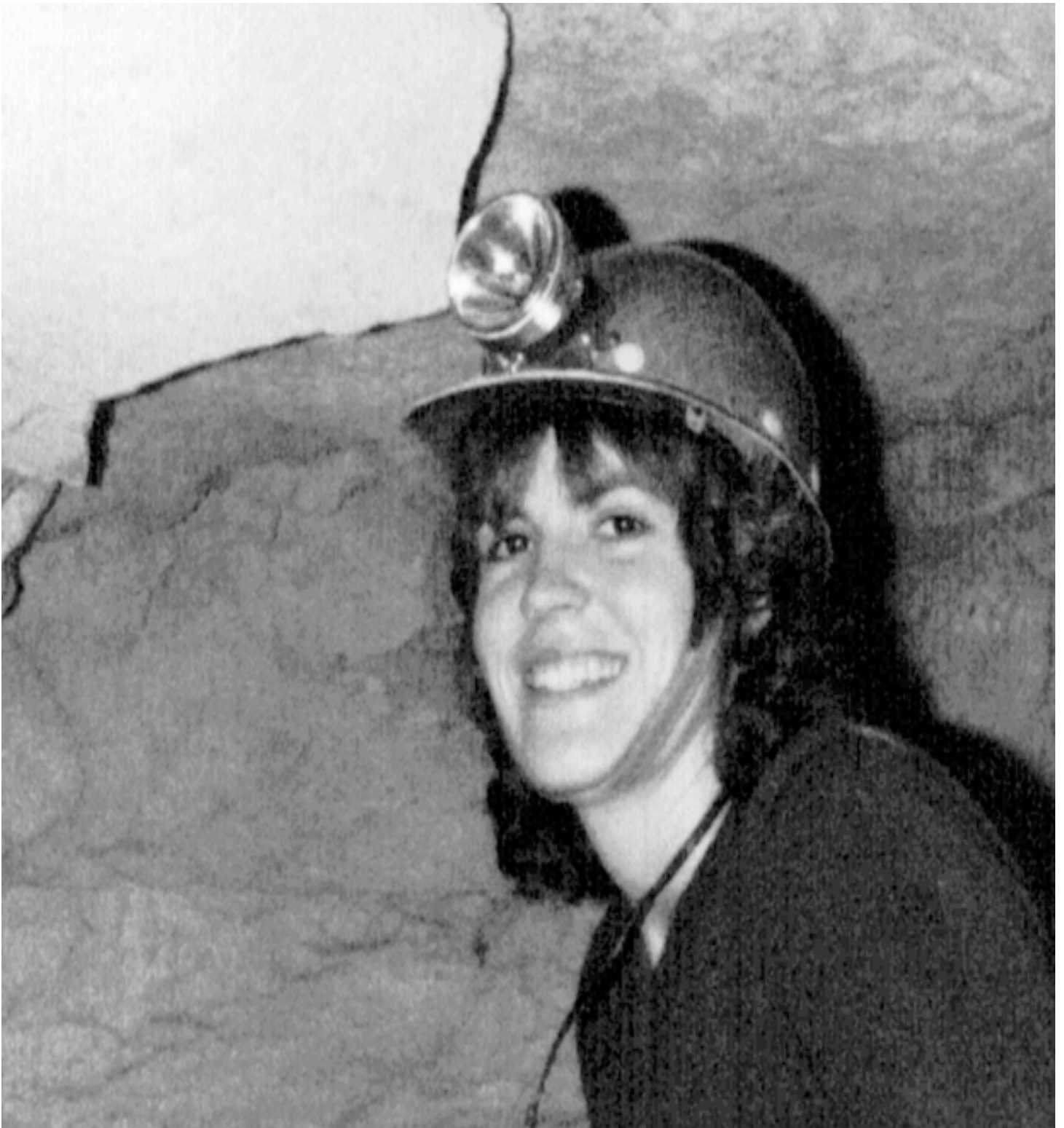
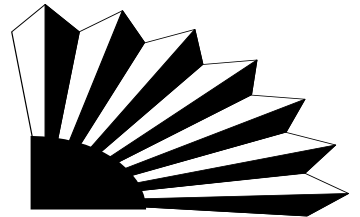
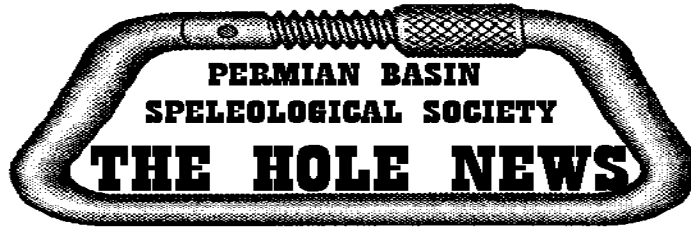
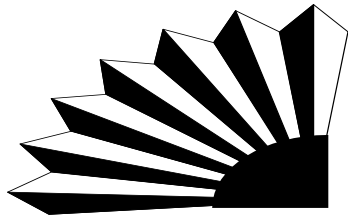


