This year’s list includes 292 birders who’ve reached the threshold of 250 for the state, with Beau Schaefer’s 312 the highest tally for any newcomer. Since he’s at the top of this list people are always curious as to which bird Jeff Sanders was able to add. This year it was the McLean County Mountain Bluebird; he later saw one of the Lake County birds to bump up his Northern Region list, too. Of the lists over 350, Mike Kustka had the greatest increase (an astounding +11), and of the lists who’ve reached 300, both Bonnie Duman and Matthew Cvetas added 20 species during 2011. Tom Kelly (Sage Thrasher) and Jeff Sundberg (Red-necked Phalarope) joined the ‘350 Club.’ Reaching 300 were David Antieau (Long-billed Dowitcher), Adam Sell (Rufous Hummingbird), Matthew Cvetas (Western Sandpiper) and Beau Schaefer (Cassin’s Sparrow).

(updated 3/29/12; compiled by Joe Lill)

Key: * = last updated in 2010  # = last updated before 2010  = list submitted

Bold = member of IOS  Italic = inactive Illinois birder (i.e. deceased or lives out-of-state).

| 397 | Jeffrey Sanders  • |
| 393 | Robert Chapel |
| 393 | Tom Pucelik |
| 392 | Kevin Richmon dh# |
| 391 | David B. Johnson  |
| 391 | James E. Landing  • |
| 391 | Craig Taylor |
| 390 | Sue Frisica |
| 389 | Richard Biss# |
| 389 | H. David Bohlen# |
| 386 | Louise Augustine |
| 386 | Michael R. Kutska |
| 385 | Alan Stokie |
| 385 | Eric Walters  • |
| 384 | Lawrence G. Balch* |
| 384 | Bob Fisher  • |
| 383 | Steve Bailey |
| 383 | Dan Williams |
| 382 | Cindy Alberico  • |
| 379 | Joel Greenberg# |
| 379 | Dan Kassebaum#  • |
| 378 | Wes Serafin |
| 376 | Robert Hughes* |
| 376 | Keith McMullen |
| 376 | Pete Moxon  • |
| 374 | Karen Fisher  • |
| 373 | Lee G. Johnson# |
| 373 | Dennis R. Lane# |
| 372 | Michael Hogg |
| 371 | Vernon Kleen |
| 370 | Mike Madsen  • |
| 370 | Christine Williamson |
| 370 | Geoffrey A. Williamson |
| 369 | Penny Pucelik |
| 368 | David Brenner# |
| 368 | Tim L. Kuesel |
| 363 | Joe Lill  • |
| 363 | Greg Neise  • |
| 363 | Richard D. Palmer |
| 363 | Eric Secker  • |
| 362 | Leroy Harrison |
| 361 | Kay Hanson# |
| 361 | Bruce Heimer  • |
| 358 | John McKee |
| 357 | Donnie Dann |
| 355 | Robert Q. Randall# |
| 355 | Douglas Stotz |
| 354 | Robert Erickson |
| 352 | Tom Kelly |
| 352 | Michael L. P. Retter# |
| 351 | Joe Milosевич# |
| 351 | Catherine Monday# |
| 351 | Jeff Sundberg |
| 347 | Travis Mahan  • |
| 348 | Michael J. Baum  • |
| 345 | Dale Birkenholz |
| 345 | Jon J. Duerr |
| 345 | Urs Geiser  • |
| 344 | Thad Edmonds  • |
| 344 | Jeff Skrentny*  • |
| 344 | Phoebe Snetsinger |
| 343 | Ron Goetz |
| 341 | Todd Fink |
| 339 | Jeff Chapman |
| 339 | Jeff Smith  • |
| 338 | Maury Brucker |
| 338 | Charles T. Clark |
| 338 | Richard Messenger |
| 338 | Darrell Shambaugh |
| 337 | Sheryl De Vore |
| 336 | Joe Eades |
| 336 | Brad Grover# |
| 336 | Cynthia McKee# |
| 335 | Robert A. Montgomery# |
| 334 | Ira Sanders |
| 333 | Ken Wysocki# |
| 332 | Josh Engel |
| 332 | Virginia Humphreys |
| 332 | Bob Shelby  • |
| 332 | Peter Webster# |
| 331 | Homer Eshbaugh |
| 331 | Frank Holmes |
