### 2021

# Missouri Bluebird Conference! BLUEBI July 9th—11th Jefferson City, MO

Saturday Programs and Boxed Lunch will be held at the spacious

**Lincoln University Carver Farm** (3804 Bald Hill Road, Jefferson City, MO)
The Saturday Bird Walks, Tours, and Social/cook out and Sunday gathering will be held at the beautiful "**Mockingbird Hill**" (3215 Zion Road in Jefferson City)

**Friday Evening Tour** of Lincoln University's Aquaculture facility on Bald Hill Road in Jefferson City. The Tour, led by Dr. Jim Wetzel, will be from 5-6 pm. Limited to first 20 individuals to register for this tour



Special Zoom Presentation by State Ornithologist Sarah Kendrick Friday, July 9th, 7:00 pm

"Missouri Brown-headed Nuthatch Reintroduction"

*Virtual program only—information for participation will be emailed at the appropriate time.* 

# Saturday, July 10th LU Carver Farm facility

# Conference Welcome, Speaker Programs, Boxed Lunch

8:30 am—1:00 pm Limited to first 60 individuals to register for this portion
Speaker presentations will include "How to get a Birdie on the golf course", Involving young people in birding and conservation activities, Bluebird Basics, and Exploring the effects of severe Winter weather on our native cavity-nesting birds (particularly Eastern Bluebirds).

We will depart the Carver Farm facility immediately after lunch concludes. *Please note that due to the limited amount of time at this venue, there will not be a Silent Auction this year.* 

However there will be a raffle of a limited number of items already secured by our Auction/Raffle chairs. If any members would like to bring items to the conference as in years past, please know they will be welcomed as door prizes throughout the conference venues. Just bring the item with you to any of the events—MOBS will not have any forms for you to fill out and please do not send items ahead to anyone for the conference.

## Saturday afternoon and Sunday morning Socials



Join us at Mockingbird Hill, the wonderful property owned by MOBS' members Norm and Beth Stucky. We will arrive at 2 pm Saturday, July 10th, for a variety of social, birding and field trip activities as well as our traditional picnic.

Please note there is an additional nominal fee for this portion of the conference this year (see registration form). We invite attendees to register for the entire conference, or only for those portions they

wish to attend. **Sunday, July 11th** from 8am–10:30 am those who wish to do so are invited to again gather at Mockingbird Hill for Bird Walks, tours and social time.



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Lincoln University's George Washington Carver Farm, 3804 Bald Hill Road, Jefferson City, MO 65101
Directions: go to: <a href="http://www.lincolnu.edu/web/cooperative-research/carver-farm-directions">http://www.lincolnu.edu/web/cooperative-research/carver-farm-directions</a>
Contact Steve & Regina Garr at 573-638-2473 or steve@birds-i-view.biz for conference information

#### **Conference Hotel Options:**

Best Western Plus Capital Inn 573-635-4175 1937 Christy Drive Jefferson City, Missouri 65101

Holiday Inn and Suites 573-658-9077 1590 Jefferson Street Jefferson City, MO 65109

Both Hotels are centrally located to all conference events and are within .70 mile of each other despite different zip codes!

Safety Protocol: We will follow the policies set by each individual venue. Currently, at all venues masks are optional.



# 2021 Missouri Bluebird Conference **Presenters and Programs!**

#### **Special Zoom Presentation**

Friday, July 9th, 7:00 pm

Missouri's State Ornithologist, Sarah Kendrick

#### **Missouri Brown-headed Nuthatch Reintroduction**

Sarah provides strategic guidance for state, regional, and national avian conservation planning; technical bird expertise for the Department and partners, where necessary; and coordinates statewide bird outreach activities....such as the reintroduction of a very special

little cavity -nesting bird: the Brown-headed Nuthatch! Join in this virtual program to learn more about this charming Nuthatch species and to discover what was involved in bringing this bird

back to Missouri where it had been absent for over a century! Virtual program only



# Saturday, July 10th Lincoln University's Carver Farm facility

### **Keeping Kids Curious!** Austin Lambert

Children are naturally curious about the outdoors. Time spent in nature allows children to test their physical limits, engage their senses, practice emotional regulation, and is an important part of healthy psychological and physical development. It is also a vital step in cultivating our next generation of conservation stewards. Let's discuss activities, routines, and philosophies to not only keeps kids curious about nature, but to help their curiosity flourish.

