



STRI NEWS

ARRIVALS & DEPARTURES

- January 15 - Arriving Merlin Tuttle, Milwaukee Public Museum, and his assistant Cindy Taft, to work at BCI on "Impact of frog-eating bats on calling frogs". Dr. Tuttle will be at STRI until mid-March and Ms. Taft until mid-June.
- January 15 - Ms. Christine Copenhaver, Univ. of Utah, to work with Dr. David Roubik on "Pollination by Stingless Bees". Ms. Copenhaver will be at Galeta until April.
- January 17 - Arriving Dr. Harold Moore, Cornell University, to visit F. Putz at BCI for a few days.

Expected to return this week are:

- * Dr. H. Lessios and Mike Ryan.

Leaving are: Mr. Luis del Rio on official business in D.C.. Returning on Jan. 19th.

Bambi Thorne back to Harvard. Returning in March to STRI.

SEMINARS

The luncheon seminar on Tuesday, January 15th, will be given by Katherine Troyer, University of California, Davis, who will speak on:

"How iguanas eat leaves: a herbivory primer"

This seminar will be in the Ancon Conference Room.

There will also be an evening seminar on Tuesday, Jan. 15th at 7:30 p.m. The seminar (postponed from last week, due to scheduling confusion) will be given by Dr. Stanley Heckadon, Ministry of Planification, and will be in the Ancon Conference Room. The title of this seminar will be:

"Present colonization of tropical forests in Panama"

AN INGENIOUS SOLUTION

The problem of trapping mammals for "mark and release" studies is compounded by the fact that they generally avoid objects that do not occur in their natural environment. Shy mammals often refuse to approach, let alone enter, the traps set out to capture them.

Also returning tonight is Mrs. Adela Gomez.

Bill Glanz is to be congratulated on his novel solution to this problem. He is trapping squirrels on BCI and faced with the task of making his traps as little different as possible from the surrounding leaves, twigs, branches, stones, animals or researchers, has merely tied a length of fluorescent red, plastic tape to each!

The only problem that Bill is having now is the high loss rate of his traps. He would welcome suggestions from anyone who can think of a method of easily finding objects in the BCI forest that are marked with lengths of red plastic tape.

ANONYMOUS

PRICE INCREASE AT KODAK

As of the end of January, the price of films and paper at Kodak will go up more than 75%, so it might be worth your while to buy these supplies NOW.

NEW T-SHIRTS AND CANVAS BAGS FOR SALE

New T-shirts and canvas bags with the STRI seal can now be purchased at the Tivoli Office. The t-shirts are \$6.00 ea. and the canvas bags are \$4.50 ea.

PERSONNEL NEWS

We wish a prompt recovery to Mr. Nicolas Almanza who had a foot operation last Wednesday and is presently recuperating at Gorgas Hospital.

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