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HAPPY NEW YEAR

May you find many
miles of virgin cave
in this new year!

C. O. G. SQUEAKS
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Trivia Special

Our thanks to Lew Simpson for providing a COG cave trivia chapter for this issue of the Squeaks. We hope that you all enjoy Lew's two articles, Cave Trivia and Caving Terms.

January Meeting Notice

The January Meeting of the COG will be hosted by Jim and Donna Weisenberger in their home in Dayton, Ohio. Jim says that guests are welcome to spend the night after the meeting. Jim also comments that there are a lot of things to do in Dayton and that he is willing to provide a guide service. (Art Institute, Dayton Museum of Natural History, Carriage Hill Farms (1880 style working farm.) and many other things to do.)

MEETING DATE: JANUARY 10, 1986
TIME: 8:00PM

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Please refer to map on rear page of Squeaks.

February Meeting Notice

February 21, 1986

At this time the February meeting is planned to be held at Chuck Dahnke's Farm. This will be our mid winter meeting at the farm house. Activities may include sledding, hiking on the creek (ice permitting.), or skating on the creek. Those who wish to camp may do so! (burr!!)

Last Meeting

The December meeting was hosted by Bill and Karen Walden. A short business meeting was followed by the usual feast and gift exchange. There were, as usual, some excellent gifts. Some included a collection of comics from old issues of the Squeaks (Some of these will be reproduced in future issues.), cavers note pad (sheets decorated with bats and other cave critters), an emergency solar powered cave flashlight, and a few straight gifts which are always appreciated.

Minutes December Meeting

submitted by
Donna Weisenberger

The December meeting of the Central Ohio Grotto was held at the home of Bill and Karen Walden on December 21, 1985. Sixteen members were present.

The meeting was called to order by Jake Elberfeld. No secretary's report was available. Karen Walden reported that we had \$203.27. (NOTE: This is misleading in that the Squeaks has not paid for Xeroxing of the past two issues and this issue. This Xerox bill will amount to about \$100. -- Editor.)

A motion to raise dues to \$6.00 was brought up. The motion carried.

Jake Elberfeld appointed a nominating committee. This committee is as follows:

Paul Unger -- Karen Walden -- and Donna Weisenberger

Old business discussed: None.

New Business:

Halliday is in Nashville. He wants to go caving and would like the grotto to take him through the cave.

Trip Reports:

Paul Unger - Greg Erisman found a virgin cave in Sloans valley in Minton Hollow. It is a joint controlled cave. It is under forest service land. Greg Erisman and Doc Erisman hammered at the entrance for two hours but Paul Unger dug through the sand and dirt to get in the cave in ten minutes. The location is right above the spitting Rock section of the Minton Hollow Cave.

Bill Walden - Hubbard's Cave. It is a salt peter cave. Bill, Karen, and Katie were led through by a local grotto. The cave is very dusty and has a lot of Gray bats.

Bruce Wartman - Zarathustra Cave. The object of the trip was to go to the back section.

Also newsworthy - Paul Unger found out from reliable sources that the dam (Wolf Creek) is leaking. The level of the lake (Lake Cumberland) will need to be dropped.

Reports have been confirmed that PCB's have been dumped into Pitman Creek. The fish and Game People are making tests to find out about the possibility of PCB contamination. If there is PCB in the fish then the lake will need to be drained.

Letters - Report given by Bill Walden

Bighorn Research Project - Inventory of the cave started. They need help and money.

Indiana Karst Conservancy - Non-profit corporation to study caves in Indiana. You may apply for membership and elect officers sometime in February.

Next Meetings:

The next meeting will be on January 10, 1986 at Jim and Donna Weisenbergers' home in Dayton.

The February meeting will be hosted by Chuck Daehnke's parents' farm.

The March meeting, a possibility was raised of a joint meeting with the Central Indiana Grotto.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Donna Weisenberger.

Trip Reports

PULASKI COUNTY CAVING

By Lou Simpson

Date: October 12-13, 1985

Caves: Sloan's Valley (Minton Hollow entrance), Cave Creek (Goldson entrance)

People: Woody Barnes, Carol Grimm, Sheryl Hilton, Lou Simpson

Woody and Carol got to see Minton Hollow with Steve Bucher before we arrived. After visiting with Tom and Cathy Crockett, where we met their two-day-old daughter Sarah, the four of us returned to Minton Hollow. Woody and Carol looked at the narrow canyon just inside the entrance. Then we toured the beginning of Left Cave and the first Middle Cave loop. We saw quite a few bats. I pointed out The Slot and the Duckunder as the main routes to more cave. I noticed a debris-filled drain lead near the Still that could be excavated. We left the cave and stopped for a while at the fieldhouse where the MGV meeting was in progress. We didn't stay for Don Conover's spectacular fireworks display. He apparently spent all day wiring up a bunch of fireworks to go off at the same time.

