

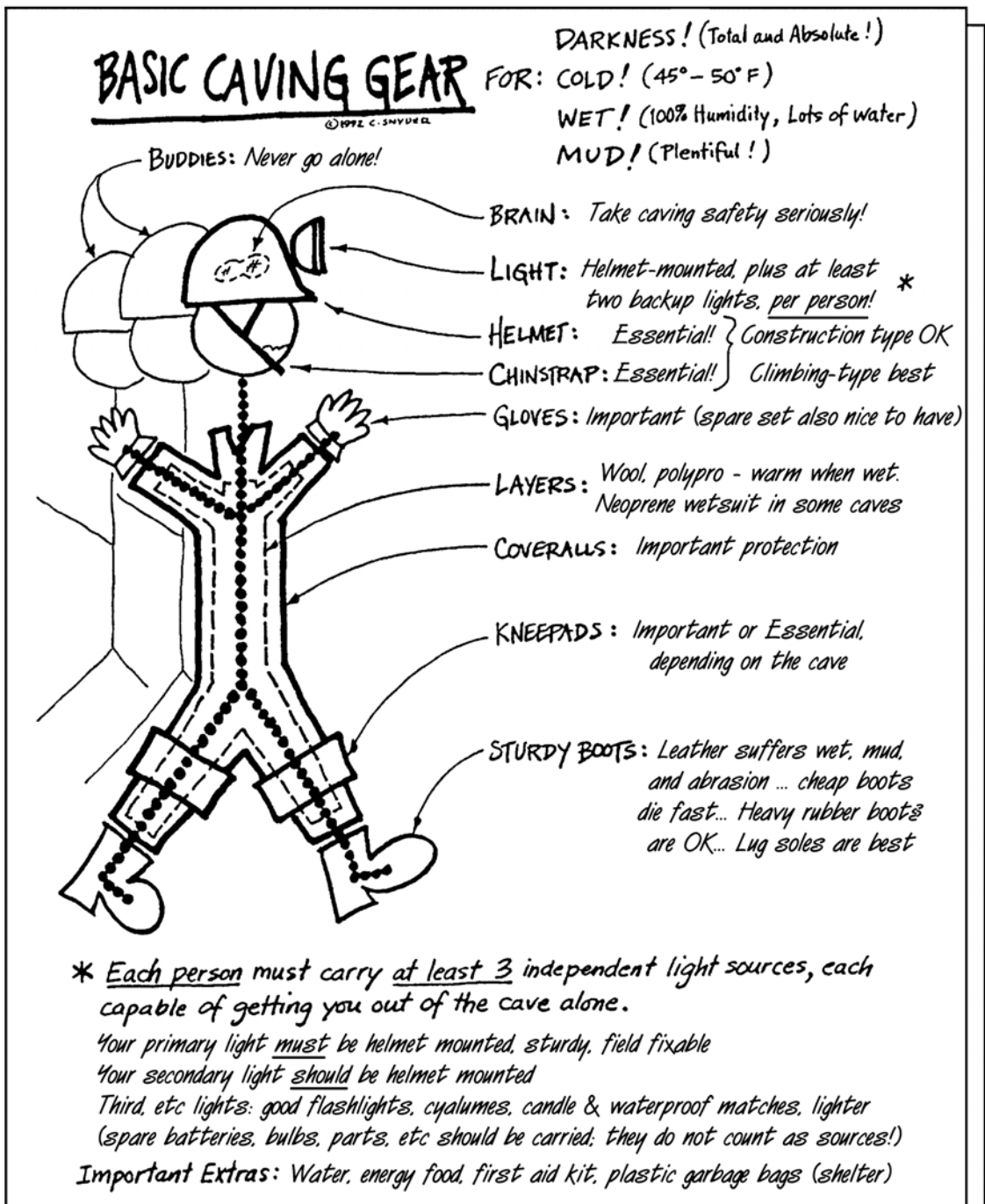
# BENTLEY'S CAVE

BERLIN, NY ~ 1769



# CAVING 101

- Cave Softly
- Three Points Rule
- Bats and Critters
- Discovery and Exploration





