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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Anyone who has done a bit of bird watching on the western shore of Lake Michigan during fall migration knows that your success is very often weather dependent. In fact, the best weather days (think sunny and calm) aren't necessarily the best birding days at all. Warm sunny weather entices more people outside often with their kids and pets in tow. Better get up early or you'll hear stories from fellow birders how dogs chased off a flock of graceful American Avocets from the beach or runners flushed an unexpected Upland Sandpiper moments before you arrived. There's nothing more frustrating than missing a good bird by a few minutes. Believe me. I've been there many times.

Experienced birders don't mind getting up early or even braving the elements, but it's not just about trying to beat the crowd. Knowing how the weather may affect migration and bird activity improves your chances at finding certain species or of having a productive outing in general.

There's probably one condition where you might as well pack it in for the day and that's heavy rain. In a torrential downpour, you won't be able to see or even keep your optics dry. More than likely, you'll get miserably wet, too. Might as well take the day off when it's pouring.

While heavy rain can really put a damper on your avian aspirations, a little precipitation and the right wind direction can sometimes truly enhance a birding experience. Where north winds meet a weather system with rain, birding along the edge of that front can sometimes yield surprisingly good results. Southbound migrating passerines, once they encounter rain and obscured visibility, might decide they can travel no further and set down for the day. A cool misty fall morning could mean lots of activity at a migrant trap like Montrose. Unfortunately, it could also mean a busy day for collision monitors roaming the streets of downtown Chicago as disoriented migrants find themselves trapped in precarious situations.

And what about wind speed and direction? Sustained northwest or west winds often get northeast Illinois birders pretty excited. Depending upon the month, you could be in for an interesting day of Franklin's Gulls and Short-eared Owls on the beach in the morning, followed by an afternoon of soaring Sharp-shinned and Red-tailed Hawks or endless, daytime trails of Sandhill Cranes.

East winds off of Lake Michigan are a completely different story. There might be less bird activity overall with east winds, but the possibilities are no less exciting to lakefront birders. A strong east wind typically means one thing. It's prime jaeger time! If you can put up with sand and wind blasting you in the face, a lakewatch into the teeth of 15-20 mph east winds can be a thrilling experience. When you witness your first jaeger zipping by at breakneck speed terrorizing gulls, you'll know exactly what I mean.

The bird watching opportunities along Lake Michigan are endless any time of year, but fall is one of my favorites. Be sure to check the weather before you head out. You never know what you might encounter on any given day, but, by knowing the weather and how it may affect migration, you can put yourself in the best position for success. ■

Matthew Cvetas
Outgoing IOS President

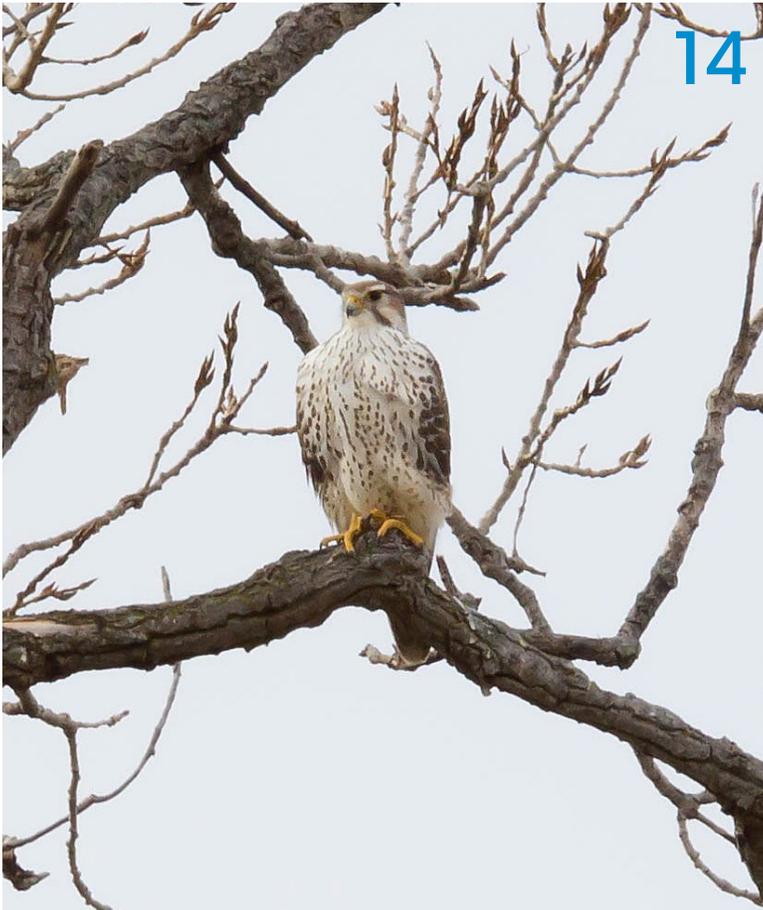


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Leroy Harrison took this photo of a singing Sedge Wren at Prairie Ridge S.N.A. in Jasper County on 26 Jul. 2017.



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EDITOR'S CORNER

The Joy and Value of Summer Monitoring

By Eric Secker

Summer is an important time for Illinois birds and one where you as a birder can make a difference.

Years ago, I had a job doing nest monitoring at the Morton Arboretum and helping with research on Brown-headed Cowbird parasitism. During that time, I had the opportunity to interact with many species. One bird that I remember well is a Brown Thrasher that nested every year in the same large buckthorn bush. Like clockwork each year, I could walk up to the nest to check on the eggs and be greeted by a very mean-looking parent scolding and hissing at me from less than a foot away.

The fact that species like these are so predictable from year to year gives us the unique ability to closely monitor how restoration impacts them. With only a few years of consistent data from the same site using the same protocols, significant changes in some species can be observed. This is where you as a birder can have an incredible impact for birds with relatively little effort. From doing summer point count monitoring to breeding bird surveys or even simply sharing anecdotal sightings of species of concern, one birder's data can help site managers make informed decisions about restoration and help scientists select species and sites that need extra attention.

One of my favorite ways to contribute to science is by doing summer point count monitoring. In the Chicagoland area, we are fortunate to have a collaborative effort between the Bird Conservation Network, regional forest preserve districts, and other land managers to monitor our local parks and preserves.

My first experience as a monitor was doing surveys at Herrick Lake Forest

Preserve in DuPage County. Point count monitoring is extremely simple and even easier for anyone already using eBird to enter their sightings. In my area, the only big difference between monitoring and a normal bird outing is that birders are directed to a series of specific "points" in a preserve where they stand for five minutes and record all species within a certain distance that they see or hear. Birders are asked to start as close to dawn as possible and to make

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at least two visits to their points during the breeding season in June. Then they simply enter their data in eBird using specific locations for each of the points where they monitored.

Some of my best summer birding took place when I was getting out at dawn in the summer at Herrick Lake. Orchard Orioles worked the trees and shrubs along the entrance road where I walked in to the site. Henslow's Sparrows could often be heard or seen in the fields on either side. Multiple Yellow-breasted Chats were actively singing away in the tree tops and hedgerows, and Willow Flycatchers were everywhere, nesting in the many clumps of dogwoods.

One of my favorite memories was stumbling upon a Black-billed Cuckoo sitting on a nest. On another occasion, I came across an Acadian Flycatcher nest, a species that barely reaches DuPage

County in the summer. Return trips yielded opportunities to watch as the young hatched and fledged.

More important than the sightings themselves, I only needed a couple seasons of monitoring data to help the land managers make informed choices. In some situations as shrublands were managed and thinned, we were able to directly show how numbers of key species were increasing. In other situations, we identified birds that were

struggling either from or in spite of management efforts. With that information in hand, the forest preserve district could then be presented with the opportunity to adjust and reassess their restoration techniques to help even more species. Having that data also led to Herrick Lake getting nominated as an Important Bird Area and helped birders at other sites investigate what

dynamics made the habitat at Herrick Lake particularly inviting to shrubland birds.

Whether you've monitored in the past and dropped away from it, or have never tried it out, I encourage you to make it a goal for this summer. In the Chicagoland area, you can reach out to the Bird Conservation Network online at bcnbirds.org/survey/ or get in touch with your local forest preserve district. In the rest of the state, many state parks, nonprofits, and national wildlife refuges have programs in place. Contact the land managers at a site near you and inquire about doing monitoring. ■

Eric Secker is the Chief Editor of IOS's *Meadowlark* magazine.

RECENT NEWS FROM IOS

Updates About IOS and Meadowlark Magazine

By Eric Secker

MEADOWLARK MAGAZINE UPDATE

With the release of this issue and the next issue scheduled to mail out within the next few weeks, Meadowlark Magazine will be close to being completely caught up. We only have three or four back issues remaining that we will be actively pushing forward in the coming months. Since I came on board a year ago to help with Meadowlark, the Illinois Ornithological Society has already been working hard to move ahead. That said, assembling this magazine is dependent upon the entire community of Illinois birders who submit photos, help compile reports, submit Christmas and Spring Bird Count data on time, enter their sightings on eBird, and write articles. If that includes you, I want to say thanks for helping these past few issues get out to be enjoyed by so many readers. Once the last back issues are out, we'll be switching back to a set, quarterly print schedule with issues coming out each season.

WHAT'S AHEAD FOR IOS?

Many other improvements and changes are also in the works for IOS. On that note, I want to thank Matthew Cvetas for his time serving through this transition as IOS President, and to officially welcome Matt Igleski as the new IOS President. Already, Matt has been taking steps to help IOS continue to thrive and grow. In early March, the IOS leadership and key volunteers met for a day to brainstorm and do vision casting for the future of IOS as an organization. Look for many more improvements, additions, and changes in the months ahead as we catch up on Meadowlark and focus more time and effort on other priorities we want to address.

YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS MATTER

The Illinois Ornithological Society is almost entirely volunteer run and dependent on member dues to cover year-to-year expenses. We rely on donations and revenue from events in order to continue to grow. If you value having a statewide organization that helps build community among Illinois birders, tracks the records and statuses of birds in Illinois, supports local conservation and research, and introduces birders to wonderful birding hotspots throughout the state, please consider donating to help us continue these and other new initiatives. You can give online at: www.illinoisbirds.org/donations/ or by mail with a check made out to "IOS" and sent to: Illinois Ornithological Society, PO Box 931, Lake Forest, IL 60045.

VOLUNTEER WITH US

We also need volunteers. IOS is an organization for birders run by birders. Together, you, I, and other volunteers can make Illinois a state that we are proud to represent to the greater birding community. If you are interested in being a part of our team and helping make IOS even better, we'd love to hear from you. Drop us a note at the address above, or reach out to us online at: www.illinoisbirds.org/contact-us/. Potential positions include helping lead a field trip, editing or proofing field notes, gathering photos for Meadowlark, updating social media and the IOS website, and helping coordinate events.

FIELD NOTES EDITOR OPENING

Meadowlark Magazine is currently seeking a new fall field notes editor to take over for Jill Anderson who stepped in to help us get caught up to present. The editor should have a good understanding of the distribution and timing of birds in Illinois, have great attention to detail, and be comfortable working with Microsoft Excel. Thanks to Jill's amazing work, the fall field notes are complete through 2019 and the new editor will be able to start noting sightings as they come in this fall and have ample time to compile. We are also looking for assistant editors to help alleviate the load that was previously placed on one individual to compile the field notes. If interested in more details, send us email at publications@illinoisbirds.org.

