



Spring 2016 MVOR, April 28th-May 1st, near Brumley, MO

Hosted by The Missouri Caves & Karst Conservancy

We would like to invite you to the MCKC's Spring Cleaning. We will be showcasing some of the MCKC's local karst features and hoping you are ready to get down and dirty. There will be cleanup trips to Goodwin Sink (Friday and Saturday), Skaggs Cave and Roubidoux Cave. We will also have a photo trip to Perkins Cave so bring your camera.

This will be primitive camping with plenty of Porta-Johns, and potable water on site. If you need showers, Lake of the Ozark State Park is 20 minutes away.

Registration will open on Thursday at 2pm (please no earlier) with camping Thursday night for a donation to the MCKC.

There is plenty of dead fall that we can use for firewood around the field. Please do not cut down any trees or transport firewood to the site.

Howdy Party - Friday night- Chili, Chili, Chili! Come eat a bowl and socialize around the fire.

Maps Tent - Come celebrate Missouri's 7000 caves by viewing some of our best cartography.

Banquet - once again, Chris St. George will be filling us up with BBQ. Pulled pork/ chicken, salad, fried potatoes, BBQ beans and possibly more.

T-Shirts - Check out MVOR.org, Facebook & Twitter for the full design!



PRE-REGISTRATION FORM - Detach and return by **April 14th**

Name: _____
 Address: _____
 City, State, ZIP: _____
 NSS #: _____ Grotto: _____
 Phone: _____

I want to make the MVOR paperless - please email my flyer to:

(PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY)

Others accounted for with this form. Name, NSS, and ages of minors.

MVOR ham radio operators will be monitoring 2 meter, frequency "146.520 MHz". We will also have an HF rig set up for 40 meters and 75 meters "73, KM0MVR, WB0MHU and KC9JLI"

Prohibited Items:

Weapons, fireworks, firearms, cannons, catapults, projectile devices, laser pointers, illegal drugs, high decibel devices, inconsiderately loud music, non-medically required generators, and ATV/4-wheelers/and off road motorcycles are prohibited. Using any of these will result in ejection without refund, or arrest, if warranted.

Alcohol/Security:

Please be considerate and discreet in your consumption.

Make all checks payable to: **MCKC**

Send completed registration and payment to:

Alicia Wallace, 600 Ellwine Dr, St. Louis, MO 63125

PRICING	QTY	Pre-Reg.	Gate	Total
Adult Registration (w/ guidebook):	_____	\$20	\$22	_____
Adult Registration (No guidebook):	_____	\$18	\$20	_____
Children (ages 5-12):	_____	\$10	\$12	_____
Dogs:	_____	\$5	\$5	_____
Banquet (limited at door):	_____	\$14	\$15	_____
MVOR T-shirts (limited at door):	_____	\$15	\$17	_____
2XL - 4XL \$3 additional:	_____	\$3	\$3	_____
Number of sizes: ___ M ___ L ___ XL ___ 2XL ___ 3XL ___ 4XL	_____			_____
MVOR Dues (not going to make it, but want to stay on the list)			\$2	_____

SUB TOTAL: \$ _____

Want to help us continue to save and conserve caves?

Please consider supporting us by purchasing these great MCKC items:

