

# IOS Listers Corner 2012

## Site and Area Lists: Life Lists, Big Days & Big Years

### Site Life Lists

With so many lists from varied sites, it can be hard to compare the highlights of the site lists, but for the people who made gains it is always a satisfying feeling. Al Stokie's addition of two new species in Illinois Beach State Park, or Luis Muñoz's jump of five in Lincoln Park are noteworthy here. Also Michael Hogg's list for the Chicago Botanic Garden has claimed 2nd place among the 'Small' sites. John Purcell updated his Lincoln Park list for the first time since the 1990s, with predictable results! Italics represent an inactive Illinois birder (i.e. deceased or lives out-of-state).

(updated 3/17/13; compiled by Joe Lill & Jim Mountjoy)

#### Lake Michigan Ecosystem (east of I-94/US 41)

(Large and Medium Sites only; 150 minimum)

|            |                             |                   |            |                              |                   |
|------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|------------|------------------------------|-------------------|
| 324        | Chicago's Lincoln Park      | R. Hughes         | 195        | Chicago's Lincoln Park       | C. Taylor         |
| 308        | Chicago's Lincoln Park      | J. Purcell        | 195        | Lake Calumet                 | D. Stotz          |
| 303        | Chicago's Lincoln Park      | O. McHugh         | 195        | Wadsworth Wetlands           | S. Hickman        |
| 294        | Chicago's Lincoln Park      | G. Williamson     | 195        | Lake Calumet                 | D. Stotz          |
| 292        | Chicago's Lincoln Park      | G. Neise          | 195        | Wadsworth Wetlands           | <i>S. Hickman</i> |
| 290        | Illinois Beach State Park   | A. Stokie         | 193        | Chicago's Jackson Park       | <i>K. Hanson</i>  |
| 287        | Chicago's Lincoln Park      | L. Muñoz          | 191        | Lake Forest Nature Preserves | R. Peterson       |
| 286        | Chicago's Jackson Park      | P. Clyne          | 189        | Lake Calumet                 | E. Walters        |
| 282        | Illinois Beach State Park   | E. Walters        | 187        | Illinois Beach State Park    | J. McDaniel       |
| 280        | Chicago's Lincoln Park      | K. Hirabayashi    | 186        | Skokie Lagoons               | E. Walters        |
| 280        | Chicago's Lincoln Park      | E. Walters        | 184        | Chicago's Jackson Park       | S. Friscia        |
| 279        | Chicago's Lincoln Park      | J. Sanders        | 184        | Wadsworth Wetlands           | A. Stokie         |
| 278        | Chicago's Lincoln Park      | T. Kelly          | 178        | Chicago's Jackson Park       | A. Stokie         |
| 278        | Illinois Beach State Park   | R. Erickson       | 174        | Illinois Beach State Park    | J. Chapman        |
| 274        | Chicago's Lincoln Park      | D. Antieau        | 173        | Chicago's Jackson Park       | E. Walters        |
| 269        | Chicago's Lincoln Park      | J. Lill           | 171        | Chicago's Burnham Park       | E. Walters        |
| 267        | Chicago's Lincoln Park      | A. Meloy          | 167        | Wadsworth Wetlands           | J. Sanders        |
| 256        | Chicago's Lincoln Park      | <i>W. Dreuth</i>  |            |                              |                   |
| 256        | Chicago's Lincoln Park      | A. Stokie         |            |                              |                   |
| 253        | Chicago's Jackson Park      | D. Anderson       |            |                              |                   |
| 253        | Chicago's Lincoln Park      | F. Morel          | 325        | Chautauqua N.W.R.            | K. Richmond       |
| <u>252</u> | Chicago's Burnham Park      | D. Stotz          | 299        | Carlyle Lake                 | K. McMullen       |
| 245        | Chicago's Lincoln Park      | M. Devlin         | 294        | Horseshoe Lake C.A.          | F. Holmes         |
| 245        | Chicago's Lincoln Park      | J. Engel          | 290        | Rice Lake C.A.               | K. Richmond       |
| 244        | Chicago's Lincoln Park      | M. Cvetas         | 270        | Fermilab                     | P. Kasper         |
| 244        | Chicago's Lincoln Park      | B. Fisher         | 268        | Pratt's Wayne Woods F.P.     | P. Moxon          |
| 244        | Chicago's Lincoln Park      | K. Fisher         | 259        | Carlyle Lake                 | T. Mahan          |
| 243        | Chicago's Lincoln Park      | B. Heimer         | 257        | Chautauqua N.W.R.            | P. Moxon          |
| 243        | Waukegan Beach & Harbor     | E. Walters        | 257        | Fermilab                     | P. Moxon          |
| 238        | Chicago's Jackson Park      | S. Carpenter      | 257        | Mermet Lake C.A.             | F. Bennett        |
| 236        | Chicago's Lincoln Park      | P. Moxon          | 253        | Hennepin & Hopper Lakes      | D. Stotz          |
| 234        | Chicago's Lincoln Park      | T. Lally          | 253        | Oak Run (Knox Co.)           | M. Baum           |
| 232        | Illinois Beach State Park   | <i>S. Hickman</i> | <u>250</u> | Sanganois C.A.               | K. Richmond       |
| 225        | Chicago's Lincoln Park      | J. Norek          | 248        | Rock Cut State Park          | D. Williams       |
| 224        | Wolf L.-Eggers Forest Pres. | D. Stotz          | 246        | Emiquon N.W.R.               | P. Moxon          |
| 222        | Waukegan Beach & Harbor     | A. Stokie         | 245        | Spring Lake C.A.             | K. Richmond       |
| 218        | Skokie Lagoons              | J. Sanders        | 237        | Union County C.A.            | V. Kleen          |
| 207        | Waukegan Beach & Harbor     | J. Solum          | 236        | Prairie Ridge S.N.A.         | J. Walk           |
| 203        | Chicago's Lincoln Park      | S. Burckhardt     | 228        | Rock Cut State Park          | J. Donaldson      |
| 201        | Chicago's Jackson Park      | J. Sanders        | 227        | Lake Shelbyville             | T. & K. Forcum    |
| 196        | Chicago's Lincoln Park      | J. Chapman        | 221        | Horseshoe Lake C.A.          | K. McMullen       |
|            |                             |                   | 218        | Fermilab                     | E. Secker         |