UPCOMING FIELD TRIPS

We have a selection of great field trips scheduled for 2020 and hope you'll join us. IOS trips aim to give birders memorable experiences at some of the best birding locations in Illinois. Trips are led by knowledgeable birders and scheduled for peak seasons at the sites. For the full lineup, check out our website at www.illinoisbirds.org. [UPDATE: As of the time this issue goes to print, the COVID-19 outbreak is resulting in some trip cancellations. Check IBET, the IOS Facebook page, or the IOS website for updates.] ■

Eric Secker
Chief Editor
IOS's Meadowlark Magazine

RED-WINGED BLACKBIRD. Chicago Botanic Garden, Cook County, 4 June 2017. Photo by James Jarosz.



BANK SWALLOWS. Montrose Point, Cook County, 17 June 2017. Photo by Andrew Aldrich.

Twenty-Third Report of the Illinois Ornithological Records Committee

By Geoffrey A. Williamson

Evaluations by the Illinois Ornithological Records Committee (IORC or “the Committee”) are reported here for a total of 82 records, including 68 accepted records of 31 species and 14 unaccepted records of 13 species and forms. A total of 85 observers contributed reports, including descriptions and photographs documenting these records. Without the documentary efforts of these observers, no archival information would exist for preserving the records. The Committee sincerely thanks the contributing observers for their input, regardless of the outcome of the Committee’s evaluations.

We continue to follow the conventions used in the first 22 reports of the Committee, for example Williamson (2016), Sweet (2013) and Stotz (2012). The records below are divided into two groups: Accepted and Unaccepted. The Accepted group is further divided into Review List Species and Other Species. The Unaccepted group is divided into Review List Species and Other Species and Subspecies. Nomenclature, English names and sequence of species conform to that of the 7th edition of the *Check-list of North American Birds* (American Ornithologists’ Union 1998) and its supplements through the 58th (Chesser et al. 2017).

Accepted records are entered with the locality, including county; the date; the IORC record number (in parentheses, the year of initial observation followed by a serial number); and the initials of the primary observer(s) who contributed specimens, descriptions, and/or photographs. Similar information is provided for unaccepted records, except the observers remain anonymous, and a brief explanation of why the record was not accepted is given. The initials of a contributor without any further modification indicate that they contributed solely written documentation. When additional information was provided, a colon follows the observer’s initials with the following codes: p for photographic evidence, v for video, s for sound recording, and sp for a specimen. Many contributing photographers also submitted written documentation, a practice that the Committee strongly encourages. If the observer who first discovered the bird is known to the committee, that observer’s initials are set off from the initials of other contributors by a semicolon. Initial observers who did not submit documentation are not always listed. For specimen records, a sharp (#) follows an abbreviation for the institution holding the specimen, along with that institution’s catalog number if available.

The Committee does not always take a position on the age or sex of a bird, and any such information given may be

the observer’s opinion, rather than the Committee’s. All other remarks are the author’s, although most of the information comes from the Committee files, which are now stored in Chicago, Illinois, in the Bird Division of the Field Museum of Natural History.

In those cases where there are discrepancies between the details presented here and other published records, the data provided here represent the Committee’s best assessment of all available information. Date ranges for records reflect both the evidence in submitted documentation and information available to the Committee from other sources when judged by the Committee to be valid. Such sources include internet bulletin boards and listserves, eBird (Sullivan et al. 2009), and personal communications. We have not generally commented on records that are published elsewhere with more limited data than contained here. The Committee accepts responsibility for any inaccuracies or misrepresentations of information herein. Errors that come to our attention will be published as corrigenda in a future IORC report.

DOCUMENTATION AND REVIEW LIST

The Committee requests documentation of all records of Review List forms within the state. The current Review List, available at <http://www.illinoisbirds.org/illinois-ornithological-records-committee/>, was most recently updated at the 18 February 2018 meeting of IORC. In addition, any species not listed in the Illinois State List of Birds (available at <http://www.illinoisbirds.org/the-birds-of-illinois/>) should be documented. In some cases, documentation of regularly occurring species may be warranted. These instances may include out of season occurrences, first state nesting records, and exceptionally high counts of species. Documentation in these cases should also be sent to the seasonal report editor for the appropriate season. These may be considered by the Committee, as well as documentations submitted for the Christmas Bird Count and Spring Bird Count.

An ongoing issue for the Committee is the task of collecting documentary evidence for the occurrence of rare birds. There is a growing set of media, mostly online, where individuals post information about unusual birds. Whether or not those individuals posting the information are active within the birding and ornithological communities, often the submission to IORC of photographs or other documentation is neglected. The absence

ACCEPTED RECORDS OF REVIEW LIST SPECIES

Sixty-one records of 29 species

Mottled Duck (*Anas fulvigula*) One photographed at Chautauqua National Wildlife Refuge, Mason County 25 November 2016 (2016-087; MI:p).

White-winged Dove (*Zenaida asiatica*) This report contains seven accepted records. One photographed in Chicago, Cook County 17 May 2016 (2016-100; DM:p). One photographed in Quincy, Adams County 28 March 2017 (2017-007; PtR:p; PR). One photographed in River Grove, Cook County 4 June 2017 (2017-014; SS:p). One photographed in River Forest, Cook County 19 June 2017 (2017-022; JSA:p). One photographed in Kaneville, Kane County 9 July to 26 August 2017 (2017-026; MM:p, VM:p, DTW). This individual was initially found and photographed by Jay Sturner. One photographed in Le Roy, McLean County 17 April 2017 (2017-039; JP:p). This bird was found by David O'Brien on his property. One photographed at Montrose Point, Lincoln Park, Chicago 1 November 2017 (2017-055; FRM:p).

Broad-billed Hummingbird (*Cynanthus latirostris*) One in Sherman, Sangamon County 11-13 September 2017 (2017-037; PS:p; HDB:p).

Black Rail (*Laterallus jamaicensis*) One at Montrose Point, Lincoln Park, Chicago, Cook County 20-28 June 2017 (2017-020; KKM:s; ASA:s, MMC:s, RDH, GAW:s).

Ruff (*Calidris pugnax*) One photographed at El Paso Sewage Treatment Plant, Woodford County 16 July 2016 (2016-097; TH:p; BM:p). One photographed at Emiquon National Wildlife Refuge, Fulton County 20-21 August 2017 (2017-035; REF, MMC:p). This bird was found by Adam Sell.

Parasitic Jaeger (*Stercorarius parasiticus*) One immature photographed at Montrose Point, Lincoln Park, Chicago, Cook County 31 August 2017 (2017-036; LGM:p). One immature photographed at Lake Shelbyville, Moultrie County 15-17 September 2017 (2017-041; TAM:p; RB:p).

Black-headed Gull (*Chroicocephalus ridibundus*) One photographed at Lake Springfield, Sangamon County 23 March 2017 (2017-008; HDB; CD:p).

Little Gull (*Hydrocoloeus minutus*) One photographed at Lake Springfield, Sangamon County 20-21 April 2016 (2016-101; HDB:p).

Pacific Loon (*Gavia pacifica*) One photographed at Emiquon Preserve, Fulton County 4-5 November 2017 (2017-049; MI; AGt, JP:p). One at Crab Orchard National Wildlife Refuge, Williamson County 13 November 2017 (2017-059; DDM).

Wood Stork (*Mycteria americana*) One photographed at Rend Lake, Jefferson County 6-20 July 2017 (2017-024; CLH:p, DMK:p, DTW:p). This bird was found and identified by Bob Gullede. One photographed at the Sexton Creek wetlands, Alexander County 5 August 2017 (2017-032; AGn:p).

of documentation submitted to IORC also occurs for sightings included in eBird checklists. All these situations cause difficulty for the archiving function of IORC because IORC is committed to allowing access to the documentary evidence for students of Illinois birdlife, and IORC cannot do this with information for which permission for such public access has not been granted to it. Where possible and practical, IORC endeavors to effect the direct submission of documentation of whose existence IORC becomes aware, but these efforts are not always successful or sometimes even possible.

The Committee thus strongly encourages all observers of rare birds to submit documentation, even when multiple observers are involved in a sighting, directly to IORC. Cases do arise of records that are deemed unacceptable due to incomplete information, even when there were many observers, because additional documentation was not submitted to the Committee. Photos are of course invaluable resources for the Committee, but even with high quality photographs available there are times when a tricky identification can be resolved only from written details not depicted in photos. The best practice is for observers to submit documentation directly to the Committee, even if it involves strictly photos. One should not assume that documentary evidence available in the variety of public fora on the internet will make it to the Committee.

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WHITE-FACED IBIS. Glacial Park, McHenry County, 1 Oct. 2017.
Photo by Marilyn Palmer.

Neotropic Cormorant (*Phalacrocorax brasilianus*) This report contains 10 accepted records. One photographed at Emiquon Preserve, Mason County 26 February 2017 (2017-003; CJL:p; DK:p). One photographed in Pontiac, Livingston County 28 March 2017 (2017-009; DL:p). One photographed at Lake Springfield, Sangamon County 24 April to 6 June 2017 (2017-044; HDB:p). Two photographed at Almond Marsh Forest Preserve, Lake County, 4 June to 26 July 2017 (2017-015; OB, CSF:p, VM). The first of these two birds was initially found by Adam W. Sell. One photographed at Nygren Wetland Preserve, Winnebago County 4-9 June 2017 (2017-016; JCL:p). This bird was initially found by Ed Cope. One photographed in Roselle, DuPage County 1-24 July 2017 (2017-042; ASA:p, UWG:p, CAT:p, JTk:p). One photographed in North Aurora, Kane County 9-18 July 2017 (2017-038; ASA:p, UWG:p, JN:p, JTk:p). This individual was initially found by Steve Bayer. One at Grand Tower, Jackson County 14 July 2017 (2017-046; RSR). Possibly this or another individual was observed on 28 July, 29 July, and 9 August 2017 (based on eBird reports), but no documentation of these observations was submitted to the Committee. One photographed at Lake Shelbyville, Moultrie County 4 August 2017 (2017-031; RB:p). One photographed at Rainbow Beach, Chicago, Cook County 15 September 2017 (2017-047; ASA:p; MMC:p).

Anhinga (*Anhinga Anhinga*) This report contains three accepted records. At least three at Oakwood Bottoms, Grand Tower, and the Big Muddy River valley, Jackson County 23 May to 28 August 2017 (2017-018; JTr; AGn:p, DMK:p, KeR:p, KiR, CAT:p). Written documentation of an adult male 23 May 2017 (JTr) was originally filed under record number 2017-013, but this record was merge with the documentation received and filed under 2017-018. The first photographic evidence of an adult male was gathered 18 June 2017, and a male was last noted 27 August 2017. At least two juvenile/female plumaged birds were also present, with at least one during 24 June to 28 August 2017. Photographs establishing two juvenile/female birds were taken 26 and 28 August 2017. One at Cache River State Wildlife Area, Johnson County 21 August 2017 (2017-062; RR). Two at Greene Valley Forest Preserve, DuPage County 10 October 2017 (2017-053; REF), providing an unusually late date for the species.

Tricolored Heron (*Egretta tricolor*) One photographed at Illinois Beach State Park, Lake County 20-22 June 2017 (2017-021; ASA:p, MMC:p). This bird was discovered by Steve Mulhall.

