



## SEMINARS - ANCON CONFERENCE ROOM

Tuesday, August 9, noon seminar speaker will be KAORU KITAJIMA, University of Illinois.

The Seed and Seedling Ecology of Tachigalia versicolor, Monocarpic Canopy Tree Species on BCI.

Abstract: A monocarpic plant dies after only one reproduction in its life. My two-year study of offspring of two parent trees found that seed and seedling survival of this monocarpic species was high compared to non-monocarpic trees. The survival and growth of seedlings were compared among different distances from the parent tree, between light gap and closed understory, and among different types of canopies. Also ability of seedlings to adjust photosynthetic characteristics to differing light regimes was examined.

## NEXT WEEK

Tuesday, August 9, noon seminar speaker will be SUSAN WELLER, the University of Texas at Austin.

Phylogeny of the Nystaleini: Tracing the Evolution of Pheromone Structures.

## ARRIVALS

August 6 - DOLORES PIPERNO, to begin her tenure with STRI.

August 7 - 28, STEVE GARRITY, to do field work on mangrove-root communities with the Oil Spill Project.

August 7 - YOLANDA GAMARRA from Bucaramanga, Colombia to work with P. DeVries for two months.

August 8, BRIAN FISHER, to assist Henry Howe with his work on seedlings of Virola surinamensis.

August 12 - 16, JOHN KASMER, KEVIN KASMER, SUSAN LEWIS y ELVIA MELENDEZ, from the OTS Tropical

## DEPARTURES

August 6, HARIS LESSIOS, to Australia to attend the 6th International Coral Reef Symposium.

August 6-21, FRANCISCO RIVERA, to attend a one week computer course in Washington, D. C. and on annual leave. ,

## RECOGNITION OF EXCELLENCE

STRI is particularly proud that two of its scientists have received outstanding recognition from the scientific community. Staff scientist MARY JANE WEST-EBERHARD has been elected to the US National Academy of Sciences. Postdoctoral fellow PHILIP DEVRIES was awarded a MacArthur Fellowship. An informal gathering will be held Friday, August 5, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. in the Ancon Conference Room in recognition of these achievements.

## REMINDER

The monthly scientific staff meeting will be on Tuesday, August 9 at 9:30 a.m. in the Ancon Conference Room.

## JOBS AVAILABLE / PLAZAS VACANTES

The Newfound Harbor Marine Institute, a non-profit scientific and educational organization in Florida, offers programs in marine environmental education to different age groups. It has openings for marine science instructors for the period January to June 1989. Requirements include a BS in biology or marine science with one year teaching experience. (Rt 3, Box 170, Big Pine Key, FL 33043).

Se busca profesor a tiempo completo en la Escuela de Biología de la Universidad de Costa Rica para empezar a fines de 1988. Preferiblemente con Ph.D. y especialización en el manejo integrado de plagas con énfasis en ecología de poblaciones. Enviar CV a W. Eberhard, Escuela de Biología, Universidad de Costa Rica, Ciudad Universitaria Rodrigo Facio, Costa Rica.

JOHN AND HARRIET DUNNING PRIZE  
This prize of \$5,000 is available to citizens of any country of South America who have made significant contributions to the conservation of forests. Deadline is October 1. For more information and application write: The Nature Conservancy, Latin American Program 1785 Massachusetts Ave, NW, Washington, DC 20036.

## NEWS FROM GALETA

All the Galeta telephones are out this week. Emergency calls can be made through the STRI radio.

MINI BOOK STORE:

A Zoo for all Seasons	US\$ 18.90	Galápagos Discovery on Darwin's Islands	20.00
Adaptive Radiation in Prehistoric Panama	24.60	The Gem Collection	7.00
Aditi-The Living Arts of India	11.00	Geographic Variation in Social Behavior and in Adaptations to Community among Andean Birds	22.25
Agonia de la Naturaleza	6.00	Guía de los Arboles Comunes del Parque Nac. Soberanía	2.00
Airlines of Latin America	47.50	A Guide to the Birds of Colombia	31.00
The American Land	20.00	A Guide to the Birds of Panama	45.00
Animal Extinctions	8.00	A Guide to the Birds of South America	13.00
Aves de las Selvas Panameñas	3.00	Hombres y Ecología	4.75
Aves de Caza de Panamá	10.50	In the Rainforest	21.00
Barro Colorado Nature Guide/A Day on BCI (English Version) (Spanish Version)	3.00 4.00	Iguanas of the World	60.90
The Behavior & Natural History of Caribbean Reef	26.90	Insects & Mites-Tech. for Collection & Preservation	6.00
Biodiversity	21.00	The Joys of Research	8.00
Bosquejo Histórico sobre el Cultivo del Banano Bocas del Toro	1.25	The Kuna Gathering	36.00
The Botany and Natural History of Panama	29.50	Mapas de la Ciudad de Panamá	4.25
Butterflies of Costa Rica	16.50	Manejo de la Iguana Verde	5.00
Colonización y Destrucción de los Bosques en Panamá	5.00	The National Museum of American History	46.00
Coloring books: Sports, Mammals, Dinosaurs, Gowns	2.95	The New World Primates	27.50
Communication & Non-Communication by Cephalopods	32.50	The Orchids - R. Dressler	27.50
Coral and Coral Reefs of Galapagos Islands	28.00	The Orchids of Panama	7.25
Costa Rican Natural History	38.95	Parque Nacional Sarigua	3.00
Cuando se Acaban los Montes	4.90	Population, Biology & Evolution of Clonal Organisms	36.50
Cuenca del Canal	5.00 set	The Primary Source	22.90
El Desarrollo de las Ciencias Naturales y la Medicina en Panamá	10.00	Proceedings IX Intl. Arachnology Congress	25.00
Diccionario Ecológico Energético Ecuatoriano	4.00	Recent Developments in Isthmian Archaeology: Advances in the Prehistory of Lower Central America	32.00
Ecología y Ecofisiología de Plantas de los Bosques Mesoamericanos	9.00	Revista Biología Tropical-Costa Rica	10.50
The Ecology of a Tropical Forest	25.00	Revista Panameña de Antropología #3	5.00
Ecological Relationship of Plants & Animals	36.00	Sexual Selection and Animal Genitalia	28.00
Elementos de la Fauna Panameña	14.00	Social Evolution	25.00
Estudio sobre el Grupo Etnográfico del Grupo Teribe	6.00	Space, Time, Infinity	23.50
Evolución en los Trópicos	5.00	Tarjetas del STRI- STRI postcards (package of 6 cards)	4.50
The Evolution & Ecology of Armadillos, Sloths & & Vermilinguas	45.00	The Tanagers	50.00
Fire of Life	23.50	Tropical Nature	24.00
Foraging Strategy of Howler Monkeys	27.50	The Tungara Frog	16.65
Flora of B.C.I.	79.95	The Winter Exploitation Systems of Bay-Breasted Chestnut-sided Warblers in Panama	10.00
Flora of Japan	35.00	The Whalebone Whales of the Western North Atlantic	25.00
Flying Squirrels	18.00	The Wonderful World of Succulents	35.00

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