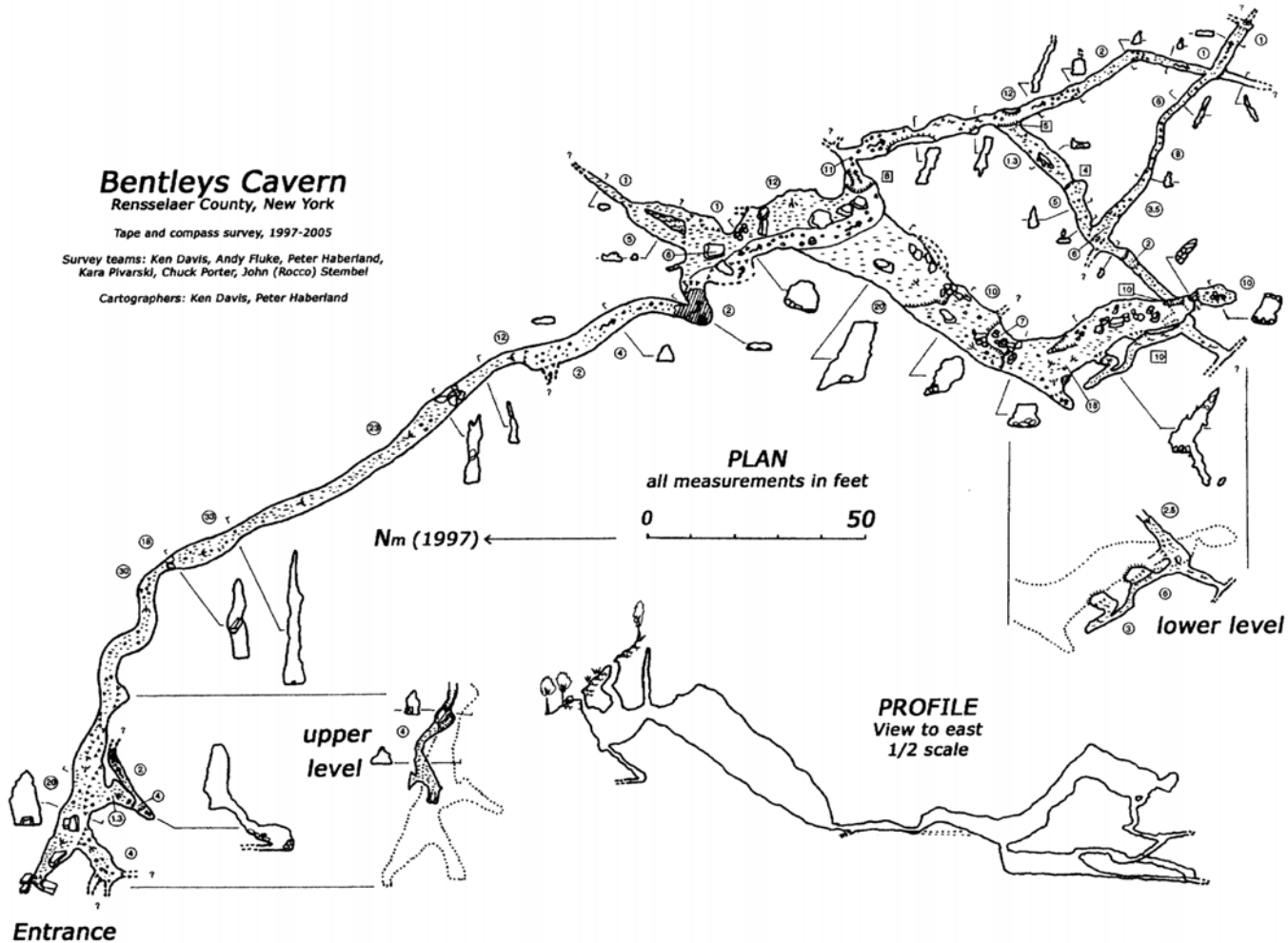
# BENTLEYS CAVE

## Bentleys Cavern Rensselaer County, New York

Tape and compass survey, 1997-2005

Survey teams: Ken Davis, Andy Fluke, Peter Haberland,  
Kara Pivarski, Chuck Porter, John (Rocco) Stembel

