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TIDINGS

HIMB VISITORS:

- Neil Anderson*, Program Director, Mar. Chem. NSF
- Dr. Jelle Atema*, Marine Biological Lab., Woods Hole, Mass.
- Dr. John Byrne* and *G. Watson*, U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service,
Portland, Oregon
- Mr. Hideto Kono*, Director, DPED and Interim Marine Affairs Coord.
- Dr. C. Markert*, Yale University
- Mr. R. Stevenson*, Pac. Area Rep. - ONR, Scripps
- Dr. William Wiebe*, University of Georgia

STAFF TRAVEL:

- Paul Allen*, January 4-26, MPML, reproductive strategies of
Dascyllus.
- George Balazs*, February 21-March 11. Fiji and Cook Islands,
Turtle research.
- A. H. Banner*, February 14-22. Tahiti conference on ciguatera,
sponsored by South Pacific Commission.
- Maridell Foster*, January 4-26, MPML, repopulation of anemones
by anemonefish and sex change in *Amphiprion*.
- Craig McDonald*, January 11-26, MPML, reproductive strategies
of damselfishes.
- Ernst Reese*, January 11-26, MPML, coconut crab behavior and
butterfly fish behavior.
- Steve Smith*, February 20-21, Santa Cruz, attend IUCN meeting
to discuss Palau superport.

George

LECTURES:

Dr. John Bardach: National Academy of Science World Food and Nutrition Study Team. February 2.

Donald Kinsey: Holocene reef growth from present day rate measurements. February 3.

Dr. William Wiebe: The Adenylate Energy Changes as an Index of Stress in Marine Organisms and Microbial Communities. February 9.

Dr. Jelle Atema: The Role of Chemical Senses in the Behavior of a few Aquatic Animals. February 17.

Dr. C. Markert: Analyses of Gene Evolution. February 23.

Dr. Robert Johannes: Reproductive Strategies of Reef Fishes. February 25.

PERSONALITY OF THE MONTH: *Sam Chastain* - Sam is our fiscal officer and has been with HIMB for 10.5 years. He handles the financial aspects of our institute such as purchasing and budgeting. "I was originally very unpopular," he recalls, being the first fiscal officer here when Vernon Brock was director. Actually, Sam did considerably more than numbers work in the earlier days. Sam did things like build the shelving in the compressor room to working nights on the nehu barge with Sam Okamura. Sam's hobbies were girls and golf but since his marriage, he claims it's just golf now. Sam likes his work here at HIMB and looks forward to a pleasant retirement some day.

The Ninth Legislature

Representative Charles T. Toguchi is chairman of a new committee on Ocean and Marine Resources. His committee meets approximately once a week to hear testimony regarding a variety of marine related issues. Thus far, the following HIMB members have testified before this committee:

Dr. John Bardach
Dr. Robert May
Mr. Wayne Baldwin

Law of the Sea Institute

The University of Hawaii has become the new sponsor of the Law of the Sea Institute. Dr. John Bardach was instrumental in negotiating the transfer which is expected to attract ocean experts and government officials to Hawaii for conferences on the exploration and exploitation of the oceans.

A welcoming reception was given at the Pauley Estate for members and guests of the Law of the Sea Institute on February 21.

Library News

Liz Leis has taken over the responsibilities of the HIMB Resource Room (Library) from Chris Baer. She will continue her work on the DOMES project with Jed Hirota through March while devoting approximately 1 day a week to journal and publication efforts.

Holidays

The following is a list of our 1977 holidays:

- (1) Monday, February 21, President's Day
- (2) Saturday, March 26, Kuhio Day which will be observed on
- (3) Friday, March 25
- (4) Friday, April 8, Good Friday
- (5) Monday, May 30, Memorial Day
- (6) Saturday, June 11, Kamehameha Day which will be observed on
- (7) Friday, June 10
- (8) Monday, July 4, Independence Day
- (9) Friday, August 19, Admission Day
- (10) Monday, September 5, Labor Day
- (11) Monday, October 10, Discoverer's Day
- (12) Friday, November 11, Veteran's Day
- (13) Thursday, November 24, Thanksgiving Day
- (14) Sunday, December 25, Christmas Day which will be observed on
- (15) Monday, December 26

Personal - Congratulations!

Dick and Julie Brock gave birth to Baby boy Vernon E.

Steve Shimoda is the proud papa of a baby girl born on February 11.