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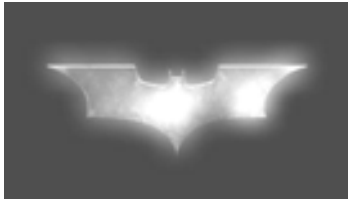
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VOLUNTEERING FOR AN OPEN POSITION. WE
STILL NEED SOMEONE FOR THE FOLLOWING
POSITIONS:**

**PROGRAM CHAIR
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**PLEASE GIVE IT SOME THOUGHT. WE NEED YOUR
SUPPORT!**



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CAVING EVENTS

2010

JUL 4 ----- INDEPENDENCE DAY
 JUL 14 ---- TSG Grotto Meeting 7pm
 JUL 14-18 -- Karst-O-Rama- Great Salt Peter Cave
 Preserve – Mt Vernon, KY
 JUL 17 ---- Annual Grotto Picnic at Crystal Grottoes –
 12pm
 JUL 25 ---- PARENT’S DAY
 AUG 2-6 -- NSS Convention, Essex Jcnctn, VT
 AUG 11 ---- TSG Grotto Meeting 7pm
 SEP 2-6 ---- **OTR**
 SEP 4 ----- Doo Dah Parade
 SEP 4 ----- Polyester Power Hour
 SEP 6 ----- LABOR DAY
 SEP 8 ----- TSG Grotto Meeting 7pm
 SEP 11 ---- Fall Bash at Fisher’s Landing-see JC
 SEP 11 ---- PATRIOT’S DAY
 SEP 12 ---- Grand Parent’s Day
 SEP 15-17 – Karst Conference – at the USFW
 Conservation Training Center
 SEP 23 ---- AUTUMN EQUINOX
 OCT 1-3 --- Fall MAR/VAR – Friar Hole
 OCT 8-11 – Fall TAG Cave-In, Lookout Mt, TN
 OCT 11 ---- COLUMBUS DAY
 OCT 13 ---- TSG Grotto Meeting 7pm
 OCT 15-17 – Youth Restoration Camp – see Bob
 OCT 16 ---- Bridge Day
 OCT 31 ---- ALL HALLOW EVE
 NOV 2 ----- ELECTION DAY
 NOV 7 ----- DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS
 NOV 10 ---- TSG Grotto Meeting 7pm
 NOV 11 ---- VETERAN’S DAY
 NOV 13 ---- SADIE HAWKIN’S DAY
 NOV 25 --- THANKSGIVING
 NOV 26 --- BLACK FRIDAY
 DEC 8 ----- Wrap Presents for Red Cross 6pm
 DEC 11 ---- ANNUAL TSG CHRISTMAS
 CELEBRATION at Bob & Paulette’s
 home 6pm
 DEC 12 ---- Christmas caving
 DEC 21 ---- WINTER SOLSTICE
 DEC 24 ---- CHRISTMAS EVE
 DEC 25 ---- CHRISTMAS DAY
 DEC 31 ---- NEW YEAR’S EVE

2011

AUG 2-6 ----- NSS Convention, Glenwood Springs, CO

2012

JUN 25-30 -----NSS Convention, Lewisburg, WV

***** CAVE BUCKS *****

CAVE BUCKS is a voluntary donation for cave purchases. The money is collected at each monthly meeting and sent to the organization of choice. The money SHOULD NEVER be kept past the week it is collected.

Month of June ----- \$16.00

TOTAL TO DATE: ---- \$4782.00

Keep It Coming!

WEBSITE & CAVING LINKS

Tri-State Grotto ----- www.tristategrotto.net/
 VAR ----- www.varegion.org/
 NSS ----- www.caves.org/
 NSS Convention 2010 ----- <http://www.ics2009.us/>
 OTR ----- www.otr.org/
 MAR ----- www.caves.org/region/mar/
 WVCC ----- www.wvcc.net/
 Andy Celmer ----- www.tristategrotto.net/Andy/
 Bob’s Web Site ----- www.tristategrotto.net/Bob/
 Ehren Gieske ----- www.tristategrotto.net/Ehren/
 Jerry’s Cave Web Site -----
<http://www.caves.org/member/jerry/>
 Vitas Eidukevicius ---- www.tristategrotto.net/Vitas/
 David Hackley’s Web Site -----
<http://s180.photobucket.com/albums/x307/clearsig/>
 Todd Roberts -----
http://s63.photobucket.com/albums/h143/Todd_05/
 Bob Gulden ----- www.caverbob.com/home.htm/
 Rock Climbing Knots Friction -----
www.chockstone.org/TechTips/prusik.htm#Bachman/
 Tri-State Grotto MySpace -----
www.myspace.com/tristategrotto/
 Animated Knots by Grog ----- www.animatedknots.com/
 White Nose Syndrome -----
<http://www.caves.org/grotto/dcg/wns-notice-to-cavers.pdf>
 NSS Online Cavers ----- www.onlinecavers.com/
 WNS -----
<http://www.caves.org/WNS/WNS%20Info.htm>

