



Edward Alt received a Masters Degree in Geography from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee in 1994. He completed a thesis that dealt with the geomorphic evolution of the northern Vaca Plateau in West-Central Belize. He has participated in five research expeditions to the Vaca Plateau. He is currently a research associate at the Soils and Physical Geography Lab at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, and is completing course work for certification to teach science in Wisconsin's public schools.

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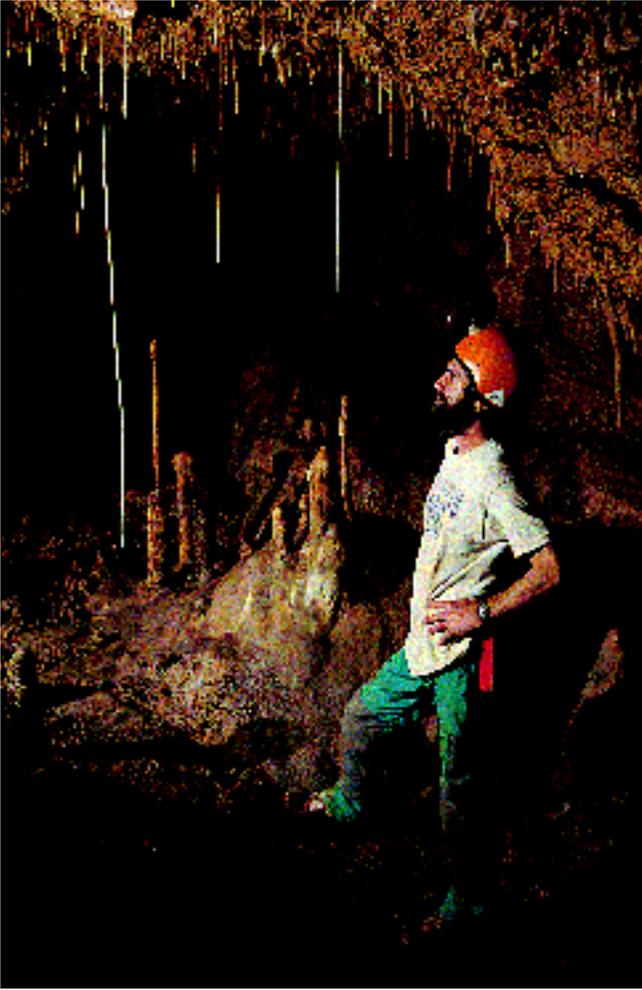
Mick Day is a Professor of Geography at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, specializing in tropical karst geomorphology and conservation. He has conducted research in karst areas of the Caribbean, Central America, and Southeast Asia. He has been undertaking research and teaching in Belize since 1975.



