

Gardeners played an important role in Missouri's Bluebirding History



Raise your hand if you are a Bluebirder who also likes to garden... Yep, we *thought* so!!

Missouri's gardening connection to Bluebirds runs very, very deep. AND, even more compelling is the unique and historical connection Garden Clubs have had in the development of large scale Bluebird Trails and programs across the state. We intend to honor that heritage during our 2015 "Bluebird Banquet" on Friday, July 10th. Join us for a walk



through Missouri's Bluebirding History, acknowledging some pioneering conservation efforts that started in our state, yet resulted in National Bluebird restoration efforts! **Take a look at just a few significant accomplishments:**

- 1942– The Federated Garden Clubs of Missouri assumes responsibility for and officially dedicates **The Missouri Bluebird Trail** consisting of 2,680 nesting boxes!
- 1945– Garden Clubs in 23 states coast to coast had joined the Bluebird Trail effort started in Missouri
- May 9, 1945– **The National Bluebird Trail** was formally dedicated in **Springfield, Missouri!**
 - By 1946– a total of 6,728 nesting boxes had been erected!

We hope you can join us Friday, July 10, 2015 at the Bluebird Banquet in Springfield, Missouri as we honor our states rich Bluebird Heritage!

What will you find in your "Bluebird Educational Packet" at the 2015 Bluebird Conference?

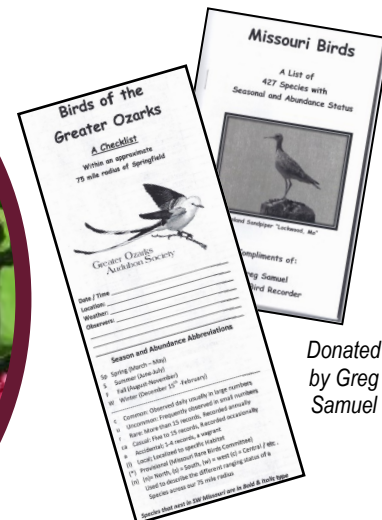
- **Four Color "Quick Reference Guide to Cavity-Nesters"** designed to provide an easy identification of common cavity nesting birds and their nests/eggs. Making it easier to KNOW who's nesting in your box!
- The MOBS Educational Brochure titled **"The Eastern Bluebird: Missouri's State Bird"**
- The terrific MDC Booklet **"Bluebirds in Missouri"**
- **"Missouri Birds"** Booklet donated by the Greater Ozarks Audubon Society Bird Recorder, Greg Samuel.
- **"Birds of the Greater Ozarks"** checklist, also donated by Greg Samuel.
- **NEW!** Step by step **Snake & Raccoon Baffle Plans** complete with pics!
- Nest Box plans, recording forms, various conservation publications, **and MORE!**

The Educational Packet is FREE with your conference registration...Don't MISS it!

FREE to EVERY attendee at the 2015 Bluebird Conference:

24 ounce "MOBS" Water Bottle! They'll also be for Sale in the MOBS Booth .

Look for these New Additions to your 2015 Bluebird Conference Educational Packet:



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