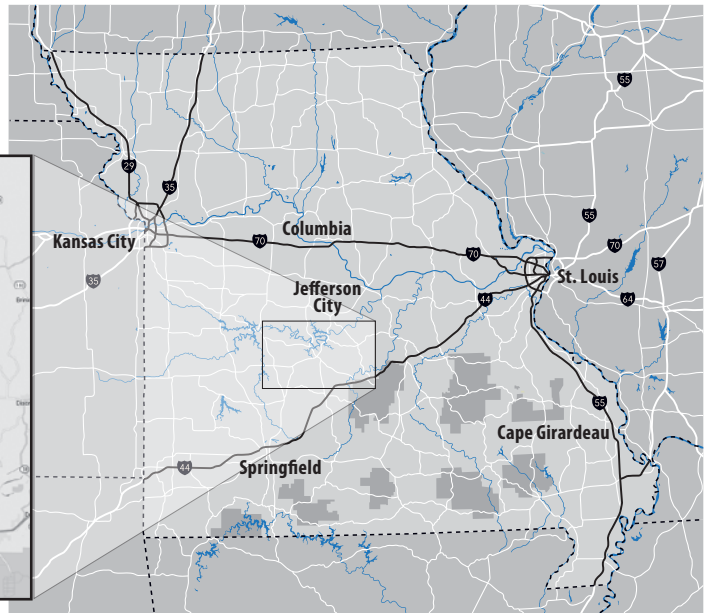
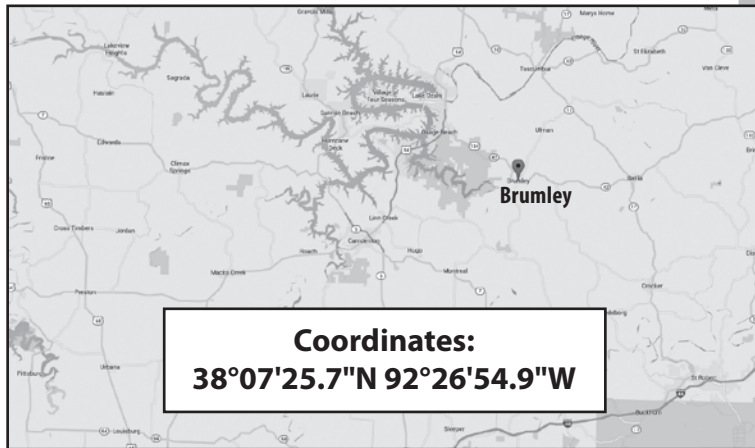
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MCKC T-shirts:				
MCKC logo Shirt	_____	___	\$10	_____
'Cave State' Shirt	_____	___	\$15	_____
MCKC Patches:	_____		\$3.50	_____
MCKC Pins:	_____		\$5	_____
MCKC 'Cave State' Poster	_____		\$10	_____
MCKC Wine Tumblers	_____		\$10	_____
MCKC Membership (pay your 2016 or new membership)	_____		\$20	_____
I'd like to donate to MCKC (tax deductible contribution)	_____			_____

GRAND TOTAL: \$ _____

IMPORTANT NOTE: Pre-registration **ENDS April 14th** Any pre-registration forms that are not **postmarked** by that date will be brought to the MVOR, and you'll be required to pay gate prices. We have a lot of stuff to order, and can not go beyond that date with pre-registrations. **SEND YOUR REGISTRATION TODAY!**

Directions: Find **Brumley, MO** and from there:

- Go 3.2 miles North on Hwy C
- Turn Right on County Rd C-8A (Howell Loop Rd) for One Mile
- Follow the MVOR signs



Fall 2015 MVOR Minutes:

**Bird's Nest Lodge, near Cuba, Missouri
October 3rd, 2015**

The meeting was called to order by President, Alicia Wallace at 7:12 pm
Vice President, Chris Doerhoff led the membership in a rousing rendition of "Take Me Out To The Ballgame".

Roll Call: President - Alicia Wallace, Vice President - Chris Doerhoff and Secretary - Bryan McAllister present and introduced themselves. Treasurer, Jim Donley absent because of work but sent his report.

Many thanks to Daedalus Cavers for putting on a great event. A round of applause from meeting attendees. Attendance reported at 284. Applause. Truly awesome bonfire.

Previous MVOR Minutes: Alicia Wallace asked for accepting or making any changes to the Spring 2015 MVOR minutes as posted in the flyer. A few small changes that Bryan will make. Motion to accept the minutes with the edits made, seconded and passed.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer, Jim Donley, reported a beginning balance on 4-26-15 of \$7,573.58 – Credit Union \$3,553.30, Savings \$4,020.28. Ending balance on 10-4-15 of \$7,467.69 – Credit Union \$3,445.91, Savings \$4,021.78. Jim reported the annual report and provided several copies for anyone wishing to review. Motion to accept the treasurer's report seconded and passed.

Old Business:

Alicia thanked all of the many people who helped put on a stellar 2015 NSS Convention over the Summer. Much cheering.