Sheryl and I camped on Burnside Island. Our campsite overlooked Burnside across the lake. The next day we drove to the Hyden farm. I hadn't seen Dora, Rufus, and Roscoe in two years. Rufus requested a copy of some of the Cave Creek slides, which I have had made. Sheryl and I walked through the woods to the Goldson entrance. The fall colors were at their peak. We looked at the Hog Hole pit entrance (90 feet deep) and the Humongous Pit entrance, where a futile railroad tunnel was once dug in an attempt to connect caves. In Goldson's cave we toured the upper level maze. There were at least 24 empty beer cans. We wished we had brought a plastic bag to carry them out. We peered down into the lower level depths from overlooks. It was exciting to return to Cave Creek after all this time. I look forward to a return soon.

Andy's Trip Report or

How I spent My Weekend With the Rangers
Andy Franklin 10/31 - 11/3/85

The weekend began late on Halloween Night. As I wanted to be down at Uncle Paul's that evening and since Mike Gray, my usual traveling companion, needed to work the next day, I traveled alone. It was an enjoyable, if uneventful drive until I reached Bronston. After a slight excursion to visit the edges of that piece of reality known as 790 (ask Bill about the mud) I learned what the natives do for entertainment on All Hallow's Eve. This consists of spreading trees and boulders across the road. Well, I did my civic duty and helped the Sheriff clear the road. That is until we came to the 20" oak that had been dropped. Paul, I suggest that next time you give them the treat.

We has a good time waking that famous party-poopers host. It seemed that whenever Paul would settle down to go to sleep, somebody else would drive in. That should teach him to go to bed before 2AM! Perhaps he should take sleeping lessons from the resident expert (more later).

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Well, we finally dragged our carcasses to King's for breakfast where a table of ingrates ate all the biscuits and gravy. The rest of us had to suffer without. We had a good talk with the rangers and rangerette and went to Minton for a nice tour.

It has been a while since I've simply nerded in a cave. It was quite enjoyable, particularly with Bill as Tour Guide. I mean, I had to go out of my way to get dirty. THAT was weird! However, I did get to look at a lead Mike and I found earlier that appears to go. Thanksgiving we will push it. I understand that Greg found a new entrance, also. I think that the rangers really enjoyed themselves and were impressed that we knew what we were doing.

That evening we enjoyed all we could eat at the Lakeside. In fact, an eating lesson was given by some skinny kid, although I thought it was tacky that everybody left before I was done. The evening was completed with the usual cabin entertainment(?).

We couldn't let Paul get a good night's sleep, so Mike finally arrived about 2AM. Said something about needing to watch "Miami Vice" before he could leave his new apartment.

Saturday came with another eating lesson (team competition) at the Midway. I think we aided the Somerset economy with all this Ohio money being spent. We then drove the largest contingent of inappropriate automobiles ever assembled back to the Nail System. At least the bridge held up. I don't know what most people did, but Bill, Doc, Mike, Don Conover, myself, and Bob Strosnider of the Forestry Service went on a search for cave life. Some of us decided to see how long we could stay dry. It was an interesting exercise, although it did cost a considerable amount of energy. I did finally achieve Nirvana and got wet and dirty. We also found a mother crawdad at the entrance with a mess of little (1/2") crawbabies.

We continued nerding back in the rest of the cave. We did manage to stick Don in a Keyhole. Kind of reminded me of Pooh visiting Rabbit. Mike investigated both sides of the situation using BEMUS ascenders. He also climbed to an upper lead (later discovered on the map as "Bolt Lead") where he found a bolt placed with an old European carabiner attached. Alas, there was a bolt, but no lead. The question is, why was there a bolt at the TOP of the climb if it was a dead-end?

Again the rangers were impressed. Mike, Paul, Greg, and I went to Ranger Frank's house to look at some caves around his place. There is one with the unique chimney entrance of 20 feet of 24" corrugated pipe. It then opens (?) up into a rock chimney for another 15 feet or so. It looks real intriguing with the topography of the field. However, that pipe requires a winch to get in and out.

