SEMINARS

Tupper Center Auditorium
Tuesday, March 12, 1991, noon seminar speaker will be Lawrence Slobodkin, SUNY at Stony Brook.

Next Week
No noon seminar scheduled for next week.

UPCOMING EVENTS

March 12 - STRI Scientific Staff Meeting
March 26 - STRI Fellowship Review Meeting
March 29 - Good Friday is a STRI Holiday ••• El viernes 29 se celebra el Viernes Santo, un día feriado para el STRI.

PEOPLE

Arrivals
- Lawrence Slobodkin, Mar 10 - 17, to visit STRI facilities and present seminar.
- Ric Hider and Larry Sammons, National Zoological Park, Mar 11 - 15, to make molds of tree bark and get information about floor litter and composition of the rainforest on BCI.
- Rex Henderson & Chris Hooke, Partridge Films, Mar 15 - 30, to film program "Golden Jungle" at the BCNM.
- Joseph Wright, STRI Scientific Staff, Mar 10 - 16, to continue work on BCI.

Departures
- Mar 9 - 23, Audrey Smith, Secretary to the Director, to Washington, D.C. on official business and short vacations.
- Mar 12, Stanley Rand, STRI Scientific Staff, to Peru to record frog calls and collect specimens for lab studies.

Dr. Guillermo Goldstein (right) and Noel Holbrook (left) take measurements of gas exchange to find out rates of photosynthesis in the forest canopy, in the STRI tower located in the Metropolitan Nature Park. Dr. Goldstein is a recipient of a 3-year Mellon grant, who is working with a team of scientists in Panamá this dry season, studying the hydrological balance and carbon economy of tropical forests ••• El Dr. Guillermo Goldstein (derecha) y Noel Holbrook (izquierda) toman medidas de intercambio de gases para saber tasas fotosintéticas del dosel del bosque, en la grúa del Smithsonian, localizada en el Parque Natural Metropolitano. El Dr. Goldstein recibió un subsidio Mellon por tres años para estudiar el balance hidrológico y las fluctuaciones del carbono en los bosques tropicales.

(Hoto: C. Hansen)

On Leave
- Mar 1 - 28, Carlos Tejada
- Mar 18 - April 28, Luis Polanco

Honor
Jorge Ventocilla, from the STRI Office of Education and Conservation, has been invited by the IUCN Species Survival Commission to serve as a Regional Member for the Central and South America Region during the 1991-93 triennium.

The Species Survival Commission is a global network of people committed to the conservation of plants and animals. It provides guidelines, advice, and policy recommendations to governments, agencies, and other organizations. Specialist Groups evaluate the status of species and prepare Action Plans that propose strategies and methods for conserving animals and plants and their habitats.
THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW

From the Computer Specialist
If you have software that you do not use anymore, please send it to Francisco Rivera by Monday, March 18. This software will be distributed among STRI personnel. A list of available software will be published. Thank you.

Personnel News
Ms. Monica Alvarado will become the Protocol Officer to the Director's Office at the Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute effective March 1, 1991.

Ms. Alvarado will be responsible for providing administrative assistance to the Director and the Assistant Director for External and International Activities for the management of programs with the Government of Panama and the Diplomatic Corps and further effective planning of special events and projects.

As Protocol Officer, she will concentrate on events and special projects sponsored by the Director's Office. Additionally, under the general supervision and coordination of the Assistant Director for External Affairs and International Activities, she will be in charge of all protocol with our host country government officials, and will assist in coordinating STRI's on-going international and host country contacts. She will keep STRI up-to-date on Governmental appointments and Diplomatic Corps charges in the Republic of Panama.

Ms. Alvarado has been with STRI since August 1989, where she held the position of Secretary for the Director and Deputy Director.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Experienced Assistants Available
Two experienced biological technicians from the Oil Spill Project will be available in March for employment elsewhere. Anyone interested should contact Brian Keller at Surfside.

A Los Supervisores
Por error no se incluyó en el memo de Computer Training enviado a los supervisores el curso de INTRODUCTION TO WORDPERFECT. Se le agradece a las personas que estén interesadas que nos llamen a la Oficina de Personal al 27-3174 para inscribirse a más tardar el viernes 15 de marzo. No es aconsejable tomar el curso de Intermediate Wordperfect sin haber tomado el de Introducción.

Computer Training for STRI Employees
In an effort to improve the performance of STRI employees, the Administration once again will be offering the following computer courses to those interested. We request that all supervisors send the names of the employees under their supervision that will be attending the different courses by Monday, March 11 (Intro to Wordperfect by March 15).

