

STRI news

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TUPPER CENTER SEMINARS

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

BAMBI SEMINAR

- Wednesday, July 16, Bambi seminar speaker will be Bob Stallard, U.S. Geological Society, Boulder, CO
Where Are Things on BCI?
—*New Maps for a New Island*
- Thursday, July 17th, Bambi seminar speaker will be Allen Herre, STRI
Figs, Wasps, Nematodes and Tradeoffs

Transportation and dinner reservations are essential. Please call BCI at 272-2124.

NAOS LUNCHEON SEMINAR

- Friday, July 11, Naos Luncheon seminar speaker will be Ralf Kersanach, Mellon postdoctoral fellow from the Natural History Museum, U.K.
Dinoflagelates, What are they?
- Friday, July 18, Naos Luncheon seminar speaker will be Biff Bermingham, STRI
Looking at Phylogeography from Up Over at the Down Under

PEOPLE

Arrivals

- Catherine Potvin, STRI research affiliate from McGill University, Canada, July 13 - Aug 3, to carry out studies of the natural regeneration of the tropical forest in the Canal watershed, at Tupper, and in Las Pavas.
- José Luis Bordas, European University, Spain, Jul 15 - Oct 15, to work as a volunteer with Stanley Heckadon, at Tupper.
- Eve Yanoviak, University of Oklahoma, July 16 - Jan 30, to study the community ecology of water-filled tree holes on BCI.



"Naos", a fur seal from Galapagos that arrived in Panama last month, is recovering fast at one of the air conditioned bunkers of the Marine Exhibition Center at Culebra Point, Naos Island, with the attention and care provided by STRI, local veterinarians and international friends ••• "Naos" una loba marina de Galápagos que llegó a Panamá el mes pasado, se recupera rápidamente en uno de los bunkers con aire acondicionado del Centro de Exhibiciones Marinas de Punta Culebra, Isla Naos, con la atención y cuidados de STRI, veterinarios locales, y amigos de la comunidad internacional.

(Foto: M.A. Guerra)

- Matthew Parker, Binghamton University, NY, July 17-23, to study the spatial genetic structure of mutualism between root-nodule bacteria and legume trees, on BCI.
- Tom Moore and Brian Wilsey, McGill University, July 18-23, to attend meetings regarding the FACE proposal.

Our Condolences

To Georgina and Eduardo de Alba, for the death of her father, Arturo Aballí, on Sunday, July 6, in Miami, FL.

NEW STRI PUBLICATIONS

Harms, Kyle, Dalling, James W. and Aizprua, Rafael. 1997. "Regeneration from Cotyledons in *Gustavia superba* (Lecythidaceae)." *Biotropica* 29(2): 232-236.

Snell, Heidi M., Snell, Howard L., Davis-Merlen, Gayle, Simkin, Tom and Silberglied, Robert E. 1996. *Bibliografía de Galápagos 1535 - 1995 Galapagos Bibliography*. Quito: Fundación Charles Darwin para las Islas Galápagos.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Professorship in Zoological Studies

Nominations and applications are invited for a position of Endowed Professorship in Zoological Studies to be filled by an outstanding scientist with a strong background in the biology of small populations. Additional areas of study that may be relevant to this position include conservation biology, genetics, behavioral ecology, and environmental physiology. This position has been created to enhance the partnership between the University of Missouri-St. Louis and the the St. Louis Zoo. The endowed professor will be a faculty member in the Department of Biology at the rank of associate or full professor with Scientist-in-Residence status at the St. Louis Zoo. The application review process will begin September 1, 1997, and continue until the position is filled. For more information on the application materials please visit the STRI Office of Education #340 at the Tupper Center or consult your facility's bulletin board.

For Interneters

Some appropriate UHL's for El Niño Voyeurs are:

- <http://naulu.soest.hawaii.edu/index.html>
- http://nic.fb4.noaa.gov/products/analysis_monitoring/enso_advisory/
- http://nic.fb4.noaa.gov/products/analysis_monitoring/bulletin/

AT THE EDUCATION OFFICE

Tupper Center, #340

You will find information on opportunities, congresses, fellowships, etc. that is too long to publish. This information concerns:

- *Estación Científica Fundación Encenillo, Departamento de Ciencias Biológicas, Universidad de Los Andes.*
- 3rd International Conference on Wildlife Management in Amazonia, 3-7 December 1997, Santa Cruz, Bolivia.

- *Información General para Aspirantes a la Maestría en Manejo de Vida Silvestre, Universidad Nacional, Heredia, Costa Rica.*
- 21st UNEP/UNESCO/BMU International Postgraduate Course on Environmental Management for Developing Countries.
- 11th UNEP/UNESCO/BMU International Short Course on Environmental Management for Developing Countries: Water Management.
- 12th UNEP/UNESCO/BMU International Short Course on Environmental Management for Developing Countries: Conservation of Biodiversity (Biotope Mapping/Ecological Zoning).
- 13th UNEP/UNESCO/BMU International Short Course on Environmental Management for Developing Countries: Waste Management.

Programa de Becas 2003

La Secretaría Nacional de Ciencia, Tecnología e Innovación, SENACYT y el Instituto para la Formación y Aprovechamiento de los Recursos Humanos, IFARHU, anuncian la apertura del concurso para la formación de investigadores "Programa de Becas 2003" para realizar estudios de doctorado y postdoctorado. Pueden aplicar los panameños poseedores de un título universitario de licenciado o ingeniero y que deseen realizar estudios en centros extranjeros de excelencia académica. La fecha última para entregar los documentos es el 15 de julio de 1997. Teléfono 265-5205 • Página WEB: <http://www.senacyt.go.pa> • E-mail: senacyt@ancon.up.ac.pa

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