

The IAS 2008 Fall Gathering and Annual Meeting will be held at the Springfield Signature Inn, 3090 Stevenson Drive, Springfield, Illinois, 217.529.6611 or 800.822.5252 . A block of rooms has been reserved until **August 20**, at a rate of \$79 (plus tax). Continental breakfast included. Call and mention *Illinois Audubon Society* when making reservations.

Friday, September 19

4:00 pm — 9:00 pm Registration, Silent Auction & Raffle Opens
7:00 pm — 9:30 pm Welcome & Announcements, Special Program presented by Tom Clay, Executive Director, Member Slide Show (maximum 10 slides per family please)

Saturday, September 20

6:00 am —7:30 am Field Trips Depart from Signature Inn Parking Lot, Lunch at Noon, Tom Madonia Park East
1:30 pm Buses depart from Signature Inn for IAS Headquarters Dedication Ceremony (see Cardinal News for details)
2:00 pm — 4:00 pm IAS Dedication and Open House at Adams Wildlife Sanctuary
5:00 pm Meet and Mingle
5:30 pm IAS Annual Banquet followed by IAS Annual Members Meeting
8:00 pm Program: *Moths & Butterflies of Illinois* by James Wiker
9:00 pm Announce Silent Auction and Raffle Winners followed by Night-Lighting for Insects with James Wiker

Sunday, September 21

6:30 – 7:30 AM Field Trips depart from Springfield Signature Inn Parking Lot
Noon Lunch at Tom Madonia Park East, Compilations and Reflections

All events take place at Signature Inn unless indicated

EARLY REGISTRATION DEADLINE SEPTEMBER 5

REGISTRATION FORM (please print clearly)

NAME(S) _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP _____

PHONE _____ e-mail _____

	Price	Qty	Total
Early Registration Fee before September 5	Adults \$8.00 Students \$5.00		
Late Registration Fee after September 5	Adults \$11.00 Students \$8.00		
Saturday Lunch (Subway) Please check here for vegetarian <input type="checkbox"/>	\$6.50		
Saturday Buffet Dinner (Includes vegetarian choices)	Adults \$18.00 Students \$15.00		
Sunday Lunch (KFC) Please check here for vegetarian <input type="checkbox"/>	\$6.50		
Total enclosed			

2008 IAS Fall Gathering Field Trip Listing

**Field Trip
ID#**

- [A] 6:00 am—Noon **Jim Edgar Panther Creek State Fish & Wildlife Area.** An interesting birding area about 45 minutes northwest of Springfield. Fields, woods, scrubby areas, lakes and edges offer the potential for many species. Particularly good for grassland sparrows and hawks. Easy walking. (Saturday)
- [B] 6:30 am—Noon **Carpenter Park Nature Preserve.** One of Springfield's best birding locations. Large, mature forest that, during the fall season, is a stopover site for migrating songbirds. The barred owl and pileated woodpecker, permanent residents here, are regularly heard and often seen. Easy trails with some small hills. (Saturday and Sunday)
- [C] 6:30 am—Noon **Sangchris Lake State Park.** Great birding area about 20 minutes southeast of Springfield. Park includes a variety of habitats and attracts numerous fall migrants, including songbirds, hawks, waterfowl and shorebirds. This trip is easy walking and may include Lincoln Memorial Garden. (Saturday and Sunday)
- [D] 7:00 am—Noon **Lincoln Memorial Garden and Lake Springfield.** Lincoln Garden is a trap for fall migrants and great as a roosting site for migrating broad-winged hawks. Convenient trails and easy walking. (Sunday only)
- [E] 7:30 am—Noon **Bird Banding at Adams Wildlife Sanctuary.** (Weather permitting) An opportunity to see a variety of songbirds (especially warblers in fall plumage) up close. An excellent trip for anyone with limited mobility. (Saturday and Sunday)
- [F] 8:00 am—Noon **Anderson Prairie.** This site harbors a stretch of diverse original railroad prairie, Anderson Prairie Park, and a unique butterfly house containing native species of butterflies from the adjacent prairie. (Saturday)
- [G] 8:00 am—Noon **Starhill Forest Arboretum.** A 48 acre private arboretum which includes a collection of oak species from all over the world, 150 other woody genera, a prairie restoration, herb garden, conifer plantation and other plantings. (Sunday)

Noon-1:30pm Saturday & Sunday Lunch Available at Tom Madonia Park East Pavilion 1.2 mile east of Signature Inn

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FIELD TRIP PRE-RESERVATIONS (required)

Please indicate field trip choices (using Field Trip ID — A, B, C, etc) for each day below. We ask that you indicate a second choice in the event that field trips become overbooked or cancelled.

Yes, I will be attending the IAS Headquarters Dedication Ceremony on Saturday at 2:00PM

Attendee(s) name(s): _____

	Saturday	Sunday
First Choice (list Field Trip ID)		
Second Choice (list Field Trip ID)		

Attendee(s) name(s): _____

	Saturday	Sunday
First Choice (list Field Trip ID)		
Second Choice (list Field Trip ID)		

Please make checks payable to **Springfield Audubon Society** and mail with Registration Form to: Springfield Audubon Society, c/o Pam Coogan, PO Box 62, Latham, IL 62543. A confirmation packet will be sent to the address listed on the registration form.

For more information call: 217.674.3510 (after 5:00pm please) or email scoogan@frontiernet.net.