#### Large (greater than 3 sq. miles/1920 acres)

(150 minimum)

|     |                             |              |     |                              |                    |
|-----|-----------------------------|--------------|-----|------------------------------|--------------------|
| 216 | Waterfall Glen Forest Pres. | B. Fisher    | 225 | Kennekuk County Park         | S. Bailey          |
| 214 | Carlyle Lake                | E. Walters   | 224 | Crabtree Nature Center       | J. Sanders         |
| 214 | Fermilab                    | U. Geiser    | 223 | Greene Valley Forest Pres.   | P. Moxon           |
| 211 | Carlyle Lake                | C. Taylor    | 222 | Greene Valley Forest Pres.   | Je. Smith          |
| 211 | Fermilab                    | B. Fisher    | 220 | Springbrook Prairie          | P. Moxon           |
| 210 | Rock Cut State Park         | B. Grover    | 216 | Blackwell Forest Preserve    | P. Moxon           |
| 210 | Sand Ridge S.F.             | K. Richmond  | 212 | Nelson Lake Forest Preserve  | P. Moxon           |
| 206 | Crab Orchard N.W.R.         | L. Wright    | 211 | Blackwell Forest Preserve    | E. Secker          |
| 206 | Starved Rock State Park     | C. McKee     | 207 | Shabbona Lake State Park     | R. Flemal          |
| 205 | Fermilab                    | K. Fisher    | 205 | Morton Arboretum             | J. Sanders         |
| 204 | Lowden-Miller State Forest  | P. Moxon     | 204 | Morton Arboretum             | <i>J. Hardt</i>    |
| 204 | Palos Forest Preserves      | E. Walters   | 200 | Greene Valley Forest Pres.   | U. Geiser          |
| 204 | Pratt's Wayne Woods F.P.    | E. Secker    | 200 | Morton Arboretum             | <i>T. Brown</i>    |
| 203 | Fermilab                    | E. Walters   | 196 | Chicago Portage              | J. Duran           |
| 202 | Hennepin & Hopper Lakes     | T. Hartzler  | 195 | Morton Arboretum             | M. Madsen          |
| 201 | Waterfall Glen Forest Pres. | U. Geiser    | 194 | Greene Valley Forest Pres.   | J. Chapman         |
| 200 | Clear Lake                  | K. Richmond  | 194 | Morton Arboretum             | <i>F. Swink</i>    |
| 200 | Deer Grove F.P.             | C. Fields    | 190 | Severson Dells Forest Pres.  | J. Donaldson       |
| 200 | Illinois & Michigan Canal   | D. Shambaugh | 189 | Morton Arboretum             | M.B. Chapman       |
| 199 | Waterfall Glen Forest Pres. | K. Fisher    | 188 | Blackwell Forest Preserve    | E. Walters         |
| 193 | Fermilab                    | J. Chapman   | 188 | Goose Lake Prairie State Pk. | J. Chapman         |
| 188 | Starved Rock State Park     | D. Shambaugh | 188 | Morton Arboretum             | J. Chapman         |
| 182 | Fermilab                    | A. Stokie    | 185 | Sand Lake                    | K. Richmond        |
| 175 | Pratt's Wayne Woods F.P.    | U. Geiser    | 183 | Afton Forest Preserve        | D. Shambaugh       |
| 174 | Midewin Tallgrass N.P.      | D. Stotz     | 183 | Morton Arboretum             | E. Secker          |
| 174 | Waterfall Glen Forest Pres. | M. Madsen    | 182 | Morton Arboretum             | <i>R. Wason</i>    |
| 172 | Clinton Lake                | E. Walters   | 178 | Green Oaks Field Station     | J. Mountjoy        |
| 168 | Rend Lake                   | E. Walters   | 176 | Morton Arboretum             | U. Geiser          |
| 165 | Des Plaines Cons. Area      | J. Chapman   | 175 | McGinnis Slough              | E. Walters         |
| 164 | Lake Shelbyville            | E. Walters   | 174 | Nelson Lake Marsh            | E. Secker          |
| 164 | Starved Rock State Park     | E. Walters   | 173 | Nelson Lake Marsh            | N. Bent            |
| 164 | Union County C.A.           | E. Walters   | 173 | Silver Springs State Park    | D. Shambaugh       |
| 162 | Two Rivers N.W.R.           | E. Walters   | 172 | Springbrook Golf Course      | Je. Smith          |
| 160 | Rend Lake                   | D. Miller    | 172 | Springbrook Prairie          | U. Geiser          |
| 155 | Hennepin & Hopper Lakes     | D. Shambaugh | 171 | Johnson-Sauk Trail S.P.      | E. Walters         |
| 155 | Hennepin & Hopper Lakes     | E. Walters   | 170 | Nelson Lake Marsh            | R. Reason          |
| 155 | Jubilee College S.P.        | M. Brucker   | 167 | Herrick Lake Forest Pres.    | U. Geiser          |
| 154 | Crab Orchard N.W.R.         | E. Walters   | 166 | Crabtree Nature Center       | <i>J. McDaniel</i> |
| 154 | Waterfall Glen Forest Pres. | J. Chapman   | 165 | Rockford's Anna Page Park    | D. Williams        |
| 153 | Mermet Lake C.A.            | E. Walters   | 165 | Woodford County C.A          | <i>J. Rink</i>     |
| 150 | Mississippi Palisades S.P.  | E. Walters   | 164 | Blackwell Forest Preserve    | A. Stokie          |
| 150 | Pratt's Wayne Woods F.P.    | E. Walters   | 164 | Lake Renwick Preserve        | A. Aldrich         |

