

2012 Missouri Bluebird Conference

July 13-15th, 2012

Jefferson City, Missouri

Featuring:



Brad Jacobs: Missouri Department of Conservation and author of [Birds in Missouri](#)

T. David Pitts: author of [Studying Eastern Bluebirds: A Biologist's Report and Reflections](#)

Kris Leech: Missouri Master Gardener presenting "Gardening for Wildlife"

Rich Stanton: University of Missouri "Can Missouri support a reintroduced population of Brown-headed Nuthatches?"

"Eastern Bluebirds, Nicaragua, and Bird Conservation" Brad Jacobs will share the "Interconnectedness of Bird Populations in the Western Hemisphere, Partnership Building, and Full Life-Cycle Bird Conservation". Brad is an ornithologist and Wildlife Ecologist for the Missouri Department of Conservation. He also serves on a Task Force of the Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies which promotes USA state fish and wildlife agency involvement in on-going bird conservation projects in Latin America and the Caribbean. He is the author of *Birding on the Navajo and Hopi Reservations*; and *Birds in Missouri* Books, and co-authored the *Missouri Breeding Bird Atlas*.

Top-notch research meets Master Story-teller! David Pitts is a Professor, scientist, author, and a researcher who has spent over 40 years investigating Eastern Bluebirds! He has been a recipient of NABS research grants and (to the benefit of bluebirders everywhere) Dr. Pitts has studied some aspects of bluebirds and other cavity-nesters seldom presented in other research. A spectacular photographer and captivating speaker, his programs reflect a wonderful mixture of data and story-telling. A segment of his book is titled: "Biographies of some Individual Bluebirds"!

Speaker programs will be Saturday, July 14, 2012

The conference will also feature
Field Trips, Terrific Food, and a Friday evening Social!

Find out more at: www.missouribluebird.org

Contact Steve or Regina Garr 573-638-2473 steve@birds-i-view.biz



Eastern Bluebird
Photo by Steve Garr



Brown-headed Nuthatch
Photo by Keith Kridler

The Missouri Bluebird Society invites you attend the 7th Annual

Missouri Bluebird Conference

July 13th & 14th, 2012

Jefferson City, Missouri

N.H. Schepper's Distributing Company 2300 Saint Mary's Blvd. (in the "Clydesdale Room")

See our website for Map & Directions or call 573-636-4831, M-F, 9 am-4 pm for directions

Call 573-638-2473 for Steve or Regina Garr for conference information

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Registration for the 2012 Missouri Bluebird Society Conference

Please make Checks payable to:

The Missouri Bluebird Society and mail to: Missouri Bluebird Society/ P.O. BOX 105830 /Jefferson City, MO 65110

Name(s) _____

Street Address : _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code _____

Phone Number _____ Email : _____

Lunch on Saturday, July 14th, a "Bluebird Information Packet", and all Saturday Presentations are included in your Conference Registration Fee

(Lunch will include drink, dessert, and main course options, including vegetarian options. No advance reservations are required for Lunch aside from your paid Conference Registration)

Conference Registration Fees:

Number of Missouri Bluebird Society Members attending _____ X \$20.00/person = \$ _____

Number of Non-members attending: _____ X \$25.00/person = \$ _____

An OPTIONAL Friday Evening Dinner & Social is scheduled for July 13, 2012

Number of people attending the Friday Dinner and Social: _____ X \$20.00 = \$ _____

(Back by Popular Demand, the Dinner will include an UPDATED showing of the "Bluebirds & Friends" dinner presentation!)

TOTAL amount enclosed for Conference Fees/optional Friday Dinner.. \$ _____

Please Note that the conference registration fee does NOT include membership dues

Not yet a Missouri Bluebird Society Member??? Join now and save on your Bluebird Conference Registration Fee! (Please enclose check for dues with this membership application)

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Email: _____

Total \$ amount enclosed for Membership Dues: \$ _____

Membership Levels:

(Mail check to: PO Box 105830/Jefferson City, MO 65110)

