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## WESTCAVE PRESERVE SPOOK-TACULAR CREATURES

Sunday, October 23, 2005 3 - 6 p.m. Fee: \$5 adult; \$2 child; or \$15 family

Bats and spiders and owls, oh my! Learn about the creatures of Halloween Night at Westcave Preserve. The afternoon will include storytelling in the cave and a bat scavenger hunt, as well as other fun crafts and activities featuring our favorite Halloween animals.

Hikes along the Westcave Preserve canyon trail system will also be available throughout the program. At the head of the canyon, visitors reach a sparkling waterfall tumbling 40 feet over fern-covered travertine into an emerald pool.

## **Directions to Westcave Preserve**

Westcave Preserve is located in southwest Travis County, approximately 45 minutes from downtown Austin.

**From Austin**: Travel west on Highway 71 to the village of Bee Cave. Turn left at Ranch Road 3238 locally known as the Hamilton Pool Road. Travel 14 ½ miles to the Pedernales River. Westcave Preserve is the first gate on your right after crossing the river.

**From Areas West of Westcave Preserve**: Take Highway 281 to the village of Round Mountain. Turn east on Ranch Road 962. Travel 17 miles on Ranch Road 962. The gate to Westcave Preserve will be on your left.

For more information, contact John Ahrns at (830) 825-3442 or visit www.westcave.org.