this year the Institute organized its first symposium on the issue: WHY IS LATIN AMERICA POOR? Their next symposium scheduled for Saturday, August 11 will be on: NATURAL RESOURCES AND THE FUTURE OF MANKIND. Among the guest speakers will be: OSVALDO SUNKEL, economist working as a consultant for CEPAL/PNUMA on Development and the Environment; CRAIG MACFARLAND, CATIE, and STANLEY HECKADON, COMISION DEL MEDIO AMBIENTE. The symposium will be held at the HOLIDAY INN PAITILLA and further details and programs will be posted when available on STRI Bulletin Boards.

CONFERENCE NEXT WEEK

On Tuseday, July 17 at 7 pm in the Auditorium of the Museo del Hombre Panameño, ARGELIS RUIZ will be giving a talk on "Conservación Nacional e Internacional de las Tortugas Marinas". This is part of a lecture series organized by the MINISTERIO DE DESARROLLO AGROPECUARIO during the month of July.

