

Maryland Bluebird Society

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2008 PICNIC

Our August 9th Picnic is being held at Black Hill Regional Park in Boyds, MD from 2-6 PM. Public is invited and children are welcome. You need not be a bluebird expert to attend. Please download the invitation (available soon) and RSVP by August 2nd.



Spring 2007- Spring 2008 Accomplishments

The Maryland Bluebird Society (MBS) website underwent a redesign and now includes a podcast. This can be viewed by searching "Maryland Bluebird" in the podcast **POD** section of iTunes or by accessing it through your web browser on our web site. We have had several MBS board meetings and had our first annual picnic which was open to the public. Board member Ed Escalante held public presentations on Bluebirds at Black Hill Regional Park. The Frederick News-Post ran a story about board member, Kathy Kremnitzer, and her work on the Betty Nichols trail dedication project for Middletown, MD. The story was also picked up by the AP Newswire.



This One's For You, Betty!

MBS has been working in conjunction with the Frederick County Division of Parks and Recreation to dedicate the bluebird trail at Middletown Park in honor of its founder, Betty Nichols. Betty established the trail in 1993 and maintained it until shortly before her death in 2003. MBS founding member, Fawzi Emad, recalls discussions with Betty on the formation of a bluebird society for Maryland on many occasions but Betty passed away before this could be realized. Fawzi says that the Maryland Bluebird Society exists today because of Betty's devotion to her beloved bluebirds.

News & Notes:

Betty Nichols Bluebird Trail Dedication: MBS's proposal to name the Middletown Park trail in honor of Betty Nichols was unanimously approved by the Frederick County Commissioners on 3/25. A dedication ceremony is planned for Saturday, April 19th at 10:30 a.m. at Middletown Park. All are invited to attend. Directions to the park will be posted on our web site soon.

You may join or **renew your membership to the MBS** by visiting our website. Options include using Paypal or you may print the online membership application, complete it and mail it with your check.

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www.nabluebirdsociety.org

www.sialis.org

To learn more about bluebirds and bluebirders in our area, visit the Maryland Bluebird Society at:

www.mdbluebirdsociety.org



Nestbox cam photo of Bluebird by Ed Escalante

MBS board members Ed Escalante and John Corgan have set up a remote night vision bluebird nest box camera. The camera is located on the ceiling of the nest box and can 'see' in the dark. Photos taken by the camera can be seen in the 'Monitoring' section of the MBS web site.



Summer 2007 picnic and presentation