

### Sandhill Crane

EA: 19 Feb (100+), Waterfall Glen FP (DuPage Co) (LP); 19 Feb (14), Grundy (CDH); 1 Mar (210), Wayne (CLH, RES); 1 Mar (20), Chi (WJM); 2 Mar (8), Rckfd (BCW). MC: 1560, sw. Cook, 8 Mar (WJM); 1200, DuPage, 12 Mar (SAC); 210, see above; 54, WhisperingWillows, 4 Mar (JBH); 47, River Forest (Cook Co) (RAM, ALM); 36, ClinL, 4 Mar (MEF); 30, nw. Marshall, 24 Apr (MHB); 9, Chau, 4 Mar (RGB, SNB). LD: 1 Jun, NoP (NPBW); 31 May (2), GreenR (DH); 22 May, Kankakee (DBr fide JBH); 19 May, Brookfield (Cook Co) (CAT).



*Banded Whooping Cranes.  
DeKalb County. 21 March 2011.  
Photo by Ari Shavit.*

### WHOOPING CRANE

EA: 1-12 Mar (2), Wayne (CLH, RES); 1 Mar (2), Lawrence (CLH, RES). MC: 6, Hutsonville (Crawford Co), 7-14 Mar (GH:ph); 6, see below. LD: 9 May (6), Massac (FKB); 23 Mar (2), Ridott (Stephenson Co) (JL); 20 Mar (2), Wabash (CLH); 19 Mar, McGinnisSl (CMA); 19 Mar (2), Wabash/Edwards Co line (RES). Note: All sightings are assumed to be of birds from the introduced Wisconsin flock.

### Black-bellied Plover

EA: 1 May, WhisperingWillows (JBH); 10 May (7), AmnBot (C&PD); 13 May, HennepinL (DTW, BCW). MC: 15, Bellrose Rsv, 14 May (MM-L); 15, Macoupin, 24 May (KAM); 10, HennepinL, 21 May (MJW). LD: 29 May, Levee Rd (Monroe Co) (DMK).

### American Golden-Plover

EA: 12 Mar (18), Massac (KAM); 16 Mar (7), New Athens (St. Clair Co) (TJD); 19 Mar (2), CarlL-C (DMK); 10 Apr, Montrose (GAW). MC: 13,300, Jasper, 18 Apr (CLH, RES); 300, Edelstein (Peoria Co), 25 Apr (MHB); 100+, PrRdg-J, 19 Mar (KAM); 100, WhisperingWillows, 1 May (JBH); 94, New Athens (St. Clair Co), 1 Apr (TJD); 75+, White, 19 Mar (KAM); 62, WhisperingWillows, 4 Apr (JBH); 40, CarlL-C, 26 & 27 Mar (DMK). LD: 9 Jun (3), Beall Wds (RES); 27 May (14), ClinL (MEF); 15 May (25), Livingston (DRD); 10 May (2), AmnBot (C&PD); 9 May (3), Sangamon (HDB); 1 May (8), CarlL-C (DMK).

### Semipalmated Plover

EA: 17 Apr, CarlL-C (KAM); 27 Apr, Wauk (JWL); 30 Apr, Pulaski (MSS); 1 May (2), DeKalb (DJS). MC: 15, Shelby, 12 May (MJW); 12, RendL (Jefferson Co), 16 May (KAM); 8, SpringL, 22 May (DH:z, TH); 6, Boone, 20 May (DTW); 6, Duncan (Stark Co), 23 May (EWW); 5, Monroe, 13 May (KAM); 5, RollinsSav, 21 May (KAM, CAT, TLK); 5, Jackson, 28 May (KAM); 5, Curtis Rd Wetlands (Champaign Co), 29 May (DTW). LD: 9 Jun, Montrose (SBB); 4 Jun (2), WhisperingWillows (JBH); 30 May, Pratt's Wayne Wds FP (DuPage Co) (AA); 30 May (3), Montrose (DKA); 29 May, Sangamon (HDB); 28 May, Warren (CAT).

### Piping Plover

EA: 17 Apr, CarlL-C (DMK); 17 Apr, AndersonL (Fulton Co) (CD, TW). MC: 3, Wauk, 17 Apr (PWS, JS:ph, AFS, AS:ph, m.ob.); 3, Wauk, 27 Apr (JWL, AS). LD: 2 May, Emiquon (KBR).