**Medium (from 1-3 sq.miles/640-1920 acres)**  
(125 minimum)

|            |                             |              |     |                             |                  |
|------------|-----------------------------|--------------|-----|-----------------------------|------------------|
| 261        | Crabtree Nature Center      | C. Westcott  | 164 | Moraine Hills State Park    | A. Stokie        |
| 252        | McGinnis Slough             | W. Serafin   | 163 | Lake Decatur Dredge Ponds   | T. Mahan         |
| <u>250</u> | Max McGraw Wildlife Fed.    | R.Montgomery | 162 | Moraine View State Park     | M. Retter        |
| 235        | Herrick Lake Forest Pres.   | P. Moxon     | 158 | Herrick Lake Forest Pres.   | P. Quagliana     |
| 233        | Edgewood Farms              | Ja. Smith    | 157 | Canton's Lakeland Park      | <i>K. Wright</i> |
| 232        | Greene Valley Forest Pres.  | M. Madsen    | 157 | Nachusa Grasslands          | E. Walters       |
| 231        | Morton Arboretum            | E. Walters   | 156 | Nelson Lake Forest Preserve | A. Aldrich       |
| 231        | Nelson Lake Forest Preserve | J. Duerr     | 154 | Blackwell Forest Preserve   | U. Geiser        |
| 231        | Shabbona Lake State Park    | D. Shambaugh | 153 | LaSalle Lake                | D. Shambaugh     |
| 227        | Springbrook Prairie         | J. Suchecki  | 149 | Goose Lake Prairie S.P.     | D. Shambaugh     |
| 226        | Morton Arboretum            | P. Moxon     | 149 | Johnson-Sauk Trail S.P.     | C. Taylor        |
|            |                             |              | 148 | McGinnis Slough             | J. Sanders       |
|            |                             |              | 144 | Green River Cons. Area      | D. Shambaugh     |
|            |                             |              | 144 | Nelson Lake Forest Preserve | D. Shambaugh     |
|            |                             |              | 140 | Johnson-Sauk Trail S.P.     | D. Shambaugh     |

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|-----|-----------------------------|--------------|
| 137 | Illini State Park           | D. Shambaugh |
| 137 | Shabbona Lake State Park    | E. Walters   |
| 135 | Port Louisa N.W.R.          | E. Walters   |
| 132 | Lincoln Trails State Park   | E. Walters   |
| 129 | Decatur's Rock Springs N.C. | E. Walters   |
| 128 | Washington County C.A.      | E. Walters   |

**Small (between .25-1 sq.mile/160-640 acres)**  
(125 minimum)

|            |                              |                   |
|------------|------------------------------|-------------------|
| 277        | Evanston Lakefront           | E. Walters        |
| 251        | Chicago Botanic Garden       | M. Hogg           |
| <u>250</u> | Evanston Lakefront           | J. Engel          |
| 248        | West DuPage Woods            | P. Moxon          |
| 240        | Chicago Botanic Garden       | J. Sanders        |
| 237        | Chicago's Grant Park         | D. Stotz          |
| 234        | Chicago Botanic Garden       | <i>L. Binford</i> |
| 208        | Whalon Lake Forest Pres.     | Je. Smith         |
| 207        | Whalon Lake Forest Pres.     | P. Moxon          |
| 204        | Glen Ellyn's Lake Ellyn      | <i>B.T. Gault</i> |
| 200        | Great Lakes N.T.C.           | E. Walters        |
| 196        | Northpoint Marina            | E. Walters        |
| 192        | Chicago's Humboldt Park      | S. Burckhardt     |
| 189        | Hidden Lake Forest Preserve  | E. Walters        |
| 184        | Chicago Botanic Garden       | E. Walters        |
| 182        | Fraker Farm (Carlock)        | M. Fraker         |
| 180        | Whalon Lake Forest Pres.     | M. Madsen         |
| 179        | Chicago Botanic Garden       | A. Anderson       |
| 178        | Chicago's Rainbow Beach Pk.  | D. Stotz          |
| 176        | Hidden Lake Forest Preserve  | U. Geiser         |
| 175        | West DuPage Woods            | E. Secker         |
| 174        | Chicago Botanic Garden       | J. Sundberg       |
| 173        | Lock & Dam #13               | J. Chapman        |
| 173        | Milford Treatment Plant      | E. Schunke        |
| 172        | Salt Creek Woods             | D. Stotz          |
| 169        | Beaubien Woods F.P.          | D. Stotz          |
| 167        | Chicago Botanic Garden       | A. Stokie         |
| 166        | Evanston Lakefront           | M. Cvetas         |
| 164        | N. Galesburg Dog Walk Area   | J. Mountjoy       |
| 164        | Oakhurst Forest Preserve     | A. Aldrich        |
| 163        | Chicago's Calumet Park       | D. Stotz          |
| 157        | Hidden Lake Forest Preserve  | J. Chapman        |
| 155        | Lyons Woods Forest Pres.     | E. Walters        |
| 154        | Redwing Slough S. N.A.       | E. Walters        |
| 154        | Spring Bluff Forest Preserve | E. Walters        |
| 152        | Chicago's Grant Park         | E. Walters        |
| 152        | Hidden Lake Forest Preserve  | E. Secker         |
| 151        | Chicago's Rosehill Cemetery  | C. Nelson         |
| 147        | Upper Spring Lake            | E. Walters        |
| 146        | Fox River Shores F.P.        | E. Secker         |
| 145        | Ryerson Conservation Area    | E. Walters        |
| 142        | Chicago's Calumet Park       | E. Walters        |
| 141        | Chicago's North Park Village | J. Lill           |
| 141        | Lock & Dam #13               | E. Walters        |
| 140        | Chicago's Rosehill Cemetery  | J. Lill           |
| 133        | Chicago's Rosehill Cemetery  | M. Devlin         |
| 130        | Ryerson Conservation Area    | J. Solum          |
| 129        | Plum Creek Forest Preserve   | E. Walters        |