Saturday night was highlighted by a sleeping lesson put on by Mike. He pooped out well before Paul, even, and denied all attempts to awaken him. The ultimate came with the firing of a carbide cannon next to him that only made him flinch, once. That was so much fun that we decided to do the same to Paul, but the famous "Crack of Dawn" met its demise arising our host. It went in a blaze of glory.

Sunday was marred by the usual Sunday rain. We packed up and left early, hoping to catch the Refrigerator destroying Green Bay.

Unfortunately, this is Bungle Country and we ended up enduring a dismal game with the Bills. I suppose one can't have everything.

THANKSGIVING WEEKEND

by

Bill Walden

Katie and I drove to Paul's cabin after having a thanksgiving meal at home. We arrived at the cabin at a reasonable hour and enjoyed some partying. Katie and I crashed on the porch but were joined by uncle Paul whose earth-quake like rumblings were far to much for us. We pitched the tent a good distance from the house. Even there we could detect the distant rumbling.

Unfortunately, I was awakened at 4:30 AM by a pressing urge which continued on the half hour. Later I discovered Paul was suffering the same problem but fortunately he was out of sych. with me by 15 minutes. Our common problem put any notion of caving out of mind for Friday.

Saturday, and not yet feeling back to normal, Greg Erisman led us to a virgin cave in Minton Hollow. Yes, very definately a virgin cave in Minton Hollow. Greg had labored some two hours to blast his way by hammer into this cave the week before. Unger found an easier way after watching Greg squeeze into the cave. The rest of us took Unger's route. The cave has a pit entrance which drops 15 feet. An easy climb with or without a cable ladder. At the bottom of the climb is a room large enough for a fair sized caving party. You share this room with a number of toads and frogs.

The cave heads west from the room. You must negotiate some breakdown then turn north down a crawlway. This easy crawlways then intersects an east-west passage which is a stoop walk. This passage then intersects a north-south passage which is a walkway. Altogether their is about 1000 feet of cave. Not much granted, but it is not every year that one finds a virgin cave in Sloans Valley.

This little joint controlled cave should lie above the canyons past the spitting rock section of the Minton Hollow Cave. Careful mapping should tell us whether a human connection is possible.

After leaving the little cave Paul Unger, Jim Blankenship, and I did some ridgewalking around the next valley north of Minton Hollow. Lots of little holes but none do anything.

The MVG people had invited us to join them for a Thanksgiving Feast at Tom Crockett's that evening. The dinner was to be followed by a fireworks display presented by the Conovers.

I had never met Tom and have wanted to so we hung around the area till the appointed hour. I was inpressed by the size of Tom's living room, a full 30 by 60 feet! Mr. and Mrs. Crockett assited by members of the Miami Valley Grotto and Bluegrass Grotto set out a fantastic dinner. The Conovers provided an excellent fireworks display after the feast.

As I had not been in the garbage pit entrance since the improvements, I took Katie in and we walked back to the Oasis and on toward the first lake room. Katie was impressed with the size of the passages and

wants to return when she is not so tired.

We returned to Paul's cabin and crashed.

RETURN TO MC MINVILLE

by Bill Walden

Saturday, December 14, 1985 was the anual Cumberland Caverns Christmas Party. We had received an invitation and were fortunate to return the acceptance early enough to attend. Things have changed since Dean and Phyllis Redshaw first started attending. Wild cave trips in the cave have been reduced to one, that being the trip into the historic entrance to the dinning room.

This year local cavers led a trip to Hubbard's cave. Hubbard's Cave has well preserved artifacts from the Civil War era. These include several ladders, some vats, and a few tools.

Karen, Katie, and I were impressed by the dust. I strongly recommend any visitors to this cave to wear filter masks. The dust and bat urine can be nearly overwhelming at times.

Hubbards Caves boasts large populations of both grey bats and Indiana bats. The major bat roost passages are well protected by a hugh iron gate. This impressive gate is roughly 40 by 40 feet and is of all welded construction. I was told that \$24,000 worth of iron was used to contruct the gate. Openings in the gate measure 6 by 30 inches. Bats can easily negotiate the gate.

We did see numerous small clusters of greys and indiana bats and this made me wonder if anyone should visit this cave at all in the winter as both are endangered species. (Please refer to your October Bat special.)

