## **Final Report**

Wildlife Preservation Fund

Project Title: "Outdoor Days"

Grant Agreement #05-010W

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The Illinois Audubon Society received a \$1,000.00 grant from the Illinois Wildlife Preservation Fund in FY 05. The funding was to be used to host an environmental education event. The project has been completed and we are now requesting the funding payment. Attached you will find the final report, photo documentation, budget report, and a schedule for the event.

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"Outdoor Days" is an event designed to address the need for environmental education in the area. With grant funding from the Wildlife Preservation Fund the event was held again this year.

With the cooperation of conservation organizations and the Ballard Nature Center, the event took place at the nature center September 25<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 AM-5:00 PM. Programs and activities took place throughout the day covering many natural resources subjects (see the attached schedule of events). Highly qualified presenters educated the public on birds of prey, wetlands, bluebirds, herps, and more. Children and adults were able to participate in many hands-on activities. This event provided individuals and families an opportunity to learn about the areas natural resources and how to identify, manage, and appreciate them. Over 300 people participated in the event.

The grant funds were used toward paying presenters and purchasing materials for the bluebird workshop. The Illinois Raptor Center received \$521.20, Kim Petzing received \$150.00 for environmental storytelling, and Tom May received \$147.00 for bluebird house kits and mileage. The Ballard Nature Center paid all invoices for this project, so the grant reimbursement should be made payable to Ballard Nature Center.

The Illinois Audubon Society would like to thank the Illinois Wildlife Preservation for providing funding to assist with this event.

## **Grant Budget Report**

Illinois Raptor Center (2 programs)	\$521.20
Kim Petzing Storyteller	\$150.00
Tom May	\$147.00
Total	\$808.20



Bluebird Workshop



Outdoor Cooking



Reptile Program



Search & Rescue Dogs



Hawk & Owl Programs



Archery