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**River City
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Newsletter of the *River City
Grotto* – Jacksonville, FL
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Updates from the latest Grotto Meeting and Events –
NEXT MEETING: **WEDNESDAY** June 20th 2018, at R.E.I. in the St. John's Town Center

UPCOMING EVENTS

SRT Class Canceled: Due to the SRT instructor having a conflict, the SRT class has been canceled. We plan to reschedule the class for another date.

TRIP REPORTS

Boy Scout Bat Cave Trip: Phil, Carrie, Mike, and Connie led two Boy Scout groups through Bat Cave on April 21st. The first group was large and had to be divided into two groups; the second group was smaller. The water level in the cave was higher than usual.

Boy Scout Jennings Trip: David and Katie led a Boy Scout group to Jennings April 21st. David reported the boy scouts enjoyed the trip.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

We are solid financially.

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

We have no new members.

CAVING IN THE NEWS

Underground Stalactite Cave Discovered Near Jerusalem: Work crews digging an underground route for new water pipe to Jerusalem and the Palestinian Authority found a 46-foot-long stalactite cavern 900 feet underground. ([article](#))

Enormous Cave in East Africa Shows Evolution Happens Gradually and in Unexpected Places: Nicole Bolvin traveled to Panga ya Saidi, a network of caves in Kenya, where she found pottery from the Iron Age, tools, and beads made from shells. ([article](#))

NSS CORNER

The Virtual Cave-World's Largest Cave Formations: Dave Bunnell of the NSS has been keeping a record of the world's largest cave formations. You can read about the formations and view pictures [here](#).

NSS Webinar Series-Lion and Wolves and Bears, Oh My!: Chairperson Doug Warner provides a detailed look at the first NSS convention to be held in Montana. From registration to local sights and activities, to sessions and parties, Doug gives an exciting preview of what's in store. ([article](#))

Call for Candidates for the Board of Governor Elections: The NSS is searching for candidates for the Spring 2018 Election of Directors. Voting ends on June 13th. Find more information [here](#).

2018 NSS Convention: The 2018 NSS Convention will take place in Helena, Montana from 7/26-8/3. You can register and find more information [here](#).