White Ibis (*Eudocimus albus*) One photographed in Grand Tower Township, Jackson County 9-20 July 2017 (2017-025; WG, DMK:p, DTW:p). This bird was found and identified by Don Mullison.

White-faced Ibis (*Plegadis chihi*) Six photographed at Glacial Park, McHenry County 28 September to 29 October 2017 (2017-050; DRD, CK:p, JWJ, MP:p, Y-yP:p, DTW:p). Two photographed at CIPS Lake, Jasper County 13-14 October 2017 (2017-061; CLH:p).

Black Vulture (*Coragyps atratus*) One photographed at Ft. Sheridan Forest Preserve, Lake County 17 October 2017 (2017-052; KML:p).

Swallow-tailed Kite (*Elanoides forficatus*) One photographed east of Metropolis, Massac County 7 April 2017 (2017-010; KAM:p). One photographed near Mermet Lake, Massac County, 31 July 2017 (2017-057; EL:p).

Barn Owl (*Tyto alba*) One in Burnham Park, Chicago, Cook County 25 December 2016 (2016-099; EG).

Prairie Falcon (*Falco mexicanus*) This report contains four accepted records. Two southwest of Arcola, Coles and Douglas counties 28 October 2016 through 29 January 2017 (2016-102; RB:p). This record presumably involved wintering birds from previous years returning to the same winter territory. Two birds were noted on various dates between 28 October 2016 and 15 January 2017, inclusive. The birds were seen by many observers, but the only received documentation was a photograph of one bird on 1 January 2017. A photograph showing both birds was submitted to eBird (Sullivan et al. 2009), checklist S32408035. Two photographed at Mt. Erie bottoms, Wayne County 12 November 2016 to 9 January 2017 (2016-103; CLH:p). Most sightings during the observation period were of one bird; a documentary photograph from 30 December 2016 shows two birds. One at Prairie Ridge State Natural Area, Jasper County 28 December 2016 (2016-014; CLH). One photographed at Greene Valley Forest Preserve, DuPage County 17 October 2017 (2017-056; JAS:p).

Say's Phoebe (*Sayornis saya*) This report contains three accepted records. One photographed at Moraine View State Park, McLean County 5 October 2013 (2013-080; BM:p). A photograph of this bird appears in Meadowlark 23(2):74. One photographed outside Savanna, Carroll County 9 November 2016 (2016-096; CB, EBn:p). One photographed at Lake Springfield, Sangamon County 19 September 2017 (2017-045; HDB:p).

Vermilion Flycatcher (*Pyrocephalus rubinus*) One photographed at Goose Lake Prairie State Park, Grundy County 6 November 2016 (2016-094; TB:p).

Mountain Bluebird (*Sialia currucoides*) One photographed south of Savanna, Carroll County 9 December 2016 to 17 February 2017 (2016-088; CB, EBn:p; EA, AS:p, DTW:p). A second individual was reported during the observation period, but the Committee felt that the submitted evidence supported only one. One photographed at Fermilab, DuPage County 7-12 April 2017 (2017-040; CSF:p, LSP:p, SZ:p).

Townsend's Solitaire (*Myadestes townsendi*) This report contains four accepted records. One photographed at Sag Quarries, Lemont, Cook County 6 November 2016 (2016-095; MD:p). One photographed in Stockton, Jo Daviess County 15 November 2016 (2016-086; JPJ:p). One photographed at Rock Cut State Park, Winnebago County 25 November 2016 to 2 January 2017 (2016-089; BCW:p, DTW). This bird was originally found by Ray Fini. One heard only at Sand Ridge State Forest, Mason County 3-5 December 2016 (2016-091; CD, AGn:s).

Bohemian Waxwing (*Bombycilla garrulus*) One photographed at Shaw Woods, Lake Forest Openlands, Lake County 1 January 2017 (2017-002; ENL; EBh:p, OB:p).

Pine Grosbeak (*Pinicola enucleator*) One photographed in Rockton, Winnebago County 13 April 2017 (2017-011; MK; JCL:p, RT:p, DTW:p, GAW:p).

Hoary Redpoll (*Acanthis hornemanni*) One photographed at Chicago Botanic Garden, Cook County 22 November to 14 December 2017 (2017-063; EBh:p, MMC:p).

Golden-crowned Sparrow (*Zonotrichia atricapilla*) One photographed at Letcher Basin, Woodford County 21 March to 4 April 2017 (2017-006; CAT; BM:p, MJW:p, MW).

Western Tanager (*Piranga ludoviciana*) One photographed at Illinois Beach State Park, North Unit, Lake County 4 June 2017 (2017-017; CSF:p).

Painted Bunting (*Passerina ciris*) A male and female in East St. Louis, St. Clair County during 20 May to 31 July 2017 (2017-019; DMK:p). The male was observed during 20 May to 31 July, and the female was observed during 10 June to 30 July.



FEMALE PAINTED BUNTING. East St. Louis, St. Clair County, 10 Jun. 2017. Photo by Dan Kassebaum.

ACCEPTED RECORDS OF OTHER SPECIES

Seven records of two species

Black-bellied Whistling-Duck (*Dendrocygna autumnalis*) Black-bellied Whistling-Duck was removed from the Review List at the 18 February 2018 meeting of IORC. This report includes four records of this species. Three at Watershed Nature Center, Edwardsville, Madison County 9 May 2017 (2017-012;

ED, JTN:p). Three in northwest Alexander County 23 June 2017 (2017-023; REF). One in Carroll County 22 July 2017 (2017-028; DTW:p). This bird was found by Cindy Brown and Ethan Brown. One photographed in the Zuma Creek flats, Rock Island County 7 August 2017 (2017-033; SF:p).

California Gull (*Larus californicus*) This report contains three records of this species. One 1st cycle individual photographed on the Illinois River at Peoria, Peoria and Tazewell counties, 30 November 2016 through 16 February 2017 (2016-093; MI:p; CD). One 2nd cycle individual photographed on the Calumet River, Chicago, Cook County 4-14 February 2017 (2017-001; ASA:p; JC:p, MMC). One 1st cycle individual at Channel Lake, Lake County 23-25 February 2017 (2017-004; AWS).

UNACCEPTED RECORDS

UNACCEPTED RECORDS OF REVIEW LIST SPECIES

Eleven records of 10 species

Mottled Duck (*Anas fulvigula*) One at Big Lake, Brown County 25 November 2016 (2016-090). Mottled Duck is a rare species in Illinois in a species complex that poses many identification challenges, including the possibility of hybrid combinations within the complex. In this case, the Committee felt those challenges weren't met.

Black Rail (*Laterallus jamaicensis*) One at Worship Trail, Cook County 10 May 2010 (2010-031). The bird was seen only briefly, and the description was minimal, leading the Committee to conclude that other possibilities were not clearly excluded.

Whooping Crane (*Grus americana*) One at Orland Grasslands South Forest Preserve, Cook County 30 April 2016 (2016-032). The Committee felt that the identification was correct, but the bird was most likely from the reintroduced migratory population. Hence, the record was not accepted based on origin.

Ruff (*Calidris pugnax*) One videoed at Techny Basin, Glenview, Cook County 20 September 2016 (2016-075). A majority of the Committee felt that this bird was a Pectoral Sandpiper.

Royal Tern (*Thalasseus maximus*) One at Harborside Marina, Channahon Township, Will County 8 July 2017 (2017-027). The Committee was split in their views on this record, with the majority uncomfortable to accept it. The brevity of the observation was a concern, especially given that similarity with Caspian Tern makes a close observation desirable.

Neotropic Cormorant (*Phalacrocorax brasilianus*) One in Carpentersville, Kane County 29 September 2017 (2017-048). The Committee was split on this record, with a slight majority opposing acceptance. A major concern was the lack of description of plumage and bare part detail, especially the face pattern. Several Members noted reluctance to base identification on size alone, especially since field impressions of size can be deceiving.

Anhinga (*Anhinga Anhinga*) Seven at Evergreen Lake, McLean County 4 May 2010 (2010-030). The evidence presented was not conclusive enough in support of the identification, and the number of birds involved was unusual away from an area in which breeding was possible. One at Greene Valley Forest Preserve, DuPage County 13 October 2016 (2016-077). The Committee has struggled in recent years with sight records of Anhinga. Several Committee members feel that separating Anhinga from Double-crested Cormorant, especially at a distance, poses an underappreciated potential for confusion. Written descriptions of visual features can often be interpreted as supporting identification to either species, as was the case in this record.

Gyr Falcon (*Falco rusticolus*) One white morph at Greene Valley Forest Preserve, DuPage County 6 November 2016 (2016-081). Points of concern included that the after-the-fact identification did not permit critical assessment of the conclusion during the observation, and that certain plumages of Ferruginous Hawk and perhaps also Red-tailed Hawk (including leucistic/albinistic individuals) were not sufficiently eliminated from consideration.

Say's Phoebe (*Sayornis saya*) One photographed at Cape Bend wetlands, Alexander County 7 August 2017 (2017-034). The Committee was split in its views on this record, with a majority deciding against it. Three of the seven Committee members felt the photos showed an Eastern Phoebe. Several others noted that the photos were not conclusive as to the identification and expressed concerns about the lack of discussion of aspects of seeming mismatch between the photographs and observed features noted in the written description.

Cave Swallow (*Petrochelidon pyrrhonota*) One at Lake Springfield, Sangamon County 28 October 2016 (2016-092). The Committee had concerns that the description included no mention of the color of the throat or face nor mention of Cliff Swallow as a species to eliminate from consideration. Most likely this was indeed a Cave Swallow, but the evidence wasn't strong enough to support adequately that conclusion.

UNACCEPTED RECORDS OF OTHER SPECIES AND SUBSPECIES

Three records of three forms

Semipalmated Plover (*Charadrius semipalmatus*) One in Northbrook, Cook County 7 March 2017 (2017-005). The very early date, conditions of the observation, and other possible identifications not being adequately excluded left the Committee uncomfortable about this record.

Great Blue Heron (white form) (*Ardea herodias*) One in Savoy, Champaign County 12 July 2017 (2017-029). The Committee desired physical evidence for such an unusual record, in order to rule out conclusively the possibility of hybrids or aberrantly colored individuals of more common forms.

Nashville Warbler (ridgwayi) (*Oreothlypis ruficapilla ridgwayi*) One at Jarvis Migratory Bird Sanctuary, Lincoln Park, Chicago, Cook County 20 October 2015 (2015-069). All but one

voting member were opposed to acceptance. One concern was the difficulty in separating the subspecies based on plumage features, especially when the individual is not an adult male, with many members feeling that the appearance of this individual fits within the range of the eastern subspecies. The extent and nature of the tail movements also did not sway the Committee as convincing for ridgwayi, nor did impressions of structural features such as tail length. ■

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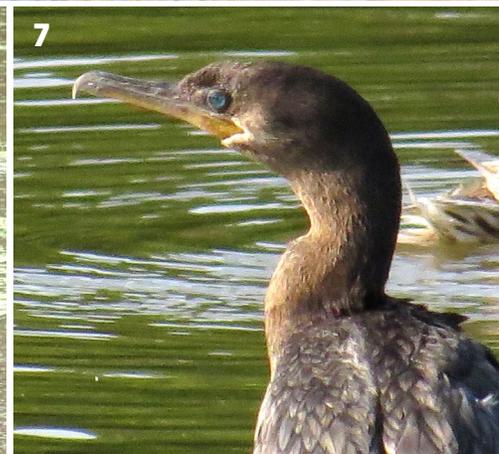
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PARASITIC JAEGER. Lake Shelbyville, Moultrie County, 16 Sep. 2017. Photo by Ron Bradley.