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Containment Procedures -----
<http://www.fws.gov/northeast/whitenosemessage.html/>
Crystal Grottoes Caverns -----
www.crystalgrottoescaverns.com



MONTH OF JULY

Lynn DiCarlo, Ellie Florance, Jeff
Hajenga, Jep

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Tri-State Grotto Meeting 6-9-10

Bernie Wootten started the meeting at 7:00 pm.
15 people were present.

Mail

ACC sent a thank you letter for our Cave Bucks
donation.
Tri-State Grotto received a membership card
from MAKC.

Jerry Bowen gave the Treasurer's report. It was
moved seconded and passed.
The minutes were moved to accept, seconded
and passed.

The new Tri-State Grotto T-Shirts were at VAR.
A lot were given out. There are a few extra ones
left. They are \$10 each.

VAR

At VAR there was a decon station. Everyone
who went caving was asked to stop on the way
back in and use it.

WNS was talked about. There was a discussion
about what caves in our area are still closed.

John Di Carlo talked about VAR. Jerry Bowen
spoke of a few caves he went to that he had not
gone to before.

Bob Bennett led a trip to Poor Farm in
Pocahontas County.

Owner Rick Bantel donated one acre of land that
has the Wild Cat Entrance to the Culverson
Creek Cave System. This cave has 20 miles of
surveyed passage.

Cory Hackley and Terry McClanathan did 425
feet in Scott Cave.

New Business:

Cory Hackley talked about digging at Crystal
Grottoes Caverns. They are digging in a
sinkhole on top of the hill. The dig is at 17 deep
feet now.

John Di Carlo and Bob Bennett talked about
Scott Hollow Cave. Cory Hackley said Mike
found the entrance using the dowser method.

Trips:

This weekend is Bubble Cave's 10-year
anniversary.

Adam Stephen Dig - June 19, 2010

Grotto Picnic at Crystal Grottoes Caverns - July
17, 2010.

Fall Bash - September 11, 2010

We sang Happy Birthday to Bob Bennett. Paulette Bennett had Birthday Cake for everyone.

We collected \$16.00 in Cave Bucks and it will be sent to WVCC.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Submitted by
John P. Di Carlo, Jr.
Secretary
Tri-State Grotto

**WV Couple's Donation Preserves
Hundreds of Acres Sunday June 20,
2010 11:01 PM**

Updated: 6:20 PM May 19, 2010

CASS, W.Va. (AP)

An 884-acre farm with an extensive cave system and three miles of land alongside the Cass Scenic Railroad will be permanently protected from development.

Posted: 4:00 AM May 20, 2010

An 884-acre farm with an extensive cave system and three miles of land alongside the Cass Scenic Railroad will be permanently protected from development.

George and Mickey Deike have donated a conservation easement on Shalimar Farm in Pocahontas County to the Nature Conservancy and the state's Agricultural Land Protection Authority.

The gift announced Wednesday allows the couple to maintain an equestrian retreat on their property while protecting woodlands and

wildlife habitat. Among the protected assets are 200 acres of farmland, a trout stream called Leatherbark Run and 4.4 miles of passages in Cass Cave, which the state considers one of West Virginia's most important privately owned caves.

The stream also supplies the town of Cass with water.

