



DODGE NATURE CENTER BLUEBIRD NEST BOX MONITORING CLASS



Each spring thousands of beautiful little bluebirds return to Minnesota from Kansas and Missouri looking for nest sites to raise their young. That's where we come in by providing them nest boxes and weekly monitoring to insure their safety from the time the first egg is laid until the little ones fledge.

BECOME A DODGE NATURE CENTER – SHEPARD FARM BLUEBIRD VOLUNTEER

Get in on the ground floor of monitoring and maintaining a new bluebird trail at Shepard Farm in Cottage Grove. From April to August bluebirds and their competitors will be nesting in these boxes. In order to keep bluebirds safe and record their nesting progress the boxes need to be monitored on a weekly basis.

COME JOIN OUR MONITORING CLASS:

- Just want to learn about Bluebirds, this class is for you no commitment beyond learning.
- We'll learn how to check the nest boxes, determine who is using the box by nest type.
- Cover the things we as volunteers need to do to keep bluebirds safe during the nesting period.
- We'll talk about competitor bird species and predators – other birds, mammals and insects.
- We'll identify where the nest box trail is at Shepard Farm.
- How we record what we find each week and reporting it to BBRP at season end.

BLUEBIRDING 101 – TRAIL MONITORING AT SHEPARD FARM

WHEN: April 7, 2022, 6:30 – 8 pm

WHERE: Dodge Nature Center – Shepard Farm, 8946 70th Street S, Cottage Grove, MN

RSVP: send an email to bluebirdsafe@gmail.com – your name & contact information is all we need

QUESTIONS: email questions to bluebirdsafe@gmail.com

INSTRUCTOR: David Schmidt- - Minnesota Bluebird Recovery Program & Minnesota Master Naturalist Instructor

This class is presented in cooperation with the following nature based organizations:

