

# Tennessee Cave Dirt

*Wednesday Spectacular*

Welcome {{ contact.FIRSTNAME }} {{ contact.LASTNAME }},

*"What's a l"ttle rain? I wasn't worried until I saw the ark go by."*

<Unknown Caver>

## Lott Dean Trip Change

Ken Pasternack's Trip to Lott Dean cave tomorrow has changed meeting locations. They will meet at the Wilder Bridge. Corner of Hwy 85 and E obey lane. The GPS coordinates are 36.27340N 85.04436W

## Volunteer Needs

We still need a few volunteers for Registration & Security.

- Need help Wednesday evening with the auction in the school auditorium.
- Need help Thursday with Salons
- Help is needed during the early part of the Friday banquet to help keep the line flowing smoothly.
- We may have some "reset" needs at the High School. If you are at the school and have some free time check at the volunteer desk.

WEDNESDAY EVENTS			
MORNING	U.S. Exploration Session	Auditorium	8:15 – 12
	Biospeleology Session	Lecture Hall	8:55 – 12
	Vertical Techniques Workshop	Main Gym	9 – 4
	3D Smorgasbord	30	10 – 12
	International Year of Caves and Karst Meeting	27	9 – 11
	Medical Section Meeting	35	9 – 12
LUNCH	Luminary Series: Don A. Paquette	Auditorium	1 – 2
	Biospeleology Section Lunch Meeting	Lecture Hall	12 – 2
	Arts and Letters Lunch Meeting	31	12 – 2
	Flynn Creek Impact Crater Field Trip	Campground	12 – 5
AFTERNOON	U.S. Exploration Session	Auditorium	2 – 5:45
	Biospeleology Session	Lecture Hall	2:20 – 5
	Vertical Techniques Workshop	Main Gym	9 – 4
	Congress of Grottos	222	2 – 5
EVENING	Speleo-Auction	Auditorium	7 – 9
	Bat Research Trip	Ament Cave	7 – 9
	Campground Party – Terminal Siphons	Campground	7 – 12
	Exploration and Survey Workshops	Campground	6 – 8

**U. S. EXPLORATION SESSION**  
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19, 2019  
Auditorium

<u>Time</u>	<u>Speaker</u>	<u>Title</u>
8:15 – 8:45	Florea, L. et. al.	The caving frontier of southern Kentucky—two decades of exploration and study in Wayne County, KY - Dedicated to William D. Walden
8:45 – 9:05	Richards, J.	No Caves to Speak Of: Underwater caving in Hawaii
9:05 – 9:25	Richards, C.	Beauchat Spring, Alabama: A sump diver's dream
9:25 – 9:45	Lyles, J.T.M.	Lechuguilla Cave - mid-2018 to 2019 Exploration
9:45 – 10:05	Akers, M.	The Exploration of Dewey Eckart Hole - The 9th Entrance of the Binkley Cave System
Break 10:05 – 10:15		
10:15 – 10:35	Bunnell, D.	Discoveries on the lava flows of north Mauna Loa, 2016-19
10:35 – 10:55	Jagnow, D.	Explorations in Coldwater Cave, IA
10:55 – 11:15	Adams, R.	Explorations in Round Cove, Marion County, TN
11:15 – 11:35	Burger, P.	Fire and Ice - The Exploration of the Northernmost Lava Tubes in the US, Bering Land Bridge National Preserve, Alaska
11:35 – 11:55	Miller, B., et. al.	Finding a Nice Cave in the Kingdom of Horror Holes, the story of Jewett III
Lunch Break 12:00 – 2:00		
2:00 – 2:20	Byrd, A.	
2:20 – 2:50	Austin, D. and M. Wiles	Beyond the 200 <sup>th</sup> mile in Jewel Cave, South Dakota
2:50 – 3:10	Lewis, S.	Fisher Ridge Cave Update
3:10 – 3:30	Socky, N.	Further Exploration in the Great Savannah System
Break 3:30 – 3:40		
3:40 – 4:10	Bosted, P.	The Delissea Cave System
4:10 – 4:30	Lyles, J.	Ft Stanton Cave Snowy River Exploration in 2018
4:30 – 4:50	Engel, S.	Surveying, science, and conservation in the world's longest lava tubes

## Vertical Techniques Workshop

Everyone registered to attend the vertical techniques workshop on Wednesday, please read the event description at the top "Page 54" in the convention program guide. Be sure that you have the required personal equipment.

## Ohio Covers

If you're interested in the planning of the Ohio Cave Survey, there will be a meeting on Wednesday at 6pm in Section A1 of the campground grandstands.

## Custom Batty Bag

Custom Batty Bags made in the HEART of T.A.G. Ditch the plastic and start using something more sustainable, stylish and re usable. These bags are great for

your groceries or your caving clothes!

Straps are made from 1" webbing and the bottoms are made from cordura.

Find them in the Caver Consignment sale this week!

## **Rock Breaking Workshop** (Class Change)

The Rock Breaking Workshop originally scheduled for Tuesday night at the Campground has Changed to Wednesday night before the Campground Party. The class will start at 6pm and should run until 7:30pm. Carroll Bassett

## **Campground Mini Workshops**

Rock Breaking for Cavers presented by Carroll Bassett at 6:00 pm Wednesday at the large boulders to the east of the security tent at the campground entrance. A discussion and demonstration of available techniques of cave modification for exploration and rescue. Participants should bring sturdy footwear, safety glasses, gloves and helmets.