| 331 | John O’Brien |
| 330 | Alex Bloss |
| 330 | Carolyn Fields# |
| 329 | Richard Anderson |
| 329 | Tom Lally#  • |
| 329 | Leo Miller  • |
| 328 | Scott Cohrs# |
| 328 | Peter Petersen |
| 327 | Michael T. Bowers |
| 327 | Jeff Donaldson |
| 327 | Elton Fawks |
| 327 | Jackie Kumery |
| 327 | Jerry Kumery |
| 327 | Helen Wuestenfeld |
| 326 | Adam Reyburn# |
| 325 | Frank Bennett# |
| 325 | Joan Bruchman#  • |
| 325 | Jim Funk# |
| 325 | Jack Pomatto# |
| 324 | Jack Armstrong# |
| 324 | Laurence C. Binford |
| 324 | Roger Hotham# |
| 324 | Jim Mountjoy |
| 324 | Betty Shaw |
| 323 | Mark Agnor |
| 323 | Anthony Friend |
| 323 | Steven Mlodinow |
| 322 | Beth Chato* |
| 322 | Jack Van Benthuysen |
| 321 | John Baker  • |
| 321 | Fran Morel  • |
| 320 | Denis Bohm# |
| 320 | Karen Forcum# |
| 320 | Ted Forcum# |
| 320 | Roger Reason |
| 320 | Muriel R. Smith# |
| 320 | Dick Young# |
| 318 | Richard S. Sandburg |
| 317 | Lewis Cooper |
| 317 | Judy De Neal# |
| 317 | Scott Hickman |
| 317 | John P. Leonard  • |
| 317 | Rick Seibert |
| 316 | Bonnie Duman  • |
| 316 | Robert Russell |
| 316 | Allan Welby |
| 315 | Ted Cable |
| 315 | Gary Bowman |
| 315 | Norbert Gresey |
| 315 | Paul Sweet# |
| 314 | Marscha Chenoweth |
| 314 | Robert Danley |
| 314 | Alice Gregory# |
| 314 | W. Douglas Robinson |
| 314 | Harry Shaw |
| 313 | Nancy Bent |
| 313 | Alex Meloy |
| 313 | Paul Quintas  • |
| 312 | David K. Antieau  • |
| 312 | Denis Kania# |
| 312 | Vince Moxon# |
| 312 | Beau Schaefer |
| 311 | Lewis B. Cooper |
| 311 | Larry Jones# |
| 311 | Jonathan Simms |
| 310 | Bill O’Brien# |
| 310 | L.H. Princen |
| 309 | Vic Berardi# |
| 309 | Larry Peavler |
| 309 | Justin Rink |
285 Melba L. Funk#
285 Barbara Meding#
285 Clarence Palmquist#
284 Karen Anderson
284 Laraine Wright#
284 Dan Wylie
283 Todd Anderson
283 Nathan Goldberg •
283 Craig Litteken
282 Andrew Aldrich •
282 Renee Baade
282 Howard T. Dean#
281 James Frank
281 John Longhenry
280 Les Allen* •
280 Rhonda Rothrock#
280 Brian C. Smith
279 Mike Carpenter
279 Eugenia Larson
279 Lynn McKeeown#
279 Michael Morrison#
278 Darlene Friedman
278 Mary M. Funk#
278 Robert Holbrook
278 Peter Olson#
276 Wilda D. Sutherland#
275 Frank Irwin#
275 Mrs. Frank Irwin#
275 Steve Hanselman
275 Bill Saylor
275 Michael Sweeney#
274 Jake Cvetas •
274 Michael Dani#
274 Pete Fenner
274 Edward Greaves
274 Randall Mains
273 Loraine W. Funk#
273 C. Roy Smith
272 Emily Bever
272 Darlene Fiske#
272 Steve Hossler
271 Sarah S. Vasse
269 Tadas Buritisi#
269 Jeff Dundek#
268 Kevin Breault
268 Caitlin Lill •
268 Ken Vail#
267 Brian M. Kirshner#
267 Paul Lehman
267 Elliot Schunke* •
262 Daniel Koene#
261 Richard Cunningham
261 Sean Fitzgerald
260 William Dreuth
260 Randall S. Madding#
260 Philip R. Norton
259 Michelle Devlin •
259 Roger Digges#
259 James Haw
258 Marilyn Hougland#
258 Walter Kraus
258 Jay Withgott
256 Timothy R. Barksdale
256 Kit Struthers
255 Dan Miller#
254 Bill Reddinger#
254 William Twite
253 George F. Wagner#
252 Al Dierkes#
251 Wayne Wachholz#
251 George Charlot
251 Elizabeth B. Kraus
251 Karl Overman
251 Patricia Snider
250 Julie Long#