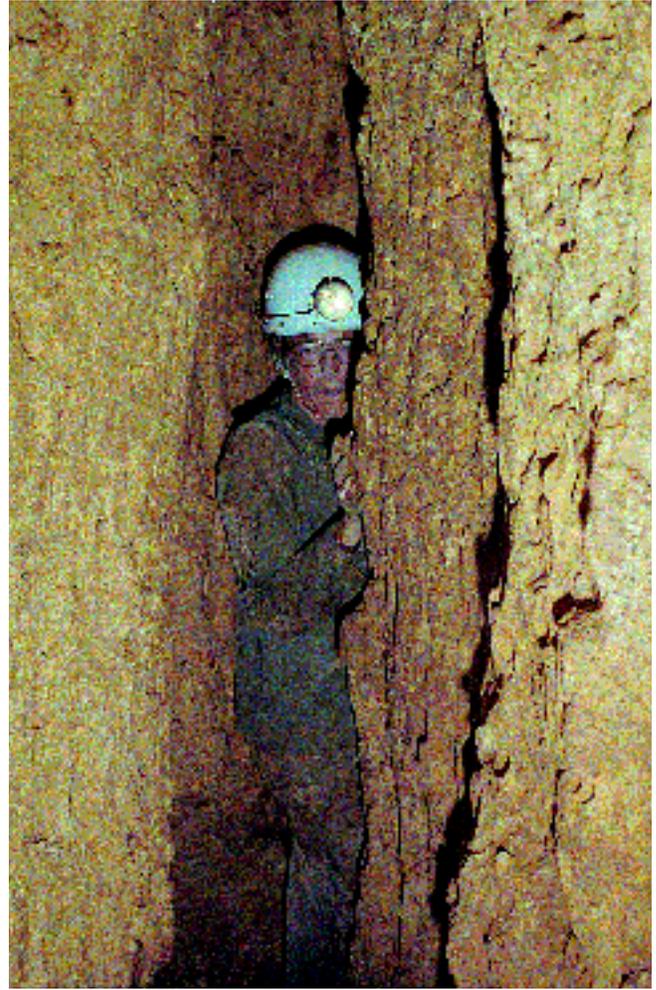
Robert Brinkmann is an Associate Professor of Geography at the University of South Florida in Tampa. His areas of research expertise include environmental contamination, soils geography, geoarchaeology, and carbonate petrology. He has conducted karst soil, geomorphology and environmental contamination research in various sections of Florida's karst, with these results published in scientific journals.



Pete Hollings started caving in 1989 with the Royal Holloway and Bedford New College Caving Club at the University of London. On the completion of a BS in Geology, he joined two Mendip-based clubs, the West London Caving Club and the Mendip Caving Group. In 1994, he moved to Saskatoon, Canada, in order to undertake doctoral studies at the University of Saskatchewan. He now caves in the Canadian Rockies during the summer and heads south in the winter to participate in the work of the Proyecto Espeleológico Purificación.



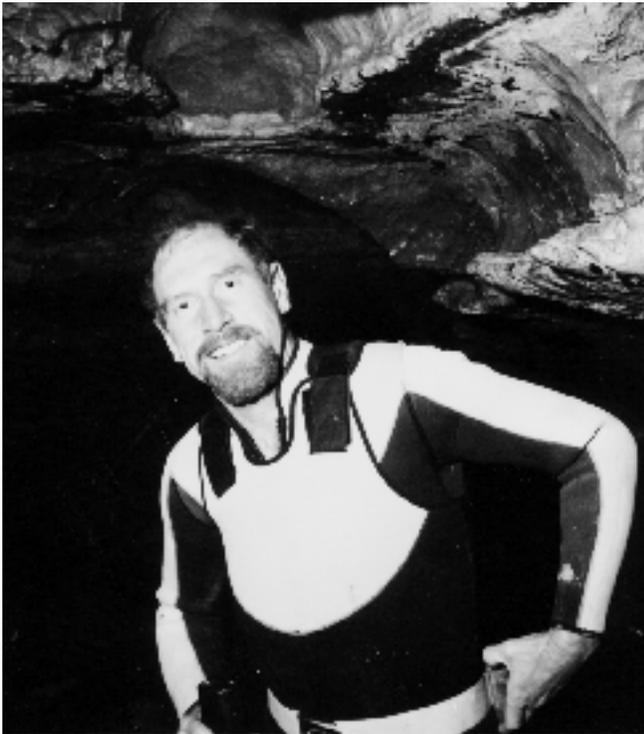
Logan McNatt began caving in 1968 and started working as an archaeologist in 1972. He has extensively explored and worked in caves throughout Texas, Mexico, and, especially, Belize. In 1972, he co-discovered and explored Mexico's El Sótano del Barro, one of the world's largest and deepest pits. He first visited Belize in 1973, and lived there from 1983 through 1993, working primarily in the field of Mayan cave archaeology. He currently works for the Archaeological Survey Program of the Texas Park and Wildlife Department.



