

Illinois Geographical Society

2022 Annual Meeting

April 28- May 1, 2022

Welcome Back:

Going back in Time

Western Suburbs Gentlemen Farmers



The Illinois Geographical Society cordially invites you to explore the Western Suburbs for its Annual Meeting, April 28-30, 2022. The meeting will be hosted at the Sheraton in Lisle, IL. Join us as we look back in time at the Gentleman Farms of Western Suburbs and welcome you back to our in-person meeting.



Meeting Organizer: Carmen Masó

Outline of Meeting Events

Thursday, April 28th

- 10:00-4:30 Pre-Meeting Field Trip [Cantigny Park and Gardens]
- 4:30-8:00 Registration on 1st floor – Arcadia Symposium
- 6:30-7:30 Executive Council Dinner,
- 7:30-10:00 Executive Council Meeting,

Friday, April 29th

- 7:00-8:00 am Registration on 1st floor – Arcadia Symposium
- 8:00-5:00 Annual Meeting Field Trip [departs from and returns to Sheraton] We will be visiting three DuPage County Forest Preserves that in the 1920-30s were Gentleman Farms. Field Trip includes transportation, lunch, lectures and optional wagon ride.
- 3:00-6:30 Registration on 1st floor – Arcadia Symposium
- 5:30-6:30 President's Social Hour
- 6:30-9:30 Awards Banquet -Sheraton Hotel Atrium
- Guest Speaker: Shannon Burns *From Farm to Nature Preserve*

Saturday, April 30th

Annual IGS Meeting-Sheraton

- 7:30-10:00 Registration on 1st floor – Arcadia Symposium
- 8:00-11:20 Poster Presentations Arcadia Symposium
- Paper Sessions- 1st floor details in program
- 11:30-12:15 Annual IGS Business Meeting
- 12:15-1:15 IGS Luncheon
- Guest Speaker: Jim Ackerman
- 1:30-8:00 Post-Meeting Field Trip: Morton Arboretum on Arbor Day Weekend

Sunday, May 1st

- 10:30 – Noon Post-Meeting Program (Pre-registration required): Visiting a Hindu Mandir”

REGISTRATION: Registration form is included in this packet on the last page. All meeting participants, including paper and poster presenters, must register. Online Registration is available at <https://www.illinoisgeography.org/> or you can mail your registration form and check to Carmen Masó 4370 W Pratt, Lincolnwood, IL 60712. Checks payable to the Illinois Geographical Society. Registration deadline is April 12th so planning can be done for field trips, meals, and presentations.

MEETING HOTEL: Sheraton Lisle/Naperville is conveniently located near the I-88 Ronald Reagan Tollway. <https://www.marriott.com/en-us/hotels/chiis-sheraton-lisle-naperville-hotel/overview/>. We have a special rate of \$104.00 a night. Please mention that you are part of the Illinois Geographical Society when making your reservations.

A direct link to reserve your room is [here](#)

Reservations must be made by April 7, 2022 to secure the group rate.

FIELD TRIPS: We are pleased to offer a variety of field trips that will give you a glimpse to how the Gentleman Farms became DuPage County Forest Preserves. This year's IGS annual meeting field trip will visit three DuPage County Forest Preserves, focusing on former "Gentleman's Farms that are now forest preserves. We will tour Mayslake, St. James Farm, and Danada Equestrian Center. Each stop will have tours available and time to relax and enjoy being back together again. Welcome Back!

Pre-Registration for the trips is needed, so please check the appropriate boxes on the meeting registration form adding in any associated costs to your registration totals.

Date: Thursday, April 28, 2022 Pre-Meeting Field Trip (Pre-Registration required)

Title: Cantigny Park and Gardens

Leader: Joe Kubal and Keith Yearman

Meeting Point: Meet at Cantigny Visitor Center, 1S151 Winfield Road, Wheaton, IL at 12:45

Length: 12:45pm - Sunset

Mode: Car caravan

Cost: The tour is self-pay for all meals, gas, parking fees, and admissions. To date, masks will be required for the duration of the tour regardless of vaccination status.

Summary: This Illinois Geographical Society- sponsored tour explores Cantigny Park, the former 500-acre estate of Colonel Robert R. McCormick, best known as being former publisher and editor of the Chicago Tribune newspaper. Detail on website

Date: Friday, April 29, 2022 Annual Meeting Field Trip (Pre-Registration required)

Title: Gentleman Farms of Western Suburbs

Leaders: Carmen Masó, various local experts

Meeting Point: Sheraton Lisle/Naperville

Time: 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Mode: Motor Coach

Cost (including continental breakfast and lunch): \$45.00

Summary: This year's IGS annual meeting field trip will visit three DuPage County Forest Preserves, focusing on former "Gentleman's Farms that are now forest preserves. We will tour Mayslake, St. James Farm, and Danada Equestrian Center. Each stop will have tours available and time to relax and enjoy being back together again. Welcome Back!

