July 15–16, 2017
The 2017 Missouri Bluebird Conference
At the Warsaw Community Building
Located at Drake Harbor on the beautiful Lake of the Ozarks!
818 W. Harrison
Warsaw, MO  65355

Come help us celebrate the 2nd Decade of the Missouri Bluebird Society!

The 2017 Missouri Bluebird Conference will feature

Bob & Judy Peak
“White Bluebird Eggs” & “Curiosities in the Bluebird World”
Volunteers extraordinaire from Kentucky, Bob and Judy Peak are retired Indiana public school teachers who have monitored and managed extensive bluebird trails on public lands in western Kentucky and Tennessee for the past 27 nesting seasons. The Peaks currently have 230 bluebird nest boxes within Land Between the Lakes National Recreation Area and Lake Barkley State Resort Park, close to their home in Cadiz, Kentucky. They have documented over 32,000 Eastern Bluebird fledglings, as well as other bird species. Bob & Judy have been members of the North American Bluebird Society since 1990 and members of the Missouri Bluebird Society since 2011. We look forward to their presentations during the Conference!

Dana Ripper & Ethan Duke
“Birds as Educational Tools”
Directors of the Missouri River Bird Observatory, Dana, Ethan and their staff conduct education and outreach throughout Missouri, in both formal and informal applied settings. Each year they participate in approximately 70 educational events, as well as conducting bird monitoring on thousands of acres within Missouri’s most imperiled habitats. They work with the land managers and landowners to further understand specific effects of birds. MRBO presents programs for all levels of education, with the motto: “A Bird in the Hand is Worth More Than Two in the Bush...for Learning!

Steve Garr-MOBS President
“Bluebird Basics”
Steve is a past President, Vice-President and Board Member of the North American Bluebird Society, and is a life member of that organization. He is the current President of the Missouri Bluebird Society. Steve and his wife, Regina were honored to be recipients of the NABS “John & Nora Lane Award” for Outstanding Contributions in the area of Bluebird Conservation. Steve spent nine years as the Bluebird Columnist for the Nature Society News. Much of Steve’s research has been focused on “Bringing Bluebirds Back to the City”. The Garrs have spent many years committed to helping our native cavity nesting songbirds prosper! They are the owners of Birds-I-View, a wonderful store for bird enthusiasts, in Jefferson City, MO
The Missouri Bluebird Society invites you to attend the
2017 Missouri Bluebird Conference    July 14th—15th, 2017
Warsaw Community Building, 818 W. Harrison, Warsaw, MO  65355
See our website for Map & Directions or call 816-331-2888 or 816-716-5387 for directions and
Conference Information--Larry Dobson, Conference Chair
www.missouribluebird.org

Registration for the 2017 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   Deadline to Register: June 23, 2017

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Street Address :________________________________________________________________________________________________________________________________________
City:__________________________________State:_________ Zip Code___________________

Phone Number____________________________Email :______________ ____________________

Included in your Conference Registration Fee: Lunch on Saturday, July 15th, a “Bluebird Information Packet”, all Saturday Presentations, as well as the Saturday evening Social & Picnic on the shore of Lake of the Ozarks and the Sunday morning Field trip to the Lost Valley Fish Hatchery outside Warsaw (Bluebird Trail walk and private tour of the Hatchery—MDC’s largest & newest Hatchery)
No advance reservations are required for Lunch aside from your paid Conference Registration)

- **Conference Registration Fees:**
  - Number of Missouri Bluebird Society Members attending   ______  X $18.00/person   =     $________
  - Number of Non-members attending:                      ___________ X $25.00/person   =   $________
  - Number of Children under 12 years of age attending with a paid adult_________________________ X $13.00/child    =    $________

- **An OPTIONAL Friday Evening Dinner & Social is scheduled for July 14, 2017**
  - Number of Members attending the Friday Dinner and Social: _______  X $20.00 if also attending Saturday= $________
  - OR: ___________ X $28.00 if ONLY attending Friday Dinner =$________

- **Saturday Evening Picnic**: No Additional Charge (with your paid conference registration) however it is very important to register to attend.                      ________________ Number attending:_______