**Austin Lambert** is a Naturalist with the Missouri Department of Conservation at Runge Nature Center in Jefferson City. A strong passion for nature and birds has led to career spanning 15 years while working in Illinois, Alaska, his home state of Iowa, and

Missouri. He also enjoys studying butterflies, dragonflies, native plants, natural communities, and sharing his passion for the outdoors with others, especially his family. FYI...Austin will also be one of our Bird Walk

Leaders during our social time and field trips at Mockingbird Hill. You won't want to miss that!



#### How to get a Birdie on a Golf Course

Ron Darling This presentation will describe a sequence of tasks to establish a Bluebird Trail at a golf course. The tasks are **based on Ron's experience to implement** trails on three courses in the Lake of the Ozarks area.

Be prepared to be a field bluebird advocate and leave the clubs at home.

Ron can be described generally as a lifetime Mark Trail type person. Retired since 2010 from managing environmental programs at the City of St. Peters, MO for 20 years. This allowed extra time to volunteer on tasks including bluebird trails, chair of the

Hazelwood City Green Committee, and a member of the Cedar Glen Condo Board of Directors and Lake Bloomers Gardening Club. Ron is currently a member of the Missouri Recycling Association AND... a lifetime member of **MOBS. Thanks Ron!** 

Bluebird Basics! The Essentials of being a good host to the

Bluebirds...presented by Missouri Bluebird Society members and filled with insights and PRACTICAL information. Always an attendee-favorite part of the Bluebird Conference! This year's "Bluebird Basics" program will have a special section on Bluebirds in Extreme weather conditions. Given the winterkill losses experienced by many bluebirders in February of 2021, we have reached out to a variety of experienced bluebirders for information and advice. Come learn what folks have shared with us.



# 2021 Missouri Bluebird Conference Bird Walks, Tours, and Guides

Friday, July 9th 5:00 – 6:00 pm Lincoln University's Aquaculture facility on Bald Hill Road in Jefferson City. Limited to first 20 individuals to register for this tour.

Dr. Jim Wetzel, an Associate Professor of Animal Science in the



Department of Agriculture & Environmental Science, will lead the tour. He teaches aquaculture-related animal science courses and his research primarily focuses on development of sunfishes for food production. He has published over 25 research articles.

**Plus-Jim is a birder!** So be prepared to hear a bit about some of the bird species he has seen at the facility and bring your binoculars for the outdoor portion of the tour. Note: The aquaculture facility and tour are located just across the road and down the hill from the Carver farm bldg, at 3804 Bald Hill Rd where our Saturday morning meeting and presentations occur. Entrance will be marked.

Saturday, July 10th 2 pm (walks and tours) 5:30 pm Picnic Sunday, July 11th 8:00 am—10:30 am Mockingbird Hill, Jefferson City

Come BIRD with us.....and Socialize ...and Eat!

#### **Beth and Norm Stucky**

Our generous hosts! MOBS thanks you for sharing your home.



A "Bluff Overlook", a Wetlands area, a flourishing Purple Martin colony and Bluebird trails...Mockingbird Hill is a haven for wildlife that grows more engaging each year.

Our wonderful hosts, Norm and Beth Stucky, have lovingly tended this special place and generously share what they have learned and implemented as we tour this inspiring property.

# Austin Lambert

is a naturalist at Runge Conservation Center where he leads MANY bird walks and engages



nature enthusiasts of all skill levels. He has a fantastic ear for the birds, but also a love for native plants, butterflies, dragonflies, and natural communities. ... making him a wealth of information and fun on a bird walk!

We are honored to have Greg Samuel leading us again on bird walks around this spectacular habitat. Greg is the Field Trip Chair and Bird Recorder for the Greater Ozarks Audubon Society, and Vice-President and Nesting Data chair for the Missouri Bluebird Society. He is a skilled yet very approachable birder and a great teacher!



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### The Missouri Bluebird Society invites you attend the

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Lincoln University's Carver Farm, 3804 Bald Hill Rd, Jefferson City, MO 65109 and Mockingbird Hill, 3215 Zion Rd, Jefferson City, MO 65109
See Conference Brochure for directions For Conference info: Contact Steve and Regina: 573-638-2473

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