2017 Photo Highlights

1. Prairie Falcon. Greene Valley F.P., DuPage Co. 17 Oct. 2017. Photo: Jeff Smith.

2. Black Vulture. Ft. Sheridan, Lake Co. 17 Oct. 2017. Photo: Karen Lund.

3. Neotropic Cormorant. Almond Marsh F.P., Cook Co. 11 Jun. 2017. Photo: Carolyn Fields.

4. Broad-billed Hummingbird. Sherman, Sangamon Co. 11 Sep. 2017. Photo: Pam Stanko.

5. White-faced Ibis. CIPS Lake, Jasper Co. 13 Oct. 2017. Photo: Leroy Harrison.

6. Black-bellied Whistling-Duck. Army Depot Rd., Carroll Co. 22 Jul. 2017. Photo: Dan Williams.

7. Neotropic Cormorant. Roselle, DuPage Co. 17 Jul. 2017. Photo: Craig Taylor.

8. Bullock's Oriole. Glencoe, Cook Co. 22 Nov. 2017. Photo: Sulli Gibson.

9. Ruff. Emiquon N.W.R., Fulton Co. 20 Aug. 2017. Photo: Matthew Cvetas.

10. Western Tanager. Illinois Beach S.P., Lake Co. 4 Jun. 2017. Photo: Carolyn Fields.

11. Painted Bunting. East St. Louis, St. Clair Co. 20 May 2017. Photo: Dan Kassebaum.

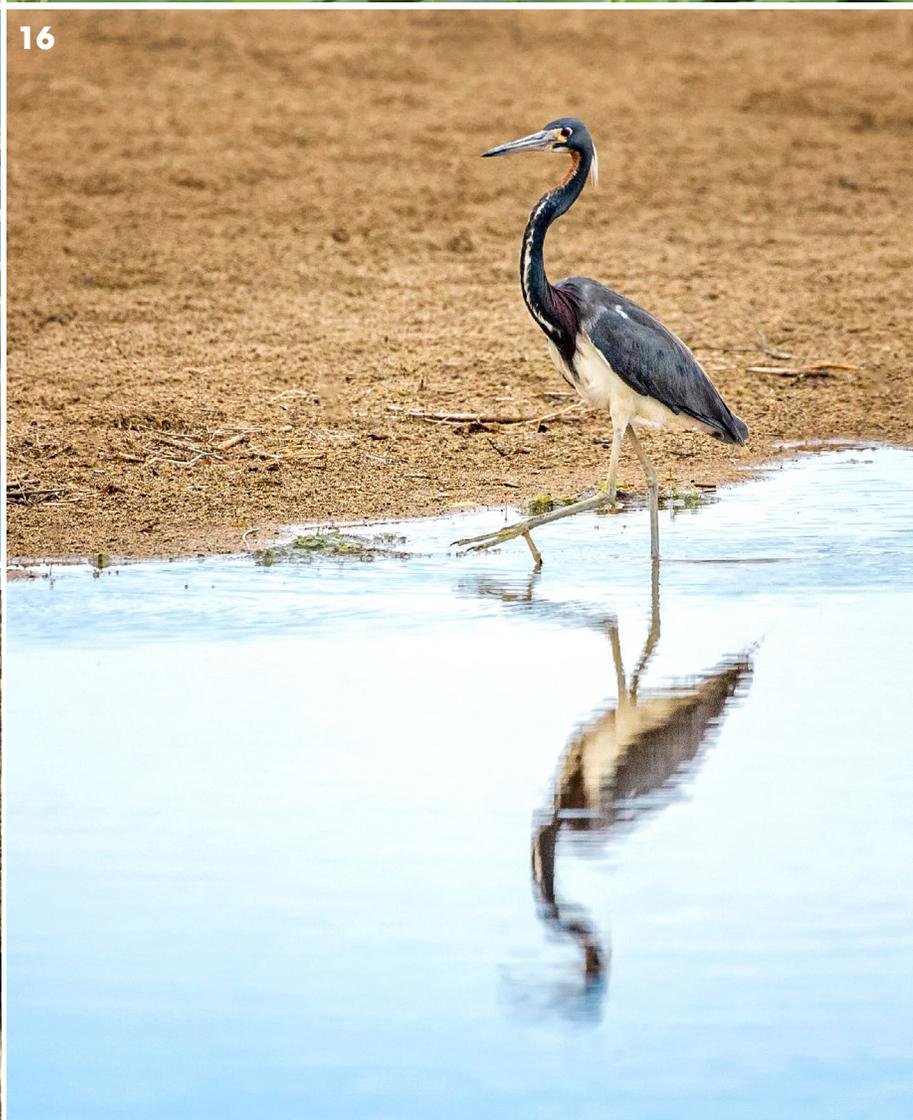
12. Wood Stork. Rend Lake, Jefferson Co. 6 Jul. 2017. Photo: Leroy Harrison.

13. White-winged Dove. River Grove, Cook Co. 4 Jun. 2017. Photo: Susan Szeszol.

14. Hoary Redpoll. Chicago Botanica Garden, Cook Co. 26 Nov. 2017. Photo: Emil Baumbach.

15. White Ibis. Grand Tower, Jackson Co. 9 Jul. 2017. Photo: Whitney Gregg.

16. Tricolored Heron. Illinois Beach S.P., Lake Co. 21 Jun. 2017. Photo: Emma England.



PRAIRIE FALCONS OF COLES COUNTY, ILLINOIS

By Tyler D. Funk



Limestone rocks, which cover the county roads, were ricocheting around my wheel wells, and wisps of dust collected on the rear window of my vehicle as I made my regular trip through Coles County, Illinois, searching for migrant prairie birds. Since I began my employment with the City of Champaign, these areas have become my new birding haunts. I rarely travel the interstate during my commutes, opting instead to travel the county roads to get in a little extra birding time. It was during a late October 2010 commute home, making my way east along 1300N in Coles County with a dust storm billowing up behind my vehicle, when I had my first encounter with a Prairie Falcon. Horned Larks and Savannah Sparrows were plentiful this time of year and Vesper's Sparrows still lingered in the area as well. When these small passerines start migrating through, I know that Lapland Longspurs are not far behind. With them come the Merlins and shortly thereafter (usually by the first week in November), the Northern Harriers, Rough-legged Hawks, and Short-eared Owls. So as I made my way along the narrow dusty stretch of 1300N, my eyes were keen for such birds.

I was nearly halfway between 1275E and 1400E when it all began. A large, tan raptor sprang from the calf-deep drying grasses along the north side of this seldom-used country road.

It looked huge! (Certainly it was when compared to the many kestrels and an occasional Merlin typically encountered).



The wings seemed long in relation to the size of its body. It flew to the northeast, banked hard, and then flew low to the ground in a northwesterly direction. The bird seemed to move quickly and with so little effort! To my good fortune, it landed 300 yards away, perching on the ground near a 4-foot property post. I did not own a spotting scope at the time, so my binoculars had to suffice. I called my father, as I knew he had a spot-

ting scope on loan from a friend and would want to come and look at this bird. Unfortunately, I was not able to see the bird very clearly. Aberrations on sunny days can make viewing birds at a distance miserable, but I knew it was a large falcon. I also felt sure that it was a Prairie Falcon. I waited until my father arrived. We each looked at the bird several times through the spotting scope, neither of us saying much. I didn't want to play my card too quickly! How can this be? A Prairie Falcon in Coles County, Illinois?

I grew up in Charleston, Illinois, a son of an entomologist, Dr. Richard C. Funk, who was a professor at Eastern Illinois University. Most of my early years were spent in the local wooded ravines, which were left steep where the glaciers ended their slow southern tilling, searching for that one-in-a-million insect that my father would find unique. "Ah, a *Verrucosa*! Probably a *Verrucosa arenata*," he would say to me after my long sprint home with a spider trapped in my palms. "Is it rare?" I would ask. "No, they are relatively common."

Sigh. So, to the woods I would return, turning over rotten logs, rocks, and combing through the flowering weeds, searching for yet another hopeful rarity. Alas, to no avail! I was most successful at acquiring a full-body rash of poison ivy and ruining endless pairs of shoes. Just the same, these hours in the woods made me very familiar with the flora and fauna of these diverse woodland ravines. At the age of 10, I was on one of my “insect missions” when I encountered my first Common Yellowthroat. It was magnificent! I had never seen such a beautiful bird. This is how my early birding days began. I spent the next 40 years birding these types of habitats. It is what I knew, and I knew it well. The woods and an occasional trip to the lakes to peer at waterfowl were pretty much the extent of my birding. Beyond the dynamics of spring and fall migration of passerines and waterfowl, much of the world of birding was relatively unfamiliar to me.

Not long after I began working in Champaign, Illinois, I met Travis Mahan, and a whole new world of birding was awakened in me. Obviously, I was aware of shorebirds, gulls, blackbirds, and such, but I neither had the equipment nor the experience to fully appreciate this whole new realm of birding. Now, instead of anxiously waiting the spring and fall migration, I found ways to bird all year. Winter is coming, and it can't last long enough for me! It has become by far my favorite birding season. I called Travis that day in October. He, as always, expressed his excitement and offered some insight into what he knew of Prairie Falcon wintering ranges. The information he provided concerning the winter movements of Prairie Falcons that day had me hopeful of possibly relocating the falcon. I continued my normal pattern of commutes searching for the falcon, but for the remainder of the winter season of 2010–2011 and the following winter season of 2011–2012, I was not able to locate a Prairie Falcon again. It was a fluke! A chance encounter, or was it?

On 3 November 2012, I got my answer. I had to be in Champaign that evening, so as is typical, I drove up through the county roads for my commute. It was 5:30pm and nearly dark as I approached the Arcola Cemetery on 1100E. I could see a raptor on an arm of a utility pole. It had that “falcon” profile. I quickly swung my vehicle to a 45-degree angle in the middle of the roadway to get my newly acquired spotting scope on the bird. It was him! The Prairie Falcon had returned! I quickly got a few documentation photographs before the falcon flew and was lost from sight as it traveled south. It was not a fluke! I am not sure I was really convinced of this yet, but it certainly seemed odd to see this falcon here again. It is using the area as a wintering ground!

I had also become familiar with Ron Bradley over the past few years, so I made notification to him. He and I spent the next few weeks looking for the falcon. It was eventually located again in mid-December of 2012. The remainder of that winter season was spent “burning fossils” — meaning lots of gasoline. Ron Bradley, David Mott, and I logged many hours and drove countless grids of county roads in search of the falcon that winter. Through the process, we eventually narrowed down the grid to the area that is now known as the “Magic Stump.” It was



FIGURE 1: Prairie Falcon photographed near the Arcola Cemetery, 3 November 2012. Photo by Tyler Funk.

on this stump where we first encountered two Prairie Falcons, which served to escalate the excitement and the activity in our searches. It got a little silly that winter. We had code names for each other, and we kept each other posted as to when we were “clocking in” and “clocking out” of the area. It was an amazing winter and one I will never forget!

