## Please read at least # 1 & 2 below

- 1) For NJ Bluebird Society: fill in form below, then print and mail with payment.

  Note: This form can be filled in using your computer/phone keyboard. Please use this method.
- 2) While not mandatory, we encourage members of NJ Bluebird Society (NJBBS) to also join the North American Bluebird Society (NABS). <Click this link to join NABS.

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## 3) UNDERSTANDING **NJBBS** AND **NABS** and WHY IT IS IMPORTANT TO SUPPORT BOTH ORGANIZATIONS?

In the past, there has been some confusion regarding memberships in New Jersey Bluebird Society (NJBBS) and North American Bluebird Society (NABS). Hopefully this will clarify.



**NJBBS** represents the State perspective. NJBBS is one of 61 chapters affiliated with NABS. We have approximately 160 members in our organization. The NJBBS is the "boots on the ground" that benefit bluebirds directly by working with people and organizations to promote bluebirds in our State. We build the boxes, conduct onsite visits, monitor many of the boxes and help to educate the public about bluebirds, including coordination with landlords that host bluebird boxes on their property.



**NABS** represents the National perspective. NABS works hand in hand with the affiliate organizations to support their efforts by providing educational material, conducting research to benefit bluebirds in North America and help coordinate national conferences. Our Canadian affiliates coordinate closely with the US affiliates to make NABS what it is today. NABS has a membership of over 1700 (and growing) people. NJ as a State, ranks second only to the Bluebird Society of Pennsylvania in the number of members in NABS.

NJBBS has representation (Bernadine Visalli) on NABS' Board of Directors. She, along with Lori Jo Jamieson, participate on various NABS committees - Lori Jo and Bernnie on the Journal Advisory Committee and Bernnie on the Education Committee.

Membership in both NJBBS and NABS is important. Both are important organizations, both deserve your support. The combined cost of membership in both organizations is nominal – currently as little as \$40 (individual) and \$50 (family) per year. That is a bargain for what you receive. NABS publishes a professional periodical "Bluebird" every 3 months. NJBBS publishes a computer generated newsletter "Jersey Blues" in the spring and fall of each year.

NABS offers a number of membership options (see the back of their periodical "Bluebird") including single memberships for \$25 per year. For first time subscribers only, NABS offers a special \$15 one year, one-time introductory membership for affiliate members only.

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New Terse,	a nonprofit organization dedicated to the recovery and conservation of the Eastern Bluebird.	Name:  (Additional Family N  Address:  City:	ames):	State	ZIP:	
The Society will work toward this goal by:						
* promoting Bluebird conservation projects among members and interested groups.		County:				
* conducting educational programs and workshops.		Phone:				
*encouraging and aid of nest box trails.	ding in the establishment	Email:				
* collecting and sharing nesting data. Company Name:						
We do not share or sell our membership list.  NJBBS is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization  □ New Member □ Renewal □ Gift Membership - Gift From  New Jersey Bluebird Society (NJBBS): we include your entire family in your membership  Individual/Family: □ 1 yr \$15, □ 3 yr \$40, Additional Donation: \$  Fill in All above (below-optional) then print form and mail with payment to:  NJ Bluebird Society  PO Box 1031  Barnegat, NJ 08005-9998 (Check payable to: New Jersey Bluebird Society)						
Nest Box Set-ups: cost \$50 each, maximum Set-ups 2 Box Set-up includes: Nesting Box, Predator Guard, Conduit Mounting Post						
Volunteers	Please consider checking one or more volunteer area. Someone will discuss with you, your interest or questions with NO PRESSURE, just friendly talk.  □ Organization: county coordinator, advisory board, officer-must be member 1 yr  □ Publications: website, newsletter, fliers, photographer, etc  □ Education/Public Relations: schools, environmental groups, local newspaper  □ Bluebird Care: monitor boxes/trails, help establish trails, data collection  □ Bluebird Boxes: build/repair, donate box material/supplies  □ Other-please describe					