Regional Life Lists
A side benefit to the increase in county listing is the bump it gives to regional life lists. It’s no coincidence that the largest increases in each region were compiled by two of the most active county listers. Thad Edmonds’ +12 in the North and his +13 in the South were the most dramatic changes in those regions, while Mike Madsen’s +11 was the biggest jump in the Central. The highest totals for newcomers were compiled by Frank Holmes in the South and Eric Secker in the Central and North. For the Illinois Regional Map please visit http://www.illinoisbirds.org/listsers_corner.html (200 minimum; Key: * = list submitted)

Northern
377 Jeff Sanders •
371 Eric Walters
367 Jim Landing •
365 Alan Stokie
362 David B. Johnson
351 Mike Madsen
349 Craig Taylor
341 Joe Lill
340 Eric Secker
328 Urs Geiser
320 Tom Lally
313 Paul Quintas
310 Kevin Richmond
305 Anthony Friend
302 Ken Wysocki
288 Michael Baum
268 Thad Edmonds
259 Sean Fitzgerald
258 Michelle Devlin
248 Jim Mountjoy
220 Travis Mahan

Central
387 Kevin Richmond
324 Michael Baum
315 Thad Edmonds
315 Travis Mahan
314 Maury Brucker
306 Eric Walters
300 Jim Mountjoy
293 Craig Taylor
291 Mike Madsen
251 Eric Secker
247 Urs Geiser
245 Jeff Sanders
232 Elliot Schunke
217 Anthony Friend

Southern
351 Dan Kassebaum
326 Frank Holmes
313 Travis Mahan
306 Craig Taylor
296 Kevin Richmond
290 Eric Walters
276 Mike Madsen
271 Thad Edmonds
243 Urs Geiser
231 Jim Mountjoy
207 Jeff Sanders

309 David Thomas#
308 Matt Fraker
307 Paul Bauer
307 Bill A. Bertrand
307 Toby Brown
307 Melinda Born Chapman
307 Mark Harris
307 Phil Reyburn •
307 Joe Sucheki
306 Todd Bugg
306 Matthew Cvetas •
306 Richard DeCoster#
306 Janine Polk
305 Cornelius Alwood
305 Ronald C. Flemal#
305 Luis Muñoz
305 Sue Stroyles#
305 John L. Weir
304 David Daniels
304 Dorothy Jackson#
304 Denny Jones#
304 Ted Teeter
304 John McDaniel
302 Kennett Offill
302 Roy Peterson#
302 Jenny Vogt•
301 Michael Ward#
300 Ernest Abeles
300 Adam Sell •
300 Mark Swan
300 Jeff Walk#
298 Patrick M. Ward#
297 Steve Freed#
297 Larry L. Hood#
297 Rhetta Jack#
296 David Irons
296 Richard Peiser#
295 Demetri Lafas#
295 Jim Solum#
294 Jeff Hardt#
294 Joan I. Norek
293 Robert Pease, Jr.#
292 Bedford Brown
292 Jim Eidel
292 Ted Hartzler
292 William Moskoff#
292 Mary Zehner
291 William DeBaets#
291 Mary Lou Petersen
291 Gilbert Waldhauser
290 Brad Harris#
289 Marilyn F. Campbell#
287 Kim Eckert
287 Cyndi Lubecke•
287 Marc Perkowitz
287 Tom Schulenberg
286 Bob Carper
286 Donna Motherway#
286 John Robinson
285 Doug Crane
285 John Duran# •