To keep a record of the sightings that winter, I began the “Coles County Prairie Falcon Map” (which can still be found through a Google search). It was my way of keeping a record of the sightings and behavioral patterns of the falcons. What they were doing, their direction of flight, what the flight looks like, and how they reacted to other raptors in the area were all a part of what I attempted to track in these documentations. As is typical, the more I learned, the more I started asking myself questions. Why here? Where do they come from? Do they usually winter in pairs? What do they eat? Is this an isolated incident or are there more Prairie Falcons in Illinois that go unseen and undocumented? Face it, driving around flat country roads isn't what most people think of for a good time birding. I happen to enjoy it, but the birding can be rather mundane at times.

As is expected, people began making the trip to the area to see these magnificent falcons. Over time, they, too, began to ask the same questions of me that I had been asking myself. I began looking for research on the wintering ranges of Prairie Falcons. Most of the useful research I found was from Idaho. Another useful study was conducted in the eastern plains of Colorado. More on that later.

Why here? This is probably the most frequently asked question by those that venture to northern Coles County to look for these falcons. Standing just east of the “Magic Stump” on 1200E looking to the east, the land looks extremely unremarkable — a flat expanse of corn stubble and barren bean fields sprawling out as far as the eye can see. The landscape is broken only by the occasional steep drainage ditch, some quaint homesteads, and rows of utility poles. To the eye, it just doesn't seem to add up. Yet for some reason, these eight square miles of agricultural emptiness have yielded some of the most amazing birds, such as Prairie Falcon, Peregrine Falcon,

Gyr Falcon, Merlin, Bald Eagle, Golden Eagle, Rough-legged Hawk, Snowy Owl, Short-eared Owl, and numerous Northern Harriers, not to mention the full list of our resident raptors.

During spring migration, Coles County is an important recovery area for the American Golden-Plover. Plovers by the thousands can be seen flying from one agricultural field to another in flocks that rival the murmurations of large groups of European Starlings. Through the winter months, hundreds of Lapland Longspurs also spend their winters here, foraging for remnant grains scattered by the hurried harvest.

At the risk of sounding melodramatic, I feel there is old magic here. It is a special place that was forged by fire and ice long before we came into the picture. The answer lies below the surface of what we perceive today. Other places in Illinois are not so dissimilar in appearance to northern Coles County. They possess agricultural fields, drainage ditches, and homesteads. There must be something more! It is something deeper, something shrouded by modern husbandry, that draws these birds to this area. It would be speculative at best for me to answer the question, "Why here?" Trust me, I think about it every day while visiting the area. My notion, as alluded to earlier, is in fire and ice.

Coles County is bordered by the Kaskaskia River to the west and the Embarrass River to the east. However, both are relatively small and have little impact (particularly along the Kaskaskia River) regarding elevation change and vegetative cover. This leaves much of the 927 square miles of Douglas and Coles County unobstructed for the long-range hunters of open prairies. Another feature that can be detected is the gentle decline in elevation from Coles County towards the south. A perceivable ridge runs from just west of Walnut Point State Park, proceeds through the Larry Closson Nature Preserve (aka Hickory Ridge), and continues west along 1700N, passing the "Magic Stump", before proceeding to I-57. The communities of Mattoon and Charleston, which are located ten miles to the south, can be seen easily from the stump. Coles County marks the southern reach of the Wisconsin ice sheets. Here, layers of glacial till were deposited, thus leaving a rich, elevated, smooth, fertile shelf. Everything south of this point becomes more heavily covered in timber as it gently slopes to the Ohio and Mississippi river valleys. The features left behind by these forces of nature have created a natural "landing strip" for species migrating northward and a barrier for northern prairie species migrating south that require these open habitats. The glacial till, likewise, provided a rich fertile terrace where prairie grasses emerged. Through eons of fire and decomposition, lush soils were created. The biomass created by this process is perfect for the multitude of invertebrates that provide the foundation for the food chain. One can argue that these are not truths particularly unique to this location. I think this information contains some of the answers, but certainly not all. I will continue my pondering for now. As I stated earlier, my thoughts on this are conjecture, seasoned with my experience.

I will make one last note of interest that is specific to the American Golden-Plovers and the Lapland Longspurs in central Illinois. During their migratory movements within central

Illinois, these species tend to be abundant but also somewhat localized. For example, it is not uncommon during spring migration for me to observe thousands of American Golden-Plovers in the corridor between I-57 and the Embarrass River valley. If I travel west of I-57 or venture into Moultrie County further to the west, the numbers of individuals decreases very rapidly. I have had similar results looking to the east of the Embarrass River valley for Lapland Longspurs. The Lapland Longspurs are more widely distributed, but I still experience higher success rates within this corridor. For both species (within my small geographical reference points), this corridor extends northward into Douglas County and western Champaign County. Certainly, there is some force or geographical feature creating a funneling effect in this area.

To be brief, my second hypothesis concerning, "Why here?" is to ask a different question. Why not elsewhere? Due to my choice of commuting habits, I place myself into this area repeatedly almost year-round. My repeated visits and the increased traffic of hopeful birders searching for the Prairie Falcon has created a kind of "Patagonia effect" — thusly named after a rest area along Highway 82 just south of Patagonia, Arizona, where a similar phenomenon occurred. Since there are so many similar environments scattered around the state, I believe this is not actually an isolated incident, but rather one that has been brought to light. If other birdwatchers were as willing as I am to subject themselves to the arduous task of driving hundreds of miles of empty cornfields, we would likely see an increase in winter Prairie Falcon sightings or who knows what other rarity.

With all that said, northern Coles County still appears to be an enigma. It is hard to argue against it, with all that has transpired over the past six years. The one fact that still makes me consider this area to be special is that all these raptors move to a one square mile patch of corn stubble to roost each night. It is not unlikely by January to observe 4 Merlins, 3 Rough-legged Hawks, 6 Northern Harriers, and 2 Prairie Falcons all in the same evening coming in to roost here. I mean seriously! That's crazy! I would still pose the question though: Is this a unique birding location, or are there other areas which have the same potential if you were to invest the time searching?

Pictured in Figure 2 is a distribution map that I have created which shows historical eBird records of Prairie Falcon sightings in Illinois. I realize there are other sightings, but this was the resource I had readily available. It is created from a USGS map, which serves as a nice geological surface map. Multiple sightings with similar dates were lumped together and are indicated with a star. My hope is to show specific terrain features associated with Prairie Falcon records. This small sample shows preferences for open agricultural areas, prairie restoration areas, large river basins, and (as in Lawrenceville, Illinois) an airfield, all which provide large, open hunting territories. This would also be the case for the falcon seen in the Lake Calumet area.

I think the distribution shown on this map probably supports my second hypothesis best. If more suitable habitat areas were checked with greater frequency, scattered records of wintering Prairie Falcons would be noted. Counties in which

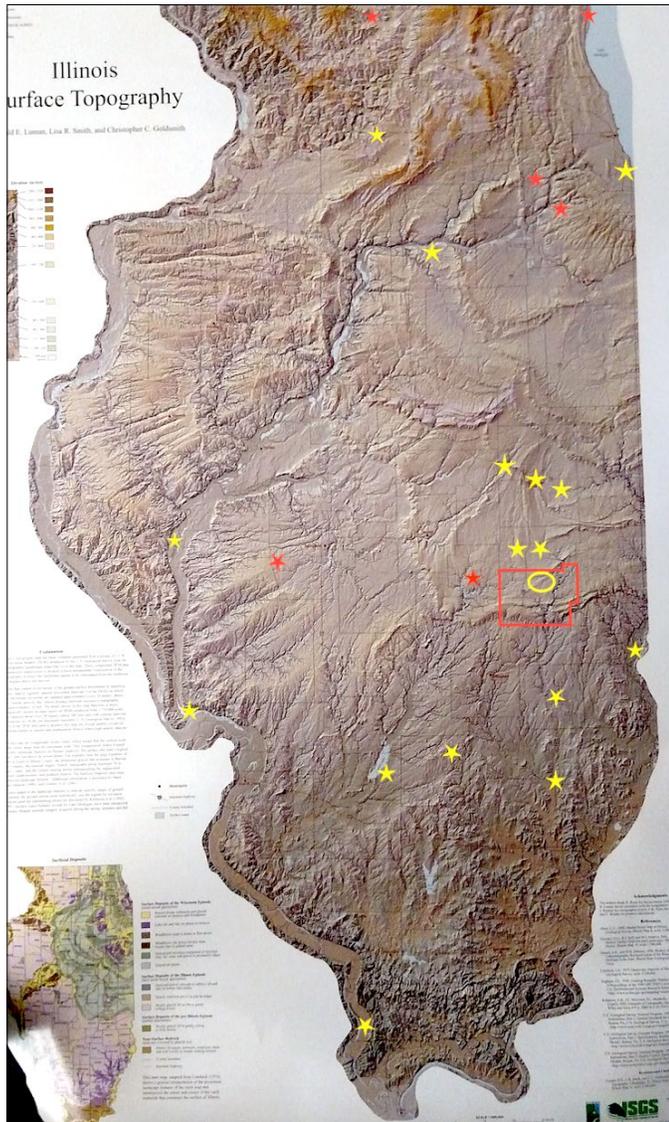


FIGURE 2: HISTORICAL PRAIRIE FALCON SIGHTINGS IN ILLINOIS. In order to provide a legend for this map, the yellow stars indicate wintering records and red stars depict migrant records (based on observation dates in ebird). I also outlined Coles County in red for easy recognition. The oval in Coles County illustrates the area of winter records for the two falcons seen here over the past six seasons. I would suspect the two sightings in Douglas County are from the two birds seen in Coles County. However, in my opinion, the records from Champaign and Jasper Counties are from different falcons than those found in Coles County.

I feel Prairie Falcons would most likely be found include those bound on the west and north by the Illinois River, and extending east to the state line. Areas within these boundaries that are known to have good concentrations of Horned Larks and Lapland Longspurs on a consistent basis would be great locations to consider searching. Northern Harriers and Rough-legged Hawks might possibly be good indicator species as well. I believe they point to a suitable food supply within a given area.

Prairie Falcon distributions are not an accident. Every type of bird has evolved to take advantage of one type of niche or another. The Prairie Falcon is, by and large, a short-grass prairie inhabitant. The pre-settlement era in Illinois did not offer such

habitats. Only through modern agriculture have we created a pseudo short-grass environment which can be taken advantage of by this species. I would consider this to be like the gulf coast states' flower gardens and hummingbird feeders, providing new opportunities for mismigrating western hummingbirds. As we continue to change habitat and have an impact on the climate, new advantages and disadvantages will emerge for certain species, bringing about microevolutionary changes in distribution. I have addressed the "Why here?" question as best as I am able to at this point. If anyone has further thoughts, I truly welcome the discussion.

As indicated earlier, I had many other questions that floated in and out of my mind while observing these magnificent birds: What do they eat? How do they hunt for prey? What are "normal" interactive behaviors between falcons and other birds of prey? What is considered the normal migratory pattern for Prairie Falcons? Through my documentations on Google Maps, I have amassed about 230 contact entries, which allowed me to formulate many of my own answers or opinions concerning these questions. The more I watched these falcons, the hungrier I became for more information. Yes, I have a lot of field guides, but to get to the core of understanding their behavior and movement patterns, I had to search elsewhere. As I alluded to earlier, I began doing some online research. I wanted to see if some of the behaviors I was observing in the field matched those found in other scientific studies.

