

STRI news

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TUPPER CENTER SEMINARS

No noon seminar scheduled for Tue, Mar 11. If you wish to give a seminar, please contact Neal Smith at the Tupper Center, ext. 2300.

PEOPLE

Arrivals

- Heindrich Krause, University of Basel, Mar 9-15, to study the carbon supply status of tropical forests, at BCI.
- Nancy Gwinn, Smithsonian Institution Libraries Assistant Director for Collection Development, Mar 10-14, to work with the Library staff at STRI, consult with scientists and visit several facilities.
- Graciela Lescano, Mar 10-18, to work with Guillermo Goldstein and Richard Meinzer on their project at BCI.
- Lisa Barnett, STRI D.C. office, Mar 10-27, to attend the Canopy Symposium and other official business in Panama.
- Rachel Levin and Diane Neudorf, Pomona College, CA, to study the social and hormonal influences on the development of sex differences in a duetting wren, in Gamboa.
- Deborah Clark, University of Missouri, Mar 14-28, to study the tropical trees with broad geographic ranges: a comparative study of life history characteristics in wet and moist neotropical forests, on a Mellon Exploratory Research Award, on BCI.

MAIN UPCOMING EVENTS

- Wed, Mar 19: Opening of Migratory Birds exhibit at the Tupper Center, sponsored by the Embassy of Israel.
- Fri, Mar 14: Entrega de Certificados a participantes del curso *Introducción a las Investigaciones de Biología de Campo*, 1996.
- Sun, Mar 16-Fri, Mar 22: 8th International Council of Zooarchaeology Meeting.



On Tue, Mar 4, a memorial service for Dr. Martin H. Moynihan (1928-1996) STRI founding director, was held at the Tupper Center, with the attendance of SI officials, members of his family and friends, STRI scientific and administrative community, and retired employees. In the photo are Dr. Moynihan's wife, Dr. Olga F. Linares, her brother Francisco Esteban Linares (left) and director Ira Rubinoff ••• El martes 4 de marzo se llevó a cabo una ceremonia en memoria del Dr. Martin H. Moynihan (1928-1996), director fundador de STRI, con la presencia de oficiales de SI, miembros de su familia, amigos, la comunidad científica y administrativa de STRI, y empleados jubilados. En la foto aparecen la esposa del Dr. Moynihan, Dr. Olga F. Linares, su hermano Francisco Esteban Linares (izquierda) y el director, Ira Rubinoff.

(Foto: M.A. Guerra)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tropical Forest Canopy Meeting at STRI

STRI will be hosting the *Tropical Forest Canopy Symposium* sponsored by the United Nations Environmental Program (UNEP) from Mon, Mar 10 through Thu, Mar 13. Presentations at the Tupper Conference Center on Mon, Mar 10 and Wed, Mar 12, will be open to the general public. Programs are available at the Tupper Conference Center reception desk.

STRI IN THE NEWS

"Aprovechando las Fuerzas de la Naturaleza es Inaugurada Hoy". *La Prensa*, 6 de marzo de 1997: A-4.



Director Ira Rubinoff briefs a group of the America's Society and Council of the America on STRI research programs, during their visit to BCI, on Wed, Mar 5 ••• Ira Rubinoff, director, da una introducción sobre los programas de investigación de STRI a miembros de la Sociedad de América y el Consejo de América, durante su visita a Barro Colorado, el miércoles 5 de marzo.
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NEW STRI PUBLICATIONS

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You will find information that is too long to publish, on:

- Interdisciplinary Program in Insect Science • The University of Arizona
- VII Congreso Científico Agropecuario Eficiencia y Competitividad en la Producción Agropecuaria en Armonía con el Medio Ambiente en Chiriquí, Julio, 1997
- Manejo de Areas Silvestres y Areas Protegidas, curso intensivo para latinoamericanos, en Colorado State University, Julio.
- Summer Programs in Japan and Korea • with fellowships for foreign researchers
- Fellowship opportunity for Conservation Professionals from the Caribbean and Latin America. Deadline: April 1
- International Mycological Institute Training Courses 1997.
- Graduate Fellowships • Research Training Group on the Analysis of Biological Diversification.
- *Ecologia da Floresta Amazônica* • Intensive course for graduate students by the OTS, UNICAMP with support from INPA and the Smithsonian. Manaus, Brasil. Deadline April 1.

From the Editor • Al Lector

We were unable to print the STRI newsletter of February 21 due to technical difficulties. It will be printed and distributed as soon as possible.