After Hubbards Cave we returned to Cumberland Caverns in time for the Commercial tour of the cave. It was fun. After the tour we retoured by ourseves taking pictures and meeting up with Santa Claus. Got some pictures of the Waldens with Santa Claus in the cave! Fun. More photos then to the dinner line. Since we had been wandering while the dinner line was forming, we fell into the rear. I don't think we had to wait more than 15 or 20 minutes. The serving was fast and efficient. My complements to our host and his helpers.

After dinner a youth choir provided excellent seasonal entertainment. The group is an international award winning choir which had just returned from a tour of Germany. Somehow it seems a little out of place to see people dressed in beautiful dresses and tuxedos inside a cave. Fun and enjoyable though.

Roy Davis, our host, presented a talk after the choir and Roy was in good form, he had the cave reverberating with laughter. Then he led us in a sing along which was more like Roy soloing. Following we toured the cave some more then joined the rest of the guests at Roy's house to listen to Roy play his magnificent theater organ. The man has so many-many hobbies.

Oh yes, the chandelier in the dinning room had been disassembled, sand blasted, repainted, the cut glass beads cleaned and restrung, and

allhung back up in the cave. Roy said they lost count on the lower row of beads after 49,000. I hate to think how many beads are on that high chandelier.

O T R C a v i n g

By Lou Simpson

While we were at the Old Timer's Reunion in Elkins, West Virginia, Sheryl and I visited three caves. The first was Seneca Caverns, a commercial cave. The cave is privately owned and costs \$4 a person. We could see the scenic shady sinkhole entrance from the back porch of the ticket office where we waited for the tour to start. Most of the cave tour consisted of a multilevel entrance area with flowstone and dripstone. I remember a high balcony with a thin floor that we could see across an overlook of the lower levels. Several times the guide took us into cul-de-sacs from which we had to retrace our steps. This general area was quite scenic. Unfortunately the guide kept pointing out shapes that looked like Princess Snowbird or an eagle or a turtle. It wasn't always apparent why he thought the formations looked like those things. We walked through a nice canyon with helictites visible through pillared windows, nicely backlit. This area had been partially excavated to make walking easier. Near the back entrance was a pool of water which the guide told me sometimes covers the bridge and necessitates backtracking the tour. We were in the cave for about 45 minutes. A bus was provided for the return trip to the ticket office. A snack bar offers frozen custard and sandwiches. There is also a train ride (no tracks) for kids.

I visited a large abandoned limestone mine along a new four-lane section of US highway 33 east of Elkins. There were several huge interconnecting rectangular rooms along a cliff face, intersected by pillars. Their floors of the rooms consisted of small breakdown. It was cool and shady in the mine.

With verbal directions, we managed to locate Bowden cave, along old US 33 not far from the mine I visited. I had visited Bowden in the early seventies, turning back only when continuing would have necessitated getting totally wet in a narrow water canyon. This time we only looked at the stoopwalk inside the muddy entrance room and took a picture. I recall reading about this cave in a caving newsletter. I recall that there are many entrances beyond the point that I turned back in the seventies and that the cave is quite extensive and mazy. Now that I have relocated the one entrance, perhaps I can plan to return and find more of the cave.

C A V E T R I V I A

C A V I N G T E R M S

by Lou Simpson

SNARF to take something that belongs to somebody else or at least something that somebody else was using, such as a seat.

SCOOP to explore virgin cave.

SPELUNK sound a caver's body makes at the end of a fall.

SPELUNK JUNK cave gear; most cave gear looks like junk because it gets trashed after a cave trip and is often useless after that.

BROWN the color of cave mud and cavers' underwear.

ROCK! I accidentally dropped a rock on your head.

IT GOES Since I already bothered to come in here, you might as well, too.

IT ENDS It goes, but I don't feel like going any farther.

DRY CAVE Most of the time you don't have to swim.

DOESN'T FLOOD There is air in the cave sometimes.

WALKING PASSAGE My feet are touching the floor.

STOOPWALK If you try to walk, you're stupid.

MILES OF CAVE I was in the cave more than ten minutes.

DEEP PIT My light was too dim to see the bottom.

EASY CLIMB I didn't fall this time.

PIECE OF CAKE I wish I had a piece of cake.

HAIRY LIP There was a mustache at the edge of the pit.

TIGHT CRAWLWAY You have to hold your breath.

WET CAVE You have to hold your breath.