Through my personal research into this subject, I came across a study that was conducted on Long range movements and breeding dispersal of Prairie Falcons from southwest Idaho by Karen Steenhoff, Mark Fuller, Michael N. Kochert, and Kirk K. Bates This study shone some light on the "How did they get here?" question.

Typically, we think of migration as an obligate two-stage process: south in the fall and north in the spring. For some species, particularly those that do not have long-range movements, migration tends to be facultative (where species move to the best available resources). This is, to some degree, the case for the Prairie Falcons. "Although much is known about the ecology of Prairie Falcons (*Falco mexicanus*) during the nesting season, little is known about movement patterns between breeding and non-breeding areas, and even less is known about the extent of interchange among nesting populations" (Steenhof et al. 2006).

The informational take-away from this study, for me, was twofold: (1) The Prairie Falcons do indeed have a high fidelity to summer, winter, and nesting areas (Steenhof et al. 2006). (2) The migratory strategy moves these falcons in a clockwise direction: first towards the northeast to summer use areas, where they match the distribution of the Richardson's Ground Squirrel, then to the southeast to access winter use areas. The arc created by this movement pattern may explain both their movements into Illinois, and perhaps, a possible point of origin. I am assuming that all populations of Prairie Falcons have similar movement patterns as those found in Snake River Canyon, Idaho. If this is indeed the case, it makes me consider that the Prairie Falcons found in central Illinois may nest

in eastern Wyoming, South Dakota, North Dakota, western Nebraska, or possibly Saskatchewan.

“After the young leave the nest, female Prairie Falcons are the first to leave their nesting use areas. Most falcons crossed the Continental Divide on the Idaho-Montana border north-east of the National Conservation Area. Bearings of initial legs ranged from 309–108° (mean vector for all trips = 42°; 95% confidence interval = 34–50°; n = 46)” (Steenhof et al. 2006).

Most female Prairie Falcons left their summer areas in September or October. This corresponds to the time when juvenile Richardson’s ground squirrels typically hibernate (Michener 1979). Bearings ranged from 108–246°. Although the mean vector for all trips was 182° (95% confidence interval = 168–196°; n = 29). Mean arrival dates on wintering areas were similar for birds that wintered in the Great Plains (13 October +/- 31 days, n = 12) and birds that wintered in Idaho (18 October +/- 14 days, n = 9), but arrival dates on the Great Plains showed more variation. Five falcons survived with a functioning PTT into a second winter, and all five used the same areas they had used in previous winters (Steenhof et al. 2006).

I found this particularly useful in that it shows their high fidelity to the same winter use areas. Once a wintering Prairie Falcon is located, it is likely to return to the same area the following seasons. Many visitors to the “Magic Stump” have asked me how I can be certain that these are the same falcons returning each year. I feel that this study strongly suggests that they would indeed be the same birds each winter.

The departure dates from summer use areas and subsequent arrival to winter use areas certainly match up with my experiences concerning arrival dates for Coles County, Illinois. Over the six-year period the Prairie Falcons have been wintering in Coles County, the observed arrival dates are as follows: 3 Nov. 2012, 8 Nov. 2013, 25 Oct. 2014, 8 Nov. 2015, 28 Oct. 2016, 29 Oct. 2017, 21 Oct. 2018. All of these dates correspond with predicted arrival dates to wintering use areas in accordance with the Snake River Canyon studies, which leads me to believe that tracing the seasonal movements backwards would support the the Coles County Prairie Falcons originate from the Midwest or eastern front range of the Rocky Mountains. These arrival dates also, by no accident, correspond to the arrival dates of Lapland Longspurs and migrant Horned Larks.

Prairie Falcons remained on their winter use areas as late as Mach 8 (Steenhof et al. 2006). This departure time also correlates with my documentations. The departure dates recorded from Coles County, Illinois, are as follows: 14 Mar. 2013, 2 Mar. 2014, 4 Feb. 2015, 13 Mar. 2016, 18 Jan. 2017, 12 Feb. 2018. The February and January departures are outliers but are most likely due to either ending the observation period too soon or having difficulty in relocating the birds when they were not visible on the stump. The winter of 2015 was unseasonably cold, and I decided the falcons had their fill of the frigid temperatures we were experiencing. Looking back, I think that had I extended the observation period, I would have likely relocated the birds.

“Distances from wintering areas to Snake River Canyon NCA nesting areas ranged from 11–1977 km (mean = 920 +/- 735 km). Fourteen of 27 falcons wintered >1000 km from their

nesting areas” (Steenhof et al. 2006). It is impossible to determine the travel distance of the Coles County Prairie Falcons to their nesting territory. Assuming they are on the high end of the travel distances, these falcons could very well be from the front ranges of Colorado or Wyoming. If I take a more conservative travel distance, then perhaps my Midwestern theory is plausible.

I was able to locate a second resource which contained both similarities and differences in regard to the Prairie Falcon behavior in Coles County. This second study is a little older and used technology that required physically locating the birds either through sighting or by use of handheld yagi antenna (Beauvais et al. 1992). This method of tracking movements restricts the volume of data which could be collected but does offer the advantages of observing characteristics in behavior. This study was conducted in the eastern plains of Colorado.

Through their successful tracking of 10 radio-tagged falcons for 17–70 days, wintering ranges for Prairie Falcons in east-central Colorado were determined to average 11.58 square miles² with a maximum linear dimension of 6.46 miles.

Within the area of study, Rough-legged Hawks were the most common raptor and were twice as abundant as Prairie Falcons. Ferruginous Hawks, Golden Eagles, and Northern Harriers were also common. Fence posts, electrical distribution poles, and transmission line poles were numerous and have been shown to increase the local density of raptors in the study area. Even with the high density of raptors in the area, interspecific oppression was rarely seen.

In Beauvais’ research, Rough-legged Hawks were attacked three times by falcons after they had released Rock Pigeons as bait in the immediate vicinity. Common Ravens were chased twice under similar circumstances. Perched falcons were subjects of shallow stoops to within 1 meter by a Merlin, a Northern Harrier, and a Rough-legged Hawk. Interspecific aggression was a low frequency event in their area of study (Beauvais et al. 1992).

During the winter months within Coles County Illinois, Northern Harriers are by far the most common raptor in the area. As I mentioned earlier, Prairie Falcons (for the time being), Merlins, Rough-legged Hawks, American Kestrels, and Red-tailed Hawks are common raptors in northern Coles County. Within my frame of reference, interspecific aggression is far more common than described by Beauvais. As described within my online journal, it is very common for the Prairie Falcons to be harassed by Northern Harriers. This harassment usually takes the form of continued swoops at the Prairie Falcon while it is perched either on the ground or on a low perch (Fig. 3 and 4). This activity, at times, can take place in succession each time a Northern Harrier happens to be passing through the area in which the falcon is perched. I have also documented this harassment on video obtained from the “Magic Stump.” While the Prairie Falcon is in flight, harassment by Northern Harriers is far less common. I have seen this behavior, but it usually ends rather quickly when the falcon becomes annoyed by the assault and turns the tables on the harrier.



FIGURE 3: Northern Harrier harassing a Prairie Falcon on the "Magic Stump."



FIGURE 4: Both Prairie Falcons chase off a Northern Harrier after it made an assault on one of the falcons. The second Prairie Falcon came to the others aid from out of nowhere!

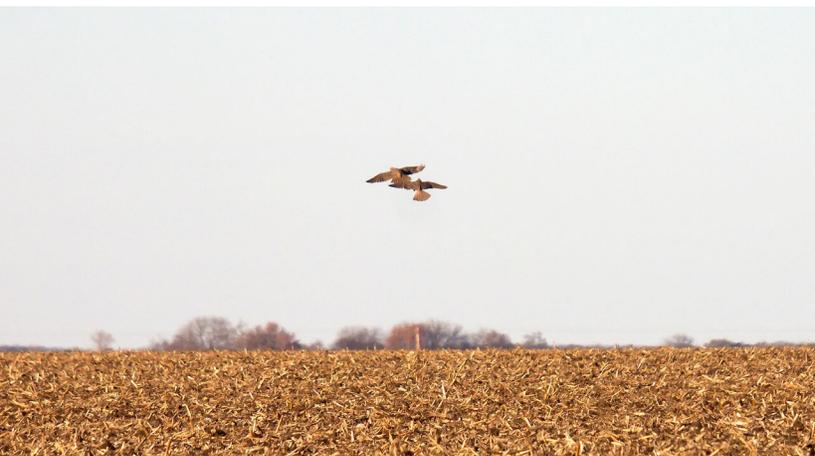


FIGURE 5: The falcons return to the "Magic Stump" area in an aerial ballet.



FIGURE 6: Two Prairie Falcons share a morning roost at the "Magic Stump."

Merlins have also been observed being aggressive towards the Prairie Falcons. On a few occasions, I have witnessed passing swoops by Merlins aimed at a perched Prairie Falcon. More commonly, however, a Merlin is seen giving a high velocity chase when a Prairie Falcon passes over the Merlin's hunting territory. I have not witnessed any aggression between the Prairie Falcons and buteos or vice versa.

In Beauvais and Henderson's studies, intraspecific interactions were not noted. Prairie Falcons did not "pair up" nor did they interact with each other. Only one instance was observed of a falcon flying a mile to take a dive at another falcon roosting in the same area (Beauvais et al. 1992). My experience has been completely the opposite, as pictured above (Fig. 5 and 6). I have also observed the two Coles County falcons sharing roosts on and off the "Magic Stump." Additionally, on several occasions, I have seen one falcon perched on the ground for a long period of time, suddenly take off, and fly directly towards a second falcon as it returned to the roosting area. They would typically meet in midair and spend several minutes performing a non-aggressive midair ballet. They "appear" to be genuinely comfortable with each other's presence. I would even say

"happy" to be united. Perhaps the introduction of released Rock Pigeons in the Beauvais and Henderson study precipitated these negative responses from both the falcons and other raptors in the vicinity.

Other observations that are summarized here from Beauvais and Enderson's study include: A. Horned Larks were almost the exclusive prey of falcons, attacked in low altitude high speed flights. B. During their observation, falcons attacked prey 40 times, and all but 3 attacks involved Horned Larks. Other prey included 2 mice and 1 meadowlark. C. 13.5% of attacks were successful. D. Prey encounters were usually targeted towards larger flocks of Horned Larks (65% were at flocks >50 individuals).

In comparing this study with my own personal data collected in Coles County, Illinois, over the past four winter seasons, I found that Northern Harriers were the most abundant raptor with a high count of 12 individuals followed by Rough-legged Hawks (5), American Kestrels (5), Merlins (4), Red-tailed Hawks (4), Prairie Falcons (2), Gyrfalcon (1), Peregrine Falcon (1), Golden Eagle (1), and Bald Eagle (1).

The most common prey, from my observations, were large flocks of Lapland Longspurs and smaller flocks of Horned Larks (Fig. 7). Mourning Doves and Eurasian Collared-Doves were also observed being carried away after a successful hunt. The Prairie Falcons have also been recorded on the trail cam dropping down from the stump to capture mice which live in and around the stump. Another important prey for the falcons, as they arrive in late October, is grasshoppers. I have watched them over several seasons giving chase to and consuming large amounts of grasshoppers during their first few days on the wintering grounds. This is an important, easy to catch, high energy boost during post migration.

