

## **Bexar Grotto Meeting**

Date: January 25, 2016

Jess Buckles called meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. 65 people joined us.

### **Visitors**

Weezie - meetup

Sid Edwards - Michele Bryant brought him

Tim and Kim - Aaron W brought them

Ellen Whittell - working at Texas A & M - Whitenose syndrome testing

Bailey - same as Ellen

Missy - same as above

Jordan - Caverns of Sonora visitor

### **Treasury report provided by Pam Campbell**

**Total            \$11,818.12**

### **Organization Reports**

**TSS** - Marvin Miller - books for sell.

**TSA** - Rob Bissett - trying to establish procedure for a project and he needs help. Needs project leaders. TSA convention on April 23.

**TCMA** - Don Arburn let us know there will be a work weekend. Adding showers. March 11<sup>th</sup>. Acquired Avery Ranch in Austin. Godwin Ranch cave work week this past weekend. Contact Don.

**NSS** - None

**Bracken** - Fran Hutchins - Bracken cave preserve - karst survey a couple of weeks ago. Has one that looks real promising to dig on in the future. Scheduling more surveys soon.

### **Old Business**

- Geary Schindel - will discuss his foundation later.

### **New Business**

- PESH expedition -Don Arburn wanted us to donate to a project in Mexico. Wants us to donate. We need more information. Gregg motioned that we donate \$200. All I's.
- Shirts - Pam has done some research. About \$500 for 72 T-shirts. Two designs to choose from. Will vote next time.
- Look into new venue to hold up to 108. We are over capacity today. I will go by and take photos to decide if we want to move.

- Zach - sometime in March needs help taking high school kids through cave and using them for labor for their project.
- April 9<sup>th</sup> - Open house for Robber Barron

### **Upcoming trips**

- April 9, 2016 - Robber Barron open house
- February 5 - 7 - Deep and Punkin Trip with Bennett lee - Just drop Punkin.
- February 6 & 7 - Government Canyon trip with Marvin Miller
- February 7 at 10 - Whirlpool cleanup
- February 12-13 - Deep Survey Trip - Joe can put you on a waitlist
- February 20-21 and other trips are full for the See My Shovel
- March 11 - 13 - Deep work weekend with Don Arburn
- April 22 - 24 - Spring Convention
- May 1 - Bamberger - First weekend in May

### **Trip report**

- Tanya Leach and several others went to Logans.
- Weezie went to Robber Barron Cave.
- Zach went to Bracken and went inside cave. They had to wear gas masks to go inside.
- Bennett took two additional trips to Logans. He took firemen and Houston Grotto.

Last meeting some did not pay and some left their credit cards and change. All needs to pay their bill before they leave.

Meeting adjourned by Jess Buckles at 7:40 p.m.

Presentation By: George Veni - The Future of Cave Exploration