**Very Small (less than .25 sq.mile/160 acres)**  
(100 minimum)

|            |                             |                 |
|------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|
| 257        | Wilmette's Gillson Park     | E. Walters      |
| <u>227</u> | Wilmette's Gillson Park     | J. Sanders      |
| 194        | North Shore Chan.-Evanston  | E. Walters      |
| 165        | Chicago's Navy Pier         | R. Eiseman      |
| 161        | Chicago's Navy Pier         | E. Walters      |
| 161        | Judson University           | E. Secker       |
| 159        | Sannauk Forest Preserve     | D. Shambaugh    |
| 157        | Chicago's Northerly Island  | D. Stotz        |
| 155        | Oak Bluff Savanna           | M. Brucker      |
| 153        | Evanston's James Park       | M. Cvetas       |
| 148        | North Shore Chan.-Evanston  | M. Cvetas       |
| 146        | Evanston's Calvary Cemetery | E. Walters      |
| 146        | Wilkinson-Renwick Marsh     | D. Shambaugh    |
| 144        | Evanston's Perkins Woods    | E. Walters      |
| 143        | Glenview's The Grove        | J. Sanders      |
| 143        | Zion's Hosah Park           | E. Walters      |
| 141        | Wilkinson-Renwick Marsh     | R. Flemal       |
| 133        | Zion's Edina Park           | E. Walters      |
| 129        | Woodstock's Ryder's Woods   | <i>R. Baade</i> |
| 124        | Waukegan's Bowen Park       | E. Walters      |
| 123        | Chief Shabbona Forest Pres. | D. Shambaugh    |
| 123        | Wolf Road Prairie           | C. Taylor       |
| 118        | Wolf Road Prairie           | D. Stotz        |
| 117        | Evanston's Perkins Woods    | A. Meloy        |
| 116        | Evanston's James Park       | E. Walters      |
| 114        | Waukegan's Bowen Park       | J. Solum        |
| 113        | Wilmette's Gillson Park     | J. Lill         |
| 106        | Saw Wee Kee Park            | D. Shambaugh    |
| 103        | Glen Ellyn's Goer's Woods   | E. Walters      |

**Area Life Lists**  
(150 minimum)

|     |                              |             |
|-----|------------------------------|-------------|
| 336 | Illinois River N.F.W.R       | K. Richmond |
| 303 | Ill. Beach State Park (area) | A. Stokie   |
| 293 | Chicago's Lakefront Parks    | E. Walters  |
| 290 | DuPage Co. Forest Preserves  | B. Fisher   |
| 285 | DuPage Co. Forest Preserves  | K. Fisher   |
| 284 | Chicago Park District Parks  | J. Lill     |
| 283 | Chicago's Lakefront Parks    | J. Sanders  |
| 282 | Evanston/Gillson Park        | E. Walters  |
| 282 | Ill. Beach State Park (area) | R. Erickson |
| 279 | Chicago's Lakefront Parks    | J. Lill     |
| 276 | Evanston/Gillson Park        | J. Sanders  |
| 274 | Chicago's Lakefront Parks    | A. Stokie   |
| 273 | Ill. Beach State Park (area) | J. Sanders  |
| 271 | L. Calumet/Egger's Woods     | J. Sanders  |
| 267 | Greater Grant Pk. Ecosystem  | D. Stotz    |
| 262 | L. Calumet/Egger's Woods     | D. Stotz    |
| 261 | Du Page Co. For. Preserves   | E. Secker   |
| 261 | McGinnis/Palos F.Preserves   | W. Serafin  |
| 257 | Cook Co. Forest Preserves    | D. Stotz    |
| 257 | Evanston/Gillson Park        | J. Engel    |
| 257 | Lake Co. Forest Preserves    | E. Walters  |

