(Winnebago Co) ( male), June/July (DW); Lakewood F.P. (Lake Co) (male), 16-25 June (CF); Hoffman Estates (Cook Co) (2), 27 June (AA); Plum Creek F.P. (Cook Co) (5 males), 21 June (AS); Zander WoodsF.P. (Cook Co) (male), 28 June (WM); M.Arb., 21 June (fide JF); Nelson L Marsh (Kane Co), 9 June (fide JF); MNTP, 24 July (DSt); Braidwood (Will Co) (3 males), 20 June (AS); DPCA (2-3 males), 14 June-3 July (AS, m.ob.); Nachusa Grasslands (Lee/ Ogle Cos) (male) thru 17 July (AH).

# Summer Tanager

Swallow Cliff F.P.(Cook Co) (2 males, 1 female) 6 June (CA); ICCA (pr.), 28 June (AS), and (male) 3 July (RC); SRSF (2 males), 28 June (RC); KCP (male), 20 June (RC); Hoyleton (Washington Co) (4 males), 9 June (SB fide MW).

# Scarlet Tanager

M.C.: 11 (males), ICCA, 3 July (RC); 9, Swallow Cliff F.P. (Cook Co), 30 June (DSt); 8, McClaughry Springs F.P. (Cook Co), 14 June (CT). Others: Deer Grove W F.P. (Cook Co) (5), 14 June (CF); Deer Grove E F.P. (Cook Co) (3), 10 June (CF); Grainger Woods (Lake Co) (3-6), 12-23 June (SH); three s.w. Cook County locations (8), 2-8 June (WS); Zander Woods F.P. (Cook Co) (5 males), during June (WM); Mackinaw SF&WA (4), 7 June (MF).

#### Eastern Towhee

Nesting: PRSNA (2 nests), April/June (JW, EK). M.C.: 30+ (males), SRSF, 28 June (RC); 10, Palos (4 locations), 2 July (DSt); 9 (max.), SAD, June/July (KMc); 8 (4 males), Zander Woods F.P. (Cook Co), during June (WM); 8, Mackinaw SF&WA, 7 June (MF).

# **Chipping Sparrow**

M.C.: 100+, SRSF, 28 June (RC); 90 (max.), SAD, June/July (KMc); 40, Sheffield B.B.S. (Bureau Co), 17 June (KMc); 34, La Salle County, 21 June (DSt); 33, Atkinson B.B.S. (Henry Co), 24 June (KMc); 33, Monticello B.B.S. (Piatt/McLean Cos), 10 June (RC).

#### **Clay-colored Sparrow**

Did not return to their traditional Winnebago County location this year (DW). None reported by anyone, anywhere.

# **Field Sparrow**

Nesting: PRSNA (44 nests), April/July (JW, EK). M.C.: 70+, ICCA, 3 July (RC); 64, MNTP, 8 June (DSt); 30 (max.), SAD, June/July (KMc); 17, Mackinaw SF&WA, 7 June (MF); 16, Spfld, 20 June (DB).

# **Vesper Sparrow**

Nesting: Sang.L (yg.), 17 July (DB); PRSNA (2 nests), May (JW, EK). M.C.:40, Fairland B.B.S. (Champaign/Piatt Cos), 3 June (RC); 32, Buda B.B.S. (Bureau/Stark Cos), 23 June (KMc); 30 (max.), SAD, June/July (KMc); 21, Atkinson B.B.S. (Henry Co), 24 June (KMc); 18, Livingston County, 21 July (DSt); 12, La Salle County, 18 June (DSt). **Others:** Grainger Woods (Lake Co) (2), 12-14 June (SH); Chauncey Marsh (Lawrence Co) (+), June (JW, EK).

# Lark Sparrow

M.C.: 85 (max.), SAD, June/July (KMc); 20, Sand Prairie Srcub-Oak (Mason Co), 7 June (JH); 12 (max.), Ayer's N.P. (Carroll Co), June/ July (KMc); 9 (3 prs. & 3 males), McCune Sand Prairie (Bureau Co), 22 May (DS). Others: Rockton/Durand (Winnebago Co) (4 males), June/July (DW); Nachusa Grasslands (Lee/Ogle Cos) (male), 19 June (AH); ICCA (6), 28 June (AS) and (3) 3 July (RC); s. Richland County, 26 June (LH); Columbia B.B.S. (Monroe Co), 13 June (KM). None observed in Sangamon County this year.

# Savannah Sparrow

**M.C.:** 15, Palatine (Cook Co), 13 June (CF). **Others:** Grainger Woods (Lake Co) (6+ prs.), June (SH); Deer Grove E F.P. (Cook Co) (several), 27 June (AA); Bellflower (McLean Co) (5), 10 June (RC); Spfld (male), 27 June & 13 July (diff. locations) (DB).