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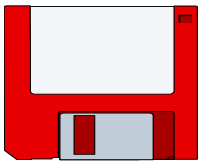


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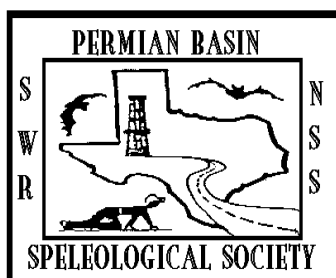


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Membership dues are still only \$ 5.00 and should be sent to the treasurer c/o Don Carlton, 1301 Daventry, Midland, Texas 79705

If you're interested in caving or even think you might like to try contact Chuck Anderle at (915)-685-3119. or if you not from this area and some how through circumstances beyond you're control or ours found a copy of „The Hole News“ then you should contact the National Speleological Society at 2813 Cave Avenue, Huntsville Alabama, 35810-4431.

Happy Caving.



FROM THE EDITOR:

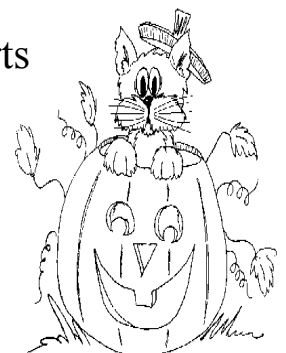
This months cover photo is of former PBSS member Tammy Erratt and was taken by myself in Amazing Maze Cave sometime during an early PBSS club trip in October 1983. As I was putting together this issue I received my courtesy copy of the "The Third Source" from the Sandia Grotto of the NSS and was surprised to see some articles from last months issue of "The Hole News". The editor, Brian Galbraith must be as hard up for material as I am. The scheduled trip for Montgomery's Gypsum cave fell through or actually never even got any further than the planning stage since no one signed up! This reminded me why I don't like to plan or lead trips..... Bill Bentley

PBSS Meeting:

The next meeting of the PBSS will be on October 11th, 1994, at 7:00 PM, at Murry's Delicatessen which is located at 3211 West Wadley. It's easy to find because Murry's is located on the South side of the Wadley River, in the strip shopping center, East of Midkiff Rd. and Texas Burger. The



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Future Cave Trips: And other events from PBSS and other Grottos.

October 10th-14th, 1994 CRF Fall expedition, Lincoln National Forest, contact: Bryan Holcomb @ 505-842-5156
 October 16th, - 21st, 1994 Cavers Reunion UT Grotto from 1954-1961 Mayfield cave, contact: Mona Hannah @ 414-273-1535.
 October 21st, 1994 Freehang Rigging Seminar at Texas Caver's Reunion, contact: Peter Sprouse @ 512-873-0256
 October 21st - 23rd, 1994 Texas Cavers Reunion at Perdanales Falls State Park, See map on page 6 & info on page 2
 October 22nd, 23rd, 1994 Powells cave Resurvey Project, contact: Terry Holsinger @ 512-443-4241.
October 22nd -23rd, 1994 Sand and McKittrick caves, (novice trips) contact: Allen Laman @ 915-550-0910 *
 November 5th, 1994 Dry cave survey, contact: Pat Helton in writing @ 3517 77th Dr., Lubbock, Texas 79423
 November 5th- 6th, 1994 Government Canyon Project, contact: George Veni @ 210-558-4403
 November 19th- 20th, 1994 4th Annual Caverns of Sonora Restoration Project, PBSSer's contact Gralin Coffin @ 915-682-1904. see more information below....