BOD! used to test for echoes; actually a variant of BOD!, which is used to test for hodags; a hodag will repeat the word, which will be indistinguishable from an echo.

HODAGS mischievous gremlin creatures which live in caves; they eat insects, gorp, and goosh.

GORP an acronym which stands for "good old raisins and peanuts"; actually, any combination of munchies consumed in a cave or on a trail.

GOOSH Borden's Eagle Brand Condensed Milk boiled in the can for at least an hour and consumed as a cave food; it is difficult to finish a whole can unassisted.

GARBAGE PIT a trash pit used for a cave entrance.

RIDGEWALK looking for cave entrances on the surface, not necessarily on a ridge; sometimes used as an excuse to avoid entering a cave.

BLOWS a cave passage or entrance from which air flows.

SUCKS a cave passage or entrance which sucks air or is of low quality.

CARBIDE LAMP source of odor, heat, and a little light.

WHEAT LAMP a superior rechargeable electric light source named after its inventor, Wheat.

CARBIDE DUMP the excretions of nurd cavers who were unable to find their way out of the cave in time to dump their carbide waste on the surface to poison the owner's livestock.

NURD an inexperienced caver, especially one who would continue to perform unacceptably after considerable training; the spelling with the letter "u" is considered derogatory.

KNURD a nurd who caves while intoxicated; drunk spelled backwards.

KNEURDE a nurd who is stuck-up.

NERD a normal caver; all normal cavers are nerds, and proud of it.

MUDSLOP a descriptive term for a soupy mud that goes "skickk!" when you walk in it and tries to pull off your boots; mudslop is thin enough to ooze into your boots if it is deep enough.

SLEAZEWAY a crawlway whose walls, ceiling, and floor are composed of mudslop.

BELLYCRAWL a crawlway that is large enough to move through without digging.

PROMISING DIG an opening large enough for an air molecule to go through.

LONG SHOT DIG a solid rock wall with no cracks.

TIGHT CRAWLWAY A bat has to crawl on hands and knees.

NARROW CANYON You have to make up your mind which way you want to face before you enter it.

BIG TRUNK There is enough room in the trunk of your car for all your cave gear.

BOREHOLE Not a very interesting cave.

VANDALIZED CAVE Somebody got there before you.

CAVING TRIVIA

by Lew Simpson

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CATEGORY 1: HISTORY

1. In what year were Flint Ridge Cave and Mammoth Cave connected?
2. Who won the Lew Bicking award in 1973?
3. Who was in charge of selecting Lew Bicking award winners through 1985?
4. What woman was in the party that connected Flint Ridge and Mammoth Caves for the first time?
5. Name the five members of the party that connected Flint Ridge and Mammoth Caves for the first time.
6. What kind of Indians left their footprints in Wolf River Cave?
7. What archaeologist headed the study of the Indian footprints in Wolf River Cave?
8. What was the name used for Wolf River Cave in publication of scientific articles about archaeology and paleontology?
9. In what state were there two NSS conventions in five years since 1980?
10. In what year was the NSS founded?
11. In what cave did Floyd Collins die?
12. What Louisville newspaper reporter tried to rescue Floyd Collins?
13. Where is Floyd Collins' grave?

HISTORY ANSWERS:

1. 1972
2. Lou Simpson
3. Rick Banning
4. Pat Crowther (later Wilcox)
5. Pat Crowther (later Wilcox), John Wilcox, Richard Zopf, Steve Wells, Dr. Gary Eller, and Park Ranger Cleve Pennix.
6. Archaic Indians
7. Patty Jo Watson
8. Jaguar Cave
9. Kentucky (1981 and 1985). (There may have been other answers in earlier spans of years.)
10. 1941 in Washington, DC

