

## **STATE GAME LANDS TOUR THIS WEEKEND**

Bolivar: Are you looking for something to do this Sunday? Are you interested in learning about habitat and wildlife in Pennsylvania? Are you curious about what State Game Lands are and how they are managed for the benefit of wildlife and people? Do you like to do things that are interesting and FREE?

The Pennsylvania Game Commission's Southwest Region will be hosting a public tour of State Game Lands 108 in northern Cambria County on Sunday, Oct. 8 from 12 noon to 4 p.m. State Game Lands 108 encompasses 23,086 acres. This tour will be a 7.5-mile, self-guided, one-way, driving tour and will highlight mountainous terrain and fall foliage on the Allegheny Front. Items of interest along the tour route include a rehabilitated strip-mined area, which has been converted to small-game habitat. The area also serves as a study area for grassland nesting birds, including the Henslow's sparrow, a grassland species of special concern. Northern harriers and endangered short-eared owls also inhabit the study area. Also highlighted are tree and shrub identification, wildlife habitat food plots and a deer enclosure fence. Each tour participant will be provided a brochure with directions and information about features along the tour route.

The tour begins at the game lands access road three-tenths of a mile north of Frugality, along state Route 53, in White Township. Watch for the sign. The tour will conclude on state Route 865, near Blandburg in Reade Township.

Game Commission land management, forestry, wildlife management, and law-enforcement personnel will be on hand to explain the various habitat improvement projects on this state game lands, and to answer questions.

Hope to see you there!