

A PHOTO ALBUM OF THE 2007 SYMPOSIUM

Photos by William R. Elliott, Marcus Buck, Bob Currie, and Brian Andrich.



*Philip Moss at Falling Spring Cave, during the Illinois Karst Field Trip, NCKMS, Oct. 8, 2007.
By Marcus Buck.*



Lunch was served in the lobby outside our meeting room.



The Caves in Crisis Photo Exhibit was shown at Powder Valley Conservation Nature Center.



Bryan McAllister displays his artwork



Participants and the public listen to the Speaker Panel: Managing Caves & Karst in the 21st Century.



Panelists left to right: George Veni, Tom Aley, Jim Kennedy, Jim Kaufmann, David Ashley and Conservation Commissioner Don Johnson. Photo by Bill Elliott, moderator.



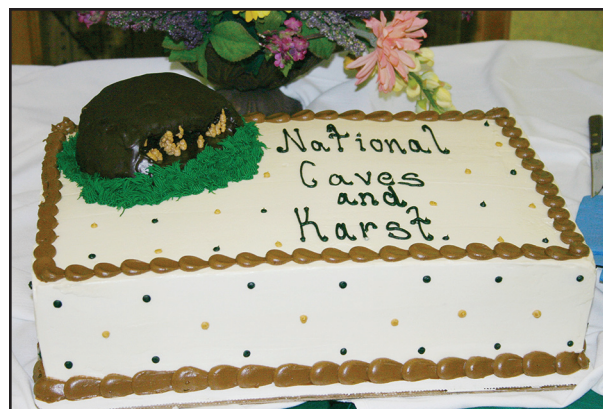
The introductory panel for the photo exhibit.



The photo exhibit has traveled to other nature centers.



Wednesday, Oct. 10, field trip to Meramec State Park. These cavers went in Mushroom Cave.



Our cave cake, cooked up by Powder Valley.



Some brought a little of Mushroom Cave out on their boots and coveralls.



Tom Aley (left) and Jim Baichtal (right), two experts on Alaskan and other karst



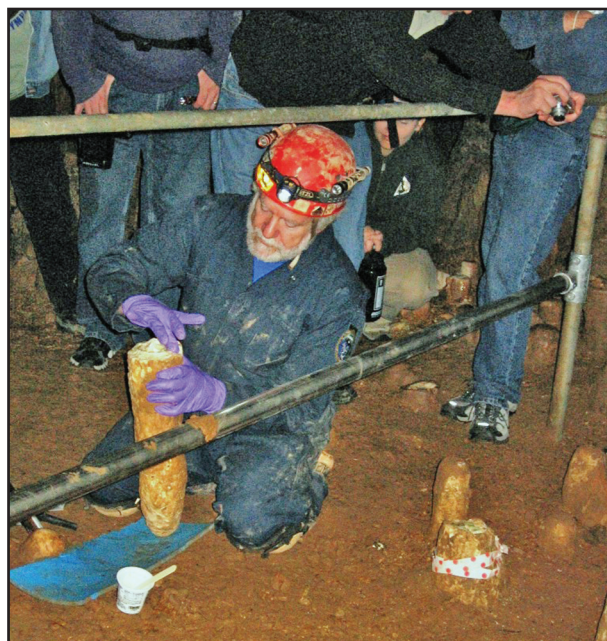
The tour of Fisher Cave looks at the old gate, which was removed for a more bat-friendly gate.



Have you ever seen so many cavers in a cave without helmets? But helmets weren't needed in Fisher Cave.



Jonathan Beard explains how he restores speleothems.



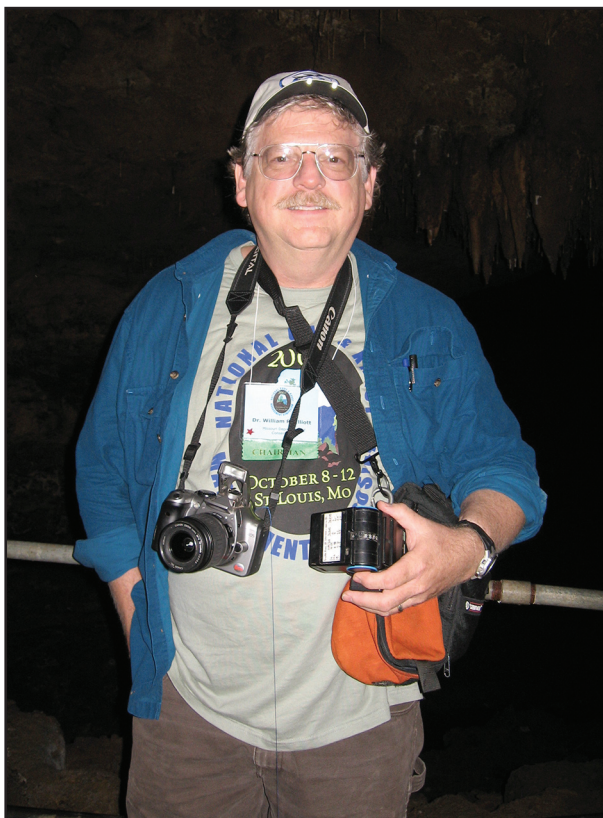
Jonathan Beard restores a broken stalagmite in Fisher Cave. By Bob Currie.



Jonathan Beard and Paul Hummel glue a broken stalagmite back together.



*Paul Hummel washes a muddy flowstone area with a backpack sprayer and water in Fisher Cave.
By Bob Currie.*



Bill Elliott in Fisher Cave. By Bob Currie.



Tom Aley leads a tour of NCKMS 2007 cavers through Meramec Caverns.



