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** The cover this month sis a cross hatch drawing of Lawsons Horseshoe Cave near Ft Royal, VA. The artist is Don "Doc" Phillips.

**** Don't forget, the JONES OUARRY BOOKLET is ALMOST GONE! There are 10 left! If you are interested in purchasing a copy of the BOOKLET, contact BOB BENNETT 304-821-4621(H) or 304-671-0344(C) E-MAIL at gimpycaver@comcast.net The copy will cost \$6.00 each!

******10 LEFT!*****

WE NEED EVERYONE TO KEEP THINKING ABOUT VOLUNTEERING FOR AN OPEN POSITION. WE STILL HAVE 6 POSITIONS OPEN! PLEASE GIVE IT SOME THOUGHT. WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT!



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JUN 30-JUL 4 --- MAKC 20th Anniversary --Blairsville, PA – Camping is free!!!! JUL 4 ---- INDEPENDENCE DAY JUL 8-9 --- WVACS Classic JUL 12 ---- TSG Meeting -7pm JUL 15 --- Adam Stephen dig -9:30 am JUL 19 ---- Vertical session –James Rumsey – 6pm JUL 20-23 --- Karst-O-Rama - Great Saltpeter Preserve JUL 22 ---- Sinkhole cleanup – Melrose, VA – 9am AUG 4-6 --- Indiana Cave Capers - Carydon, IN AUG 5 --- Annual TSG Picnic –Blue Ridge Acres, Harpers Ferry, WV -12 noon-6pm AUG 9 ---- TSG Meeting –7pm AUG 13 --- Left Handers Day AUG 21 --- Solar Eclipse AUG 26 --- Boy Scout Powder Horn – Camp Rock Enon – see Tom or Bob about helping AUG 31 --- SEP 4 -- OTR SEP 2 ---- Doo Dah Parade -10 am SEP 2 ---- Polvester Power Hour Trip –1pm SEP 4 ----- LABOR DAY **SEP 9 ---- PATRIOTS DAY** SEP 13 --- TSG meeting -7pm SEP 22-24 --- Fall VAR -- Mountain Institute, Spruce Knob, WV OCT 5-8 --- TAG Fall Cave-In - AL OCT 9 --- Columbus Day OCT 11 --- TSG Meeting -7pm -Auction Oct 21 ---- Bridge Day **OCT 31 --- ALL HALLOWS EVE** (HALLOWEEN) NOV 5 ---- Daylight Saving Time Ends NOV 8 --- TSG meeting -7pm - Nominations NOV 11 --- VETERAN'S DAY NOV 16 ---- Sadie Hawken's Day **NOV 23 --- THANKSGIVING DAY** NOV 24 --- BLACK FRIDAY DEC 13 --- TSG meeting -7pm -Elections DEC 16 --- TSG Christmas celebration -Bedington Ruritan –6pm –11:30 pm **DEC 24 --- CHRISTMAS EVE**

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DEC 25 –CHRISTMAS DAY DEC 31 --- NEW YEARS EVE

****** 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.

Month of JUNE ----- \$29.00

TOTAL TO DATE: ----- <u>\$6623.50</u>

The money was sent to SCCI. Keep It Coming!



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Lynn DiCarlo, Bob Edmonds, Scott Graham, Jason Hajenga, Hanna Keesecker, Nuch Songsasen, Janet Tinkham





TSG Meeting 6/14/17

18 people attended.

John called the meeting to order at 7pm.

Jerry gave the Treasurer's Report.

<u>Correspondence</u>: MAKC is selling extra's books from their library.

We are now registered 501c3 with the state of WV. We talked about the poles for the Grotto canopy. <u>Old Business:</u> Bob hasn't added any more to the TSG Library.

The next Adam Stephen dig will be Sat, Jul 15 at 9:30 am.

Doc has a caving trip to Franklin in Pendleton Co, WV this coming weekend (Jun 16-18)

<u>New Business</u>: The Christmas celebration will be held at the Bedington Ruritan Club on Dec 16th. The TSG picnic will be held on Sat, Aug 5th starting at noon.

There will be a Boy Scout Powder Horn event at Rock Enon on Aug 26^{th} .