Cartographers: Ken Davis, Peter Haberland















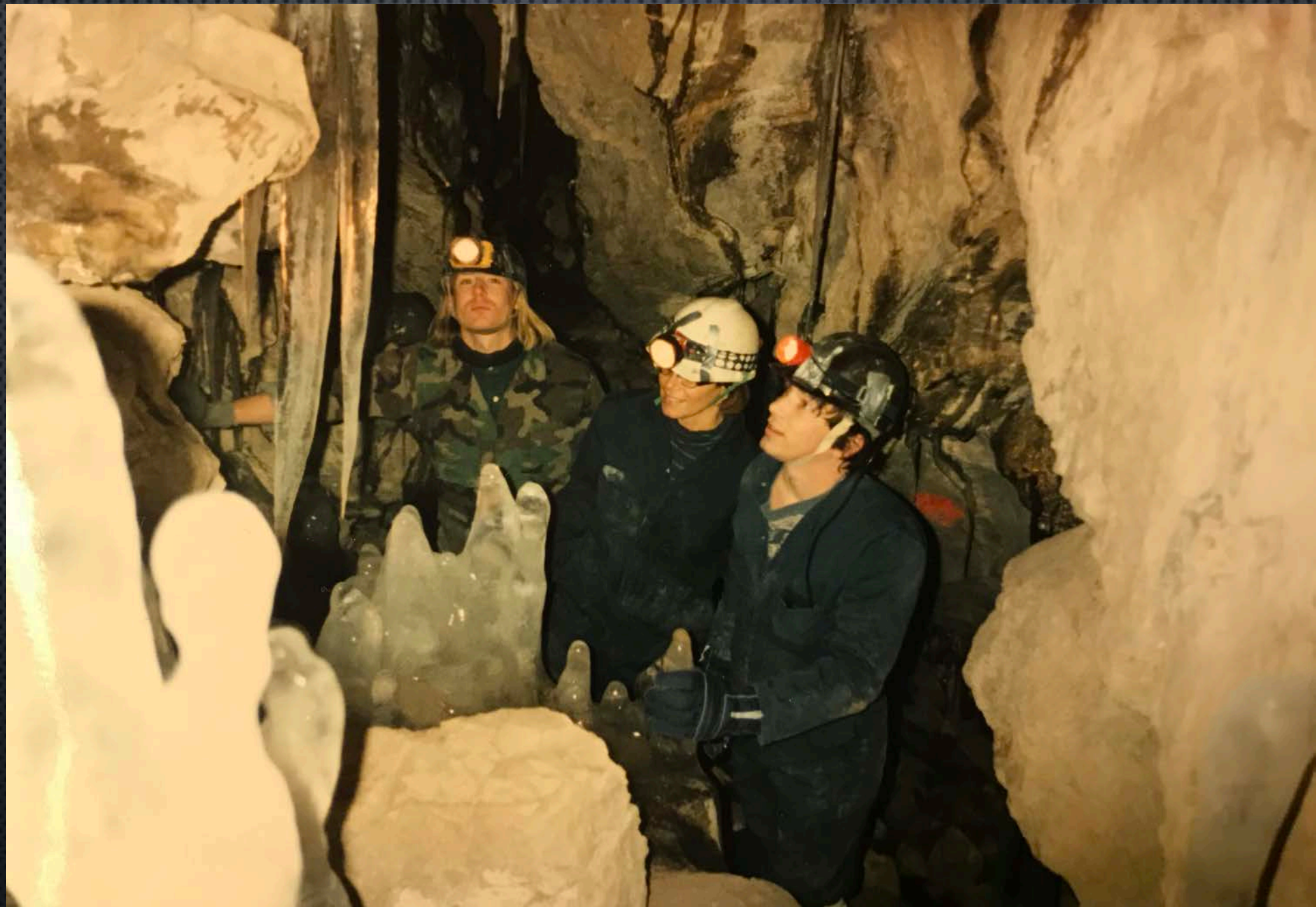


























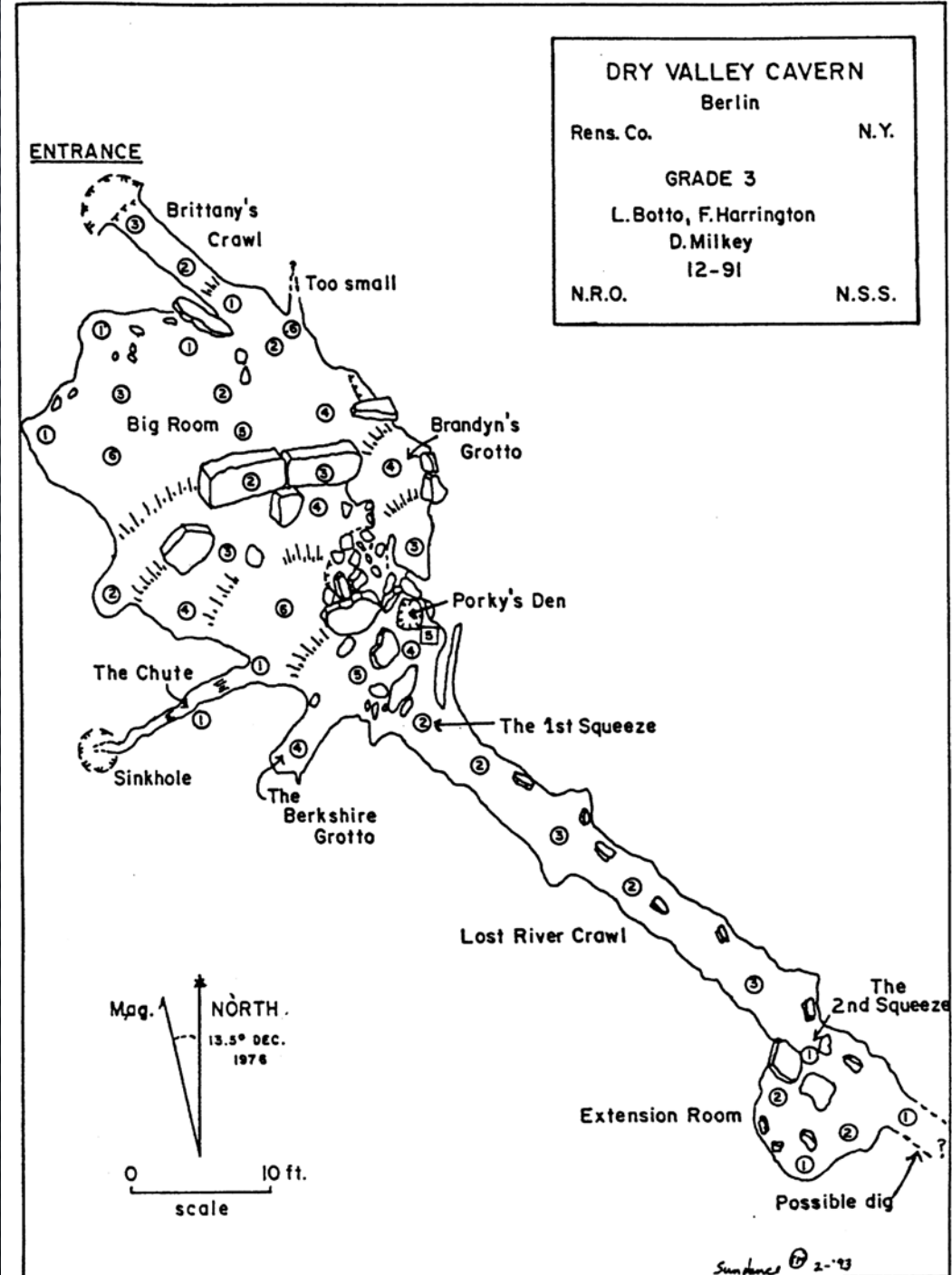
# BATS & SURVEYS

- Three species:  
Little Brown, Northern,  
and Tri-color (pipistrelle)
- 10/11/1996 – 19 bats
- 2010 – 11 bats
- 2011 – 8 bats
- 2015 – White Nose Syndrome
- WNS and COVID gap
- 2023 – 29 bats
- CAVES CLOSED:  
October 1 – April 30