Since the winter of 2015–2016, I have scaled back my aggressive pursuits to locate these wonderful wintering birds. I now tend to let the trail cam track their presence in and their departure from the area. Even during the high pursuit years, I always tried to keep my distance so as not to push the birds from their perch, but there were times when I rolled up on them before seeing them. They can be very difficult to see against the dark backdrop of a tilled field. Once located, often from over a half a mile away, I would sit and observe them for long periods of time through a scope. This was the only way to really observe behaviors. I still commute to and from Champaign using the county roads and pass by the stump almost daily. Should I see the falcon on the stump, I stay and observe it for a while.

There have been two falcons wintering in Coles County since at least 2012. Such was the case into the winter of 2017–2018. However, by January of 2018, the second falcon was not relocated. The winter of 2018–2019, only one falcon returned to the stump. Estimates on the average life expectancy for wild Prairie Falcons is 5–7 years. Much higher ages have been recorded. It is difficult to know how many more amazing winters this falcon will share with us. For now, I am continually thankful for the experience of sharing the winter with these amazing falcons. ■

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FIGURE 7: Prairie Falcon hunting a large flock of Lapland Longspurs.

FIELD NOTES

The Summer 2017 Breeding Season

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NORTHERN FLICKER, North Pond, Cook Co. 14 Jun, 2017. Photo by Geoff Williamson.

INTRODUCTION

The summer was ushered in with a statewide average temperature for June of 72.8°F, which is 0.9° above normal. In the first half of the month, temperatures were nearly 4° above normal, and conditions were dry with only a quarter inch of rain on average across the state. In contrast, in the second half of the month, temperatures were almost 2° below normal and the state experienced an average of 3.0" of rain. Belvidere (Boone County) received the most rain in June, with 12.08". White Heath (Piatt County) reported only 0.65" of rain. Significant thunderstorms developed on three different occasions with high winds of up to 80 mph in some cases, heavy rainfall (up to 6"), and hail, and on June 28, Winnebago and Boone Counties in north central Illinois witnessed a couple of EF-1 tornadoes.

In July, northern Illinois experienced heavy rains and widespread flooding. Meanwhile, parts of central and southern Illinois experienced dry weather. However, on average, the statewide precipitation was 4.81 inches, which is 0.73 inches above normal. Three of the highest monthly rain totals for July in Illinois were Cary (McHenry County) with 13.34", Gurnee (Lake County) with 13.21", and Chadwick (Carroll County) with 13.15". There were 5 tornadoes in June and July 2017, significantly lower than the 23 tornadoes reported in June 2016.

RARE BIRD HIGHLIGHTS

Several state rarities and notables were observed in Illinois during the summer of 2017. In early June, a Swallow-tailed Kite flew over Duckstamp Wetlands in Massac Co, while a Dark-eyed Junco of the Oregon type visited a backyard feeder in Peoria (Peoria Co) and a Western Tanager was observed at IBSP in Lake Co. Two Glossy/White-faced Ibises were seen at Emiquon (Fulton Co) in mid-June. In late June, a Black Rail visited Montrose Point in Cook Co, spending a full week there and getting heard by many birders privy to its presence. An Anhinga lingered in Jackson Co at Tower Island and Big Muddy Levee from the end of June through the end of July. For two weeks

in July, multiple observers witnessed a visiting Wood Stork at Rend Lake in Jefferson Co. As July came to a close, a Black-bellied Whistling Duck was seen at Lost Mound and a White-winged Dove lingered in Kaneville (Kane Co) for most of July. Throughout the breeding season, Neotropic Cormorants were observed in a number of locations including Almond Marsh in Lake Co, North Aurora Island Park in Kane Co, Lake Park High School pond in DuPage Co, Nygren Wetlands in Winnebago Co, and in Jackson Co. There were also several sightings of Black Vultures, with a whopping 75 counted on Fish Road in Jackson Co. Two Painted Buntings were observed in East St. Louis in St. Clair Co throughout June and July, with a male heard singing and a female witnessed carrying food on July 29.

BREEDING BIRD HIGHLIGHTS

Breeding bird reports included interesting observations of atypical species, range variations and unexpected numbers. Great Blue Herons had great breeding success at the AT&T Rookery in Cook Co. Carolina Chickadees ventured into Champaign and Danville, establishing their northernmost records. Wood Ducks, Upland Sandpipers, Least Bitterns, Great Blue Herons, Snowy Egrets, Cattle Egrets, Mississippi Kite, Barn Swallows, and Marsh Wrens had noticeably higher maximum counts this summer compared to last. Conversely, maximum counts were noticeably lower for Yellow-billed Cuckoos, Black-necked Stilts, and Red-headed Woodpeckers. Interesting confirmations of breeding included Trumpeter Swans breeding once again at Rollins Savanna (Lake Co) and King Rails breeding at Bartel (Cook Co) and Goose Lake Prairie SNA (Grundy Co). Golden-crowned Kinglets were also reported in July at the Morton Arboretum (DuPage Co), where they have been confirmed breeding in past years and summered for decades. ■

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The field notes for this season would not be possible without the submission of sightings, field notes and commentary by observers throughout the state. Each sighting in this report is credited by the initials of the observer(s) in parentheses. Those initials are listed below. The order of the list is alphabetical by observer initials.

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COS	Chicago Ornithological Society (field trips)
DBC	DuPage Birding Club (field trips)
IAS	Illinois Audubon Society (field trips)
INHS	Illinois Natural History Survey
IORC	Illinois Ornithological Records Committee
IOS	Illinois Ornithological Society (field trips)
KCA	Kane County Audubon (field trips)
LMRS	Lake/McHenry Raptor Survey
USDA	United States Department of Agriculture
USFWS	United States Fish & Wildlife Service
WMRS	Woodford/McLean Raptor Survey, compiled by Matt Fraker

RECORD FORMATTING

How to Read Field Note Records

Counties within Illinois designated as northern (N), central (C) or southern (S) portions of the state within the species accounts follow Bohlen (1978), Gault (1922) and Smith and Parmalee (1955).

A number in parentheses () indicates the number of birds observed at a particular location or on a particular date. No number signifies single birds. Place names given in italic type are counties. Transparent directionals (n.=north(ern), ne. = northeast(ern), etc.), and including c.= central, are used where applicable.

Headings for species requiring IORC (Illinois Ornithological Records Committee) review in parts of Illinois or in some plumages are underlined, while those for species requiring review of all records are CAPITALIZED AND UNDERLINED. Species names that have only been underlined represent species that are either rare or unusual during the summer breeding season. Documentation of such records through the IORC would be appropriate and appreciated. Records pending IORC review are enclosed in square brackets []. The IORC review list can be viewed at the IOS/IORC website (<http://www.illinoisbirds.org/iorc.html>). Noteworthy dates and sites of occurrence and remarkably high counts for the state as a whole or for particular regions of the state are underlined and/or boldfaced, and some further editorial remarks are also boldfaced. Four-letter alpha codes (i.e. bird banding codes) developed by the USGS Bird Banding Laboratory are occasionally used as abbreviations within the species accounts (e.g., WODU for Wood Duck, PUMA for Purple Martin, etc.).

Remarks on the historical significance of records aim to be valid for the corpus of data published in H. David Bohlen's 1989 *Birds of Illinois* and the seasonal summaries in the Illinois journals *Illinois Birds* and *Birding* (summer 1984 – spring 1991) and *Meadowlark* (summer 1991 – present). Data from other sources may have bearing on the validity of these remarks. Species names and sequence correspond to the American Ornithologist's Union Check-List of North American Birds and its supplements through the 58th supplement (2017).

Some records not printed here may still be under IORC (Illinois Ornithological Records Committee) review; when completed, they will appear in the published IORC report. As standard policy, all observers, regardless of experience, must fully document all unusual observations. Easy-to-use documentation forms can be found in the IORC section of the IOS website at www.illinoisbirds.org. Completed documentation forms of "listed" species should be submitted to IORC within one week of the observation. Thanks to eBird and the Cornell Lab of Ornithology for providing access to bird sighting records found in their online database and website (<http://ebird.org/content/ebird/>), from which many of the records contained in this report were obtained. Also thanks to the Illinois birders who continue to provide their valuable sightings for the historical record of Illinois's changing bird communities!

