



BLUEBIRD NEST BOX MONITORING CLASS - RURAL FARMINGTON TRAIL

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 ensure their safety** from the time the first egg is laid until the little ones fledge.

BECOME A FARMINGTON BLUEBIRD VOLUNTEER

A well-established rural Farmington Bluebird trail is looking for new volunteers to monitor and maintain it. 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 in rural Farmington.
- How we record what we find each week and reporting it to BBRP at season end.

Your participation can be as simple as visiting the trail once a month for an hour.

BLUEBIRDING 101 – TRAIL MONITORING IN RURAL FARMINGTON

WHEN: Tuesday, April 5; 6:30 – 8:00pm

WHERE: Dakota County Library Farmington, 508 3rd Street, Farmington, 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- Dakota Co. Coordinator – Minnesota Bluebird Recovery Program & MN Master Naturalist

This class is
presented
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based organizations:

