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Co) (2), 11 Dec (EWW); RamseyL SP (Fayette Co) (2), 15 Jan (TAM, DMK); RendL (2), 17 Dec (KAM); Volo Bog SNA (Lake Co), 9 Dec (BJS); Waterman (DeKalb Co), 26 Feb (NB); Batavia (Kane Co), 17 Dec (EES); *Rock Island* (4 Jan (KJM, MBr); w. *Kankakee*, 5 Jan (JBH); Aroma Park (Kankakee Co) (2), 19 Feb (JBH); Allin Twp (McLean Co) (2), 15 Jan (APC, GHR); Forrest City (Mason Co), 29 Jan (KAM); Champaign, 25 Feb (CKA); *Greene*, 9 Dec (KAM); *Montgomery*, 26 Jan (KAM); EForkL, 4 Dec (EWW).

Mourning Dove

MC: 600, CarlL-C, 4 Dec (DMK); 349, QC, 18 Dec (KJM, SBH, CDM, JLM, m.ob.); 188, *Pulaski*, 28 Dec (JAS, JIN); 120, *Henry*, 13 Dec (KJM); 63, LShel-S, 2 Jan (DMK); 34, *Mercer*, 15 Dec (TM, JSg, DFH, m.ob.).
Others: *Alexander* (101), 28 Dec (KJM); *Carroll* (85), 21 Jan (EWW); *Union* (83), 29 Dec (KJM); *St. Clair* (55), 13 Dec (KAM); *SouthFarms* (52), 17 Dec (SDB, GSL, RK); *RendL* (36), 17 Dec (KAM); *Whiteside & Rock Island* (32), 22 Dec (KJM, LB, m.ob.); *Whiteside & Lee* (30), 24 Dec (DA, DHh, m.ob.); *Rock Island* (28), 26 Dec (CDM, JLM, m.ob.); *Perry* (24), 27 Dec (KJM).

Barn Owl

DuPage. 30 Jan-29 Feb (JAS, SDB, PAM, m.ob.:ph); CarlL-C (♂), 28 Feb (MSS, MS).

Eastern Screech-Owl

MC: 8, *GreenR*, 24 Dec (KJM); 8, *Rock Island*, 26 Dec (KJM, CAT, m.ob.); 6, *Ogle*, 18 Dec (DTW); 5, *Alexander*, 28 Dec (KJM); 4, *Woodford*, 31 Dec (KJM, TRE); *Urbana* (4), 17 Dec (SDB, GSL).
Others: *KArb* (4), 31 Dec (DTW); *Whiteside & Rock Island* (4), 22 Dec (KJM, LB, m.ob.); *QC* (4), 18 Dec (KJM, SBH, CDM, JLM, m.ob.); *Carroll* (3), 20 Dec (KJM, DA, MBr, m.ob.); *DuPage* (3), 18 Dec (RAM, ALM, JPL, m.ob.); *Palos* (Cook Co) (3), 28 Jan (JIN, JAS); *DuPage* (2 sites), 12 Feb (SDB, PAM, JAS); *Mercer* (2), 3 Jan (KJM, MBr); *RendL* (2), 17 Dec (KAM); *UCCA* (2), 29 Dec (SDB, PAM).

Great Horned Owl

MC: 12, *Lee*, 24 Dec (KJM); 10, *QC*, 18 Dec (BLB, CB, MBr, m.ob.); 7, *Alexander*, 28 Dec (SDB, PAM); 4, *Mercer*, 3 Jan (KJM, MBr); 4, *UCCA*, 29 Dec (KJM).
Others: *Nachusa* (6), 18 Dec (EWW); *Ogle* (3), 18 Dec (DTW); *Rock Island* (6), 26 Dec (KJM, CAT); *Putnam* (3), 18 Feb (BC); *LaSalle* (3), 18 Dec (BC); *CarlL* (3), 14 Jan (KAM); *RendL* (3), 17 Dec (KAM); *Rckfld* (pr), 29 Jan (DTW); *WinthropH* (pr), 4 Dec (EWW); *Carroll* (2), 20 Dec (KJM, DA,



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MBr); *White Pines Forest SP* (Ogle Co) (pr), 18 Dec (EWW); *Fermi* (3), 18&27 Jan (DSa); *DuPage* (3), 12 Feb (SDB, PAM, JAS); *LTFP* (2), 4 Jan (KJM, MBr); *ClintonL* (2), 18 Dec (SDB, GSL, RK); *RamseyL SP* (Fayette Co) (2), 15 Jan (TAM, DMK); *Sam Parr SF&WA* (Jasper Co) (2), 23 Dec (SDB, PAM); *Hamilton* (2), 12 Feb (KAM); *Pulaski* (2), 28 Dec (JIN, JAS).
Other forms: "Arctic" race: *SouthFarms*, 17 Dec- 9 Feb (RK:ph, GSL:ph, SDB, et al:ph); *Spunky Bottoms Pr* (Brown County), 19 Dec (MPW:ph).

