
PERMIAN BASIN SPELEOLOGICAL SOCIETY

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MEETING NOTICE

Date: Tuesday, July 9

Location: Golden Corral Family Steakhouse, 4709 N. Midkiff Rd.
Midland

Time: Food consumption and socialization begin at 6:30; business meeting to follow
at 7:00 pm.

JULY TRIP

Chuck has attempted, without success, to contact someone who could get us off trail in Caverns of Sonora in return for some free labor. He's checking into some other possibilities. Be at the meeting for more information, or call Chuck if you miss the meeting for details regarding a July trip.

FUTURE TRIPS

Chuck asks that you give some thought to the three caves you'd most like to visit before the meeting on July 9, so we can come to a consensus regarding what we'd like to do in the coming months. Some ideas include Fort Stanton, Three Fingers, Rediscovery Cave, and the caves we had permitted but missed during the June trip (see report below).

Please let Walter know if you would be interested in a trip to 0-9 Well in Southwest Texas, or Honey Creek near San Antonio. Both caves require wet suits, and both offer opportunities for adventure and some good underground scenery.

SPECIAL NOTICE --- BORDER CAVE AND SIDEWINDER WELL (WIGGLEY'S) CAVE by Bill Bentley

These caves are closed to caver access at the request of the landowner, whom we met at gunpoint June 15. Please spread the word, and do not enter these caves. We should respect the landowner's wishes.

JUNE TRIP REPORTS

(as dictated by an individual who desires to remain anonymous)

Jernigan II and Doc Burrito, June 15

Bill Bentley, Gralin Coffin, Rick Day, Walter Feaster, Andrew Grieco, Tony Grieco, Martin Jackson, and Mark Overman participated in the June 15 expedition. The group did not have the combination for Jernigan II, nor a step log for Doc Burrito. As a result, there is very little to report about the two caves. They are in southeastern New Mexico.

Hicks Cave, June 16

On Sunday, June 16, the same group, less Martin and Mark, explored Hicks Cave. The entrance was small, and even Walter, with his boutique body, had difficulty entering. The group went directly to mud city, a section of the cave that contained man-made moldings of three types: artistic, whimsical, and obnoxious.

The group sat around in the mud for about an hour, and made its contributions to the art gallery, most being of the obnoxious type. Bill, Tony and Andrew left early, and Rick, Gralin, and Walter explored the rest of the cave, reaching Blood River before returning to the entrance.

MISCELLANEOUS

Bill Bentley attended the National Park Service/Cave Research Foundation/National Speleological Society restoration field camp in Carlsbad Caverns June 17 through June 21. The group uncovered a large section of floor, including two small pools and a circa 1925 survey station benchmark, that had been covered by backfill from the elevator shaft. The discovery was located in the Big Room, near the lunch room.

Walter attended a CRF function over Memorial Day weekend. He reports the trip involved a lot of hard work, but it was well worth it. He saw the Guadalupe Room in Carlsbad Caverns, and got a peek inside Lechuguilla as well. He's going on another CRF trip, to Fort Stanton Cave, July 5th and 6th.

PBSS Newsletter

Please mail material for newsletter to Ken Kamon, 400 W. Texas #1100K, Midland, TX 79701

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Last minute inclusion - Dale L. Pate has been appointed as Carlsbad Caverns National Park's cave specialist. Pate, 38, has been with the U. S. Geological Survey in Austin since 1976 and has extensive caving experience in Texas and New Mexico. Pate will fill the position left vacant when Ron Kerbo was transferred to the NPS regional office in Santa Fe last January. David Ek will be Pate's assistant. Consensed from Odessa American; contributed by D. Carlton.

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