11. Sand Cave

12. Skeets Miller

13. Floyd Collins Crystal Cave (part of Flint-Mammoth)

category 2: equipment and techniques

1. What is a pig?

2. What is goosh?

3. What special technique did Bob Wood use to explore a pit inside Fossil Pit?

4. What carbide lamp manufacturer stopped making brass lamps and started making an inferior plastic lamp?

5. What is an etrier?

6. What are the waste products of the reaction of carbide and water?

7. What special equipment was used Humongous Pit in an attempt to connect it to Firestone Cave?

8. What kind of compasses were used to map Sloan's Valley?

9. What is the brand name of the heavy-duty black rubber kneepads?

10. What is the name of the owner of several Wayne Co., KY caves, who also manufactures rope climbing devices?

11. What is the minimum number of cavers considered safe by the CRF for a caving party?

12. What letter is in the center of an NSS patch or sticker?

13. How do you spell "speleological"?

14. How many sources of light does the NSS suggest each caver carry?

15. What are the three mottoes of the NSS?

16. What word is recommended for testing echoes in a cave?

17. What word is used to indicate the discovery of virgin cave?

18. What is a rinky-dink?

EQUIPMENT AND TECHNIQUES ANSWERS

1. a cave pack made of two Clorox bottles

2. Borden's Eagle Brand Condensed Milk that has been boiled while still in the can; used for a cave food

3. Bob Wood enclosed a waterfall in a "prophylactic" tube made of garbage bags.

4. Justrite
5. An etrier is a short ladder made by tying loops in a piece of rope or webbing.
6. Calcium oxide (CaO) and calcium hydroxide (CaOH). Accept either or both answers; CaOH forms in a secondary reaction of CaO with water.
7. wooden rails and a wheeled dirt cart
8. Silva Ranger compasses
9. Rockmaster Kneepads
10. Charles Gibbs
11. four
12. N
13. speleological
14. three
15. Leave nothing but footprints.
Take nothing but pictures.
Kill nothing but time.
16. Bo!
17. Scoop!
18. a repetitive, circuitous tour of a cave by unsuspecting tourists led by a devious cave guide

CATEGORY 3: PLACES

1. In what cave is the Treasure Chamber?
2. What is normal pool level for Lake Cumberland?
3. What is the first name of the owner of Hail Cave?
4. How many entrances are there to the Sloan's Valley Cave System?
5. How many entrances are there to the largest integrated segment of the Cave Creek Cave System?
6. What is the second longest cave in Pulaski County, Kentucky?
7. How many entrances are there to Wells Cave, Pulaski Co., KY?
8. In what cave were eight Central Ohio Grotto cavers temporarily trapped by water in 1974?
9. Who owns "the fieldhouse" near Sloan's Valley, Kentucky?

10. From what cave did Jack Hissong rescue his group of boy scouts?
11. In what cave were Greater Cincinnati cavers trapped by water in 1983?
12. How deep is it to the very bottom of Screamin' Willy pit entrance of Sloan's Valley?
13. How did Pig's Doom Crawl get its name?
14. What cave passage is under the Sloan's Valley fieldhouse?
15. In what cave did the Harry S. Truman Memorial Dig double the length of the cave?
16. In what Tennessee cave did Doug Stecko use dynamite but fail to get through the breakdown?
17. How did 196-Shove Crawl in Goldson's Cave (Cave Creek) get its name?
18. What state has no caves at all?
19. What is the longest cave in Iowa?
20. What is the longest cave in Europe?
21. What is the world's deepest cave?
22. Where is Surprise Pit?
23. In what country are the third and fourth longest caves in the world?
24. Where is Jarvie Roark Cave?
25. Where is the last place to buy beer on the way back to Kentucky from Pickett County, Tennessee?
26. Where is the NSS Office?
27. What cave is located on the NSS Office property?
28. On what 7 1/2 minute topologic quadrangle is Cave Creek located?
29. On what 7 1/2 minute topologic quadrangle is Wolf River Cave located?
30. What does the sign at the top of the Hellhole, W. Va. pit entrance say?

PLACES ANSWERS

1. Wolf River
2. 723 feet above sea level

3. Marvin
4. sixteen
5. sixteen
6. Coral Cave
7. four
8. Flynn Cave
9. Bob Daulton
10. Sinks of the Roundstone
11. Precinct Eleven
12. 56 feet
13. Dave Beiter's pig exploded there.
14. none is known at this time
15. Crump Spring Cave
16. Rotten Fork Cave, Pickett Co., TN
17. That's how many times Bill Walden had to shove his pig ahead of him when he went through the crawl.
18. Delaware
19. Coldwater Cave
20. Holloch Cave, in Switzerland.
21. Pierre St. Martin, in the French Pyrenees
22. Fern Cave, Alabama, 400 feet deep.
23. USSR
24. Carter County, Kentucky
25. Bald Rock Liquor Store, at the state line.
26. 1 Cave Avenue, Huntsville, Alabama
27. Shelta Cave
28. Hail quadrangle
29. Pall Mall quadrangle
30. Nothing--signs can't talk (just kidding); it says "MAKE PEACE WITH GOD".