Date: Saturday, April 30, 2022 Post-Meeting Field Trip (Pre-registration required)

Title: "Morton Arboretum on Arbor Day Weekend"

Leader: Joe Kubal and Keith Yearman

Meeting Point: Meet at Morton Arboretum Visitor Center, 4100 Illinois Route 53, Lisle, IL, (630) 968-2240, at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, April 30, 2022. Park in the lot next to the Visitor's Center of which we will meet in front of outdoors.Length: 1:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Mode: Most of this field day experience will be a walking/auto tour of the arboretum grounds, gardens, the remains of Morton's mansion, library, and visitor center. You will be responsible for your own gasoline costs, parking fees, admissions, and tolls.

Cost: Self-pay. Admission to the arboretum is \$16 per person for non-members (seniors \$14 per person). **YOU MUST PER-PURCHASE YOUR OWN TIMED ADMISSION TICKETS** at <https://buy.acmeticketing.com/events/480/list> .

Summary: This Illinois Geographical Society- sponsored tour explores Morton Arboretum, the former estate of Joy Sterling Morton. J.S. Morton was founder of the Morton Salt Company noted for well-known Morton salt and Argo corn starch products. His father, Julius Sterling Morton was responsible for the founding of Arbor Day in America. The tour is self-pay for all meals, gas, parking fees, and admissions. To date, masks will be required for the duration of the tour regardless of vaccination status.

Date: Sunday, May 1, 2022 Post-Meeting Program (Pre-registration required)

Title: "Visiting a Hindu Mandir"

Leader: Joe Kubal and Keith Yearman

Meeting Point: Meet in the parking lot of the BAPS Shri Swaminarayan Mandir of Chicago located at 1851 S. IL Route 59 on Pramukh Swami Road in Bartlett, Illinois (630) 668-5161, at 10:30 a.m. on Sunday, May 1, 2022. Park in the lot behind the temple where we will gather prior to entering the premises.

Length: 10:30am - Noon

Mode: Most of this field day experience will be a walking tour of the temple, grounds, gardens, and museum. You will be responsible for your own gasoline costs, parking fees, meals, and tolls.

Cost: Free. The tour is free-of-charge. The tour will be limited to 15 pre-registered first come, first served participants. In the event of a surge in COVID, the field experience may have to be cancelled with short notice.

Summary: This Illinois Geographical Society- sponsored tour explores the BAPS Shri Swaminarayan Mandir of Chicago and its grounds. The Hindu temple or mandir is an architectural masterpiece and is a must-see when in the western suburbs. The tour is self-pay for all meals, gas, parking fees. There is no for the tour; donations are appreciated. To date, masks will be required for the duration of the tour regardless of vaccination status.

SATURDAY MORNING POSTER/PAPER SESSIONS: Posters will be on display on the first floor throughout the morning. From 8 to 9 a.m., poster presenters will be attending their posters to answer questions and present their research. Posters will be judged at this time by IGS and GSC judges. There will be easels available for the posters and that will necessitate the posters having a firm backing.

Paper sessions will take place in various meeting rooms on the first floors of the hotel from 9:00 to 11:20. The final program available at the meeting will detail room assignments. Paper presentations will be 15 minutes in length with a 5-minute Q&A time. Presenters must bring their presentations on a laptop and a flash drive. There will be projectors and screens provided as well as tech support. IGS Research Scholar awardees will receive prominent program placement and acknowledgement. If you wish to present a paper or a poster, (1) register for the meeting online at <https://www.illinoisgeography.org/> or mail the completed registration form and check to Carmen Masó, 4370 W Pratt Lincolnwood, IL 60712. (2) submit your completed Call for Papers to Dr Michael Cornebise at mwcornebise@eiu.edu or mail your completed form to Dr. Michael Cornebise at Eastern Illinois University Department of Geology Geography Charleston, IL 61920-6033 and/or 3) submit your call for posters to Deanna Wiist at wistd@unit5.org or mail your completed form to Deanna Wiist at Normal West High School 501 N Park side Road Normal, IL 61761. Deadline for poster and paper submissions is April 12, 2022.

SATURDAY IGS BUSINESS MEETING: 11:30-12:15 or immediately following the papers and posters. Reports, discussion, and election of officers will be open to members and others interested in the proceedings.

SATURDAY LUNCHEON AND GUEST SPEAKER- Jim Ackerman of Newberry Library will be our luncheon guest speaker.