|     |                              |                       |     |                             |                  |
|-----|------------------------------|-----------------------|-----|-----------------------------|------------------|
| 253 | Kane Co. Forest Preserves    | E. Secker             | 209 | McGinnis/Palos F.Preserves  | E. Walters       |
| 252 | Chicago's Lakefront Parks    | M. Cvetas             | 208 | Cook Co. Forest Preserves   | B. Fisher        |
| 250 | Ill. Beach State Park (area) | J. Solum              | 207 | L. Calumet/Egger's Woods    | E. Walters       |
| 250 | Chicago's Lakefront Parks    | M. Devlin             | 206 | McGinnis/Palos F.Preserves  | A. Stokie        |
| 250 | Illinois State Parks         | C. Taylor             | 205 | Kane Co. Forest Preserves   | D. Shambaugh     |
| 250 | Univ. of Ill. (Champaign)    | <i>R. Chapel</i>      | 205 | Lake Forest Parks/Preserves | R. Peterson      |
| 249 | Mississippi River            | E. Walters            | 204 | Morton Arb./Hidden Lake     | J. Chapman       |
| 248 | Cook Co. Forest Preserves    | E. Walters            | 204 | Palisades Region            | J. Chapman       |
| 247 | Ill. Beach State Park (area) | D. Williams           | 203 | Morton Arb./Hidden Lake     | E. Secker        |
| 244 | Ill. Beach State Park (area) | D. Johnson            | 203 | Palisades Region            | E. Walters       |
| 244 | Waukegan Parks/Lakefront     | E. Walters            | 201 | Kane Co. Forest Preserves   | J. Sanders       |
| 242 | Cook Co. Forest Preserves    | J. Sanders            | 201 | Morton Arb./Hidden Lake     | U. Geiser        |
| 242 | Ill. Beach State Park (area) | P. Sweet              | 200 | L. Calumet/Egger's Woods    | J. Engel         |
| 237 | Cook Co. Forest Preserves    | J. Lill               | 200 | L. Calumet/Egger's Woods    | A. Stokie        |
| 236 | Cook Co. Forest Preserves    | A. Stokie             | 199 | Greater Grant Pk. Ecosystem | J. Engel         |
| 236 | Starved Rock/Mattheissen     | J. McKee              | 199 | McGinnis/Palos F.Preserves  | K. Fisher        |
| 234 | Du Page Co. Forest Preserves | E. Walters            | 198 | McGinnis/Palos F.Preserves  | D. Stotz         |
| 233 | Morton Arb./Hidden Lake      | P. Moxon              | 195 | Morton Arb./Hidden Lake     | M.B. Chapman     |
| 229 | DeKalb Co. Forest Preserves  | D. Shambaugh          | 191 | McGinnis/Palos F.Preserves  | B. Fisher        |
| 229 | McGinnis/Palos F. Preserves  | J. Sanders            | 191 | McGinnis/Palos F.Preserves  | <i>K. Hanson</i> |
| 224 | McGinnis/Palos F.Preserves   | S. Friscia            | 190 | Cook Co. Forest Preserves   | M. Cvetas        |
| 223 | Evanston/Gillson Park        | M. Cvetas             | 187 | Two Rivers Region           | E. Walters       |
| 219 | Du Page Co. Forest Preserves | J. Chapman            | 183 | Kane Co. Forest Preserves   | E. Walters       |
| 219 | Greater Grant Pk. Ecosystem  | <i>T. Schulenberg</i> | 183 | McGinnis/Palos F.Preserves  | C. Taylor        |
| 218 | McGinnis/Palos F.Preserves   | K. Wysocki            | 166 | Chautauqua Region           | E. Walters       |
| 213 | Cook Co. Forest Preserves    | K. Fisher             | 165 | North Shore Channel         | J. Sanders       |
| 210 | Fox River (Kane Co.)         | E. Secker             | 160 | Lake Calumet/Egger's Woods  | B. Fisher        |
| 210 | McGinnis/Palos F.Preserves   | P. Dring              | 158 | Lake Calumet/Egger's Woods  | K. Fisher        |
| 210 | Zion Parks/Preserves         | E. Walters            | 151 | Lake Calumet/Egger's Woods  | K. Wysocki       |
|     |                              |                       | 150 | DeKalb Forest Preserves     | J. Sanders       |

### Site/Area Big Years (100 minimum)

Michelle Devlin's Big Year in the Chicago Lakefront Parks was the highest new entry this year, at 219 species.

*Tallies are limited to a birder's top three totals for a given site or area.*

|     |                                      |                   |      |
|-----|--------------------------------------|-------------------|------|
| 247 | Chicago's Lincoln Park               | Robert Hughes     | 1996 |
| 243 | Chicago's Lincoln Park               | John Purcell      | 1996 |
| 232 | Chicago's Lincoln Park               | Geoff Williamson  | 2007 |
| 230 | Illinois Beach State Park/Northpoint | Al Stokie         | 1994 |
| 226 | Chicago's Jackson Park               | Paul Clyne        | 1996 |
| 226 | Chicago's Lincoln Park               | Kanae Hirabayashi | 1996 |
| 225 | Chicago's Lincoln Park               | John Purcell      | 1995 |
| 224 | Chicago's Lincoln Park               | John Purcell      | 1994 |
| 224 | Chicago's Lincoln Park               | Geoff Williamson  | 2005 |
| 222 | Chicago's Lincoln Park               | Kanae Hirabayashi | 1995 |
| 221 | Chicago's Lincoln Park               | Geoff Williamson  | 2006 |
| 220 | Illinois Beach State Park            | Eric Walters      | 2007 |
| 219 | Chicago's Lakefront Parks            | Michelle Devlin   | 2012 |
| 217 | Illinois Beach State Park            | Eric Walters      | 2009 |
| 216 | Chicago's Lincoln Park               | Kanae Hirabayashi | 1994 |
| 215 | Evanston/Gillson Park                | Josh Engel        | 1998 |
| 214 | Chicago's Lincoln Park               | Jeff Sanders      | 1971 |
| 214 | Fermi National Accelerator Lab       | Peter Kasper      | 1994 |
| 214 | Lake Calumet/Eggers Woods            | Doug Stotz        | 1998 |
| 213 | Illinois Beach State Park            | Eric Walters      | 2006 |
| 210 | Chicago's Lincoln Park               | Michelle Devlin   | 2012 |
| 210 | Fermi National Accelerator Lab       | Peter Kasper      | 1996 |
| 208 | Fermi National Accelerator Lab       | Peter Kasper      | 1991 |
| 208 | Chicago's Grant Park                 | Doug Stotz        | 1998 |
| 208 | Illinois Beach State Park/Northpoint | Paul Sweet        | 2003 |
| 208 | Horseshoe Lake C.A.                  | Frank Holmes      | 2006 |
| 207 | Evanston/Gillson Park                | Eric Walters      | 1996 |
| 207 | Palos Forest Preserve/McGinnis       | Wes Serafin       | 1994 |
| 206 | Chicago's Lincoln Park               | Michelle Devlin   | 2011 |
| 204 | Chicago's Lincoln Park               | Josh Engel        | 2012 |
| 204 | Evanston/Gillson Park                | Eric Walters      | 1990 |
| 202 | Illinois Beach State Park/Northpoint | Al Stokie         | 1990 |
| 201 | LeVasseur Park/Perry Farm Trail      | Jed Hertz         | 2003 |
| 200 | Chautauqua N.W.R.                    | Kevin Richmond    | 1996 |
| 200 | Chicago's Lincoln Park               | Josh Engel        | 2011 |
| 200 | Evanston Lakefront                   | Eric Walters      | 1990 |
| 199 | Chicago's Lincoln Park               | William Dreuth    | 1938 |
| 198 | Chicago's Lincoln Park               | Fran Morel        | 2012 |
| 196 | Evanston/Gillson Park                | Eric Walters      | 1995 |
| 195 | Horseshoe Lake                       | Frank Holmes      | 2003 |
| 194 | Hennepin & Hopper Lakes              | Doug Stotz        | 2005 |
| 193 | Lake Calumet/Eggers Woods            | Walter Marcisz    | 1994 |
| 192 | Evanston Lakefront                   | Eric Walters      | 1996 |
| 190 | Hennepin & Hopper Lakes              | Doug Stotz        | 2004 |
| 190 | Prairie Ridge State Natural Area     | Jeff Walk         | 1996 |
| 188 | Gillson Park                         | Eric Walters      | 1996 |
| 186 | Evanston Lakefront                   | Eric Walters      | 1997 |
| 185 | Carlyle Lake                         | Keith McMullen    | 1999 |
| 185 | Skokie Lagoons                       | Jeff Sanders      | 1971 |
| 183 | Evanston Lakefront                   | Eric Walters      | 1995 |
| 183 | Gillson Park                         | Eric Walters      | 1990 |
| 182 | Chicago Botanic Garden               | Laurie Binford    | 1993 |