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
- NEW Life Membership (family) $175.00
County_________________________________
2017 Missouri Bluebird Conference
July 15th—16th  Tentative Schedule

Friday, July 14, 2017 Bluebird Banquet! Warsaw Community Building
6:00 pm...arrive for Social Time (may also pick up conference packets/Name Tags)
6:30 pm....“Bluebird Banquet” Buffet Dinner: guest speakers Bob & Judy Peak—“White Bluebird Eggs”

Saturday, July 15, 2017  Warsaw Community Building, Warsaw, MO

8:15-9:00 am….Pick up conference Packets & Name Tags! (drop off any dishes, desserts or snacks you may have made for the conference)
9:00 am.......Welcome by MOBS President, Steve Garr and Missouri Bluebird Society Annual Meeting and Elections
9:30–11:30…..Program Speakers (and Auction/Raffle and Bluebirder Fellowship!)
“Curiosities in the Bluebird World” Bob & Judy Peak
12:00–1:00 pm…LUNCH! (and Auction/Raffle/ Fellowship)
1:15-3:00 ............Program Speakers
3:00–3:30 pm….Break (place final bids on Auction)
4:00-5:00 pm…..Pick up and Pay for Auction/Raffle items
5:00 pm.........break down and exit conference site
7:00 pm….Saturday evening Social: Picnic at Shelter House #2
Below Truman Dam on the Lake of the Ozarks—Directions will be given at the Conference—you will have time to enjoy the many walking trails along the water, and practice your bird-watching skills!

Sunday, July 16th, 2017  Lost Valley Fish Hatchery

8:00–9:15 a.m. ....“Bluebird Trail Walk” at Lost Valley Fish Hatchery
9:30 a.m.--Private tour of Lost Valley Fish Hatchery, MODC’s largest hatchery and one of the largest in the United States- located outside Warsaw, 28232 Hatchery Road.

MOBS Members: How can you help make a Successful & Fun conference?
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. Please take time to fill out this form and send it to Larry, or email him the information about your Contributions to the Silent Auction. Larry Dobson/P.O. Box 665/ Peculiar, MO 64078

NAME ________________________________________________________ Phone: ______________________
Complete address: ______________________________________________________
Raffle/Auction item descriptions AND approx. value of each item: ____________________________
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Please Note: Hotel Options and Contact Information on Pg. 4

Note to Attendees:
Please bring a dessert to share at the Banquet and/or for the Day/Evening Saturday events.

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2017 Missouri Bluebird Conference
Hotel & Area Information

Parkfield Inn-Warsaw (preferred hotel)
151 N. Dam Access Road, Warsaw, MO 65355  660-438-2474
Rates: (2 per room) Sunday thru Thursday: $75 -- Friday-Sat.: $85

Other Lodging Options:
Numerous hotels and RV parks are available in the Warsaw area.
Use this website to obtain names and numbers:
   www.visitbentoncomo.com  for a listing of available options- use the “where to stay” tab

For information about activities and attractions in the area, visit these websites:
   www.visitbentoncomo.com --use the “attractions” tab
   www.warsawchamberofcommerce.com
   www.welcometowarsaw.com

   Truman Lake and Lake of the Ozarks are both located on the outskirts of Warsaw, with fishing, boating, and other water sports galore. The Truman Lake Visitors Center is also accessible, along with a golf course, marinas, hiking and biking trails and woods filled with birds and wildlife. Warsaw is the county seat of Benton County, with a vibrant downtown area of antique stores, restaurants and small town charm, right on the shores of Lake of the Ozarks. The entire countryside is filled with beautiful scenery, small and large waterways and the way of life revolves around a good day of fishing in two of the best fishing lakes in the U.S. Visit the unique historical town of Cole Camp, a center of German cuisine and shops. Plan extra time in your trip to the Bluebird Conference to stay and enjoy this lovely part of Missouri and its many cultural and natural amenities.

Come celebrate with us!

Top Left: The Warsaw Community Building, site of the 2017 Missouri Bluebird Conference in downtown Warsaw.

Bottom Left: Aerial view of Truman Lake at top, Truman Dam in the middle and below dam are the shores of Lake of the Ozarks, where the Saturday night social & picnic will be held at Shelter House #2!