

ACTIVITIES NEWSLETTER

Solutions to Cave Related Problems

NEXT BOARD MEETING AT WIMBERLY

The Texas Cave Management Association has scheduled a board meeting during the **weekend** of the Texas **Speleological** Association Convention, May 3 - 5. The **board of directors' meeting is** scheduled to begin at **8:45 am** Sunday, May 5, on the **Lone Man II Ranch**, with the likely location of the meeting at the San Antonio **camp**. For **convenience**, the meeting **will** precede the Texas Speleological Association session, scheduled for **10:00 am** Sunday. **Please** bring extra **lawn** chairs.

TCMA members **and** other interested persons **are** invited to **attend the** meeting. For **more information**, please contact Jay **Jorden**, TCMA **president**, at (214) 382-2458 or Carl Ponebshek at (210) 824-4843.

The **agenda** includes **action on** a permanent **secretary**, with Julie Jenkins of Austin nominated, and discussion of candidates for **vice-president**. This is a **call** for nominations for **that** position. Mike **Grimm** has expressed interest. Other agenda items should be **sent to acting-secretary** Linda **Palit** at 4019 Ramsgate, San Antonio, Texas 78230. Her number is (210) 699-1388.

☛ ☛ Caver directions: The Lone Man II ranch is across the river from the traditional Texas Cavers Reunion site at Little Arkansas near **Wimberly**. It's located off RM 12 and County Roads 173 and 174. For more **information**, consult the TSA Activities Newsletter.

We'll see you there!

PHOTO SALON

Cathy Winfrey is requesting TCMA members to bring their best slides and/or mounted prints to grace the TSA photo salon! Be sure and title your prints and/or slides and place your name and address on the back of the prints and on the edge of all slides. This identification is necessary so that you will be properly credited and the photos and/or slides will be returned to you. Start looking through stuff and lets try and make the salon an outstanding one. *(Noble Stidham)*

E-MAIL IN-BASKET

RIVER STYX CLOSED

In the unlikely event that you have not already heard, **River Styx Cave has been** (temporally) closed by the new land

owners. **All** cavers **are** asked to stay away, **and** stay away we must. Butch **Fralia is acting on** behalf of all **cavers in negotiations** with the new land owners and is doing everything possible to expeditiously regain our visitation **rights**.

Butch will **notify** Texas **cavers** when **property** questions **are** settled. **Butch can** be reached at (817) 346-2039 or e-mailed at <swflash.net>. *(Martha McAthur)*

TCMA ON "THE CAVER NET"

Michael **Grimm** <mgrimm@io.com> has **graceously** consented to run a **caver net** for **TCMAers** and all interested cavers. If you have e-mail capabilities, **send** Michael your address. *(Noble Stidham)*

TRIP ANNOUNCEMENT

The Houston Grotto is **planning** a caving trip to **Carta** Valley and **around** Edwards County on April **20th**. If you are interested in going contact David **Locklear** at: <locklear@maureng.com>.

(Mike Grimm)

USED WET SUITS

The **owner** of **Trident** Diving in San Antonio has a huge pile of old wet suits **that** he is willing to sell very cheap. They are old rental suits, but a **good** deal for **cavers** who tear them up anyway. You **must** inspect and pick them up in person because he **knows** no sizes. The owner's **name** is **Dohn** (pronounced "Don") **Hubley** (pronounced "Hubley") at (210) 734-7442.

(George Veni)

THE HIGH PRICE OF CAVING

The following caves are **available** for trips:

Langtry Quarry Cave,
Emerald Sink, and
Langtry Lead Cave.

However, the rancher requires an entry fee of one hundred **dollars** (\$100.00) per person.

This has **been** the situation for the **past** several **years**. I spoke with the rancher **April** the **19th** and he **insisted** **that** **cavers** are **not** any **different** than deer hunters. I **will** check back with **him** in a year or so and see if a better arrangement can be worked out. *(Mike Grimm)*

MODERN DAY PHILOSOPHY FROM THE NET

> **All** generalizations **are** **false**.

>Daddy, why doesn't this **magnet** pick up this floppy disk?

>**Friends** help you move. Real friends help you move bodies.

>Give me ambiguity or give me **something** else.

>We **are** **born** **naked**, wet, and hungry. Then things get worse.

>What is a "free" **gift**? Aren't all gifts free?

(From the e-mail in-basket of Noble Stidham)