



E-NEWS ON THE WING

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**Join The Wing of AsMA in Chicago
May 5 – 10, 2024
94th AsMA Annual Scientific Meeting**



The Wing of AsMA promotes and increases sociability among the members of AsMA and their accompanying guests. Join our friendly tribe! We are a lively bunch who make friends easily, engage in fun activities, and enjoy ourselves probably more than we should! You'll feel (and probably hear) the warmth and sense of community. Our newest members feel welcome, no one is a stranger. Click below to register for Chicago events and pay 2024 membership dues. Dues have not gone up in over 20 years and we are not raising membership fees this year either!

Click here: http://www.thewingofasma.com/Conference_Registration.html



Fun Fact: The tradition of dyeing the Chicago River green on St. Patrick's Day dates back to 1962 when the Chicago Journeymen Plumbers Local Union started the practice to celebrate the holiday. The green dye used is an eco-friendly vegetable dye that only lasts for a few hours and does not harm the river or the environment. It has since become a beloved tradition that attracts thousands of spectators to the riverfront each year.





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The Venue: The Hyatt Regency Chicago Hotel

Stunning! Beautiful! The Hyatt Regency Chicago Hotel truly looks and feels like the pictures on its website. During the site visit this past August, those of us who've never been to this hotel truly could not believe how wonderfully awesome it is. Pictures are worth more than words. This is so true when trying to describe this great venue. You've probably already checked out the hotel online, but here's a link to the photo gallery. The pictures do not exaggerate how amazing this place is. <https://www.hyatt.com/hyatt-regency/en-US/chirc-hyatt-regency-chicago/gallery>

When you arrive ... you'll walk in ... look around ... and say to yourself, "Yes, The Wing is right! This place is incredible!" As you get oriented, you'll want to find the Wing Hospitality Room. We scored a wonderful Hospitality Room. You'll see lots of windows, we can walk out on a patio, plenty of space. It's perfect! You will want to come see us first and pick up your Advance Registration as soon as possible. We'll be there starting at 1:00 PM on Sunday, May 5, 2024.



WING HOSPITALITY ROOM AND REGISTRATION

The Hyatt Regency Chicago Hotel

Plaza Ballroom A

Registration Hours:

Sunday, May 5: 1-5 PM

Monday, May 6: 10 AM-1:30 PM



WING HOSPITALITY ROOM AND REGISTRATION

Join us in the Plaza Ballroom "A" beginning Sunday, May 5, 2024. We're casual and informal. This is where The Wing's adventures begin. We make new friends (who quickly seem like old friends) and reconnect with friends we've known longer. Since we'll be doing something new on Thursday – this means nothing is "formally planned" – this is where we'll start to see who's doing what. We'll make sure everyone has something to do ... even if you just want to sleep late!

WELCOME RECEPTION – Monday, May 6, 1:30-4:30 PM

Our Annual Welcome Reception is one of our favorite events. We enjoy a relaxed environment. Of course, we visit and enjoy refreshments. We have a gift exchange. Our returning members bring a small gift reminiscent of their home city, state, or country. ***New members and first-time attendees don't bring a gift as we are very happy to welcome you to THE WING!***

ARCHITECTURAL BOAT TOUR – Tuesday, May 7, 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Discover the architectural gems of the Windy City from an ideal vantage point on a cruise down the Chicago River. Covering more than 130 years of architectural history, the tour is the perfect opportunity to see a huge area of the city. Enjoy unobstructed views of the city's top attractions and gain an in-depth understanding of local architecture.

ANNUAL WING LUNCHEON & BUSINESS MEETING – Wednesday, May 8, 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM

This year we'll be at McCormick & Schmick's (another Wing favorite). We can walk together or grab a taxi or rideshare. We'll enjoy a lovely meal, discuss a little business and catch up with friends. Our Annual Wing Business meeting will be held in a delightful setting on East Wacker Street. Of course, it's just minutes away from the Chicago Theater, Oriental Theater, Millennium Park, various fun and unique Chicago shops. Please email to: asmawing@gmail.com if you request one of the dietary alternatives by April 19, 2024

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THURSDAY – ALL DAY – Thursday, May 9, Open Hours – ALL DAY

We mentioned The Hyatt Regency Chicago Hotel is a wonderful venue. But we're not sure if we have mentioned how centrally located it is. Chicago has so many activities to offer and our hotel is close to everything! **EVERYTHING!** There is more to do in Chicago than pretty much anywhere else we've been! The weather should be great so bring some good walking shoes. Whether it's shopping on the Magnificent Mile, seeking adventure at the Navy Pier, relaxing at Millennium Park or touring the Chicago museums, it is all your choice. We cannot go wrong. All week we'll see things we want to do or go back to and do again. Watch for upcoming newsletters for things you might want to try or participate in or see! The only thing we can promise is we will not have time to do it all!!

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Hotel images from Hyatt Regency Chicago Hotel's website

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