



Bluebirds Across Nebraska

BLUEBIRDS ACROSS NEBRASKA 16TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE

APRIL 9 - 10, 2010

PONCA STATE PARK

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Friday, April 9

6:00 PM Social Hour, 7:00 PM Dinner
Entertainment following dinner by Al Batt

Saturday April 10

8:00 AM Registration Begins
9:00 AM – 4:30 PM Conference Speakers

GUEST SPEAKERS

AL BATT of rural Hartland, Minnesota, is a nationally known writer, speaker, storyteller, and humorist. Al writes a number of nationally syndicated cartoon strips including "Dennis the Menace," "Marmaduke," and "The Lockhorns." In addition, he writes several weekly humor and nature columns for many newspapers and does a regular radio show about nature. Wild Bird Magazine's "Birder of the Year" is just one of the many awards he has received. Al will share many of his humorous stories both at the dinner on Friday evening and on Saturday.

JEFF FIELDS is the Superintendent of Ponca State Park. Situated astride the picturesque Missouri River bluffs in northeastern Nebraska, Ponca State Park is the eastern gateway to the 59-mile section of the Missouri National Recreational River. Jeff will present "The Past, Present and Future of Ponca State Park."

DUANE IWEN is a retired Omaha Public School elementary principal. He is a Lauritzen Gardens Emeritus Board of Directors member and currently serves as the Speaker's Bureau Coordinator. Duane will share the story of the beautiful botanical garden in Omaha.

KEITH RADEL is an experienced and enthusiastic bluebirder from Faribault, Minnesota. He is an active board member of the successful Minnesota Bluebird Recovery Program and serves as coordinator for two large counties. Keith has garnered a wealth of knowledge from over 20 years of personal hands-on experience on his own trail and shares it in a way that inspires and motivates novice and veteran bluebirders alike.

SANDY SEIBERT has served as president of Bluebirds Across Nebraska since 2003. She is the owner of Backyard Birds, a wild bird feeding store in Omaha, and appears monthly on a nature related call-in radio show. In her talk entitled "Why the Bluebird?", Sandy will delve into the history of the eastern bluebird and why bluebirds bring so much happiness.

For more information contact Sandy Seibert, 402-334-8691, wseibert2@cox.net, or Steve Eno, 402-783-3011, cleno@aol.com.

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REGISTRATION FORM – (To receive the discounted pricing, registrations must be postmarked by April 1.)
 Complete this form and return with full payment (check or money order payable to BAN) to:
 Sandy Seibert, 2115 So 114th St, Omaha, NE 68144, (wseibert2@cox.net).

Name(s) _____

Address _____ County _____

City/St _____ Zip _____ Home Phone _____

E-mail Address _____ Date _____

	Price per person Before April 1	Price per person After April 1 and Walk-Ins	No. of people	Total price
DINNER - Friday, April 9				
Social Hour – 6:00 PM				
Dinner - 7:00 PM	\$15.00	\$20.00	_____	\$ _____
Entertainment following dinner				
 CONFERENCE – Saturday, April 10				
Registration begins at 8:00 AM				
Speakers – 9:00 AM to 4:30 PM	\$20.00 w/lunch	\$25.00 w/lunch	_____	\$ _____

I would like a table for: _____ display _____ sales
 (No charge) (Item for auction/raffle)

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$ _____

ACCOMODATIONS

Cabins – 2 bedroom cabins in Ponca State Park are \$96.14/per night. Call 402-755-2284 for reservations.

Area Motels – Trails Inn, 117 Nebraska St., Ponca, NE, 402-755-2237. You must register before April 1. Mention the BAN conference for a rate of \$71.83 per night. There are also several motels in South Sioux City, Nebraska approximately 30 miles away.

Campground – Camping available in Ponca State Park. Call 402-755-2284 for reservations.

Meals –

Friday Dinner – Clover Honey Glazed Midwest Ham, Chicken Parmigiana, potatoes, vegetables, salad, bread, pie, beverages

Saturday Lunch – Sandwich Bar including assorted breads, meats and cheeses, also Sonoma chicken salad, condiments, chips, fresh baked cookies, beverages

You can help the volunteers with the set up of the conference by donating your raffle and auction items in advance. Items can be given or mailed to any officer. Items will also be accepted the day of the conference.