Snowy Owl

MC: 4, *Livingston, McLean*, and *Woodford* (includes records below), 20 Feb (JAS, PAM); *Montrose* (2), 2 & 7 Jan (ND et al. & RC et al.); *LaSalleL* (LaSalle Co) (2), 6 Jan (fide SDB).
Others: *Boone*: approx. 17-20 Feb (GBBC, fide SDB); *McHenry*: 19 Feb - 11 May (Doug Crane, KML, SDB, m.obs.:ph); *Lake*: 11 sightings: ten lakefront detections and one inland (m.obs.:ph); *Ogle*, mid-Jan (fide AST); *Lee*: *Dixon* 29 Dec (DHh); *De Kalb*, 24 Dec (MEF, ISM: specimen fide

APC) "bird was found dead"; *Kane*: *Hampshire*, 1st yr. ♀, injured 30 Nov and released on 23 Jan; *Cook*: 38 sightings: 27 at lakefront and 11 inland; *Henry*: *Kewanee Apt*, ad ♂, 20 Feb - 3 Mar (Dale Lindstrom, JAS, PAM, MBr, DBJ, APS, m.ob.); *LaSalle*: 4 detections (fide BC): 2 Dec, 15 Dec - 22 Jan, 12 Dec - 6 Feb, 12 Dec - 14 Dec (J&CM, BC, Janet Playmire, SDB, PAM, JAS, JIN, m.ob.); *Grundy*: 6 reports by m.ob. incl @ GLPSNA, 12 Feb (SDB, PAM, JAS); *Kankakee*: *Bourbonnais*, 22 Dec (fide JBH), *Manteno*, 30 Dec (Cecily Langellier); *Warren*: 20 Jan (internet ph); *Woodford*: 2 sightings 15 - 20 Feb (fide BMy); *Livingston*: 3 sightings (fide BMy, m.ob.); *Hancock*: *Nauvoo*, 1-8 Jan (Ron & Audrey Meade:ph), *Powellton*, 22-29 Dec (E.Bollin); *McDonough*: (ad ♂), 6 Feb (LLH); *Fulton*, 14 Feb (LLH); *Tazewell*: *East Peoria*, Illinois Central Community College, 25 Feb (internet report), *Tremont* 8 Feb (Mike Ingram); *Mason*, 19-31 Dec (KBR, MBr, Colin Dobson, Tony Ward, m.ob.) found dead on

31 Dec; *McLean*: 7 sightings (m.obs., fide MEF, BMy, et al.); *Champaign*: *Willard Apt*, 30 Dec (TAM), *Sidney & Homer*, 6 Jan (*DGM, GSL, SDB, JAS, PAM, m.ob.:ph), *Savoy* 30 Dec - 3 Jan, in rehab (fide Carrie Nixon), one 1300E, 29 Dec - 9 Jan, one W of 130 at 500N, 5 Jan - 7 Jan (both fide GSL:ph); *Adams*: *Quincy Apt*, 15-17 Jan (KLK fide SDB); *Schuyler*: *Bluff City*, 20- 23 Feb (Mike Madsen); *Maccon*: two at *Decatur Apt*, 20 Dec (MEF, JMe, TAM), *Forsyth*, 20 Dec - 1 Jan (MBr, Rich Laramore, m.ob.); *Moultrie*: sw of *Arthur*, 2 Jan (PAM, SDB, GSL:ph, RK:ph); *Coles*: *Charleston*, 14 Jan (RB), *Mattoon*, 2 Jan - 24 Feb (RB); *Edwards*: *Bonpas Crk Bottms*, 11 Dec (John Pohl:ph, RES, CLH); *Randolph*: *Red Bud*, 26 Jan - 21 Feb (Susan & Will Harbaugh, KAM, CD, PD, *TR:ph, m.ob.); *Pulaski*: 2.5 miles W of IL Rte 3, just E of *Shawnee Community College*, 27 Jan - 5 Feb (KAM:ph, Myra and Frank Bennett). This is the southernmost record ever for this species.; This is a major portion of the record irruption of 133 sightings or detections in 34 counties that were found during the late fall, winter, and early spring. See the article, figures, and appendix in this issue for further details.

Barred Owl

MC: 14, *QC*, 18 Dec (BLB, CB, MBr, m.ob.); 9, *Mercer*, 15 Dec (CDM, JLM, m.ob.); 8, *ClintonL*, 18 Dec (SDB, GSL, RK); 7, *Rock Island*, 4 Jan