### Grasshopper Sparrow

Nesting: PRSNA (9 nests), May/July (JW, EK). M.C.: 500 (max.), SAD, June/July (KMc); 50 (max.), Ayer's N.P. (Carroll Co), June/ July (KMc); 23 (males), s. Tazewell/n. Mason Cos, 10 July (SBj); 19, MNTP, 19 June (DSt); 13, Fairland B.B.S. (Clay Co), 6 June (RC). Others: Pecatonica (Winnebago Co) (11 males), June/July (DW); Plum Creek F.P. (Cook Co) (4 males), 17 June (JE et al.); Nachusa Grasslands (Lee/Ogle Cos) (increasing to 11 males), 19 June (AH); GLPSP (15), 23 June (JH).

#### Henslow's Sparrow

Nesting: PRSNA (40 territories, 10 fledglings), April/July (JW, EK et al.); s. Coles County (10 males + 4 successful nests), mid-June (EB fide BH). M.C.: 43, GLPSP, 18 June (JH); 40+ (see nesting account); 20, ICCA, 24 June (JH); 10+ MNTP, 20 June (JH). Others: Nachusa Grasslands (Lee/Ogle Cos) (3-4 males), thru 26 July (AH); Deer Grove E F.P. (Cook Co) (1-3 males), 1 June-7 July (CF); Plum Creek F.P. (Cook Co) (5 males), 21 June (AS); DPCA (5+), 27May (JH); Paxton (Ford Co) (2 males), 20 June (RC); Site M (Cass Co), 1 July (JH); Charleston (1-2 males), 31 May-16 June (BH); Oakdale (Washington Co) (4+), 5-10 June (SB fide MW); Pyramid S.P. (Perry Co) (3), 29 May (JH); Longreach Road (Pulaski Co), 6 June (DK). Comment: According to the Illinois Endangered Species Protection Board, "...Henslow's Sparrows are now even more common than they were two years ago...." (fide SL).

#### Song Sparrow

Nesting: PRSNA (25 nests), April/July (JW, EK). M.C.: 97 (males), LCal, June/July (WM); 73, Geneseo B.B.S. (Henry/ Whiteside Cos), 19 June (KMc); 63, MNTP, 8 June (DSt); 49, Atkinson B.B.S. (Henry Co), 24 June (KMc); 43, Sheffield B.B.S. (Bureau Co), 17 June (KMc); 41, Buda B.B.S. (Bureau/Stark Cos), 23 June (KMc); 39, Yale B.B.S. (Jasper/Effingham Cos), 7 June (RC); 38, Monroe County, 27 July (KM); 35, St. Morgan B.B.S. (Madison Co), 25 June (KM); 35, Fairland B.B.S. (Champaign/Piatt Cos), 3 June (RC).

#### Swamp Sparrow

**Nesting:** IBSP (7 territories), 27 June (EW, JE). **M.C.:** 14, Chi (Powderhorn Marsh), 16 June (DSt); 12, Deer Grove E F.P. (Cook Co), 10 June (CF); 7 (males), Chi (Powderhorn Marsh), 6 June (WM); 7 (males), ICCA, 3 July (RC); 6 (males), Burnham Prairie (Cook Co), 14 June (WM).

# Northern Cardinal

M.C.: 74, Flora B.B.S. (Clay Co), 6 June (RC); 59, Pulaski B.B.S. (Pulaski/Alexander Cos), 3 June (VK); 55, Belknap B.B.S. (Johnson Co), 5 June (VK); 43, Columbia B.B.S. (Monroe Co), 13 June (KM).

#### **Rose-breasted Grosbeak**

M.C.: 17 (males), ICCA, 3 July (RC); 9, MNTP, 8 June (DSt); 7 (max.), SAD, June/July (KMc); 6, Spfld, 17 June (DB); 6, Yale B.B.S. (Jasper/Effingham Cos), 7 June (RC). Others: Jasper County (2 males), 2 June (LH); Carl.L, 25 June (DK); St. Morgan B.B.S. (Madison Co), 25 June (KM); Columbia B.B.S. (Monroe Co), 13 June (KM).

#### **Blue Grosbeak**

Nesting: PRSNA (1 nest), 17 July (JW, EK); Dixon Springs S.P. (Pope Co) (4 nests), June/July (LM fide MW). Others: SAD (2), June/July (KMc); Ayer's N.P. (Carroll Co) (2),June/July (KMc); MNTP (male), 9 & 24 July (DSt); Grundy County (2 males), 10 Aug. (DSt); ICCA (subad. male), 28 June (AS) to 3 July (RC); Clin.L, 28 June (RC); Meredosia N.W.R. (Morgan Co) (3 males), May/June (MW); Yale (Jasper Co) (2 males), 7 June (RC); Bible Grove (Clay Co) (pr.), 6 June (RC); Granite City (Madison Co), 28 July (KM); Columbia B.B.S. (Monroe Co) (4), 13 June (KM); Burnt Prairie B.B.S. (White Co) (3), 2 June (VK); Belknap B.B.S. (Johnson Co) (7), 5 June (VK); Beaverdam L B.B.S. (Pope Co) (6), 17 June (VK).