The vertical class will be starting up again at James Rumsey on the 3rd Wed of every month at 6pm. OTR will be Labor Day weekend (Aug 31-Sep 4). The theme will be an OTR Christmas!

The Fall VAR will be Sept 22-24 near Spruce Knob, WV.

Wed Night Caving on Wed, Jun 28. Meet at 6pm at Sheetz near the VA center (Big Column & Chapman Caves).

<u>*Trips:*</u> Doc went to Whitings Neck & Indian River caves.

Don Arrowood went on 2 very nice geology trips in PA.

Tom & others went to Baker Quarry to work on the gate again.

<u>Cave Bucks:</u> \$29.00 – Sent to SCCI The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Paulette Bennett Secretary Tri-State Grotto of the NSS



Dave Lucas at Dam #4 Cave (Jerry Bowen)

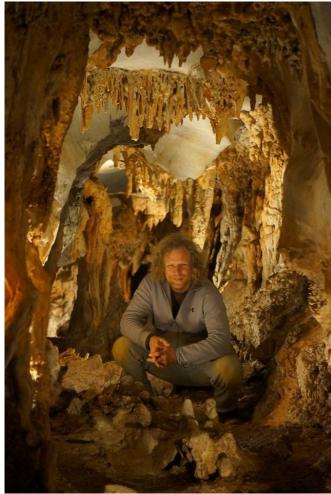


Cleaning graffiti in Hamilton Cave at VAR (Jerry Bowen)





Cheryl cleaning graffiti in Hamilton (Jerry Bowen)



Repairing lights in Endless (Dave Lucas)



The 'older' generation hard at work at the Feb Adam Stephen dig (John DiCarlo)



Had some great help from 'Destination America' (John DiCarlo)





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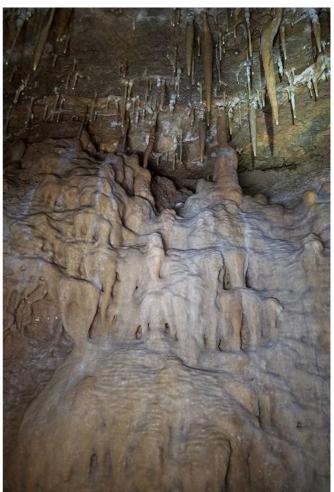
Hanna Keesecker in Donaldson Cave (Michael Keesecker)



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Adam in Donaldson Cave (Jerry Bowen)



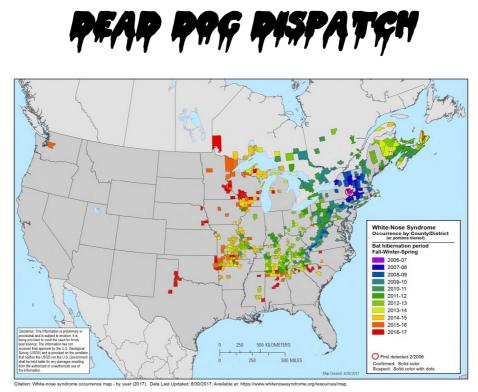
Big Column Cave (Bob Edmonds)







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Jul 9 wvacs classic	Jul 10	Jul 11	Jul 12 TRI-STATE GROUTO **et Loologic	Jul 13	Jul 14	Jul Adam S dig - 9
Jul 16	Jul 17	Jul 18	Jul 19 Vertical Session - James Rumsey - 6pm	<i>Jul 20</i> Karst-O-Rama - Great Saltpeter Preserve, KY	Jul 21 Karst-O-Rama - Great Saltpeter Preserve, KY	Jul Sink Clea Meiros 9a Karst-O Great S Preser
Jul 23	Jul 24	Jul 25	Jul 26	Jul 27	Jul 28	Jul
Jul 30	Jul 31	Aug 1	Aug 2	Aug 3	Aug 4	Au TSG F Blue Acres ri - 12
Aug 6	Aug 7	Aug 8	Aug 9 TRI-STATE GROUTO ****CEROITO ***********************************	Aug 10	Aug 11	Aug
<i>Aug 13</i> Left Handers Day	Aug 14	Aug 15	Aug 16	Aug 17	Aug 18	Aug



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