The following courses will be offered.
1. Introduction to Microcomputers
2. Introduction to Wordperfect
3. Intermediate Wordperfect
4. Advanced Wordperfect
5. Introduction to Lotus
6. Intermediate Lotus
7. Advanced Lotus
8. Introduction to DBASE
9. Intermediate DBASE

Entrada a BCI • • • Entry to BCI
A partir del lunes 18 de marzo de 1991, en la garita de la División de Dragado en Gamboa se estarán exigiendo los pases de entrada o carta de autorización a todos los empleados, residentes, visitantes y asistentes que vayan a tomar la lancha hacia la isla de Barro Colorado.

Las cartas solo pueden ser autorizadas a través de:
- Oficina de Visitantes- Gloria Maggiore o María Morello
- Oficina de Mantenimiento- Carlos Tejada
- Oficina de BCI- Maritza C. Cardenas

Aquellos que no porten su carnet de entrada o el mismo esté vencido o no tengan carta de autorización no se les permitirá la entrada.

Beginning, Monday, March 18, 1991, all STRI residents, employees, visitors and assistants must show their ID cards or letter of authorization at the main gate of the PCC Dredging Division in order to get in and on board the launch to Barro Colorado.

The letters can be authorized only by:
- Visitor’s Office- Gloria Maggiore or María Morello
- Facilities’ Management- Carlos Tejada
- Barro Colorado Office- Maritza C. Cardenas
New STRI Publications


Car Wanted
Richard Condit (ext. 289) would like to buy a small jeep or van, used, preferable 4-6 years old, something similar to the Smithsonian's "Rocky".

Study Opportunities in Global Ecology

The program is offered for a full academic year with 32 credit hours of course work required for each participating student. The fee is $18,950. Includes travel to England, India, Thailand, Malaysia, New Zealand, Colombia, and the United States, homestay and accommodations.

For more information check Tupper Bulletin Board or call 617-267-8612 to receive a course catalog. Applications are reviewed on a rolling admissions basis.

Noticias de la Fundación Charles Darwin
El número de fax nuevo de la Fundación Charles Darwin es el 593-2-443935. Aquellos interesados en las vacantes para Coordinador de Ciencias y Estadístico favor tomar nota.
STRI LIBRARY NEW BOOK LIST

Animal lifestyles and anatomies: the case of the prosimian primates (CE Oxnard et al., 1990) QL737.P9O95 1990X STRI.

Arrecifes del Caribe (H. von Prahl, 1989) QL134.5.P73 1989X STRI.

El Bentos de la macrolaguna del Golfo de Bataban QH91.8.B4B47 1990 STRI.


Catalogo das especies americanas Laternariidae (Homoptera: Fulgoroidea) (AM da Costa Lima, 1935) QL527.F9L73 1935 STRI.

Catalogo de plantas cubanas amenazadas o extinguidas (A. Borhidi & O. Muñiz, 1983) QL86.C9B73 1983 STRI.


Frauds, myths, and mysteries: science and pseudoscience in archaeology (KL Feder, 1990) CC140.F43 1990X STRI.


Indian testudines (BK Tikader & RC Sharma, 1985) QL666.C5T55 1985X STRI.

Informes del Instituto Nacional de Antropología: formas culturales tradicionales en el área pampeana (Instituto Nacional de Antropología (Argentina), 1978-) GR133.A7I59 STRI.

Inventariación y demostraciones forestales: Panamá: la economía forestal de la República de Panamá / informe preparado para el Gobierno de Panamá por la Organización de la Naciones Unidas para la Agricultura y la Alimentación en su carácter de Organismo Ejecutivo del Programa de las Naciones Unidas para el Desarrollo; basado en la labor de F.T. Bachmura SD441.E19 1972 STRI.

Leafhoppers (Cicadellidae): a bibliography, generic check-list and index to the world literature 1956-1985 (PW Oman et al., 1990) JX441.L4K56 1986X STRI.

Marine pollution and the law of the sea (JW Kindt, 1986-) JX441.L4K56 1986X STRI.


Sapotaceae (TD Pennington, 1990) QK495.S2P414 1990 STRI.

Soil biology guide (DL Dindal, 1990) QH84.8.S632 1990X STRI.

From: 365 Ways to save our planet
- Page-a-day Calendar

Less Garbage
Cloth diapers are a more ecologically sound solution than disposables—even degradable disposables. If you find it hard to keep up with all that washing, hire a service or person. (Much of the cost of this would have been spent on disposables anyway.)

"Alert! Alert! . . . It's the Sucking-Deathl"