The Stage Curtains, Meramec Caverns.



*Participants in the Ball Room at Meramec Caverns.
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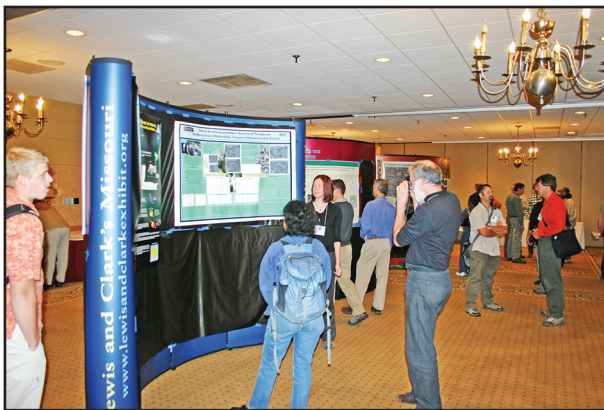
*Meramec Caverns cartographer and expert Paul Hauck is at front row center with the white binder.
By Brian Andrich*



*Left to right: Joe and Lois Walsh with our Meramec Caverns hosts, Judy and Les Turilli.
By Brian Andrich.*



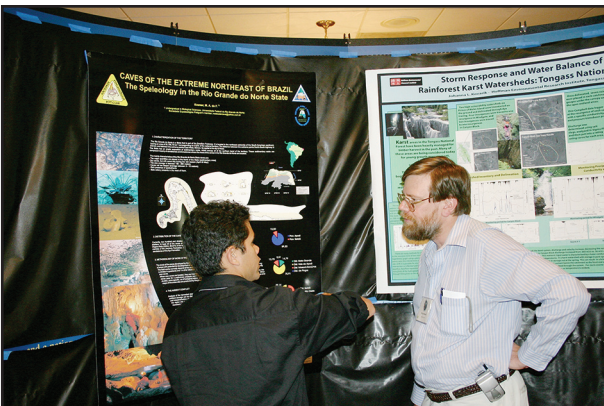
Left to right: Tom Aley, Bill Elliott, Jim Kaufmann, H. Dwight Weaver and Mrs. Weaver at dinner in Meramec Caverns. By Brian Andrich.



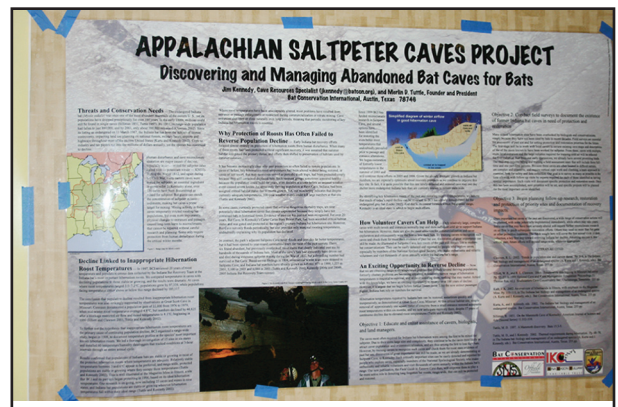
The poster session was spaciouly presented and well-attended. We only wish we could include all of the posters in this Proceedings.



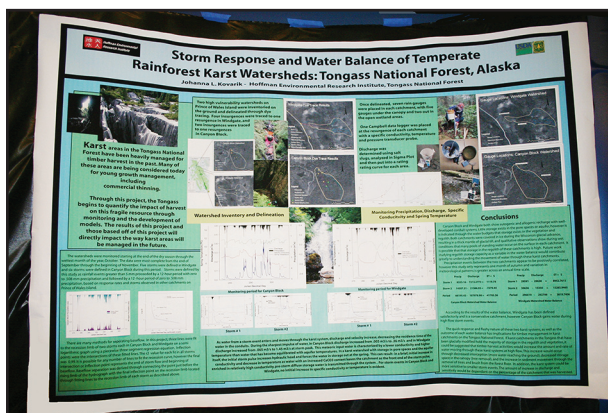
Left to right: Meramec State Park staff Eric Otto, Jody Miles, and Brian Wilcox. Julie Healey on the right. By Brian Andrich.



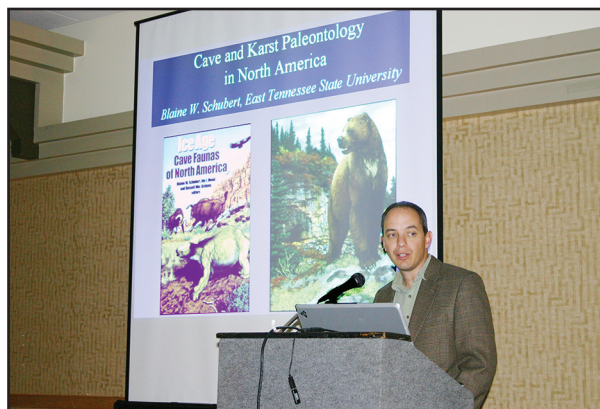
Marcelo Kramer explains his award-winning poster on Brazil to Philip Newell.



A poster by Jim Kennedy and Merlin Tuttle, Bat Conservation International.



A poster by Johanna Kovarik on Alaskan karst.



Blaine Schubert presented a fascinating and humorous banquet speech on Thursday night.



Bob Criss, Washington University (foreground), led us on an Urban Karst field trip Friday afternoon. First stop: The old Rott Springhouse, which has witnessed many groundwater changes since the early 19th Century.



Patricia Beddows ponders how to get into the St. Louis karst via a culvert.



Cliff Cave was a good stop for discussion of how we might improve cave and karst management in St. Louis. A new cave gate may result from the follow-up studies there.