IF YOU HAVE ANY CAVING TRIPS PLANNED LET ME KNOW AND I WILL PRINT THEM IN THIS SPACE....

Most all of this information was stolen from the “TSA Activities Newsletter” and the Greater Houston Grotto's “Speleospace”* denotes PBSS club trip.

Colorado Bend State Park.
 Ed Young is leading trips each week end for visitors to the park and if you are interested in helping out contact him at 214-262-8188



Hey the editors of the *Texas Caver* sent me a nice t-shirt for submitting a trip report to them. It was so easy I suggest that you do the same!
 Contact Noble Stidham PO Box 1094, Lubbock, Texas 79408

Caverns of Sonora Restoration
 This 4th annual restoration is set for November 19, 1994 and if you are interested in helping and are a PBSS member then contact Gralin Coffin at 915-682-1904 Confirmation is required!! Limited space and always a waiting list. This is the weekend before Thanksgiving. This is a cave on private land and is under private ownership so there will be no

Texas and Mexico

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reward trips. But this work trip will not be without benefits, lunch barbbque supper, and perhaps t-shirts. Deadline for sign-up is October 30, 1994. More details at the next meeting.

17th Annual Texas Caver's Reunion
 The Old Timer's Reunion has changed it's name to The Texas Caver's Reunion and the location has changed too. It will be at Flat Creek Ranch. There is a paved road all the way to the ranch and there is a consistent spring fed stream, no trees and no shade. Bring your own plates and forks for the Saturday feed. Friday will be for various vertical training seminars by Peter Sprouse. Saturday will be for meetings, partying and contests. Also bring garbage bags to haul out your own garbage. The water is worse than Midland's so bring your own water. Bring new cavers and call 512-441-0050 if you can help out and call Peter Sprouse at 512-873-0256 for more info.

PBSS receives certificate of appreciation from TCMA !

Kudos to Permian Basin Speleological Society and members Gralin Coffin and Walter Feaster for managing both 0-9 Well and Amazing Maze caves. At the last meeting of the TCMA, the directors and members awarded this certificate to the PBSS and said that they appreciated the invaluable work that Gralin and Walter had done in the past. More PBSS members are invited to join the TCMA and keep cavers managing



Trip Reports: And other lies and stories...



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THE GIRLS AND I WENT IN FOR A LOOK WHILE DAN WAS CHANGING OUT HIS BATTERIES, BEFORE HE COULD GET THEM CHANGED WE WERE BACK AT THE ENTRANCE. SINCE IT WAS NICE AND COOL THERE WE DECIDED TO TAKE A SHORT BREAK. AFTER CHATTING FOR A FEW MINUTES WE CONTINUED ON. WE STOPPED TO LOOK AT THE ENTRANCE TO "DAMN CAVE" WHEN WE WERE CONFRONTED BY THE KILLER GUARD SQUIRREL. HE WANTED OUT AND WE WANTED IN. WE BACKED OFF AFTER TRYING TO ENTICE HIM WITH A FEW PEANUTS, HE WASN'T GOING TO LET US INTO HIS CAVE SO WE WENT ON TO "PINK DRAGON". WE ROUNDED THE BEND AND THERE IT WAS STUCK RIGHT THERE IN THE SIDE OF THE MOUNTAIN BIG AS DAY. WE ENTERED THE ENTRANCE AND DECIDED TO HAVE ANOTHER LITTLE BITE BEFORE CONTINUING ON. DAN IS ALOT OF FUN TO CAVE WITH BECAUSE HE LIKES TO TELL JOKES AND KEEP THE CONVERSATION GOING. WE STARTED INTO THE CAVE AND BEFORE LONG WE WERE AT THE FAVORITE SPOT OF EVERY CAVER THAT HAS EVER BEEN INTO THIS CAVE, THE FAMOUS, SLAP HAPPY CRAWL, IT WASN'T LONG BEFORE WE WERE ALL THROUGH AND HEADED FOR THE RIGHT HAND PASSAGE. THIS CAVE IS VERY PRETTY ALTHOUGH NOT VERY BIG. WE LOOKED AROUND TILL WE GOT TO THE BACK. WE LOOKED IN A FEW OF THE PITS AS WE WERE HEADING BACK THE OTHER WAY. IN THE OTHER END OF THE CAVE THERE IS REALLY NOT ALOT TO SEE BUT I FIGURED SINCE WE WERE HERE WE SHOULD SEE WHAT WE COULD. WE REACHED THE END AND TOOK A SHORT BREAK BEFORE HEADING OUT. ONCE WE WERE THROUGH THE SLAP HAPPY CRAWL AGAIN WE LOOKED AROUND FOR A FEW MINUTES. LYDIA FOUND A HIGH LEAD SO I HELPED HER UP AND TOLD HER TO HOLLER BACK IF IT WENT. IT WASN'T LONG BEFORE SHE CAME BACK AND SAID IT DIDN'T GO ANYWHERE. IT WAS ALREADY 7:00 AND SINCE I TOLD ROSE WE WOULD BE BACK BY 7:00 WE HEADED OUT. LITTLE DID I KNOW WHAT WAS GOING ON ACROSS THE CANYON ON A RIDGE NOT FAR AWAY. WE MADE OUR WAY OUT OF THE CAVE IN A SHORT TIME AND TOOK A LITTLE BREAK AT THE ENTRANCE BEFORE HEADING

