HOLIDAYS/DIAS FERIADOS

Friday, October 11 is an official holiday in Panama. STRI will observe a liberal leave policy on that day.

El 11 de octubre es un día feriado nacional en la República de Panamá. Los empleados de STRI han podido solicitar el día de sus vacaciones.

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Monday, October 14 (celebration of Columbus Day - U.S.) is an official holiday for STRI employees.

El lunes, 14 de octubre (celebración del Día de la Hispanidad - feriado nacional en Estados Unidos) es un día feriado para los empleados de STRI.

SEMINARS

No luncheon seminar at Ancon on Tuesday, October 15. Instead, at 12 noon we will be showing a one-hour video by SANDRA NICHOLS: "The Fragile Mountains," on the impact of overpopulation on the environment in Nepal.

ARRIVALS & DEPARTURES

GORDON MCPHERSON arrived this week to take on his duties as the new curator for the Missouri Botanical Garden herbarium in the Tivoli basement. Dr. McPherson spent the last year at the Missouri Botanical Garden in St. Louis, and previously conducted field work in New Caledonia.

October 15 - Leaving, SYLVIA CHURGIN to attend meetings in Williamsburg, Virginia and Washington, D.C. She will return October 25.

Expected this week is MITCH AIDE, University of Utah, to begin his tenure as a Smithsonian predoctoral fellow at BCI. He will be studying the interaction of leaf phenology and insect herbivory.

TIVOLI VEHICLES

To reserve Tivoli vehicles please call AUDREY SMITH at least 7 days in advance. Vehicles are to be returned with a full tank.

ON LEAVE

VIELKA VERGEL will be on leave from October 15 - November 6. During her absence VIELKA DE NAVARRO will be answering phones and taking on some of her duties at Ancon.

BIENVENIDOS

We welcome to STRI our new executive officer, LEONOR MOTA, and the new engineer, FERNANDO PASCAL, who begin working October 15.

NOTES OF INTEREST

- GENE MONTGOMERY's appointment at STRI terminated on September 30th. Dr. Montgomery was a member of our scientific staff since 1976 and is currently pursuing other interests.

- The office of the personnel specialist, HERNANDO LEYTON, has been moved to the Tivoli basement. Mr. Leyton's former office next to Facilities Management will be occupied by FERNANDO PASCAL.

NEWS FROM COLOMBIA

The new director of the INSTITUTO VALLECAUCANO DE INVESTIGACIONES CIENTIFICAS (INCIVA) is GUILLERMO BARNEY MATERON. The former director, Dr. Victor Manuel Patiño, is now serving as scientific advisor ad honorem. STRI and INCIVA have an agreement for scientific collaboration. The facilities at INCIVA at Cali and at the Botanical Garden at Tuluá, as well as the use of a field vehicle, are available to STRI scientists wanting to do research in the Cauca Valley region.

AWARDS IN TROPICAL BOTANY

The Garden Club of America will make two $5000 awards to graduate students conducting field work in the tropics as part of their doctoral research. Applications for the awards should include a curriculum vitae, including graduate and undergraduate transcripts; evidence of foreign language ability; a two-page outline of proposed research; and a letter of recommendation from an advisor that includes an evaluation of student's progress to date and plans for the future. Preference will be given to students demonstrating long-term commitment to conserving tropical forests and intention to work in this area. US citizenship is not a requirement. The deadline is 31 December 1985; winners will be announced 1 February 1986. Applications should be sent to Garden Club of America Awards in Tropical Botany, World Wildlife Fund-US, 1601 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20009 Attn: Dr. Thomas E. Lovejoy.
LIBRARY NEWS

New books received:

ARTES DE PESCA (BIBLIOGRAFIA PARCIAL). (Amada Martinez, 1983) Z 5971 M38
DIRECTORY OF SPECIAL LIBRARIES AND INFORMATION CENTERS. 9th edition (B.T. Darney, editor, 1985) Z 731 D598 STRI
ECOLOGY: THE EXPERIMENTAL ANALYSIS OF DISTRIBUTION AND ABUNDANCE. (Charles J. Krebs, 1985) QH 541.28 K74 1985 STRI
EUTROPHIC LAKES: ECOLOGICAL STUDIES 55 (Thomas Brock, 1985) QH 105 W6 B76 1985 STRI
INSECT POLLINATION OF CULTIVATED CROP PLANTS. (S.E. McGregor, 1976) QQK 926 M14 STRI
LANGOSTA (Hilda Rodriguez, 1983) Z5973 S45 R69 STRI
ONE IS NONE AND TWO IS ONE: DEVELOPMENT FROM ABOVE AND BELOW IN NORTH-CENTRAL PANAMA. (HARD COPY EDITION) (Luz Graciela Joly, 1981) F 1563.8 J75 1981a STRI

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New Books For Sale:

Aditi-The Living Arts of India $17.50
The Gem Collection, by Paul E. Desautels $10.50
Australia-A Natural History; Howard Ensign Evans and Mary Alice Evans $17.50
The Pleasure of Entomology-Portraits of Insects and the People who Study Them, by Howard Ensign Evans $17.60
Krakatau 1883-The Volcanic Eruption and Its Effects; Tom Sinkin and Richard S. Fiske $23.50
Flying Squirrels, Gliders in the Dark by Nancy Well-Gosling $29.35
The Wonderful World of Succulents-Cultivation and Description of Selected Succulent Plants other than Cacti, by Werner Rauh $58.00
Flora of Japan, by Jisaboru Ohwi $58.00
National Parks, Conservation and Development. The Role of Protected Areas in Sustaining Society $30.00
Biology and Conservation of Sea Turtles by Karen A. Bjorndal $30.00
Shrimps, Lobsters and Crabs of the Atlantic Coast by Austin B. Williams $47.00
The Whalebone Whales of the Western North Atlantic $41.00
Endangered Birds of the World $10.50
Conservation of New World Parrots $16.50
Smithsonian Surprises-Educational Activity Book by Sara Toney $8.95
The Joys of Research, by Walter Shropshire, Jr. $8.00