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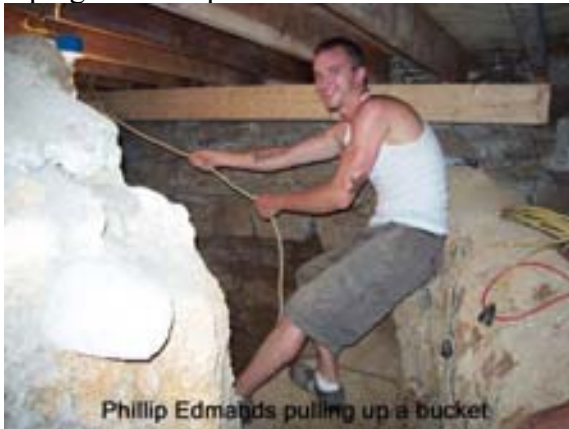
**Adam Stephen Dig
Chiseling out the Stone**
By John Di Carlo

Martinsburg, WV - On June 19, 2010 Tri-State Grotto returned to the Adam Stephen House to again dig in the basement. This time we were going after the rock in the floor. We rented "The Wacker" for this purpose.



As we arrived the tools were unloaded and moved into the basement. I went into the dig to look at where we were. The sides are gray clay. The floor dirt is still the tan sandy dirt that we have been following. Now there are rocks in the floor that we will have to deal with. I asked that a shovel be lowered down. The short one was placed in a bucket and lowered down. I started digging and sending buckets up. When a bucket came back down on the rope, I had a full one ready to go back up. We kept it up, filling a

bucket, hauling it up, carrying it outside, and dumping it on the pile.



Phillip Edmonds pulling up a bucket

As we took a break to change people, a tour came through. We hurried across the tracks to the house on the other side. We had some people who hadn't seen the sub, sub, sub basement.

You enter the cellar from the outside. Crossing the floor you go down stone steps. Arriving at the room (sub basement) under the cellar you look around and see the arched ceiling made out of stone. It starts on a ledge, goes up and over, then down to the floor. From the sub basement, stone steps go down again to a sub, sub basement. A shaft drops from here to another lower level, the Sub, Sub, Sub basement.

Keith had unlocked the door before the tour group made it up the street. We ducked down and toured the cave before the group made it up the street. As they come down into the sub basement we came up.



Aaron Freeman looks at one of the rocks that was pulled up

We returned to our dig. Soon buckets of dirt were coming up. At one point Cory Hackley asked for The Wacker. It was lowered down to him. The bits soon followed. We heard the drill bit pounding and buckets of stone started coming up. Again we kept filling a bucket, hauling it up, carrying it outside, and dumping it on the pile.



Lunch

We were called to lunch and our workforce headed to the lunchroom. Again Keith Hammersla fed us well. He had two kinds of rolls, four kinds of sliced meat, cheese, and all the trimmings. There were two kinds of chips, grapes, chunks of pineapple, potato and macaroni salads, and brownies for dessert. Of course there were sodas too.



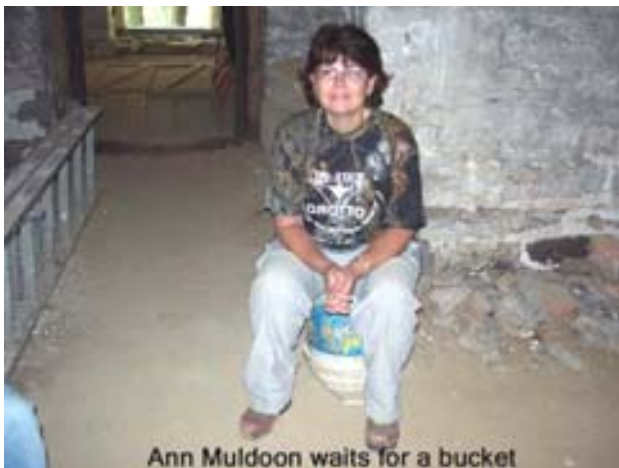
Keith Hammersla waiting for a bucket

After fattening up we started our bucket brigade again. Several people took turns down in the dig. We had people come and go throughout the day. It kept us working perfectly. When we would lose one person, someone showed up to take their place.



Russell Linton carrying out a bucket

Our workers today were: Ann Muldoon, Russell Litton, Cory Hackley, Aaron Freeman, Keith Hammersla, John Di Carlo, Jason Rice, Todd Zimmerman, Phillip Edmands, Sean Wootten and Bernie Wootten.



Ann Muldoon waits for a bucket

We took out 33 Buckets before lunch, and 37 after lunch, for a total of 70 buckets for the day. We ran the tape and recorded 27 feet to the bottom of the hole.