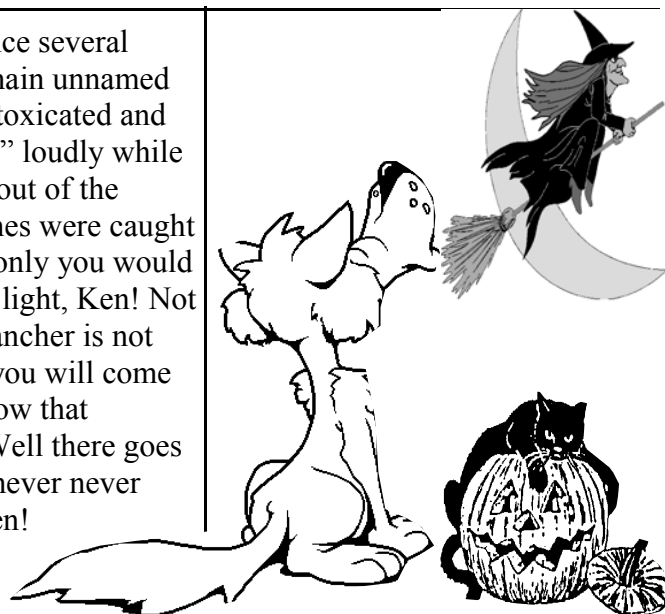
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MIKE HAD GOTTEN OUT OF "HIDDEN " ABOUT 7:45 AND HEADED FOR HOME. SUSAN AND PAM HAD COME OUT OF THE CAVE SHORTLY AFTER THAT AND STARTED DOWN THE HILL WHEN THEY RAN INTO SOME CAMPERS WHOSE SON HAD JUST GONE THROUGH E.M.T. TRAINING WHO JUST HAPPENED TO HAVE HIS EMERGENCY GEAR WITH HIM. SUSAN AND PAM GRABBED CHAD (THAT'S THE E.M.T.'S NAME) HORTON AND HEADED BACK TO "THREE FINGERS" AFTER GIVING HIS PARENTS THE NAMES AND PHONE NUMBERS OF SOME PEOPLE TO CONTACT TO HELP GET SONDRAS OUT OF THE CAVE. WE ALL SAT AROUND THE FIRE THAT ROSE HAD GOING TO WAIT TO FIND OUT WHAT WE COULD DO TO HELP, AND WE WAITED AND WAITED AND... ABOUT 11:00 OR SO I TOLD ROSE WE SHOULD GO TO QUEENS TO TRY TO CALL MIKE AND FIND OUT IF ANYONE WAS COMING TO HELP IN THE OPERATION. WHEN WE REACHED THE BOTTOM OF THE HILL WHO DO YOU THINK WE RAN INTO? YOUR RIGHT, MIKE WAS JUST GETTING TO THE BOTTOM OF THREE MILE HILL, WE TURNED AROUND AND HEADED BACK UP THE HILL. MIKE SAID THE CAVALRY WAS ON IT'S WAY SO WE ALL WAITED AROUND THE FIRE FOR THE REST OF THE PARTY TO SHOW UP. IT WAS QUITE SOME TIME BEFORE JIM GOODBAR SHOWED UP WITH KEVIN GLOVER, WHO WAS TO COORDINATE THINGS FOR THE FOREST SERVICE, MIKE REYNOLDS WHO WAS THE PARAMEDIC, TOM **SEE TRIP REPORT CONTINUED ON PAGE 5...** MADISON WHO HELPED WITH RIGGING, MIKE SHANNON OF