CATEGORY 4: LITERATURE

1. What is the name of Roger Brucker's book about Floyd Collins?
2. What two authors wrote "The Longest Cave"?
3. What non-caving subject did Red Watson write a book about that was sold through the CRF?
4. What was the name of a humor book about the cave that ate people?
5. Who wrote "American Caves and Caving"?
6. What couple explored Jewel Cave and wrote a book about it?
7. What is the name of the Cleveland Grotto's newsletter?
8. What did Carol Hill publish a book about?
9. What was the title of the book written by Roger Brucker and Joe Lawrence about the 3-C expedition to Floyd Collins Crystal Cave?
10. What is the name of the NSS's scientific quarterly journal now, what was its name before 1974, and why was the name changed?
11. What is the name of the Geology and Geography Section's publication?
10. What is the name of Roger Brucker's novel about a caver who becomes obsessed with connecting two major caves?
11. What is pictured on the cover of "A Geologic Profile of Sloan's Valley, Pulaski County, Kentucky" published in 1977 by the Kentucky Geological Survey?
12. Name the title and author of one of two series of comics that appeared in the COG Squeaks in the early seventies?
13. What pseudonym was used by various contributors of humor articles to the COG Squeaks?
14. What glossy magazine featuring international caving and photography was published by Frank Binney and edited by Jay Arnold in the mid-seventies?
15. What cave did Willard Jillson publish a 1954 monograph about as "Geology of Crystal Cave in Southern Pulaski County, Kentucky"?
16. Who wrote "Caves of Indiana"?

LITERATURE ANSWERS

1. Trapped
2. Roger Brucker and Richard (Red) Watson
3. running
4. Maws

5. William R. Halliday
6. Herb and Jan Conn
7. Cleve-o-grotto News
8. Cave Minerals
9. The Caves Beyond
10. now: The NSS Bulletin
before 1974: Bulletin of the NSS
(The name was changed because everybody called it The NSS Bulletin.)
11. GEO squared
10. Under Plowman's Floor
11. the trestle of the Southern Railway across Sloan's Valley near the parking lot for Minton Hollow
12. Supercaver, by Jack Sigafos, and Astounding Cavin' Tales, by John Agnew.
13. Dr. M. S. Lewis, professor emeritus (anthropology), Ohio State University.
14. Inside Earth
15. Sloan's Valley
16. Richard Powell

CATEGORY 5: PEOPLE

1. Who is NSS number 1?
2. Who collected data on Ohio Caves and published some of it in caving newsletters but never published a "Caves of Ohio"?
3. Who published "The Spelunker's Guide" series and got into a lot of trouble with NSS cavers for selling the book in stores?
4. Who is the expert in the NSS on "show caves"?
5. Who owns the Garbage Pit entrance of Sloan's Valley?
6. Who owns the Post Office entrance of Sloan's Valley?
7. What is the SVCC?
8. What caver is known for eating cave crickets?
9. Who had the third most survey stations in the mapping of Sloan's Valley?

10. What caver from Ohio reluctantly received an NSS Fellow award in 1985?
11. Who wrote the song "Plastic Justrite"?
12. Who is "Bare Bev's Bellycrawl" named after in Sloan's Valley?
13. Who lives at "1/2 Fast Farm"?
14. Who was a black slave who worked as a cave guide in Mammoth Cave and explored the cave?

PEOPLE ANSWERS

1. Merle Stephenson
2. Warren Luther
3. Doug Love
4. Gary K. Soule
5. Tom Crockett
6. Dorothy Casada
7. Sloan's Valley Concerned Citizens, a group fighting the Sloan's Valley landfill
8. Dave Beiter
9. Ken Smith
10. Mike Johnson
11. Barb MacLeod
12. Bev Feldstein
13. Dave Beiter
14. Stephen Bishop

Final Notes

As new officers are being installed in January, I left out the list of current officers. For trips and information, please feel free to contact any of the following individuals.

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Next month there will be a complete listing of all members, persons on our complementary list, required mailings, and exchanges. Please make

sure that we have updated information for the January Squeaks. Thanks - editor.

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Dues

Dues for most of us are due in January. Please note that dues have been increased to \$6.00. Dues pay for postage, paper, Xerography, and other supplies used to produce the Squeaks. Postage alone accounts for about \$3.50 for every individual or organization on our mailing list.

