

Richard J. Rhinehart biography:



Richard J. Rhinehart has explored and studied Colorado caves since 1973. He is the author of “Colorado Caves” (Westcliffe Publishers, 2001), “Cave of the Winds: Then & Now” (Westcliffe Publishers, 2011), “Eighth Wonder: The Story of Glenwood Caverns and the Historic Fairy Caves” (The Donning Company Publishers, 2012), and “Without Rival: Exploring the Cave of the Winds and the Manitou Grand Caverns” (The Donning Company Publishers, 2014). From 1984 through 2014, he served as the founding editor of Colorado’s “Rocky Mountain Caving” journal. An experienced cave explorer, Rhinehart has been a member of the Sulphur Cave Group, an informal multi-disciplinary team of cavers and cave scientists who have undertaken detailed studies within Sulphur Cave at Steamboat Springs, Colorado; at the Vapor Caves in Glenwood Springs, Colorado; and at Shoshone Canyon Conduit Cave near Cody, Wyoming. Rhinehart is a past representative and chair with the Colorado Cave Survey of the National Speleological Society. A graduate of the University of Colorado School of Journalism and working in communications, he makes his home in Grand Junction, Colorado.