## **Carbide Lamp Demostration**

Carbide Lamp Demonstration by Vance Nelson at 6:30 pm near the Trip Sign-Up tent in the campground. Young cavers are invited to learn how a carbide lamp works and try lighting one while older cavers are welcome to relive their carbide-caving days.

## **Fine Arts Salon**

The Fine Arts Salon, located in the Upper Gym, (turn left at the top of the stairs,) is also home to Prints, Cover Arts, T-Shirts & Symbolic Devices, and Graphic Arts. The salon will be open for viewing, sales and caver judging 9 am until 5 pm today. Cavers' Choice judging will close at noon tomorrow.

## **NSS International Year of Caves and Karst Committee**

Interested in what will be the world's biggest and most important speleological event? The NSS needs you to help make it a reality in the US. Come to Room 27 on Wednesday at 9 a.m. to get the details and see what role, large or small, that you can play. Don't be the one who wasn't a part of this historic event!

## **Ozark Fossils Jewelry**

I We're pretty much the hallway's best kept secret;) but we both signed up to be vendors too late to be included in this year's book, and we're a bit hidden at the end of the hallway.

We are: Ozark Fossils Jewelry, utilizing Ozark found fossils and flora to create focal pieces for pendants, earrings, bracelets, and rings. Post Oak Pottery, inspired by nature with lots of salamander, bat, and cave themed mugs, vases, jewelry, and so much more! We're located at the end of the hall down vendor row:)

Nancy Lowery Weck (POP) & Deitra Biely (OF)

## Fort Stanton Cave Science Conference Prospectus

September 17-19, 2020, Socorro, New Mexico (New Mexico Tech)

This conference is anticipated to attract participants who have been producing scientific, photographic, cartographic and other projects in the cave, and reaching out to experts who have not previously worked in Fort Stanton Cave, especially the Snowy River section. Cross fertilization of work with other investigators will stimulate more interest in scientific projects. Please contact conveners or science organizing committee to be on the list for more info. There are flyers posted in various places in the high school with additional information including contact emails. Or find John Lyles at convention.

## Tag Home For Sale

Home for sale, in the HEART of TAG. 1800 square feet, 2 bed, 2 bath, 20 acres of land, year round stream. Sewanee TN , \$220k.

Contact Anne at [annegrindle19@gmail.com](mailto:annegrindle19@gmail.com)

## Terminal Syphon T-shirts

Terminal Syphon T-shirts \$10. Albert made 25 Terminal Syphon T-shirts. If you want one before the gig, find Albert Ogden in the Groad Hollow campground area.

## Speleobook Dutch Auction

Speleobooks Dutch Auction section will feature thousands of items going on progressive sale throughout the week while they last. Also, daily features throughout the rest of shop. Daily Discounts 10% off.

- Monday - Batdannas, Sarongs and Hats
- Tuesday - Used & Out Of Print Books
- Wednesday - Pint Glasses and Coffee Mugs
- Thursday - Quilts all at 10% off on their respective feature day.

Dutch Auction items start at low prices and go down each day starting Tuesday to 25%, Wednesday to 50%, and Thursday to 75%.

## Headquarters/Team 404 Donors

If you donate \$300 or more per year towards the Headquarters you are a Team 404 member. Come by the NSS Bookstore to pick up your pin for 2019. Thank you for your support.

## CaveSim

Have you met any local folks in Cookeville? Be sure to tell them to come by the high school to try CaveSim, which is free and open to the public. We're located outside the south side of the school and open 9AM-5PM each day (through Friday). Help us teach cave conservation by spreading the word to Cookeville residents. And how about you -- have you had the chance to test your careful caving skills in 60' of cave passage with computer scoring? There are new formations this year, and you can show your friends just how good a caver you are.

**SCCi**

Show everyone that you help save caves by stopping by the SCCi booth in vendors row. Purchase a tshirt, cap or mug to help preserve the caves you love.

## James G. Mitchell Award

The James G. Mitchell Award may be awarded for the best scientific paper presented at any of the sessions of the convention by a member (or members) of the NSS who is a current student. Papers will be evaluated primarily on how well they exemplify sound methods of scientific research and presentation, and secondarily on their contribution to scientific knowledge. Presenters desiring to be considered for the award should contact Mike Backe at Awards@caves.org. Please provide the presenters name, NSS No., student status, paper title, session presented in, and the scheduled date and time of the presentation.

## Speleo-Auction

7pm Wednesday Auditorium Benefitting NSS

Come out and join us for the annual NSS Auction and Fundraiser. Bring your checkbook or credit card and bid on the many speleo-treasures that will be offered. Proceeds go to the NSS. Donations of items for the auction are welcome and can be dropped off at the NSS Bookstore area prior to Wednesday at 5pm. Many auction items will be on display before the event at the NSS bookstore.

Donations of items which will be of interest to cavers and sell competitively are encouraged. Vintage items such as NSS Newsletter and Bulletin prior to 1950 may be highly sought after. Artistic bat memorabilia may sell for some value. Halloween decorations should go elsewhere. Bundles of NSS News and other recent publications will not be accepted. Donated items become the property of the NSS. Donations may be tax deductible. Check with your tax advisor or the IRS for deduction determination.



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