No noon seminar scheduled for Tuesday, March 3. If you wish to give a seminar, please contact Neal Smith at the Tupper Center, ext. 2300.

Thu, Mar 5, Bambi speaker will be Helene Muller-Landau, Princeton University

*Interspecific Variation in Growth and Dispersal Strategies of Common BCI Tree Species*

Transportation and dinner reservations are essential. Please call BCI at 272-2124 or e-mail new Bambi "Jefe", Jennifer S. Johns, at: bambi@bci.si.edu

Mar, Mar 6, Naos Labs Luncheon seminar speaker will be Suzanne Williams, Australian Institute of Marine Science

*Starfish Biogeography*

For more information about the Naos Luncheons please consult Bailey Kessing at Naos, ext. 3330 or the Web at http://160.111.136.12/Naos_Luncheon_Schedule.html

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**PEOPLE**

**Arrivals**

- Julio Mercader, Short-term visitor from the George Washington University, Mar 1-21, to conduct research at STRI, present seminar and consult with colleagues, at Tupper.
- Josep Asis, Universidad de Salamanca, Spain, Mar 1 - May 31, to conduct studies on the nesting biology of ground-nesting aculeate Hymenoptera (Sphecidae, Halictidae), at Tupper.
- Andrzej Dycz, Short-term visitor from e University of Warsaw, Poland, Mar - Apr 30, to study the breeding ecology and behavior of Rusty-margined flycatcher, Myiarches cyanennis at Gatun Lake. He will be stationed at Tupper.

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Katharine Milton (second from the left), from the University of California at Berkeley, gathered with a group of students during a field course on the population dynamics of howler monkeys, on Friday, February 20, at Barro Colorado Island. Katherine Milton (segundo de izq. a der.), de la Universidad de California en Berkeley, se reúne con un grupo de estudiantes durante un curso de campo sobre la dinámica de la población de monos aulladores, el viernes 20 de febrero, en la Isla de Barro Colorado.

(Foto: M.A. Guerre)

- Christiane Hueerkamp, University of Rostock, Germany, Mar 2 - Apr 11, to do volunteer work with Peter Glynn and Luis D’Croz, at Naos.
- Christian Cruz, Mexico, Mar 2 - Apr 9, to work on the Goldstein/-Meinzer project, on BCI.
- Adrian Cerezo, NZP Senior Latino fellow, Mar 3 - May 31, to collaborate with staff at the Office of Education.
- Douglas and Tara Robinson, University of Illinois, Mar 3 - Aug 31, to study the avian community dynamics, in Gamboa.
- Patricia Ortiz, Pontificia Universidad Católica del Ecuador, Mar 3-23, to study social interactions in nocturnal bees, on BCI.
- Kristina Hufford, Short-term fellow from the University of Georgia, Mar 4-23, to study the demographic genetics of Platypodium elegans: selection at three early life stages, on BCI.
- Roberta Rubinoff, SI Office of Fellowships and Grants, Mar 5-11, to attend the annual fellowship meeting at STRI.
- Sixteen students from the OTS Spanish Tropical Ecology Course, Mar 6-9, to visit BCI.
Peter Glynn, University of Miami, with J. Borger, Mark Eakin, S. Theodosius and J. Wellington, Mar 6-23, to participate in a research cruise.

Departures
- Jeremy Jackson, Mar 1-7, to Keystone, Colorado, to attend a workshop on the future directions for the Biological Oceanography Program, sponsored by NSF.
- Harry Barnes, Mar 2-6, to Belize, to advise colleagues from the National Museum of Natural History on the reconstruction and design of the Carrie Bow Cay Marine Laboratory.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**STRI March Birthdays**
- Harilaos Lessios 4
- Lazlo Vegh 6
- Patricia Backwell 13
- Victor Castillo 23
- Rosa Zambrano 25
- Richard Condit 29
- Ana Maria Alvarado 30

**NEW STRI PUBLICATIONS**


Guest speaker Nancy Knowlton, STRI, talks to the media about her conference on corals during an "Evening at the Smithsonian" Tuesday, February 10. This yearly event organized by the Fundación Smithsonian and STRI was attended by over 140 guests and proved to be a great success. La conferencista invitada, Nancy Knowlton, de STRI, habla con la prensa sobre su charla sobre corales durante la Noche en el Smithsonian, el martes 10 de febrero. Este evento anual que organiza la Fundación Smithsonian y STRI contó con más de 140 invitados, y fue un gran éxito.

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**THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW**

**Upcoming Events in March**
- Tree NASA planes will be in Panama collecting remote sensing data
- Annual Fellowship Meeting
- Symposium on Biological Interactions
- Charla Smithsonian del Mes en el PNM: Mireya Correa
- Sustainable Cocoa Workshop (SI/Mars)

**Annual Meteorological Report for BCI**
Steve Paton’s annual meteorological report for Barro Colorado Isl is now available at the Tupper Center Mail Distribution Room.

El reporte meteorológico anual de la Isla de Barro Colorado que hace Steve Paton, se encuentra a disposición en el Salón de Distribución de Correos del Centro Tupper.

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