

year) and five in Chicago 16 May 1990. In other respects, the sparrow migration this season was fairly typical.

Rarities among the cardinalids included a Western Tanager in Hancock County 14-28 April (and a 2nd reported in Lake County) and a Black-headed Grosbeak in Cook County 30 May. Both were backyard birds observed coming to feeders. The records committee has accepted 10 prior Western Tanagers, seven from spring and three from fall. There are also 10 prior records of Black-headed Grosbeak, with four from winter, four in spring and early summer, and two in fall.

The fine winter season for finches carried over into spring. Good numbers of both crossbill species were noted. The 20 Red Crossbills observed at Sand Ridge State Forest in Mason County 2 June were possibly birds returning to nest at this often used breeding location. Redpolls likewise lingered late in good numbers. The 70 observed 5 March at the Chicago Botanic Garden provided the third highest count on record for March or later, larger than all but two prior tallies consisting of 100 and 80 from the 2009 spring season. Exemplifying the lingering redpoll population were 18 seen in Springfield 3 April by Dave Bohlen. The last seen was also from central Illinois: Kevin Richmond's 11 April Fulton County sighting, a full 18 days later than the recent average departure date. Pine Siskins, after a banner winter season, also stayed late, and many stayed through the end of May. In

Chicago, an Evening Grosbeak entertained many birders by taking residence in a cemetery during most of March. This bird represented only the third spring individual during this and the prior 16 seasons, with other single birds seen in the springs of 2002 and 1998. The last year when Evening Grosbeaks had a strong spring presence was 1996. The species used to be recorded annually in spring, but that was no longer the case after 1992.

This summary of the spring season would not be possible without the submission of sightings, field notes, and commentary by observers throughout the state. Those who supplied this information are listed below. The observers for individual records in the report are credited by including their initials immediately following mention of the record. The order of the list is alphabetic in relation to the observers' initials. In some cases, the cited observer is an organization or institution. Abbreviations for these are listed separately.

### List of Organizations and Institutions:

- FMNH** Field Museum of Natural History
- IOS** Illinois Ornithological Society: field trips
- NPBW** North Pond Bird Walks: weekly surveys at North Pond in LincP, led and compiled by Geoffrey A. Williamson.

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