

HOLIDAY MONDAY

STRI offices will be closed on Monday, September 3rd (Labor Day - U.S.).

SEMINAR NEWS

The luncheon seminar for the coming week will be on Thursday, September 6th. The speaker will be PAT BROWN, Director, Maturango Museum, CA, and her subject:

Echolocation and development in the lesser bulldog bat, Noctilio albiventris

ARRIVALS & DEPARTURESLeaving September 1st:

HARIS LESSIOS and KRISTIN NEVA LESSIOS for Greece for three weeks, after which Dr. Lessios will be attending the 5th International Echinoderm Conference in Galway, Ireland. He is expected back at STRI on September 30.

HENRY STOCKWELL, for 3 weeks, to accompany his daughter Elizabeth to Massachusetts, where she will attend Amherst College. He will visit the Museum of Comparative Zoology, Harvard, University, to meet with other coleopterists and consult the large beetle collections there.

Arriving September 1st:

PHYLLIS COLEY, University of Utah, to continue studies on "The Patterns of Leaf Development on Neotropical Trees: Implications for Carbon Gain and Herbivory." She will be at BCI for approximately one month.

TOM KURSAR, University of Utah, will conduct studies on soil carbon dioxide, oxygen concentrations and soil respiration rates, and will be on BCI until November 11. He will also study endomycorrhiza: comparisons between the BCI forest and the lowland forest area near Carti.

September 2 - Arriving, DANIEL BURGOS, Centro de Recursos Naturales, and Universidad de El Salvador, on an Exxon Assistantship, to participate in the Iguana Management Project, directed by D. Werner. He will be living in Gamboa.

Arriving September 3rd:

SYLVIA CHURGIN, to assume her new position as Librarian (see Library News).

CHARLES HANDLEY, Smithsonian National Museum of Natural History, and assistants, ANDREA GROSSE and JANE SMALL. DARELYN HANDLEY, with sons BEN and TOM are expected to arrive a few days later. The Handleys will be living in Gamboa for a year.

MORE ARRIVALS

September 4 - Arriving, EVAN WARD, University of Delaware, on a STRI Short term Fellowship, to study distributional ecology, feeding behavior, and degree of host specificity of an ectoparasitic snail of the genus Odostomia in the Bay of Panama region. He will be at Naos for three months.

Arriving September 5:

LORETA ROSSELLI, Universidad de Los Andes, Bogota, Colombia, on an Exxon Assistantship, for three months at BCI. She will assist L. Loveless in the project: "Genetic Structure of Tropical Tree Populations," directed by J. Hamrick.

STEPHEN REDHEAD, State University of New York, will study "Positional Behavior, Prehensile Tail-use and Ecology in Three Species of New World Primates." He will be at BCI until December 20.

September 6 - Arriving, PATRICK HART and TERESA BOUNDY to work on R. Warner's project in the San Blas.

SCIENTIFIC STAFF MEETING

The scientific staff meeting will be on Tuesday, September 4 at 9:30 am in the Ancon Conference Room.

LIBRARY NEWS

On Tuesday, September 4th SYLVIA CHURGIN, will assume her position of Chief, STRI Library Branch, Smithsonian Institution Libraries. Ms. Churgin comes to STRI from her position as Chief, SIL Natural History Branch. Her long experience as bibliographer and reference librarian in the natural history will be a great asset to the STRI Library.

NOTE OF INTEREST

OLA FINCKE, currently a SI Postdoctoral Fellow at STRI, was awarded a NATO Postdoctoral Fellowship for 1985 to work with Dr. Peter Miller, an insect physiologist, at Oxford University. She will conduct research on intraspecific variation in female behavior of Colopteryx damselflies at Les Eyzies field station in southwestern France.

AND MORE BABYS

ERIN LYNN was born to LYNN & BOB KIMSEY, (University of California, Davis) on July 24th, and weighed 7 lbs. 14 oz.

MONICA ISABEL was born on August 28, weighing 7lbs. Her parents are SONIA & STANLEY HECKADON (former STRI fellow).