

## **Great Saltpetre Cave tour and nature walk** (optional full day or half day tour)

**Date:** Monday May 20

**Time:** Please meet at the Boone Tavern lobby at 9am for full day tour, or 12pm for half day tour. It will take one hour to get to the cave. There will likely be several people who can offer rides, which we will work out once we have an idea how many want to go. Any changes to the schedule will be announced at the time of the exhibition.

**Please bring:** water, snacks (or packed lunch), sturdy walking shoes or boots, flashlight, camera gear, any other items for your comfort during a full day outside. A light jacket is recommended inside the cave which is 55 degrees, and in case of rain.

John Agnew will lead groups through the cave. The cave preserve is not open to the public this day, but ISSA has been granted personal access so we have it all to ourselves! John will impart his knowledge on caving and he and Lori Dunn will help members find and identify some of its inhabitants; particularly several species of salamanders, bats, cave crickets and also snakes and other amphibians to be discovered on the grounds. Of course there will be lots of birding opportunity as well! This will be a relaxed, fun outing and a chance to get to know some of nature's tiny inhabitants (we do not mean Lori haha!)