BAMBI SEMINAR
Thu, Feb 8, Bambi seminar speaker will be Stefan Schnitzer, University of Pittsburgh
*The Effects of Lianas on Tree Regeneration in Canopy Gaps: a Dissertation Proposal*
There will be a late boat. Please make your reservations at 272-2142.

NAOS LABS LUNCHEON
Fri, Feb 9, Naos Marine Lab Luncheon seminar speakers will be Steve Rehner and Ulrich Müller
*Evolutionary Analysis of Attine Symbiosis*

PEOPLE
Arrivals
- Robert Pearcy, Mellon senior fellow from the University of California, Feb 4-25, to continue integrative studies of photosynthesis and whole plant performance in the understory, at BCI.

Departures
- Harry Barnes, Feb 4-25, to Washington D.C., on official business at SI, and to attend the meetings of the National Association of Marine Laboratories.
- David West, Feb 5-7, to Bryan, Texas, to visit the Dyneam Inc. factory, to do an inspection and test the winch and power system for the R.V. Urrad.
- Gabriel Jácome, Feb 5-18, to the Cayos Cochinos Research Station.
- Ira Rubinoff, Feb 6-17, to Los Angeles, CA, to attend the gala opening of the SI 150th anniversary celebrations, then to San Francisco and Durham, NC, to consult with colleagues and officials of various institutions and foundations.
- Anthony Coates, Feb 6-24, to Los Angeles, CA, to attend the gala opening of the SI 150th anniversary celebrations, and to San Francisco and Durham. Then to Washington D.C. on official business at SI.

BCI scientific coordinator Oris Acevedo stands by the recently installed welcome sign to the Barro Colorado Nature Monument, at the Gigante Peninsula. The sign has information in both Spanish and English and a map of the monument. Oris Acevedo, coordinadora científica de BCI aparece junto al recién instalado rótulo de bienvenida al Monumento Natural de Barro Colorado, en la Península de Gigante. El rótulo tiene información en español e inglés y un mapa del monumento.

- Nancy Knowlton, Feb 9-13, to Baltimore, MD, to attend the meetings of the American Associations for the Advancement of Science.
- Elena Lombardo, Feb 9-16, to Guatemala City, to consult with government officials, then to Tegucigalpa and Cayos Cochinos, Honduras, for meetings regarding this research station.
- Héctor Guzmán, Feb 9-18, to the Cayos Cochinos research station.

Aníbal Velarde: STRI’s Unsung Hero
*Aníbal Velarde Elegido Héroe del Smithsonian*
For “outstanding contributions to the Institution through his capabilities and initiatives”, Aníbal Velarde, Naos scientific coordinator, was recently recognized as an Smithsonian Unsung Hero. Velarde will travel to Washington D.C. to accept this honor in a ceremony to be held on March 27, as part of the Institution’s 150th anniversary celebrations. Aníbal Velarde, coordinador científico de Naos fue elegido héroe del Smithsonian por “contribuciones sobresalientes a la Institución a través de su capacidad e iniciativa. Velarde viajará a Washington a recibir esta distinción durante una ceremonia que se llevará a cabo el 27 de marzo, como parte de las celebraciones del 150avo aniversario del Smithsonian.
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Congratulations
To Fernando Bouche, for his recent graduation as computer systems engineer at the Universidad Tecnológica de Panamá. He presented a thesis on the implementation of a messages electronic system using groupwise in a Novell net, at the Smithsonian in Panama.

THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW

From the Mailing Room • De la Oficina de Correos
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

STRI in the News
Peligran los Arrecifes Panameños, por Mónica Palm, reportera de La Prensa. Foto de Juan Maté, STRI. Miércoles 31 de enero, página 1C.

BCI Connected to the Lan
The Barro Colorado Island Station was connected to Groupwise on Wed, Jan 24. The lan was installed at the Computer Room of the new laboratories. Also, the group “BCI” was added to the public groups. For more information please contact Fernando Bouche, at the Tupper Center.

Spanish Lessons for Visitors
PANUSA has offered their services to visitors at STRI interested in Spanish lessons. For more information you may contact Luz Rieras at 229-0957.

NEW STRI PUBLICATIONS


February STRI Birthdays
Fernando Santos-Granero 1*
Plinio Góndola 2
Martín Moynihan 5*
Gilberto Batista 6
Eduardo Navarro 6
Mireya Correa 6
Gloria Zelaya 7
Karl Kauffman 8
Roberto Borrell 10*
Luís Carlos López 10
Isla Ivancic 12
Ricardo Cortez 14
Georgina de Alba 15
Walter Dillon 18
Robin Foster 18
Alvaro González 27
Cónsul Chamorro 28
Vietka Chang-Yau 29

MISCELLANEOUS

For Sale
Living room set (one sofa, two chairs and two wooden end tables) $500. For more information, please call Mercedes Denis.

At the Corotú Restaurant • • • En "El Corotú"
Don’t miss the new menu at the Corotú Restaurant, including "low calorie" meals. Also, starting at 7:30 am, a complete breakfast will be served • • • Pruebe el nuevo menú en el Restaurante Corotú, con comidas de dietas, y a partir de las 7:30 am se servirá desayuno completo.
To: STRI personnel

From: Mitch Allen - BCI Bambi "jefe"

The Bambi seminar for the upcoming week has been moved from Thursday, February 8 to Wednesday, February 7. The speaker will be Stefan Schnitzer, and the title of his talk will be:

"The effects of lianas on tree regeneration in canopy gaps: a dissertation proposal."

As always, please call BCI to make dinner and late boat reservations if you plan to attend.

Thank you,

Mitch Allen