



# 34th Annual FALL S FEST

November 6 – 8, 2009  
Clock Tower Resort & Conference Center  
E. State Street (Bus. Rte 20)  
Rockford, IL

**Who:** The State-Line S Gaugers (SLSG) is hosting the 34th Annual Fall S Fest in November 2009. The meet is co-sponsored by the Chicagoland Association of S Gaugers (CASG), the Badgerland S Gaugers (BSG) and the American Flyer S Gaugers of the St. Louis Area (AFSGSLA).

**What:** The 34th Annual Fall S Fest continues the tradition of “sell, swap, learn, see, show, and do,” and it promises to be one of the world’s largest gatherings of S Gauge model railroading enthusiasts. There will be display layouts, model contests, train races, incline races, movies, banquet and layout tours.

**When:** Friday - Sunday, November 6 – 8, 2009. Registration and pre-registration check-in will begin at 1:00 PM on Friday, November 6. The doors to the Swap Meet room will open to all attendees, and trading will begin at 2:00 PM.

**Why:** Ask yourself, *Why not?* If interested in S Gauge, the Fall S Fest is the “York” of the hobby, with table after table filled with all the goodies you’ve been looking for, as well as plenty of new items that would be perfect for your layout or train display. Add in a site chosen for its convenient location and you are assured of a great time!

We at State-Line strive to provide an atmosphere of family involvement. We are extending a **warm WELCOME** to the entire family. Check out the children’s pizza party, (Saturday night) for all children 12 and under, as well as non-train activities for spouses and children. You can make it a fun-filled, fantastic weekend for everyone, even if they may not share your love of trains.

**Saturday night Banquet** will be a sit-down meal. You will have 4 choices to choose from:  
Prime rib of beef  
Chicken Oscar with crab and asparagus  
Orange roughy  
Vegetable stir-fry

## Non-Train Activities

Friday evening, come and learn (hands-on craft) how to make 4 greeting cards w/embellishments and a Picture Memory Cube.  
Cost will be \$15 per person.

Saturday At 9:30 AM. transportation will be provided to visit two very interesting museums in Rockford. These museums are connected via a tunnel and you are free to visit both.  
Cost will be \$20 per person

1. **The Discovery Center Museum**  
(Children’s favorite-voted in the top 10 children’s museums in the U.S.)

When you visit the Discovery Center Museum, you and your family can explore the world, and even the universe, without ever leaving our inspiring environment. The thrill of exploration and discovery is built into every one of our 250+ hands-on science and arts exhibits located inside our museum.

[www.discoverycentermuseum.org](http://www.discoverycentermuseum.org)

2. **Burpee Museum of Natural History**

Home to the world’s most complete and best preserved juvenile T.rex, Jane. The museum also maintains a diverse permanent collection comprised of over 70,000 specimens in the fields of Paleontology, Geology, Biology and Anthropology.

[www.burpee.org](http://www.burpee.org)

**What’s the Latest?** For periodic updates on the Fall S Fest, see the Commemorative cars in color, and for current announcements, be sure to regularly visit our web site  
[www.state-linesgaugers.org](http://www.state-linesgaugers.org).

**Please Note:**  
**Pre-registration is strongly encouraged!**



# Fall S Fest Pre-Registration

Pre-registration for the Fall S Fest is strongly encouraged, because it entitles you to a number of benefits. Your REGISTRATION FORM is included with this packet and provides detailed information as well as registration instructions. The basic registration fee, required of all attendees, admits you and your entire family to the general Fall S Fest activities. Banquet tickets are reasonably priced and should be ordered during the early pre-registration period (before September 1).

**Banquet tickets may not be available at the door.**

Only PRE-REGISTRATION assures you banquet tickets, Swap Meet tables, and the opportunity to purchase the special limited-edition, official Fall S Fest cars. Also by pre-registering, you will enjoy expedited service when the registration check-in begins at 1:00pm on Friday.

Registration and Banquet Discounts as well as one free meet patch are available to those pre-registrations received before September 1, 2009.

ALL tables are **8 feet** long. We reserve the right to limit the number of tables. There will be 156 tables available and will be assigned on a first-come, first served basis. Cost of tables will be \$15 per table for the first 4 tables, \$20 per table for 5 and additional tables. Electrical service will be available at an extra charge (\$3). Please bring your own extension cords.

Have a special requirements? Please note your requirement in the area provided on the Registration Form; send the form in early; and we'll do all we can to accommodate your needs.