HOWLING AT THE MOON BY

All you have to do is volunteer work and lots of it, for the TCMA to give you an award for managing several caves out in far West Texas! Yep, Walter was proudly boasting it at the last meeting and presented it to PBSS President Chuck Anderle to put in the archives and collect dust. Chuck has new bionic knee and should be ready to do Crystal Crawl and Hell Hole in record time soon, rumor has it that the Guinness folks (not the beer people Walter!) want to attach a cable and odometer to it to record the event. The last word on "F" cave is that it is closed

until further notice since several unknown and will remain unnamed cavers were caught intoxicated and screaming "Ozitolola!" loudly while running naked in and out of the entrance holding torches were caught by the land owner. If only you would have had 3 sources of light, Ken! Not to worry I heard the rancher is not going to prosecute if you will come back and bring that cow that followed you home. Well there goes another cave off into never never land. Happy Halloween!



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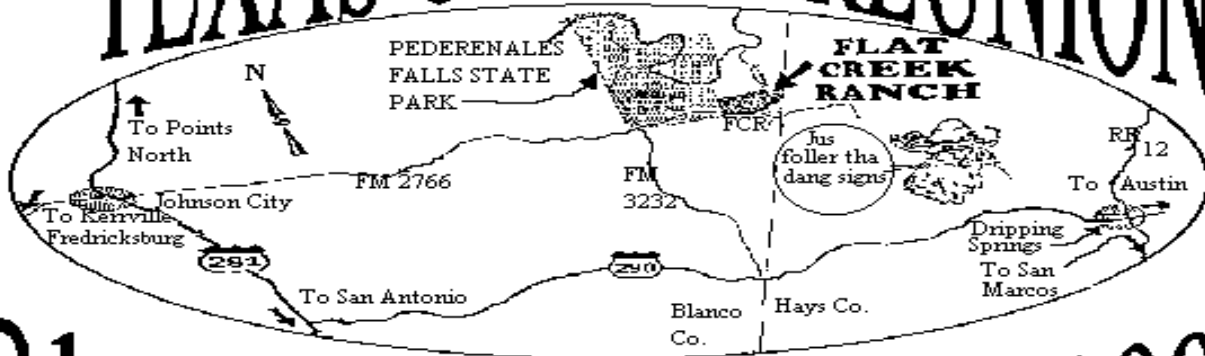
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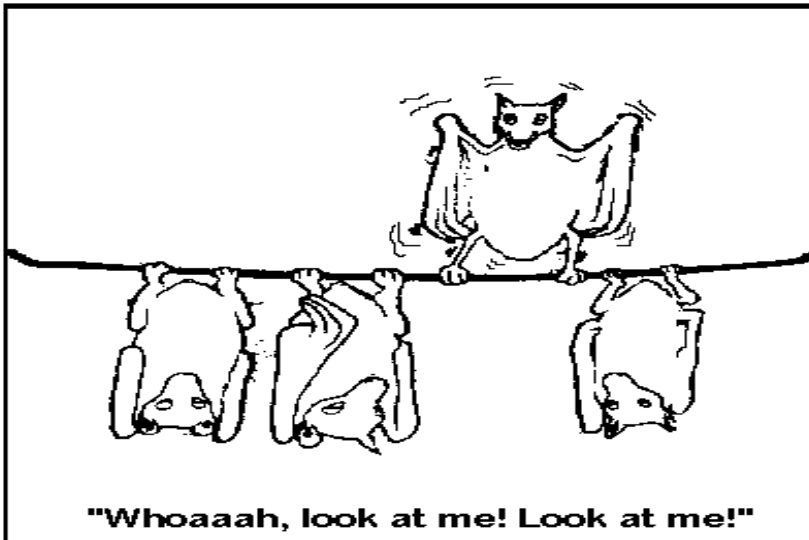


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by Steve Turtill

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"Whoaaah, look at me! Look at me!"