Jokes submitted by Patricia Cronin:

A geological research team proceeded towards the apex of a natural geologic protuberance, the purpose of their expedition being the procurement of a sample of fluid hydride of oxygen in a large vessel, the exact size of which was unspecified. One member of the team precipitously descended, sustaining severe damage to the upper cranial structure; subsequently the second member of the team performed a self-rotational translation oriented in the ame direction taken by the first team member. What were their names? It will be a while before Jack and Jill head up that hill for a pail of water again.

Questions asked of the ranger by visitors to at Carlsbad Caverns National Park this summer: How much of this unimaginably huge cave is underground? So, what's in the unexplored part of the cave? Do you get snow in the winter in the lower levels? Does Bat Man live in the cave?

The musician George Frederic Handel at first had a go at being a Speleologist. But soon he gave it up. The cave baroque and it was too hot to Handel.





ANNUAL GROTTO PICNIC

SATURDAY, JULY 17TH, 2010

12:00 PM UNTIL 9:00 PM

AT CRYSTAL GROTTOS CAVERN

COME ON OVER AND JOIN
IN ON THE FUN!

The Grotto will furnish ice, sodas,
eating utensils, & charcoal!

There will be Darts, Frisbee, Croquet, n Volley Ball!?

*Bring extra chairs, a covered dish (with food), and your
favorite meat to fix on the grill!*

DIRECTIONS!

Go to Sharpsburg, MD

Continue straight thru Sharpsburg

Continue until you pass the Red Bird Restaurant on the right

Crystal Grottoes will also be on your right before you get to

Boonsboro

Look for the Grotto Picnic Sign

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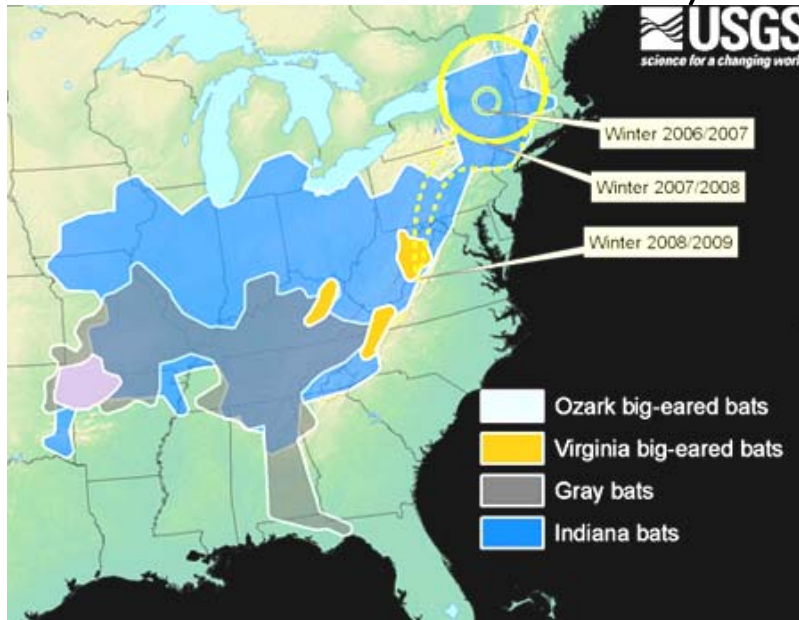
SAVIN CALENDAR

JULY 11TH - AUGUST 21ST



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Jul 11	Jul 12	Jul 13	 Meeting 7pm Karst-O-Rama	Jul 15 Karst-O-Rama Great Salt Petre Cave	Jul 16 Karst-O-Rama Mt Vernon, KY	Jul 17 TSG Picnic 12 pm Crystal Grottoes Caverns Karst-O-Rama
Jul 18	Jul 19	Jul 20	Jul 21	Jul 22	Jul 23	Jul 24
Jul 25 PARENT'S DAY	Jul 26	Jul 27	Jul 28	Jul 29	Jul 30	Jul 31
Aug 1	 NSS Convention, Essex Jcntr, VT	Aug 3 NSS Convention	Aug 4 NSS Convention	Aug 5 NSS Convention	Aug 6 NSS Convention	Aug 7
Aug 8	Aug 9	Aug 10	 Meeting 7pm	Aug 12	Aug 13	Aug 14
Aug 15	Aug 16	Aug 17	Aug 18	Aug 19	Aug 20	Aug 21

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USGS WNS Map

- 1- ADAM STEPHEN DIG
- 2- COUPLE DONATES GASS CAVE TO TNG

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