## **Mission Statement of the VBS**

The Virginia Bluebird Society (VBS) began in 1996 with a network of bluebird trails in northern Virginia.

We have been working since 1999 to establish a statewide network of bluebird trails to include:

\*support for organizations and individuals running existing bluebird trails...

\*encouragement for the establishment of new trails...

\*promotion of the welfare of all cavity nesters...

\*creation of a consistent protocol for the monitoring of bluebird trails...

\*becoming a resource for data collection in the state of Virginia, with the

\*creation of County Chairmen to collect and send data from their area to The VBS.

The Virginia Bluebird Society is a chapter of VSO, the Virginia Society of Ornithology and an affiliate of NABS, the North American Bluebird Society and is a, private, not-for-profit organization incorporated under the laws of Virginia.

The Virginia Bluebird Society (VBS) is a new, private, not-forprofit organization taking the necessary steps to incorporate under the laws of the State of Virginia. We are a chapter of The Virginia Society of Ornithology (VSO) in an effort to create a strong statewide network of bluebird trails and to benefit from each other's knowledge and experience.

We support the common goals of promoting the welfare of cavity nesters and creating a consistent protocol for monitoring our bluebird trails.

Our goal is to become a resource for bluebird trail data collection for The North American Bluebird Society (NABS) throughout the state by using County chairmen that send data to VBS, VSO and NABS. In this way we hope to promote and keep the legacy of well established bluebird trails in the state of Virginia alive.