Carlsbad Caverns News:

Chuck says that there is no date set as of yet for rock hauling, but keep your shovels ready as we are set for a Saturday sometime in January 95. If you have a preference, tell Chuck.

Winter Technical

Call for Papers

A call for papers for the Winter Technical Regional has gone out. The Winter Tech will be on December 10th, 1994 in Las Cruces. If you would like to present a paper or other material please contact Steve Peerman at (505)-523-2167. The deadline for submission is November 15th, 1994

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Feaster, Walter	P. O. Box 472, Crane, Tx. 79731	558-7248	31859
Fincher, J.D.	P. O. Box 472, Crane, Tx. 79731	558-7248	Applied For
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Glasson, Larry	P.O. Box 1273, Andrews, Tx. 79714	523-6409	Applied For
Gray, Kim	31 East 33rd Street, San Angelo, Tx. 76903	653-3823	19588
Gray, Larry	1221 East Llano, Hobbs, NM. 88240	505-393-5604	Applied For
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Hill, Tom	4400 Andrews Hwy # 801, Midland, Tx. 79703	699-7192	34637
Kamon, Ken	3105 Maple, Odessa, Tx. 79762	550-0910	37903
Laman, Allen	3105 Maple, Odessa, Tx. 797625	550-0910	37904
Laman, Rose	5230 Woodhaven, Wichata Falls, Tx. 76302	817-723-8910	Applied For
Mahan, Sheree	5209 Stillwood, Wichita Falls, Tx. 76302	817-723-9890	35327
McArthur, Martha	1204 Alpine, Andrews, Tx. 79714	523-9294	39037
Pando, Noel D.	1204 Alpine, Andrews, Tx. 79714	523-9294	Applied For
Pando, Noel M.	P.O. Box 849, Manchaca, Tx. 78652	512-280-2843	Applied For
Parent, Larence	P.O. Box 1196, Sonora, Tx. 76950	none	Applied For
Sawyer, Bill	1221 East Llano, Hobbs, NM. 88240	505-393-5604	Denied
Slut, Guad	5707 County Road 57 East, Midland, Tx.79705	685-3119	Applied For
Terrett, Tiffeny	1031 6th Street, Big Lake, Tx. 76932	884-3162	Applied For
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SPECIAL EDITION FOR PBSS MEMBERS ONLY!

The following information is considered confidential, sensitive and for selected eyes only. It should not be discussed with anyone except fellow members of the Permian Basin Speleological Society and doing so could jeopardize land access and future trips! This page of the newsletter will not be sent to any others outside the PBSS. If you receive this page then the PBSS expects you to respect their wishes and not disseminate this material. Far too often caves and areas are closed or land access is denied because of personality conflicts, power ego problems and general cave politics. This is a club project and the members should decide how it should be perused and organized so if necessary we will have a special meeting to decide.

**The Permian Basin Speleological Society
Announces the Culberson County Cave Projects**

Eleven years of paying dues and meeting the minimum criteria for NSS grotto status has finally paid off! Yes that good old paper stuffing, politic infested and mostly caring about Eastern caves NSS actually did us a favor when a rancher in far West Texas called them concerned about a hole that blew columns of steam that he had found during the Winter, the NSS directed him to call the closest Texas based NSS chartered grotto which just so happens to be us. So here it is, the Apache Mountains located between Van Horn and Kent, Texas is located in the South central part of Culberson county and is the same limestone reef that is a continuation of the Guadalupe Mountains and has several known and some to be found caves located in this dry arid and sparsely covered area.

A new and relatively unexplored area of West Texas in Culberson County has been opened to cavers and is being managed by members of the Permian Basin Speleological Society. This new area consists purely of private land owners and they have requested that all contacts be made through the PBSS Coordinator.

The PBSS requests that all cavers abide by this policy as to not endanger land owner relations. Since there are 7 major mountain ranges and several gypsum karst areas located in the study area, this new area has the potential to open some known caves as well new discoveries to cavers for exploration, mapping, geology, and general cave studies. All trips will be work trips and a strict set of guide lines will have to be followed for participating cavers. All PBSS members are welcome to help extend their expertise in this project. Interested parties should contact PBSS members below:

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This selection of members for the positions listed above is temporary and can be changed by a majority vote of PBSS members at any designated meeting.

Thanks, Chuck Anderle