

Contributors



Rick Cech has been a frequent contributor to NABA, as an editor of an early NABA publication and as a frequent writer and photographer for *American Butterflies*. He is the principal co-author and photographer of *Butterflies of the East Coast: An Observer's Guide* (in press), available May 2005. He

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Joann Karges, a university librarian, now retired, renewed her childhood interest and began studying butterflies and moths seriously over 30 years ago. In 1994 she founded the Tarrant County Butterfly Society (now a NABA

chapter) and spends much of her time giving workshops and slide shows/talks on butterflies and butterfly gardening. Joann is the author of *Nabokov's Lepidoptera: Genres and Genera* (1985).

Jeffrey Glassberg's brief biographical sketch appeared in the Fall 2003 issue of *American Butterflies*.



Father Tom Pincelli, a 24 year Rio Grande Valley resident, has been an avid birder for the past 35 years. He currently serves on the Board of the American Birding Association as Chairman of the Conventions, Conferences and Tours Commit-

tee. He also writes a weekly syndicated column, "Wingbeat" for the three major Rio Grande Valley newspapers. Fr. Tom was recently appointed a Board Member of the World Birding Center in Mission, Texas. Two years ago he became a dyed in the wool butterflyer and patrols the Valley with one eye on the sky and the other on every flowering bush in the four county area.

Michael Reese's brief biographical sketch appeared in the Summer 2004 issue of *American Butterflies*.

Ann Swengel is Director of the NABA National Butterfly Count Program and coordinator of NABA's Program for Butterfly Gardens & Habitats. With her husband Scott, Ann conducts research on prairie and barrens butterfly populations and is the author of numerous scientific publications related to butterfly population biology. She also enjoys butterfly gardening in her own backyard.



Rita Venable is the founder of the NABA-Mid Tennessee chapter and is a freelance outdoor writer, photographer and speaker specializing in non-game wildlife and outdoor recreation. She has published in newspapers, magazines, and literary publications on topics including butterflying, birding, wildlife viewing, biking, and hiking. Until recently, she was the editor of NABA's *Butterfly Gardener*. She is currently working on a book about Tennessee butterflies.