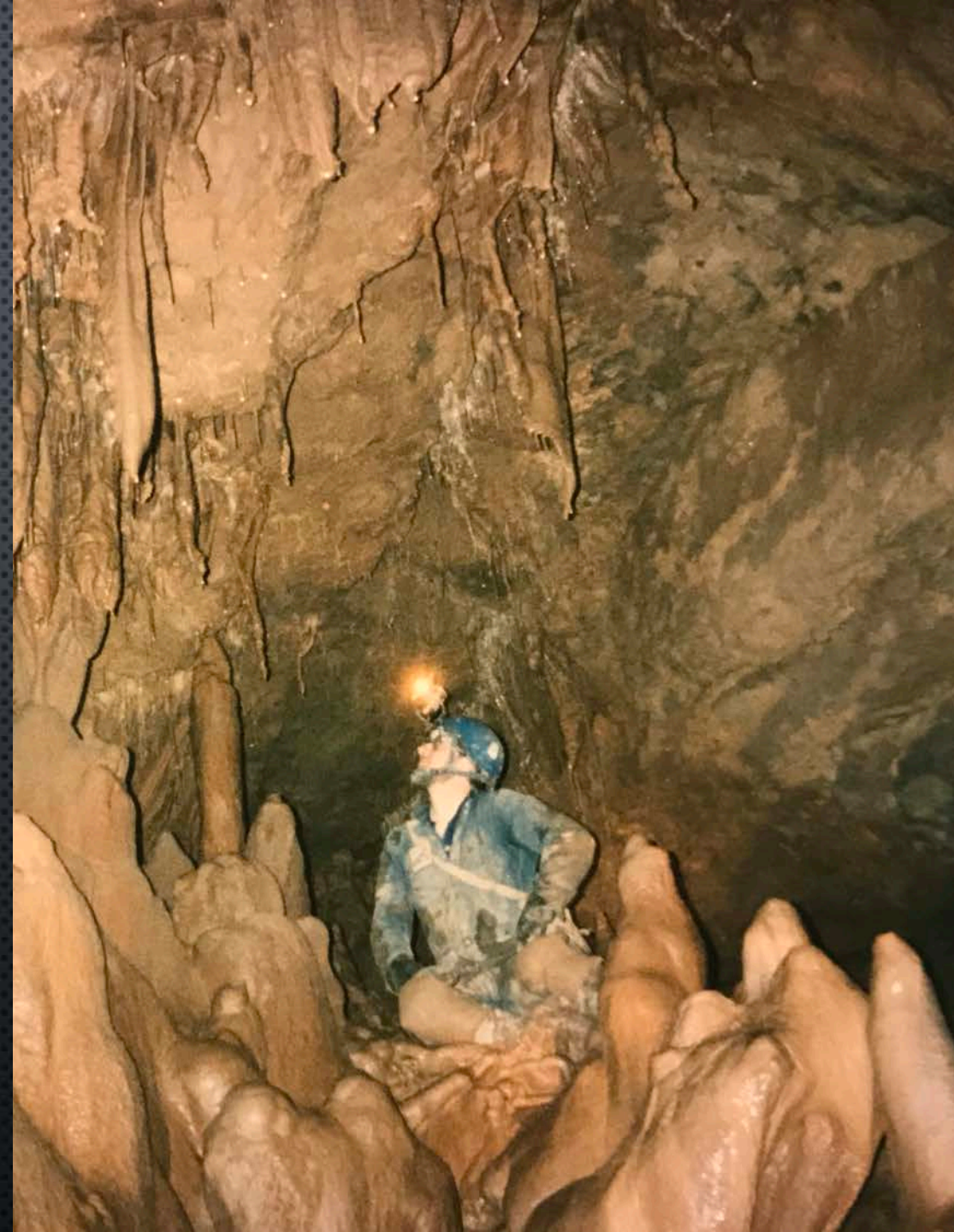
# DRY VALLEY CAVERN





# PORTERS CAVE

VIRGINIA, GREENBRIER COUNTY





# THE NEXT BIG DISCOVERY?

THE BIGGEST CAVE IN BERLIN IS PROBABLY STILL OUT THERE

WHAT WOULD YOU DO WHEN YOU DISCOVER IT?