____ Individual one year membership \$9.00

____ Individual two year membership \$16.00

____ Family one year membership \$15.00

____ Family two year membership \$28.00

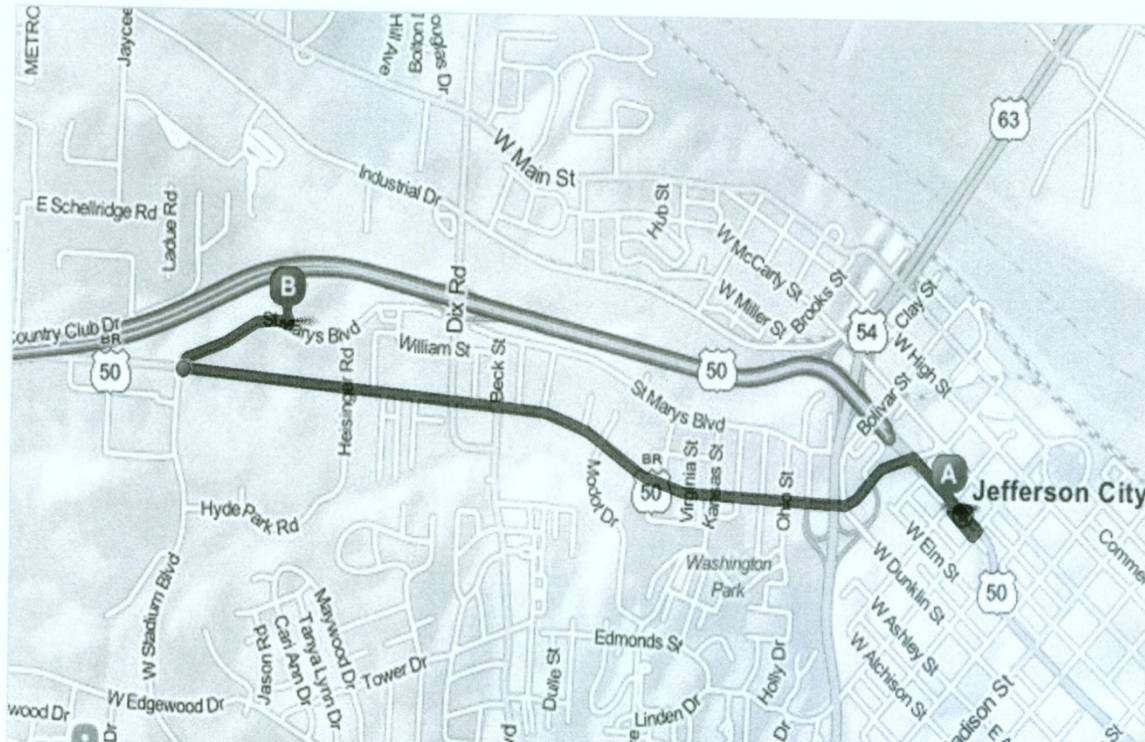
____ DONOR (Annual) \$50.00

____ SUPPORTER (Annual) \$100.00

County _____

2012 Missouri Bluebird Conference Site and Hotel information

Total Travel Estimate: 2.65 miles - about 6 minutes



A. Baymont Inn & Suites (Conference Host Hotel) 319 W. Miller St./ Jefferson City, MO 65101
Phone : 573-636-5231 *Special Rates for “Missouri Bluebird Society” \$59.00/night* plus tax for either a King or two Queens for Friday July 13th and Saturday July 14th. Continental Breakfast included plus microwave and refrigerator in room.

Limited number of Discounted Rooms available- Please reserve your room soon.

****Deadline to reserve rooms at special rate: July 5, 2012 (if rooms are still available)****

B. Conference site: NH Scheppers Distributing (Budweiser Bldg)

2300 Saint Mary's Blvd/ Jefferson City, MO 65109

All Speaker Programs and Lunch on Saturday, July 14th, will take place at this location in the “**Clydesdale Room**”. The Friday Evening “Bluebird Social and Dinner” will also be held in this room. Please call **573-636-4831** if you need Directions.

Local area Field Trips are scheduled for Early Saturday Morning and for the morning of Sunday, July 15th. Please see the MOBS website for more details! www.missouribird.org





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Tentative Schedule July 13th - 15th 2012

NH Schepper's Distributing/Budweiser bldg
2300 Saint Mary's Drive/ Jefferson City, MO

Friday 07/13/12

6:00 pm : Registration table opens to pick up packets and name badges

6:30 -8:30pm: **Bluebird Social and Dinner!** *Get together with Bluebirders & a great meal! Plus , back by popular demand , we will be showing an updated version of the "Bluebirds & Friends" slide show!*

Dinner will be located in the Clydesdale Room of NH Schepper's Distributing (same room as Saturday's Programs)

Please Note: there is an additional fee and you must register ahead of time for this optional group dinner.

Saturday 07/14/12

7:30 am Morning **Field Trip** to Binder Lake (included in conf. registration- Breakfast Snacks and coffee/water/soft drinks provided by MOBS. Meet at Budweiser Bldg Breezeway)

8:30 am Conference Registration Table Opens - pick up Conference Packets

9:00 am **Welcome** by MOBS president Steve Garr; **Annual meeting, and elections**

9:30 am **Brad Jacobs:** "Eastern Bluebirds, Nicaragua, and Bird Conservation"

10:30-11:00 am Break- snacks/coffee & raffle /auction bidding. Visit Vendor Booths.

11:00 am **David Pitts:** "Feathers, Flocks, Flight, Food, & Fat: Winter Ecology of Eastern Bluebirds!"

12:30 **LUNCH!** (Included in the Conference Registration Fee) Plus Raffle/Auction bidding

2:00 pm **Kris Leech:** "Gardening for Wildlife"

3:00- 3:30 pm Break – Raffle/Auction bidding—Snacks! Visit Vendor Booths

4:00 pm **Rich Stanton:** "Can Missouri support a Reintroduced Population of Brown-headed Nuthatches?"

5:00-5:30 pm **Last chance at Raffle & Auction Bidding!** Visit Vendor Booths

5:30 pm **Raffle/Auction closes- Claim your treasures!**

Sunday 07/15/12 **Field Trip to "City Nest Box Trails & Martin Houses"**. Morning Tour of local Jefferson City active nesting trails combined with bird walk. Details TBA.

MOBS Members: How can you help make a Successful & Fun conference?

1. **Contact our Raffle/Silent Auction Chair Larry Dobson, about bringing items for the Raffle/ Auction.** This is our organization's largest source of income for the year, so contributions are appreciated! This helps to fund the next Bluebird Conference. **Contact Larry at : 816-331-2888 or lldobson@aol.com.** If you need to send Raffle/Auction items ahead of time for the conference please make arrangements with Larry. (**see the Auction/Raffle form in the Spring Newsletter**)
2. **Contact Regina Garr** about bringing **REFRESHMENTS** for the Breaks and before the Field Trip on Saturday. We need finger food (cookies, muffins, brownies, crackers, fruit, etc). We also need folks to help set up and man the refreshment table (ie keep it stocked, cover & uncover food, etc). **Contact Regina at: 573-638-2473 or regina@birds-i-view.biz**