

# **Bexar Grotto Meeting**

**October 24, 2016**

Notes provided by Pam Campbell during the absence of Michelle Smith.

Meeting started at 7:01 p.m.

41 in Attendance

## **Treasury Report**

Total: \$17,756.10

Hydro Geo Profit \$9,907.26

## **Organizational Reports**

**TCMA** - 3 positions open for the board

**TSA** - Elections complete:

Amy Morton - Vice President

Liz Herren - Secretary

Kris Pena - Treasurer

Robert Bisset - President

The Texas Caver is out and Rob Bisset has extra copies.

**TSS** - Marvin Miller - No news

**Bracken** - Conference - Went well. BCI this Wednesday - Volunteers to cut road to cliffs - possible vertical practice site in the future.

**NSS** - No News. They are seeking nominations for awards. Deadline is December 15, 2016. See website for further details. TX Hydro Geo 2015 won Merit Award last year.

## **Old Business**

- Sue Schindel - T-shirts approved to spend up to \$850. Colors will be red, green & gray. We will also be purchasing long sleeves
- **New Business**
- Alan Montemayor - TX Council Meeting today. Alan contributed information about caves.

- Rob Bisset - He is asking for donations for three first aid kits to be placed in each of the Bexar Grotto gear bags. Approved up to \$300.
- Roans - Project in San Antonio. Caves POC Ellie Watson.
- NSS - \$1,000 HQ

### **Announcements**

- Government Canyon - donated vertical gear to Bexar Grotto. Approved \$1,200. Two full frog systems, racks, ascenders and carabiners, etc.
- Bexar Grotto - Chuck Steuhm award winner is MJ Gibbons
- Mike Harris & Aggies went to Robber Barron. They moved mud and opened up the area in front of the gate. All of the bars can be opened again.
- November 6 - Joe Mitchell will need help leading a group in Robber Barron.

### **Upcoming Trips**

- October 29 - Robber Barron open trip - wear costume.
- October 28 - Brews and Bats
- October 29 - 30 - Senora trip. See Geary Schindel
- November 5 & 6 - Government Canyon with Marvin Miller at 9:00 a.m.
- November 11 - 13 - Powell's Cave Cleanup trip
- November 19 - Rolling Oaks - 9:00 a.m. - See Bennett Lee
- Mexico Trip - with Peter Sprouse and Alan Cobb
- December 2, 3, 4 - Deep & Punkin Fun Trip. See Aaron Wertheim
- December 3, 4 - Government Canyon project - see Marvin Miller
- December 17<sup>th</sup> - Christmas Party at the Schindel's. Starting at 6:00 p.m. They will have a gift exchange and potluck. Grotto will donate \$100.
- January 21 - CWAN Trip - See Aaron Wertheim.

### **Trip Reports**

- Joe Mitchell and Steve Gutting - New Mexico - Ft. Stanton Cave- The purpose was to use Cavetron for survey. Building 3D model. They went in Don Sawyer, Memorial Hall, Snowy River (worlds largest cave formation) and Crystal Crawl.

- LeChance Dig - Bennett Lee - Several Grotto members attended. They connected two sink holes.

Guest Speaker is Kurt Menking