

SEMINARS

There is no luncheon talk scheduled for Tuesday, January 6.

On the following Tuesday, January 13, there will be two speakers:

LINDA MEALEY, from the College of St. Benedict Saint John's University, will talk on "The Relationship Between Social Status and Reproductive Success in a Polygynous Culture - the Mormons".

MIKE RYAN from the University of Texas at Austin will then speak on "Neurobiology, Behavior and Speciation: Is There a Link?".

ARRIVALS & DEPARTURES

December 22 - Arrived, PAUL GARBER, from the University of Illinois, to conduct a course on primate ecology and behavior around Gatun Lake until January 17, 1987.

January 1 - Arrived, NICHOLAS BROKAW, from the Manomet Bird Observatory, and CHARLES WELDEN, from the University of Iowa, to work on the impact of liana competition and parasitism on a tropical tree community. Welden will be on BCI for one year.

January 3 - Arriving, WILLIAM PFITSCH, from the University of Washington, to study water use efficiency and photosynthetic pathways in *Aechmea magdalenae*, one of the dominant understory plants on BCI. He will be here until February 27.

January 5 - Arriving, KATHARINE LEYDORF, from the University of California, Berkeley, to work with KATHERINE MILTON on the population dynamics of howler monkeys and spider monkeys on BCI. K. Milton will be here until February 9 and K. Leydorf until May 15.

LEAVING STRI/SE VA

After 16 years at STRI, OTILIA PEREZ has announced her decision to retire on January 18, 1987. We wish her the best.

Después de 16 años de laborar en STRI, OTILIA PEREZ ha anunciado su decisión de dejar su puesto a partir del 18 de enero próximo. Le deseamos a Otilia toda clase de ventura personal y que disfrute plenamente de su merecida jubilación.

POSITION OPEN/SE BUSCA

Accounting technician position open after January 18, 1987. Salary GS-6/1. Experience in accounting necessary. Please apply at the STRI Personnel Office as soon as possible.

Plaza de contable en STRI se abrirá después del 18 de enero. Favor enviar solicitud a Oficina de Personal lo más pronto posible. Experiencia en contabilidad absolutamente necesaria. Salario GS-6/1.

FROM THE PHOTO LAB

CARL HANSEN will be in Costa Rica on official business for one month (from January 3 - February 2). In order to ensure that the Photo Department continues to function effectively the following work schedule will be observed during his absence.

MARCOS GUERRA will shoot photos on Mondays and Tuesdays. Wednesday through Friday will be reserved for the processing of film and printing. Following this schedule, color film brought in for processing by Wednesday afternoon can be returned by the following Monday.

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
8:00am	8:00am	8:00am	8:00am	8:00am
shoot film	shoot film	process B&W	process color	print B&W
12:00 12:30	12:00 12:30	12:00 12:30	12:00 12:30	12:00 12:30
shoot film	shoot film	process B&W	print B&W	clean machines
4:30pm	4:30pm	4:30pm	4:30pm	4:30pm

GRADUATE COURSE

For the 13th year, Harvard University Summer School, in collaboration with Fairchild Tropical Garden, offers an intensive in-residence graduate level course in tropical botany at Fairchild Tropical Garden in Miami, Florida. The course will last for 4 weeks and is limited to 10 students. Scholarships for partial tuition and partial travel support are available. Deadline for applications is March 31, 1987. You may apply to the following address:

Environmental and Field Biology
Department FB
Harvard Summer School
20 Garden Street
Cambridge, MA 02138

CONTRIBUTIONS NEEDED

The "Museo de Invertebrados" of the University of Panamá will be renamed in early 1987 to honor Dr. Graham Bell Fairchild. On this occasion, Professor Diomedes Quintero, museum curator, will publish a book on Panamanian insects. He is requesting contributions from STRI scientists on insect taxonomy, behavior, ecology, and faunistics. Languages accepted include English, French and Spanish.