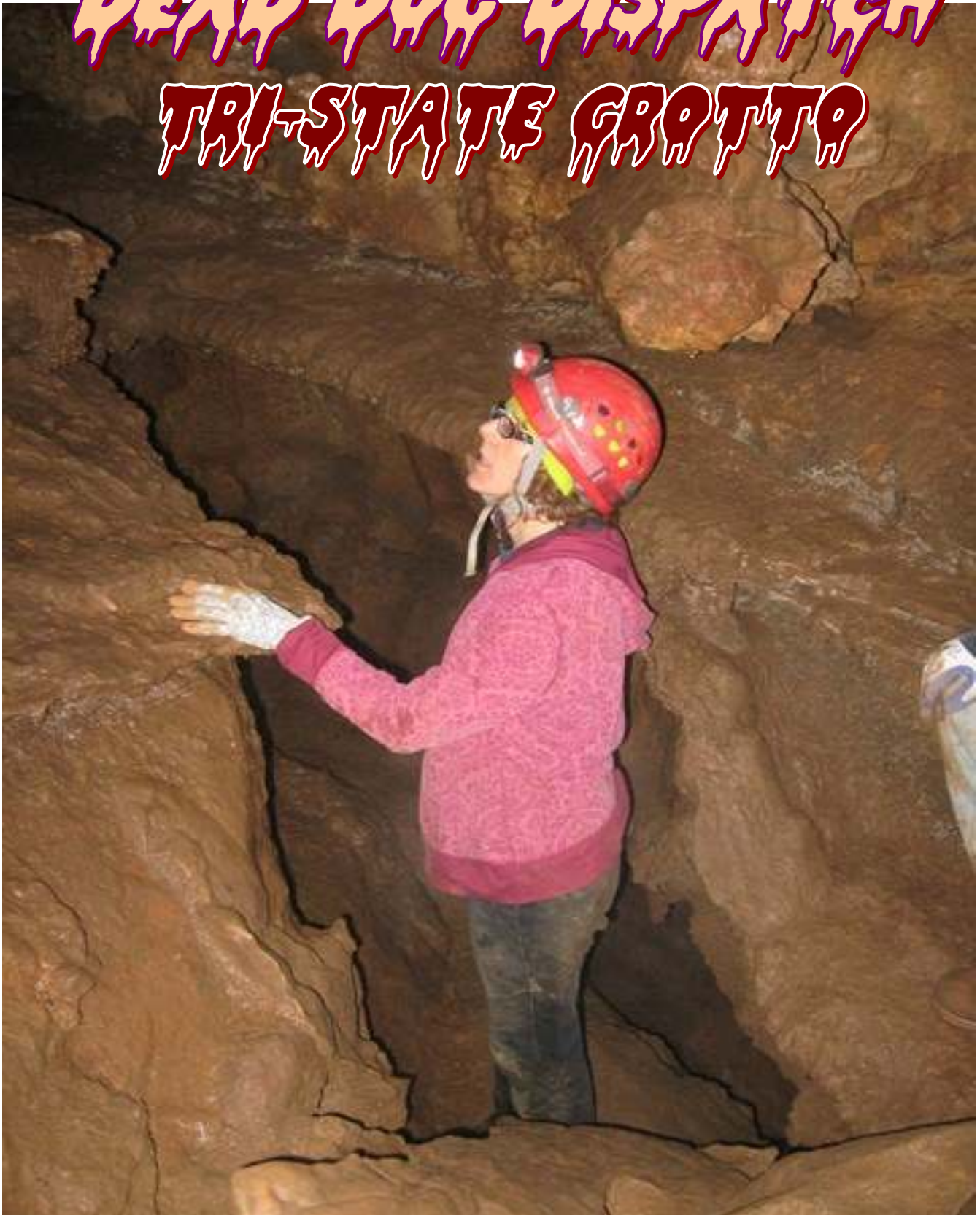


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**WE NEED EVERYONE TO KEEP THINKING ABOUT**  
**VOLUNTEERING FOR AN OPEN POSITION. WE**  
**STILL NEED SOMEONE FOR THE FOLLOWING**  
**POSITIONS: PROGRAM CHAIR**  
**PLEASE GIVE IT SOME THOUGHT. WE NEED YOUR**  
**SUPPORT!**



