

Bexar Grotto Meeting

Date: May 9, 2016

Jessica Buckles called meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. 40 people joined us.

Visitors

Joe - Meet up

Cody Gregory - Stephen Gregory referred

Noel Thomas - Stephen Gregory referred

Treasury report provided by Pam Campbell

Total \$8,863.47

Organization Reports

TSS - No one here

TSA - Nothing

TCMA - Meeting at TSA convention. Discussed recent acquisitions. Tentative date set for Avery Ranch open house on Memorial Day. Members only.

NSS - Convention will be July 18 - 22 in Nevada.

Bracken - Bats are back and coming back after 8 p.m. Flights are good but hard to see. July 11 will be our meeting at Bracken.

Old Business

- We now have 25 sets of gear. Bennett picked up three extra pairs of gloves. Bexar Grotto donated the sked to Deep and Punkin. Bennett took it out there.
- 371 guests at Bamburger Ranch for the fundraiser.

New Business

- Rob Bissett regarding Bracken - method of storing gear is old. Proposing that we give Rob a budget for storing items. Gregg Williams moved that we give \$200 to Rob for bins. Sue Schindel seconded.

Announcements

- May 23, 2016 - Rob Bissett and Bennett Lee will show some knots for the presentation. Rob is also looking for additional people to hold presentations.
- Bennett Lee will put the Grotto list on the google drive and everyone will be able to view.
- Jessica Buckles discussed the Hydro Geo and what it entails.
- Orion Knox contacted Leia Hill. He is interested in setting up a trip for us in Natural Bridge Caverns.

Upcoming trips

- May 15 - Powell's trip - wait listed - contact Marvin Miller
- May 21 - Government Canyon - contact Marvin Miller
- May 21 - Honey Creek trip - wait listed
- May 28 - Rolling Oaks work day
- May 30 - Avery Ranch Open House
- Robber Barron to be in June - Dig trip
- July 11 - Bexar Grotto meeting at Bracken

Trip report

- Fran Hutchins checked a cave lead last week. Hurricane Hole - Comal County paved over it. Sinkhole is starting to erode again.
- Mike Harris dug on someone's property. In the future the owner wants to have a commercial cave on her property. In Seven Hills Ranch Subdivision.
- Jordan Rasmussen went caving a couple of times. She went to Robber Barron this Friday. She also went to Deep about a month ago. Jordan was able to fit in the small hole at the cave entrance.
- Katie Rascoon - She went to Deep as well.
- Bennett Lee took some scouts into Deep. Went to several areas within the cave. Most of them did a good job.

Meeting adjourned by Jessica Buckles at 7:38

Presentation By: Dr. Yongli Gao from UTSA - Distribution and Morphology of Tiankengs in China