So what you really need to do, before anything else, to save yourself money

**Pre-Register Now!!**

**Do not put it off!**

## Hotel Accommodations

You must reserve your overnight and "CoCo Key" water park accommodations

DIRECTLY WITH THE HOTEL

### **Clock Tower Resort & Conference Center**

7804 E. State Street (Bus. Rte 20) Rockford, IL 61108

Telephone 815/398-6000

Fax: 815/398-8062 [www.cloctowerresort.com](http://www.cloctowerresort.com)

**Room rate** will be \$89 (+ taxes) per night for a standard guest room (maximum of 4 people). When you make your reservation, be sure to mention you are attending the **Fall S Fest**, to obtain this special room rate.

Taking the train or plan to Chicago?

The VanGalder Bus Service ([www.coachusa.com/vangalder](http://www.coachusa.com/vangalder) or phone 1-800-747-0994) stops at Union Station in Chicago, at O'Hare International Airport, at Midway Airport and also the **Clock tower Resort & Conference Center**.

The hotel offers a full range of amenities, including complimentary Wi-Fi, pools, fitness center & tennis courts. Restaurants, bars, Starbucks, and an ATM.

For great family fun, the new "CoCo Key" water park is on site at an additional cost. (ask for discounted tickets when making room reservations)

Visit [www.cocokeywaterresort.com](http://www.cocokeywaterresort.com)

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# Registration Form

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please PRINT (legibly) all information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ No. in party \_\_\_\_\_

\*E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

*\*Note: Confirmation will be sent via e-mail, If you desire confirmation mailed to you, please provide self addressed stamped envelope.*

**Make checks payable to:**

State-Line S Gaugers

**Mail check & forms to:**

David Pippitt  
S-Fest 2009 Registrar  
3703 Sherbrooke Rd  
Rockford, IL 61114

Names of other family members **as** you wish to appear on badges:

	Qty	Rec'd by Sept. 1, 2009	Rec'd after Aug. 31, 2009	Cost
Family Registration		\$12.00	\$15.00	\$
Banquet (s)		\$32.00 ea	\$34.00 ea	\$
___ Chicken ___ Beef ___ Fish ___ Veggie Stir-fry				
Patch for 2009 Fall S Fest		FREE	\$5.00	\$
RI Boxcars, from order form		\$45.00 ea	\$45.00 ea	\$
Shipping Charges, per car		\$10.00 ea	\$10.00 ea	\$
Children's Pizza Party (Sat pm) Up to 12 yrs of age \$5 per child Or \$10 per family		\$	\$	\$
Craft activity – Friday pm		\$15.00 ea	\$15.00 ea	\$
Museums activity – Sat am		\$20.00 ea	\$20.00 ea	\$
Tables (ALL are 8') 1-4 Tables \$15 ea Table 5 or more Tables \$20 ea		\$15.00 ea \$20.00 ea	\$15.00 ea \$20.00 ea	\$
Electric Power? Yes ___ No ___ <i>Please bring your extension cords</i>		\$3.00	\$3.00	\$
Special Requests:			Total Enclosed	\$

Are you staying at the Clock Tower? Yes\_\_\_ No\_\_\_ Other local hotel? Yes\_\_\_ No\_\_\_ Number nights stayed? \_\_\_

# Car Order Form

## 2009 Fall S Fest Commemorative Car

### Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific 40' Rebuilt Steel Box Cars



No. 20070 - Pullman green with imit. Gold lettering (red and gold herald)



No. 38050 - Soo Line box car red with white lettering. (black and white herald)



No. 20064 - UP silver with black lettering (black and silver herald)

These Commemorative cars were produced exclusively for the State-Line S Gaugers and the 2009 Fall S Fest by S Helper Service.

Each car proudly displays the **“Route of the Rockets”** lettering and the famous Rock Island herald. All three cars have prototypical numbers, and the silver and green cars are authentically designed for **“EXPRESS”** service.

The cars feature 50-ton straight under frames and Type “Y” trucks...and come with hi-rail wheel sets and couplers and, additionally, four Code 110 wheel sets plus two truck bolsters (mounting plates) for your choice of scale couplers (not included).

Car Designation	Quantity		Line Total
No. 20064 - silver	___	X \$45.00	\$ _____
No. 30070 - green	___	X \$45.00	\$ _____
No. 38050 - red	___	X \$45.00	\$ _____
\$15 Registration Fee in not attending S-Fest			\$ _____
Shipping for car	___	X \$10.00	\$ _____
orders for non attending orders			\$ _____
		TOTAL	\$ _____

Cars will be available for pickup at the Fall S Fest in Rockford, or they may be purchased by mail order. **\*\***(with shipment following the S Fest).

**\*\***If you cannot attend the Fall S Fest, the cars can be ordered by mail for the registration fee plus the additional cost of the cars and \$10 shipping per car

There are a limited number of cars available.  
Make checks & money orders payable to the State-Line S Gaugers

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Orders should be mailed with the S-Fest registration form to:  
David Pippitt  
S-Fest 2009 Registrar  
3703 Sherbrooke Rd  
Rockford, IL 61114