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# CAVING EVENTS

## 2015

Month of June ----- \$29.00

TOTAL TO DATE: ----- \$5915.50

- JUL 1 ----- Ridgewalk - Whittings Neck area - 6pm
- JUL 4 ----- INDEPENDENCE DAY
- JUL 8 ----- TSG meeting 7pm
- JUL 13-17 --- NSS Convention – Waynesville, MO
- JUL 26 ----- PARENT'S DAY
- JUL 31 ----- Last Day for TRA Membership
- JUL 31- Aug 2 -- Mudfest - Lincoln Caverns, PA
- AUG 1 ----- OTR registration goes live
- AUG 1 ----- Annual TSG picnic - Blue Ridge Acres river  
from - 12 pm until 6pm
- Aug 7-9 --- Indiana Cave Capers
- AUG 8 ----- RAIN DATE-Grotto Picnic
- AUG 12 ---- TSG meeting - 7pm
- AUG 15 ---- Adam Stephen Dig - 9:30 am
- AUG 27 ---- OTR Preregistration Ends
- AUG 29 --- Boy Scout Powder Horn - see Bob B
- SEP 3-7 ---- OTR
- SEP 7 ---- LABOR DAY
- SEP 11---- PATRIOT'S DAY
- sep 13 ---- GRAND PARENT'S DAY
- SEP 23 ---- AUTUMN EQUINOX
- OCT 8-11 -- Fall TAG Cave-IN
- OCT 12 ---- COLUMBUS DAY
- OCT 14 ---- TSG meeting - 7pm - Annual Auction
- OCT 17 ---- Bridge Day
- OCT 31 ---- ALL HALLOW EVE (HALLOWEEN)
- NOV 1 ---- DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS
- NOV 3 ---- ELECTION DAY
- NOV 11 ---- VETERAN'S DAY
- NOV 11 ---- TSG MEETING - 7PM - Nomination of Grotto  
officers
- NOV 14 ---- SADIE HAWKINS DAY
- NOV 26 ---- THANKSGIVING DAY
- NOV 27 ---- BLACK FRIDAY

The money was sent to the  
New River Preserve!  
Keep It Coming!

## WEBSITE & CAVING LINKS

- Tri-State Grotto ----- [www.tristategrotto.net/](http://www.tristategrotto.net/)
- VAR ----- [www.varegion.org/](http://www.varegion.org/)
- NSS ----- [www.caves.org/](http://www.caves.org/)
- NSS Convention 2015 ----- <http://nss2015.caves.org>
- OTR ----- [www.otr.org/](http://www.otr.org/)
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- Jerry's Cave Web Site -----  
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- David Hackley's Web Site -----  
<http://s180.photobucket.com/albums/x307/clearsig/>
- Bob Gulden ----- [www.caverbob.com/home.htm/](http://www.caverbob.com/home.htm/)
- Rock Climbing Knots Friction -----  
[www.chockstone.org/TechTips/prusik.htm#Bachman/](http://www.chockstone.org/TechTips/prusik.htm#Bachman/)
- Tri-State Grotto MySpace -----  
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- Animated Knots by Grog ----- [www.animatedknots.com/](http://www.animatedknots.com/)
- White Nose Syndrome -----  
<http://www.caves.org/grotto/dcg/wns-notice-to-cavers.pdf>
- WV Caver ----- <http://wvcaver.speleo.us>
- WNS -----  
<http://www.caves.org/WNS/WNS%20Info.htm/>
- Containment Procedures -----  
<http://www.fws.gov/northeast/whitenosemessage.html/>
- Crystal Grottoes Caverns -----  
[www.crystalgrottoescaverns.com](http://www.crystalgrottoescaverns.com)

## 2016

JUL 17-23 --- NSS Convention – Ely, NV

### \*\*\*\*\* CAVE BUCKS \*\*\*\*\*

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

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# GRATTO BIRTHDAYS

**MONTH OF JULY**

Patricia Carter, Lynn DiCarlo, Bob Edmonds, Scott Graham, Eddie Pifer, Nuch Songsasen, Terri Ward

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

# TAP PHOTOS

**Adam Stephen Day**



Russell getting ready to lead tour (BB)



Russell getting ready to cross RR tracks (BB)



Gear (BB)

**Elkhorn Mt Cave**



Rigging drop (TG)



## Endless Caverns



Mike Stewart practicing with his frog ascending system (JB)



Sign above Endless Caverns (JB)

## Whitings Neck Cave



Mike & Terri Ward (MW)



Climbing (MW)



(MW)



(MW)



(MW)

### Natural Bridge



Natural Bridge (BB)





Natural Bridge Caverns (BB)  
What really goes on at a cave cleanup



# SAVIN CALENDAR

## JULY 5TH - AUGUST 15TH



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Jul 5	Jul 6	Jul 7	 Meeting 7pm	Jul 9	Jul 10	Jul 11
Jul 12	Jul 13 NSS Convention Waynes ville, MO	Jul 14 NSS Convention Waynes ville, MO	Jul 15 NSS Convention Waynes ville, MO	Jul 16 NSS Convention Waynes ville, MO	Jul 17 NSS Convention Waynes ville, MO	Jul 18
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LATEST WNS MAP 6-12-15



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