

mated Plover (only 54), Upland Sandpipers (only 14 – even though we know there's usually an excellent number in Will County at this time of year), and Bonaparte's Gull (only 23). Low numbers of shorebirds in general was indicative of the scarcity of shorebird habitat this year.

Table 2 identifies how much time and effort were expended to count the birds. The columns in Table 2 identify the AREA of the state where the county is located (1, 2, 3 or 4 as depicted in Figure 1), the number of species and birds reported, the number of observers and parties

participating, the beginning and ending times (in the 24-hour system with owling hours before and/or after daylight hours marked by asterisks), the number of miles walked and driven, the number of hours walked and driven, and the compiler.

Finally, as you study the species accounts, you may note that some species are out of order compared to your checklists. A recent publication of the new Checklist of North American Birds by the American Ornithologists Union has reorganized some of these species. See Douglas Stotz's article in this issue for details.

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS 1999 SPRING BIRD COUNT

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TABLE 1, continued

Species	Total No. of Co.s Birds		High County (Total)		Species	Total No. of Co.s Birds		High County (Total)	
Cape May Warbler	29	84	Two counties	(11)	Grasshopper Sparrow	69	686	Will	(65)
Blk-throat Blue Warbler	7	12	Cook	(5)	Henslow's Sparrow	10*	123*	Union	(*104)
Yellow-rumped Warbler	94	7332	Cook	(1293)	Le Conte's Sparrow	1	1	La Salle	(1)
Blk-throat Green Warbler	54	613	Cook	(181)	Fox Sparrow	3	3	Three counties	(1)
Blackburnian Warbler	28	49	Union	(5)	Song Sparrow	98	6251	Du Page	(462)
Yellow-throated Warbler	33	173	Union	(*69)	Lincoln's Sparrow	25	221	Cook	(112)
Pine Warbler	20	67	Williamson	(11)	Swamp Sparrow	55	1247	Cook	(236)
Prairie Warbler	15	138	Williamson	(46)	White-throated Sparrow	93	7727	Cook	(1918)
Palm Warbler	85	4064	Cook	(642)	White-crowned Sparrow	98*	5106*	Cook	(*1732)
Bay-breasted Warbler	18	55	Union	(24)	Dark-eyed Junco	4	9	Cook	(6)
Blackpoll Warbler	41	339	Union	(110)	Northern Cardinal	100	10851	Du Page	(475)
Cerulean Warbler	28	76	Union	(9)	Rose-breasted Grosbeak	91	2077	Cook	(169)
Black-and-white Warbler	56	389	Cook	(86)	Blue Grosbeak	26	90*	Union	(21)
American Redstart	62	446	Carroll	(97)	Indigo Bunting	96	5064	Union	(640)
Prothonotary Warbler	59	692*	Union	(*224)	Dickcissel	75	2274	Union	(154)
Worm-eating Warbler	18	136#	Union	(99)	Bobolink	73	1824	Randolph	(235)
Ovenbird	69	616	Cook	(76)	Red-winged Blackbird	100	61916	Jo Daviess	(3230)
Northern Waterthrush	64	554	Cook	(79)	Eastern Meadowlark	99	6993	Union	(*628)
Louisiana Waterthrush	43	162	Union	(41)	Western Meadowlark	23	159	Winnebago	(17)
Kentucky Warbler	49	387	Union	(143)	Yellow-headed Blackbird	10	108	Lake	(40)
Connecticut Warbler	2	2	Two counties	(1)	Rusty Blackbird	2	9	Champaign	(8)
Mourning Warbler	5	5	Five counties	(1)	Brewer's Blackbird	3	8	Lake	(6)
Common Yellowthroat	93	3681	Union	(348)	Common Grackle	100	34629	Cook	(1710)
Hooded Warbler	14	37	Union	(19)	Brown-headed Cowbird	100	9055	Lake	(536)
Wilson's Warbler	12	14	Two counties	(2)	Orchard Oriole	76	432	Union	(51)
Canada Warbler	3	4	Calhoun	(2)	Baltimore Oriole	96	3973	Du Page	(288)
Yellow-breasted Chat	57	430	Union	(100)	Purple Finch	38	200	Livingston	(24)
Summer Tanager	45#	303*	Union	(*139)	House Finch	96	3891	Cook	(287)
Scarlet Tanager	73	432	Union	(75)	Pine Siskin	23	88	Stephenson	(18)
Eastern Towhee	94	1669	Union	(109)	American Goldfinch	98	13599	Du Page	(808)
Chipping Sparrow	100*	5041	Winnebago	(405)	Evening Grosbeak	1	2	McDonough	(2)
Clay-colored Sparrow	5	8	Cook	(3)	House Sparrow	100	22997	Cook	(2609)
Field Sparrow	97	3670	Will	(178)	Eurasian Tree Sparrow	25#	466	McDonough	(57)
Vesper Sparrow	45	182	Macon	(16)					
Lark Sparrow	35	179	Mason	(36)	{Ringed Turtle-Dove	1	83	Will	(83)}
Savannah Sparrow	62	508	Du Page	(70)	{Monk Parakeet	2	42	Cook	(40)}