

## **CREATING AWARENESS**

In 1964 there were only an estimated 600 nesting bluebird pairs left in the state. The decline was most likely due to multiple factors, e.g., changing agricultural practices, competition with English sparrows and starlings, weather, lack of suitable nest cavities, and habitat loss. Each year BRAW members' nest boxes alone fledge thousands of bluebirds, plus numerous tree swallows, chickadees and other birds.