|     |                                    |                   |      |
|-----|------------------------------------|-------------------|------|
| 182 | Chicago's Jackson Park             | Scott Carpenter   | 2003 |
| 182 | Hennepin & Hopper Lakes            | Doug Stotz        | 2003 |
| 182 | Morton Arboretum                   | Eric Walters      | 1988 |
| 181 | Gillson Park                       | Eric Walters      | 1995 |
| 180 | Gillson Park                       | Eric Walters      | 1997 |
| 179 | Morton Arboretum                   | Eric Secker       | 2003 |
| 179 | Shabbona Lake State Park           | Ron Flemal        | 1996 |
| 179 | Skokie Lagoons                     | Jeff Sanders      | 1972 |
| 177 | Chicago's Lincoln Park             | Eric Walters      | 1996 |
| 176 | Skokie Lagoons                     | Jeff Sanders      | 1973 |
| 175 | Palatine                           | Carolyn Fields    | 1996 |
| 173 | Blackwell F.P.                     | Eric Secker       | 2003 |
| 172 | Midewin National Tallgrass Prairie | Doug Stotz        | 1998 |
| 171 | Hennepin & Hopper Lakes            | Doug Stotz        | 2010 |
| 170 | Greene Valley Forest Preserve      | Mike Madsen       | 2007 |
| 169 | Chicago's Lincoln Park             | Sam Burckhardt    | 2011 |
| 169 | Skokie Lagoons                     | Jeff Sanders      | 1965 |
| 168 | Shabbona Lake State Park           | Darrell Shambaugh | 1999 |
| 167 | Greater Grant Park Ecosystem       | Josh Engel        | 2011 |
| 167 | Shabbona Lake State Park           | Darrell Shambaugh | 1998 |
| 164 | Palatine                           | Carolyn Fields    | 1995 |
| 164 | Waukegan Beach & Harbor            | Eric Walters      | 2009 |
| 163 | Deer Grove Forest Preserve         | Carolyn Fields    | 1996 |
| 162 | Illinois Beach State Park          | Paul Sweet        | 2001 |
| 160 | Chicago's Humboldt Park            | Sam Burckhardt    | 2012 |
| 160 | Greene Valley Forest Preserve      | Mike Madsen       | 2005 |
| 156 | Greene Valley Forest Preserve      | Mike Madsen       | 2008 |
| 156 | Woodford County Cons. Area         | Justin Rink       | 1998 |
| 155 | Springbrook Prairie                | Joe Suchecki      | 2002 |
| 154 | Johnson-Sauk Trail S.P.            | Eric Walters      | 2007 |
| 154 | Waukegan Beach & Harbor            | Eric Walters      | 2007 |
| 153 | Springbrook Prairie                | Joe Suchecki      | 1995 |
| 152 | Moraine View State Park            | Michael Retter    | 1998 |
| 152 | Poplar Creek F.P.                  | Judy Mellin       | 2004 |
| 151 | Springbrook Prairie                | Joe Suchecki      | 1996 |
| 150 | Chicago's Humboldt Park            | Sam Burckhardt    | 2010 |
| 150 | Waukegan Beach & Harbor            | Eric Walters      | 2011 |
| 149 | Clinton Lake                       | Michael Retter    | 1997 |
| 149 | Johnson-Sauk Trail S.P.            | Craig Taylor      | 2007 |
| 146 | Poplar Creek F.P.                  | Judy Mellin       | 2003 |
| 146 | Moraine Hills State Park           | Al Stokie         | 1989 |
| 145 | Skokie Lagoons                     | Jeff Sanders      | 2005 |
| 142 | Chautauqua N.W.R.                  | Jeff Sanders      | 1970 |
| 141 | Shabbona Lake State Park           | Ron Flemal        | 1995 |
| 141 | West DuPage Woods F.P.             | Eric Secker       | 2004 |
| 140 | Chicago's Rainbow Beach Park       | Doug Stotz        | 2010 |
| 140 | Judson University                  | Eric Secker       | 2012 |
| 133 | Salt Creek Woods                   | Doug Stotz        | 2004 |
| 133 | Poplar Creek F.P.                  | Judy Mellin       | 1996 |
| 131 | Northpoint Marina                  | Eric Walters      | 2011 |
| 130 | Des Plaines Conservation Area      | Doug Stotz        | 2010 |
| 128 | Chicago's Beaubien Woods           | Doug Stotz        | 2008 |
| 127 | Chautauqua N.W.R.                  | Jeff Sanders      | 1974 |
| 127 | Salt Creek Woods                   | Doug Stotz        | 2010 |
| 126 | Jubilee College S.P.               | Maury Brucker     | 2005 |
| 125 | Spring Bluff Forest Preserve       | Eric Walters      | 2009 |
| 122 | Evanston's Perkins Woods           | Eric Walters      | 1995 |

