

## *About the Presenter*

**Bruce Smith:** Bruce has been passionate about rope work for well over 45 years and doing it professionally for the last 14. He was the curriculum developer for the NCRC for a number of years and a corporate educator in his professional life in the years from 1975-1995. He has been a Board Member of the vertical Section since 1971, Chairman, Treasurer, and was the newsletter editor for the Vertical Section for 14 years. He currently owns On Rope 1 and trains NFPA level students to a high degree of competency as rope technicians. On Rope 1 is an ISO 9001 manufacturing and retail facility with a reputation for the highest quality and reliability in the world of rope user products. Recently, in August 2008, he introduced the Vertical Section's Intermediate Training Course for the intermediate rope user at the National Convention. He has strong passions for caving, wild water, and travel, but especially rope work. He first presented at ITRS in 1988.