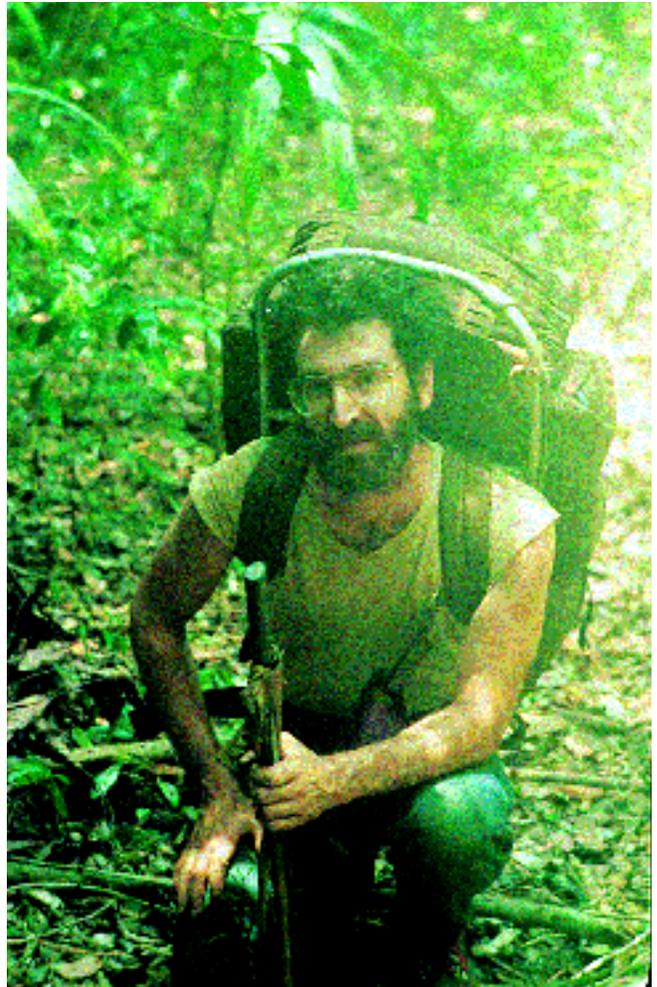
James Reddell is the Assistant Curator of Entomology for the Texas Memorial Museum at the University of Texas. Cave biology has been his passion since he began caving in 1959. He has described dozens of new species, and published hundreds of reports on the caves and cave fauna of Texas, Mexico, and Central America. He founded the Texas Speleological Survey in 1961, and has since directed it or been a director of its board.

Philip Reeder is an Assistant Professor of Geography at the University of Nebraska at Omaha. He has been exploring caves for the last 22 years, and has been conducting scientific research in caves, and karst areas since 1985. Both his Masters and Doctoral theses were on karst topics and most of his 40 professional publications deal with caves and karst. He has caved and conducted karst research in Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Wisconsin, Mexico, Cuba, Belize, Peru, New Zealand, and the Philippines.

Photo Opposite



Tom Miller received his PhD in geology from McMaster University in 1982. He began working in Belize in 1973, eventually leading to his dissertation titled "Hydrochemistry, hydrology, and morphology of the Caves Branch Karst, Belize." He has been a Fulbright Fellow, Jason V Expedition hydrologist, and directed the National Geographic-funded Chiquibul expeditions. He is a Lew Bicking Awardee, cave diver, NSS Fellow, chairs the Papoose Cave Project in Idaho, and has been on the NSS Bulletin Board of Editors and the Journal of Cave and Karst Studies Advisory Board.



George Veni is owner of George Veni and Associates, specializing in environmental management consulting for caves and karst terrains. He began caving in 1975, and since has caved and conducted research in several countries and U.S. states. He is a PhD hydrogeologist who has also worked extensively in cave archaeology and biology. He has written widely on technical and non-technical caving subjects, and is the Executive Secretary of the NSS Geology and Geography Section, President of the Texas Speleological Survey, and coordinator of several caving projects.