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|-----|-----------------------------|-------------------|------|
| 122 | Shabbona Lake State Park    | Darrell Shambaugh | 1995 |
| 121 | Chicago's Grant Park        | Doug Stotz        | 2010 |
| 121 | Great Lakes N.T.C.          | Eric Walters      | 2006 |
| 120 | Chicago's Museum Campus     | Doug Stotz        | 2010 |
| 118 | Evanston's Perkins Woods    | Eric Walters      | 1996 |
| 117 | Northpoint Marina           | Eric Walters      | 2009 |
| 113 | Chicago's Rosehill Cemetery | Michelle Devlin   | 2012 |
| 113 | Evanston's Perkins Woods    | Eric Walters      | 1997 |
| 113 | Lyons Woods Forest Preserve | Eric Walters      | 2006 |
| 112 | Chicago's Northerly Island  | Doug Stotz        | 2010 |
| 112 | Woodstock's Ryder's Woods   | Renee Baade       | 1995 |
| 110 | Woodstock's Ryder's Woods   | Renee Baade       | 1996 |
| 108 | Lyons Woods Forest Preserve | Eric Walters      | 2009 |
| 103 | Northpoint Marina           | Eric Walters      | 2010 |

### Site/Area Big Days

The highest Site Big Day submitted for 2012 was the impressive 118 species recorded by Cary Hillegonds and Wes Serafin at the Palos/Orland Forest Preserves, which has earned the third spot on this list.

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| 126 | Illinois Beach State Park        | 05/18/00 | J. Engel, E. Walters            |
| 120 | Carlyle Lake                     | 09/09/00 | D. Kassebaum, K. McMullen       |
| 118 | Palos/Orland Forest Preserves    | 05/01/12 | C. Hillegonds, W. Serafin       |
| 115 | West DuPage Woods/Elsen's Hill   | 05/07/11 | A. Secker, E. Secker            |
| 113 | Chicago's Jackson Park           | 05/09/96 | P. Clyne                        |
| 112 | Chicago's Jackson Park           | 05/04/00 | S. Carpenter, P. Clyne          |
| 111 | West DuPage Woods (Elsen's Hill) | 05/08/04 | A. Secker, E. Secker            |
| 110 | Hennepin Lake                    | 05/06/03 | D. Stotz                        |
| 110 | Palisades Region                 | 05/12/06 | J. Chapman                      |
| 109 | Evanston/Gillson Park            | 05/08/99 | J. Engel, M. Sherer, E. Walters |
| 108 | Chicago's Jackson Park           | 05/09/89 | S. Suter                        |
| 107 | Chicago's Lincoln Park           | 05/10/96 | K. Hirabayashi                  |
| 106 | Morton Arboretum                 | 05/06/89 | T. Brown, R. Wagner, E. Walters |
| 105 | Lake Chautauqua                  | 08/14/99 | S. Bailey                       |
| 104 | Palos F.P./McGinnis Slough       | 05/06/00 | S. Friscia, W. Serafin          |
| 103 | Chicago Botanic Garden           | 05/11/91 | L. Binford, R. Biss, M. Hogg    |
| 103 | Lake Calumet/Egger's Woods       | 09/09/98 | D. Stotz                        |
| 103 | Nachusa Grasslands               | 05/15/10 | E. Walters                      |
| 102 | Evanston Lakefront/Canal         | 05/10/03 | E. Walters                      |
| 102 | Fermi Lab                        | 05/06/00 | P. Kasper, J. Pomatto, D. Kania |
| 101 | Carlyle Lake                     | 09/30/01 | K. McMullen                     |
| 101 | Morton Arboretum                 | 05/05/90 | E. Walters                      |
| 100 | Carlyle Lake                     | 09/01/01 | K. McMullen                     |
| 100 | Port Louisa N.W.R.               | 05/07/05 | E. Walters                      |
| 98  | McGinnis Slough/Palos F.P.       | 05/23/98 | W. Serafin                      |
| 97  | Illinois Beach State Park        | 05/18/94 | A. Stokie                       |
| 96  | Siloam Springs State Park        | 05/06/06 | E. Walters                      |
| 95  | Hennepin-Hopper Lake             | 08/25/05 | D. Stotz                        |
| 93  | Morton Arboretum                 | 05/10/96 | E. Walters (in just 2 hours)    |
| 91  | Carlyle Lake                     | 10/01/97 | K. McMullen                     |
| 91  | Chicago's Lincoln Park           | 05/13/12 | C. Williamson, G. Williamson    |
| 91  | Decatur's Rock Springs N.C.      | 05/05/06 | T. Mahan, E. Walters            |
| 91  | Morton Arboretum                 | 05/08/04 | J. Chapman                      |
| 90  | Chicago's Lincoln Park           | 05/15/02 | E. Walters                      |
| 89  | Illinois Beach State Park        | 10/14/95 | J. Engel, E. Walters            |
| 89  | Washington Co. C.A.              | 05/02/05 | E. Walters                      |
| 88  | Chain'O Lakes State Park         | 05/08/93 | L. Binford, B. O'Shea           |

