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Newsletter of the *River City
Grotto* – Jacksonville, FL
An [NSS](#) Affiliated Grotto

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Updates from the latest Grotto Meeting and Events –
NEXT MEETING: **THURSDAY** October 14th 2021, Kickbacks Gastropub

UPCOMING EVENTS

Climbing Practice: We're meeting at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, September, 11th at Seminole Park for climbing practice. The address is 4170 McGirts Blvd. Jacksonville, FL 32210. After practice, we will go to lunch.

TAG Fall Cave-In: The 2021 TAG Fall Cave-In will take place October, 7th-10th. Several members of RCG have already signed up. If you are interested in going and haven't signed up yet, you can find information regarding this year's cave-in [here](#) and register for the cave-in [here](#).

RCG October Meeting: Our meetings are typically on the first Thursday of the month, but in October, this will conflict with TAG. Because of this, we are moving our October meeting to the 14th.

NEW T-SHIRTS

We are planning to order some new shirts for the grotto. We didn't receive many design submissions, so we have extended the design due date. If you are interested in designing an image for the shirt, please bring your design to our October meeting or submit it to board@rivercitygrotto.com.

TRIP REPORTS

Ocala Caverns: We visited Ocala Caverns on August 22nd. The water levels were very high, so we were not able to explore much of the cave, but we still had a great time.



FINANCIAL UPDATE

We are solid financially.

MEMBERSHIP

We have one new member!

SCCi CORNER

Mulpen Cave Addition: John Attaway donated an additional parcel of land to the Mayapple-Steve and Nancy Attaway Preserve. The additional parcel includes the short, but hydrologically significant Mulepen Cave. [\(article\)](#)

CAVING IN THE NEWS

Martian Cave Entrances May Offer a Life-Friendly Radiation Shield: Much of Mars is uninhabitable for humans, but there are areas near the entrances to caves that should, in theory, be shielded from some of the harmful radiation that bombards the planet's surface. [\(article\)](#)