Upcoming MVORs:

2016 Spring – MCKC – Alicia announced that it will be held April 29 – May 1 near Brumley, MO. The focus will be to have a work weekend for the Goodwin Sink project to hopefully open it up. She said bring your muck boots and shovels because we'll be working hard. Also there will be cave clean-ups, graffiti removal trips, trash removal, etc.

2016 Fall – Windy City Grotto/Louisville Grotto/Near Normal Grotto bid for Lone Star Preserve near Bonneville, Kentucky, Sept. 29 – Oct. 2. Chairs, Bill English and Phil Goldman said that a minimum of 20+ caves, many on the preserve property, will be offered. Mammoth Cave National Park is only 20-30 minutes away and American Cave Association is nearby too. Phil added that the MVOR will be an all electronic registration.

2017 Spring – no bids yet

2017 Fall – no bids yet

Alicia asked that people think about hosting future MVORs.

New Business:

- A discussion of PA system for MVOR. Alicia asked if the region would like to consider purchasing a PA system. Discussion moved to maybe a bullhorn. Alicia stated that she has one. Someone from audience asked if Alicia thinks we need a PA system. Alicia said that the problems with having one are: Who takes it home? Who brings it to the event? Who sets it up? What if we are at a primitive site that doesn't have electric?

Gary Gibula spoke on audio equipment for OTR. He said 5 years ago he started helping out with their event. He said you have to consider storage for it. It lives in a trailer that has to be hauled around. He also said that it can be a bargaining chip if you're going to have a band perform because you can tell them you can provide a PA system. He suggested a go as you go where maybe you already have a band for the event and you can use their system. No further discussion.

- Derrick Weisbrod suggested moving elections to the Spring MVOR events. Someone asked why. He said that way more people who are going to TAG can participate. Alicia said that in order for us to do that it would be a constitutional change because it is in our constitution that elections are to be held at the Fall events. Kerry Rowland stated that the elections have classically be held in the Fall because it is usually a higher attended event. Alicia said that Derrick can write it up as a proposal and we can vote on it in Spring.

Elections:

Treasurer – nominated Jim Donley – Jim Donley voted in as Treasurer

Secretary – nominated Bryan McAllister – voted in as Secretary

President – nominated Alicia Wallace – Alicia Wallace voted in as President

Vice President – nominated Chris Doerhoff – Chris Doerhoff voted in as Vice President.

Announcements:

Alicia announced that Bryan McAllister's t-shirt design for Spring 2015 MVOR won Best of Show at the 2015 NSS Convention. His t-shirt design for the 2015 Convention won the Caver's Choice Award and the 2015 NSS Convention patch and pin were awarded Honorable Mentions. Alicia also announced that two new grottos in the MVOR are now NSS recognized grottos – Daedalus Cavers Grotto and the newly formed Roubidoux Grotto. Welcome!

Since this MVOR's theme was honoring the old timers and ones who came before many of us, all VIPs were invited up to take a photo together. Although not all here with us, the following names were read: Dr. Stan Sides, Earl and Lannis Handcock, Paul Mills, Jon Beard, Jo Schaper, Eugene Vale, Dwight Weaver, Mike Morgan, Jim Huckins, Elaine Hackerman, Paul Hauck, Scott House, Jay Kennedy, Kevin Feltz, Gary & Alberta Zumwalt, Fr. Paul Whiteman, Earl Biffle, Tom Aley, Roy Gold, Jane Fisher, Joe Walsh.

Rick Small thanked everyone for coming. He said if we want to increase attendance at MVORs then everyone come and bring at least one other caver. He thanked Chuck Breite for doing the work of getting a lot of VIPs here. Much applause. Rick presented a Lifetime Appreciation Award to Paul Mills from Daedalus Cavers for all of his years of service to the caving community. Applause.

Kerry Rowland said that it was great to see some old faces he hadn't seen in awhile. He said it was great to honor the VIPs. He said let's not forget the newcomer cavers too because that's another way to get cavers attending. He reminded everyone that everyone here got into caving because it was fun and that we need to remember that. Applause.

Meeting moved to adjourn and seconded at 7:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Bryan McAllister, Secretary