



The

River City Caver

Newsletter of the *River City*
Grotto – Jacksonville, FL
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UPCOMING EVENTS

Karstmas Party: Phil and Betsy will host this year's Karstmas party at their home at 7:00 on 12/14/24. It will be a potluck, so bring something yummy! If you need the address, please reach out to Phil.

Tuck's Trip: We are tentatively planning to go to Tuck's Cave on 1/4/25. An update regarding this trip will be posted on our Facebook page as we get closer to the date.

PAST TRIPS AND EVENTS

TAG: Phil reported he had a great time at the 2024 TAG Fall Cave-In. The new location was great and all of the FL cavers camped out together. Phil reported there were two caves on the camping property. Phil visited Johnson's Cave and Cherry Hollow. In all of the caves, he saw bore holes, isopods, and crayfish.





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FSS Halloween Party/Warren's Cave: Scott and Phil attended FSS's Halloween Party on 10/26. They had a great time with the FSS members at Jerry's Farm. Earlier in the day; they joined FSS in decorating Warren's Cave for a haunted cave trip which took place on 10/27.



MEMBER SECTION

Membership Dues: It's time to pay membership dues. Membership dues are \$15.00 (plus \$5.00 for each additional family member) per year. You can pay [here](#) or send a check to Phil, our grotto treasurer.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Financial State: We are solid financially.

CAVING IN THE NEWS

A Cave In North Africa Holds 15,000-Year-Old Evidence Of Drug Use: In La Grotte des Pigeons (The Cave of Pigeons), human remains from 15,000 years ago were found buried alongside an "unusual and special" medicinal plant: Ephedra, a humble shrub that's still used today in some traditional medicines. ([article](#))