### Killdeer

EA: 20 Feb, Ogle (ASt); 1 Mar, Chi (JWL); 1 Mar (3), Woodford (TH); 2 Mar, Tinley Crk (WJM); 4 Mar (7), w. of Rockton (Winnebago Co) (DTW); 5 Mar, CarlL-C (DMK). MC: 136, AmnBot, 10 May (C&PD); 40, Cook, 21 May

*Sandhill Crane on nest.  
Heron Park, Vermilion County.  
19 April 2011.  
Photo by Bob Schifo.*



(NLB); 40, PrRdg-J, 9 Apr (AK, NK); 40, CarlL-C, 19 Mar (DMK); 39, Massac, 12 Mar (KAM); 37, Gallatin, 19 Mar (KAM); 30, ClinL, 4 Mar (MEF).

### Black-necked Stilt

EA: 3 Apr (4), CarlL-C (DMK); 3 Apr (4), Emiquon (KBR, DJM); 4 Apr (2), Union (KAM); 29 Apr (2), WhisperingWillows (JBH); 30 Apr, Cook (KRCarlW, AAA). MC: 30, Levee Rd (Monroe Co), 29 May (DMK); 27, Emiquon, 20 May (KAM); 20, Fulton, 15 Apr (KBR); 16, AmnBot, 28 May (C&PD); 15, Jackson, 28 May (KAM); 7, AMAX Wabash Mine, 29 May (CLH); 6, Union, 7 May (VMK, TRE).

LD: 31 May (2), MidSav (JCB et al.). Others: Stephen A. Forbes SP (Marion Co) (2), 5 May (CLH); COLSP (2), 7 May (JRRS:ph, KKM, RDH); Peacock Marsh (3), 11-12 May (JAS, m.ob.); 19 & 24 May (2), PrRdg-M (CLH); 20 May (2), ClinL (MEF).

### American Avocet

EA: 23 Apr (21), see below. MC: 21, Wauk, 23 Apr (DBJ, FRM, AS, SDB, m.ob.); 21, CarlL-F, 25 Apr (DMK, MSS); 8, Lake Forest (Lake Co), 21 Apr (ASi:ph); 7, Ridott (Stephenson Co), 27 Apr (ASt, DTW). LD: 17 Jun, Emiquon (KBR); 30 May, AmnBot (C&PD); 13 May (2), Montrose (DKA, RDH, PP).

### Spotted Sandpiper

EA: 9 Apr, se. Illinois (CLH); 9 Apr, Spfld (HDB); 14 Apr, LeVasseurPk (JBH); 16 Apr, CarlL-C (DMK); 21 Apr, Pratt's Wayne Wds FP (DuPage Co) (SDB). MC: 75, Chau, 7 May (RGB, SNB); 24, LCal, 7 May (WJM, SBB); 18, AmnBot, 7 May (C&PD); 17, Wauk, 22 May (JSS); 12, Chi, 1 May (WJM); 12, Evanston (Cook Co), 7 May (JIE, JDW); 12, Woodford, 7 May (TH); 12, Peacock Marsh, 23 May (KAM); 10, LincPk, 21 May (GAW). LD: 29 May, Madison (MST); 28 May, HL (FRH); 25 May, JP (PRC).

### Solitary Sandpiper

EA: 21 Mar (2), New Athens (St. Clair Co) (TJD); 22 Mar, Cahokia Mounds State Historic Site (St. Clair Co) (KAM); 22 Mar, se. Illinois (CLH); 23 Mar, Sangamon (HDB); 9 Apr, Fraker Farm (Woodford Co) (MEF); 24 Apr, Pecatonica (DTW); 5 May, JP (RLS). MC: 33, LCal, 7 May (WJM, SBB); 29, Bellrose Rsv, 30 Apr (SDB, CAT, PAM), 18, Clinton, 7 May (KAM); 17, Woodford, 7 May (TH); 14, Chi, 1 May (WJM); 14, Greene Valley FP (DuPage Co), 7 May (JAS); 13, Fraker Farm (Woodford Co), 11 May (MEF); 12, Chi, 6 May (SBB). LD: 6 Jun, MidSav (EWW); 20 May, LeVasseurPk (JBH); 15 May, HL (FRH); 14 May, Monroe (KAM).