

CAVE SCIENCE NEWS

CAVE RESEARCH GRANTS

The Research Advisory Committee of the NSS accepts grant proposals aimed to further speleological research in different areas. For further information, please contact Aldemaro Romero, Ph.D., Chair, NSS Research Advisory Committee, Environmental Studies Program, Macalester College, St. Paul, MN 55105-1899, USA.

INTERNET MAIL LIST FOR KARST HYDROLOGY AND WATER QUALITY

An Internet email discussion list has been established to facilitate dialogue about karst hydrology and water quality. The list is meant to be international in scope and welcomes discussion on a wide variety of topics under the umbrellas of karst hydrology and water quality. Subscription is made by sending email to bonac@bioge.ubbcluj.ro and including the line SUBSCRIBE KARST HYDROLOGY in the message section. No other text or subject line should be included. Questions about the email list should be directed to Doug Boyer at FOK Meeting in Romania

KWI LOWERS PUBLICATION PRICE

The Karst Waters Institute announced that they lowered their price on Special Publication #5, *Karst Modeling Proceedings*, to \$38.00. Copies of the 265-page proceedings from their February 1999 symposium may be obtained from KWI, R.R. #1, Box 527, Petersburg, PA 16669-9211 USA.

NPS CAVE AND KARST WEBSITE

The U.S. National Park Service cave/karst page has a new look, it can be accessed at the following URL:

<http://www2.nature.nps.gov/grd/geology/caves/index.htm>

The Inside Earth newsletter can be linked to from this page as well as other information about NPS caves. Included is a "tour" of some NPS cave areas and links to Federal legislation regarding caves. We will be adding to the page as time goes on. The latest edition of Inside Earth is also posted, Spring of 1999. It has been up for some time and subsequent issues will be posted on the site throughout the year. Just check back from time to time. Our webmaster is working on a method to make it easier to access Inside Earth, although he does web relating work for our entire division, so cave/karst has to wait its turn for upgrades.

Submitted by Ron Kerbo

ERRATUM

An error appeared in the v. 60, n. 3 article by Veronica Toth. The Smart *et al.* reference should be: Smart, P.L., Finlayson, B.L., Rylands, W.D., & Ball, C.M. (1976). The relation of fluorescence to dissolved organic carbon in subsurface waters. *Water Research* 10: 805-811.

FOK MEETING IN ROMANIA

Friends of the Karst, an informal group of karst geologists and geographers who typically gather twice a year, announced a meeting in Alma Mater Napocensis, the city of Cluj, Romania, where the first Speleological Institute in the world was born. The dates, 14-23 July 2000, including 6 to 7 days of excursions, allow folks to also attend the paleoclimate karst conference in Krakow, Poland (31 July - 4 August).

More information may be obtained at:
<http://www.uib.no/People/nglbn/karst2000.htm>

Pre-registration forms are available at:
<http://www.geocities.com/Yosemite/Geyser/3479/prereg.htm>

You may be placed on the mailing list by writing bonac@bioge.ubbcluj.ro.

UIS COMMISSION ON KARST HYDROGEOLOGY AND SPELEOGENESIS WEBSITE ANNOUNCED

As part of an ongoing effort by the International Speleological Union's Commission on Karst Hydrogeology and Speleogenesis (UIS KHS Commission) to develop an effective framework for communication between karst and cave scientists and disseminate relevant information, the WWW site of the Commission is now started. The site can be accessed at:

http://happy.carrier.kiev.ua/~klim/UIS_KHS/index.html

It contains an updated information about the Commission activity, members, past and current projects, calls for papers, "The Karst Conduit" newsletter, new publications and other information resources. Information will be frequently updated so you are invited to visit this site regularly. I kindly ask you to announce the UIS KHS Website among karst and cave scientific community by all possible means, including cross-links from other karst-related pages, announcement in newsletters and journals, etc.

I'd like to call your particular attention to the KHS Commission projects (planned books). Feedback and contributions from interested scientists are crucial for the projects to be effectively advanced.

Submitted by Alexander Klimchouk.

RUSSIAN CAVE WEBSITE ANNOUNCED

Vladimir A. Maltsev, a recent contributor to the *Journal of Cave and Karst Studies*, encourages readers to check at his website at

http://fadr.msu.ru/~vkor/maltsev/kugitang_caves.htm

The site features Russian caves, including the Cupp-Coutunn System. Text is in English and Russian.