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| 87 | Nachusa Grasslands            | 05/08/06 | E. Walters |
| 82 | Clinton Lake                  | 10/02/04 | E. Walters |
| 81 | Skokie Lagoons                | 05/15/65 | J. Sanders |
| 79 | Skokie Lagoons                | 09/04/64 | J. Sanders |
| 73 | Clinton Lake                  | 10/07/00 | D. Thomas  |
| 73 | Johnson-Sauk Trail State Park | 05/07/06 | E. Walters |
| 72 | Clinton Lake                  | 05/05/06 | E. Walters |
| 72 | Johnson-Sauk Trail State Park | 05/11/07 | C. Taylor  |
| 72 | Olympia Fields Country Club   | 05/08/99 | M. Hahn    |
| 70 | Evanston/Gillson Park         | 09/21/98 | J. Engel   |
| 70 | Hennepin Lake                 | 11/20/01 | D. Stotz   |
| 69 | Northwestern University       | 05/21/78 | J. Sanders |
| 67 | Meridosia Lake                | 09/02/06 | E. Walters |
| 67 | Two Rivers N.W.R.             | 10/18/08 | E. Walters |
| 65 | Chicago's Jackson Park        | 03/31/05 | P. Clyne   |
| 64 | Johnson-Sauk Trail State Park | 05/05/07 | C. Taylor  |
| 62 | Plum Creek F.P. (Cook Co.)    | 06/24/02 | E. Walters |

## Definitions

A 'Site' can be generally defined as a single entity with a known legal/political contiguous boundary.

An 'Area' can be generally defined as an entity made up of two or more similar legal/political or contiguous sites. There are a few situations where a defined legal/political site is not contiguous. Locations such as Illinois Beach State Park (north and south units), Pyramid State Park (main and Denmark sections), Panther Creek and Bellrose National Wildlife Refuge have separate sections which are not attached. However, in these cases the separate territories are described under the same political/legal name, so we call them a 'site' for purposes of our listing. Over many years, there are a number of sites that have added territory or in a few examples have lost territory. Applying common sense, if new territory is added to a known site, then upon official addition, species found in the new additional territory can be added as part of the site list. In the same vein, if a site territory shrinks, then, moving forward, species can no longer be added from the old territory. Applying the definitions above, a few commonly birded sites can now be defined in terms of their boundaries.

**Chicago's Burnham Park** starts from the 55th Street Promontory on the south and extends to McFetridge/Solidarity Drive on the north and east of Lake Shore Drive (taking in McCormick Place, Northerly Island and Burnham Harbor).

**Chicago's Calumet Park:** Please note that Illinois waters only extend to about 20 yards offshore; most of Lake Michigan viewable from this site is in Indiana. There is an obelisk near the power station that marks the state line.

**Chicago's Grant Park** is north of McFetridge/Solidarity Drive northward to Randolph Street and east of Michigan Avenue (taking in the Field Museum campus, Monroe Harbor and Grant and Millennium Park).

**Chicago's Lincoln Park** is North Avenue on the south up to Hollywood Avenue on the north and east of Marine/Lake Shore Drive/Lakeview/Lincoln Park West (taking in North Avenue Beach, Lincoln Park Zoo, North Pond, Belmont Harbor, Jarvis Bird Sanctuary, Montrose Harbor, Beach and Point).

**Navy Pier** includes the Pier, Olive Park and the harbor and breakwaters around the pier.

**Evanston Lakefront** covers the whole Evanston lakefront east of Sheridan Road.

**Great Lakes Naval Training Center** is that portion of the Center which is east of Sheridan Road.

**Waukegan Beach and Harbor** are east of Pershing Road.

**Illinois Beach State Park (site)** consists of the sum of the north and south units added together (but not including the territory separating them).

**Northpoint Marina** is north of the north unit of Illinois Beach State Park and east of Spring Bluff Forest Preserve up to the Wisconsin state line.

**North Shore Channel:** The Chicago section of the Channel is between Howard St. and the waterfall south of Foster Ave. and includes Chicago, Lincolnwood and a small part of Skokie; the Evanston section is between Howard St. and Sheridan Rd. and includes Evanston, Skokie and Wilmette. Sheridan Road is the dividing point between the Channel and Gillson Park.

**Palisades Region:** The Illinois section of the Mississippi River area north of US Route 30. Includes Mississippi Palisades S.P., Lost Mound, Spring Lake, Lock & Dam 13 and all other sites west of Highway 84.



**Illinois Beach State Park (area)** includes both units of Illinois Beach S.P., Hosah Park, Spring Bluff F.P., Northpoint Marina, Waukegan Beach and Harbor.

**Two Rivers Region:** Two Rivers N.W.R., Batchtown N.W.R., Gibert, Swan, Fuller, Upper & Lower Stump Lakes, Dabbs Road Marsh, Pere Marquette.

**Chautauqua Region:** Chautauqua N.W.R., Emiquon N.W.R., Banner Marsh, Quiver, Rice, Clear, Spring Goose & Thompson Lakes, Sand Ridge S.F.

**N.F.W.R.** = National Fish & Wildlife Refuge(s)

We welcome definitions of confusing sites/areas from around the state.

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