

SCHEDULE & FIELD TRIP INFORMATION
2024 Illinois Audubon Society Gathering
May 10-11, 2024
Savanna, Illinois



Friday, May 10

6-9:00 p.m. Evening field trip guided by Red Hill Birding at Lost Mound National Wildlife Refuge. Meet at the [Visitor Center](#), Hanover, Illinois. Please arrive and be ready to go by 6:00 p.m. We will divide into smaller groups to slowly tour the grounds by car. Everyone will converge at the Mississippi River viewpoint to enjoy light snacks, a sunset and to listen for—and hopefully see—Whip-poor-Will.

Saturday, May 11

6:00 -11:30 a.m. **Field Trips guided by Red Hill Birding**

Field Trip A: Lost Mound to Mississippi Palisades State Park. Meet at the [Lost Mound National Wildlife Refuge Visitor Center](#) and be ready to bird by 6:30 a.m. Lunch at noon.

Field Trip B: Mississippi Palisades State Park to Lost Mound. Meet at Savanna Inn & Suites and be ready to depart by 6:30 a.m. Lunch at noon.

Field Trip C: Mississippi Palisades State Park, Ayres Sand Prairie, Lock & Dam 13. Meet at Savanna Inn & Suites and be ready to depart by 6:30 a.m. Lunch at noon.

Noon Lunch at Mississippi Palisades State Park .

3:30-4:30 p.m. **Natural History 480: PDQ Presentations**—Five presentations, eight minutes each, 480 seconds of pretty-darn-quick science from five prestigious field ecologists, from Regal Fritillaries to Sandhill Crane Genetics, we will cover many things related to the birds and the bees, and the flowers and the trees.*

4:30 p.m. **Cash Bar and Trivia Contest** begin —grab a team and participate in 30 minutes of fun competition.*

6:00 p.m. **Program** — Loon Lessons: Uncommon Encounters with the Great Northern Diver*

7:00 p.m. **Dinner**—herbed chicken breasts, cheese tortellini, green beans, corn, salad and dessert*

* Saturday afternoon and evening events will take place at the Savanna Museum, 406 Main Street, Savanna, Illinois 61074

Saturday Banquet Program

Loon Lessons: Uncommon Encounters with the Great Northern Diver
Presented by Dr. James D Paruk,
St. Joseph's College of Maine



Trivia Prizes !
Join in at 4:30