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SUMMER 2017 FIELD NOTES

SUBMITTING FIELD NOTES TO MEADOWLARK

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LOCATION ABBREVIATIONS

Location abbreviations used in field notes

AllertonPk	= Allerton Park (Piatt Co)	HerrickL	= Herrick Lake Forest Preserve (DuPage Co)
AlmondM	= Almond Marsh Forest Preserve (Lake Co)	HL	= Horseshoe Lake State Park (Madison Co)
Arsenal	= Arsenal Rd (Will Co)	HLCA	= Horseshoe Lake CA (Alexander Co)
Baker'sL	= Baker's Lake, Barrington (Cook Co)	IBSP	= Illinois Beach State Park (Lake Co)
BannerM	= Banner Marsh (Fulton & Peoria Cos)	ICCA	= Iroquois County CA (Iroquois Co)
Bartel	= Bartel Grassland (Cook Co)	Jamestown BBS	= Jamestown BBS (Clinton/Madison Cos)
Beaucoup BBS	= Beaucoup BBS (Washington/Clinton Cos)	Jarvis	= Bill Jarvis Migratory Bird Sanctuary, Lincoln Pk, Chicago (Cook Co)
BigRiver	= Big River State Forest (Henderson Co)	JEPC	= Jim Edgar Panther Creek SFWA (Cass Co)
Bloom	= Bloomington (McLean Co)	JP	= Jackson Park and vicinity, Chicago (Cook Co)
BraidwoodL	= Braidwood Lake (Will Co)	JPPSP	= James "Pate" Phillip (Tri-County) State Park (Cook, DuPage, Kane Cos)
BRSF	= Big River State Forest (Henderson Co)	JubileeC	= Jubilee College State Park (Peoria Co)
BurnidgeFP	= Burnidge Forest Preserve (Kane Co)	Kankakee	= Kankakee (Kankakee Co)
BuseyWds	= Busey Woods Park, Urbana (Champaign Co)	KankakeePks	= LeVasseur Park/Perry Farm Park (Kankakee Co)
BusseWds	= Busse Woods Forest Preserve (Cook Co)	KArb	= Klehm Arboretum (Winnebago Co)
C'dale	= Carbondale (Jackson Co)	KCP	= Kennekuk Cove County Park (Vermilion Co)
CapSauers	= Cap Sauers Holdings Nature Preserve (Cook Co)	KinkaidL	= Kinkaid Lake (Jackson Co)
CarlL -B	= Carlyle Lake (Bond Co)	Kinnikinnick	= Kinnikinnick Creek CA (Boone Co)
CarlL-C	= Carlyle Lake (Clinton Co)	Klehm Arb	= Klehm Arboretum (Winnebago Co)
CarlL-F	= Carlyle Lake (Fayette Co)	KLMSNA	= Kidd Lake Marsh SNA (Monroe Co)
CBG	= Chicago Botanic Garden (Cook Co)	KRSP	= Kankakee River State Park (Kankakee Co)
Champaign	= Champaign (Champaign Co)	KSP	= Kickapoo State Park (Vermilion Co)
Chau	= Chautauqua NWR (Mason Co)	Lakewd	= Lakewood Forest Preserve (Lake Co)
Chi	= Chicago, excl. Jackson Park, Lincoln & Grant Parks & Lake Calumet (Cook Co)	LaSalleL	= LaSalle Lake SFWA (LaSalle Co)
ChinqBl	= Chinquapin Bluffs NP (Woodford Co)	LBloom	= Lake Bloomington (McLean Co)
CIPSL	= C IL Public Service Cooling Lake (Jasper Co)	LCal	= Lake Calumet (Cook Co)
ClearL	= Clear Lake (Mason Co)	LChar	= Lake Charleston (Coles Co)
ClintonL	= Clinton Lake (DeWitt Co)	LCF	= Lake County Fairgrounds (Lake Co)
COLSP	= Chain-O-Lakes State Park (Lake Co)	LDec	= Lake Decatur (Macon Co)
Columbia BBS	= Columbia BBS (Monroe/St. Clair Cos)	LDDP	= Lake Decatur dredge ponds (Macon Co)
CONWR	= Crab Orchard NWR (Williamson Co)	LMich-C	= Lake Michigan (Cook Co)
CRSNA	= Cache River State Natural Area (Johnson Co)	LMich-L	= Lake Michigan (Lake Co)
CrystalLk	= Crystal Lake Park, Urbana (Champaign Co)	LincPk	= Lincoln Park, Chicago (Cook Co)
CWRP	= Calumet Water Reclamation Plant (Cook Co)	LinGds	= Lincoln Memorial Gardens (Sangamon Co)
CypressCrk	= Cypress Creek NWR (Pulaski, Union, Alexander, Johnson Cos)	LostMound	= Lost Mound Unit, Upper Mississippi River NWR (Jo Daviess Co)
DeerGrove	= Deer Grove Forest Preserve (Cook Co)	LowdMil	= Lowden-Miller State Forest (Ogle Co)
DPCA	= Des Plaines Conservation Area (Will Co)	LRen	= Lake Renwick (Will Co)
Dudleyville BBS	= Dudleyville BBS (Bond Co)	LR SNC	= Little Red Schoolhouse NC, Palos (Cook Co)
DYNL	= Dick Young/Nelson Lake FP (Kane Co)	LSpfld	= Lake Springfield (Sangamon Co)
DWR	= Dixon Waterfowl Refuge (Putnam Co) (formerly Hennepin-Hopper)	LTFF	= Loud Thunder Forest Preserve (Rock Island Co)
ECapeGir	= East Cape Girardeau (Alexander Co)	LtBlkSl	= Little Black Slough SNA (Johnson Co)
EForkL	= East Fork Lake, Olney (Richland Co)	LVerM	= Lake Vermilion, Danville (Vermilion Co)
Elsens Hill	= Elsens Hill, West DuPage Woods FP (DuPage Co)	L&D 13	= Lock & Dam 13 (Whiteside Co)
Emiquon	= Emiquon Preserve area (Fulton Co)	LUREC	= Loyola University's Retreat and Ecology Campus (McHenry Co)
EPSP	= El Paso Sewage Plant (Woodford Co)	MARb	= Morton Arboretum (DuPage Co)
ESTL	= East St. Louis (St Clair Co)	McGinnis	= McGinnis Slough (sw. Cook Co)
EwingP	= Ewing Park, Bloomington (McLean Co)	MeadbrkPk	= Meadowbrook Park, Urbana (Champaign Co)
Fairbury	= Fairbury BBS (Livingston/Ford Cos)	MelvinPrice	= Melvin Price Lock and Dam, Alton (Madison Co)
Fermi-D	= Fermilab (Du Page Co)	Meredosia	= Meredosia NWR (Brown, Cass, Morgan counties)
FerneClyffe	= Ferne Clyffe State Park (Johnson Co)	MermetL	= Mermet Lake SFWA (Massac Co)
FtMassac	= Fort Massac State Park (Massac Co)	Midewin	= Midewin National Tallgrass Prairie (Will Co)
Funk'sGrove	= Funk's Grove Preserve lands (McLean Co)	MidFork	= Middle Fork River FP (Champaign Co)
Gillson	= Gillson Park, Wilmette (Cook Co)	MidSav	= Middlefork Savanna Forest Preserve (Lake Co)
GlacialPk	= Glacial Park Conservation Area (McHenry Co)	Milford	= Milford BBS (Iroquois/Vermilion Cos)
GLNTC	= Great Lakes Naval Training Center (Lake Co)	Miller-And	= Miller-Anderson Woods NP (Bureau Co)
GLPSNA	= Goose Lake Prairie SNA (Grundy Co)	MlrMdw	= Miller Meadow Forest Preserve (Cook Co)
GreeneVal	= Greene Valley Forest Preserve (DuPage Co)	MissPalis	= Mississippi Palisades State Park (Carroll Co)
GrantPk	= Grant Park, Chicago (Cook Co)	MissR	= Mississippi River (various counties)
GreenR	= Green River State Wildlife Area (Lee Co)	MomenceSod	= H & E Sod Farm, Momence (Kankakee Co)
HeronCP	= Heron County Park (Vermilion Co)	MomenceWet	= Momence Wetlands (Kankakee Co)
HeronPond	= Heron Pond NP, Cache River SNA (Johnson Co)		

LOCATION ABBREVIATIONS *continued*

Montrose	= Montrose Harbor, Lincoln Park, Chicago (Cook Co)	St. Morgan BBS	= St. Morgan BBS (Madison Co)
MoraineHills	= Moraine Hills State Park (McHenry Co)	SaltCrk	= Salt Creek Woods Forest Preserve (Cook Co)
Nachusa	= Nachusa Grasslands (Lee Co)	Sang	= Sangamon Co
NewtonL	= Newton Lake SFWA (Jasper Co)	Sangchris	= Sangchris Lake (Sangamon/Christian Cos)
NoP	= North Pond, Lincoln Park, Chicago (Cook Co)	SantaFe	= Santa Fe Bottoms (Clinton Co)
NortherlyI	= Northerly Island, Burnham Park, Chicago (Cook Co)	SBBO	= Sand Bluff Bird Observatory (Winnebago Co)
NPM	= North Point Marina, Winthrop Harbor (Lake Co)	SCH	= Spring Creek Headwaters FP (Cook Co)
NygrenWet	= Nygren Wetlands Preserve (Winnebago Co)	SFPK	= Sauer Family Prairie Kame FP (Kane Co)
OakBot	= Oakwood Bottoms, Shawnee National Forest (Jackson Co)	ShabbonaL	= Shabbona Lake SRA (DeKalb Co)
O'Fallon WTP	= O'Fallon Wastewater Treatment Plant (St. Clair Co)	Sheffield BBS	= Sheffield BBS (Bureau Co)
Palos	= Palos area (sw. Cook Co)	SiloamSpr	= Siloam Springs State Park (Adams Co)
PaulDouglas	= Paul Douglas Forest Preserve (Cook Co)	SNF	= Shawnee National Forest (various counties)
PeacockM	= Marsh by Peacock Engineering Company, Bolingbrook (Will Co)	SongbirdSl	= Songbird Slough Forest Preserve (DuPage Co)
Pecatonica	= Pecatonica River area (Winnebago Co)	Spfld	= Springfield (Sangamon Co)
Pembroke	= Pembroke Township (Kankakee Co)	SpgBlf	= Spring Bluff Forest Preserve (Lake Co)
PereMar	= Pere Marquette State Park (Jersey Co)	Springbrk	= Springbrook Prairie FP (DuPage Co)
PineHills	= Pine Hills/LaRue Ecological Area (Union Co)	SpringCrk	= Spring Creek Valley FP (Cook Co)
PlumCrk	= Plum Creek Forest Preserve (Cook Co)	SpringL	= Spring Lake (Tazewell Co)
Pomona	= Pomona area (Jackson Co)	SRSF	= Sand Ridge State Forest (Mason Co)
Pratt'sWW	= Pratt's Wayne Woods FP (DuPage Co)	StarvedRock	= Starved Rock State Park (LaSalle Co)
PrRdg-J	= Prairie Ridge State Natural Area (Jasper Co)	SteelworkersP	= Steelworkers Park, Chicago (Cook Co.)
PrRdg-M	= Prairie Ridge State Natural Area (Marion Co)	SugarR	= Sugar River Alder FP (Winnebago Co)
QC	= Quad Cities and vicinity (Rock Island Co)	SwallowCliff	= Swallow Cliff Woods FP (Palos, Cook Co)
Rckfd	= Rockford (Winnebago Co)	Thomson	= Thomson Causeway RA (Carroll Co)
RendL-F	= Rend Lake (Franklin Co)	TOT	= Trail of Tears SF (Union Co)
RendL-J	= Rend Lake (Jefferson Co)	TwoRivers	= Two Rivers NWR (Calhoun Co)
RiverBend	= River Bend Forest Preserve (Champaign Co)	UCCA	= Union County Conservation Area (Union Co)
RockCut	= Rock Cut State Park (Winnebago Co)	UMRNWR	= Upper Mississippi River NWR (Carroll Co)
RollinsSav	= Rollins Savanna Forest Preserve (Lake Co)	Urbana	= Urbana (Champaign Co)
Ryerson	= Ryerson Conservation Area (Lake Co)	VoloBog	= Volo Bog State Natural Area (Lake Co)
SagSl	= Saganashkee Slough (Cook Co)	WaterfallGlen	= Waterfall Glen Forest Preserve (Du Page Co)
		Wauk	= Waukegan Beach & Harbor/lakefront (Lake Co)
		WCCA	= Washington County CA (Washington Co)
		WhalonL	= Whalon Lake Forest Preserve (Will Co)
		Williamsfield	= Williamsfield BBS (Knox/Fulton Cos)
		WolfL	= Wolf Lake/William W Powers SRA (Cook Co)

STANDARD ABBREVIATIONS

EA:	= Early Arrival(s)	prop	= property	Cem	= Cemetery	NWR	= Nat'l Wildlife Refuge
LD:	= Late Departure(s)	pts	= points	Co(s)	= County(ies)	OSL	= Open Space Lands
MC:	= Max/High Count(s)	resp	= respectively	CP	= County Park	Pk	= Park
Species Notes Abbreviations:		subad(s)	= subadult(s)	Crk	= Creek	Pra	= Prairie
*	= documented record	unk	= unknown age/sex	EA	= Ecological Area	Pr	= Prairie
**	= specimen record	vid	= video	FP	= Forest Preserve	R	= River
ad(s)	= adult(s)	w/	= with	FS	= Field Station	Rd	= Road
alt	= alternate plumage (breeding)	yg	= young	GC	= Golf Course	SF	= State Forest
cop	= copulating	1st	= first winter plumage	H	= Harbor	SFWA	= State Fish & Wildlife /Waterfowl Area
et al.	= and others	2nd	= second winter plum.	HA	= Habitat Area	SHA	= State Habitat Area
f	= female	3rd	= third winter plumage	I	= Island	Sl	= Slough
fldg(s)	= fledgling(s)	Location Abbreviations:		L	= Lake	SNA	= State Natural Area
imm	= immature	Apt	= Airport	L&D	= Lock & Dam	So.	= South
incl	= including	Arb	= Arboretum	M	= Marsh	SP	= State Park
juv(s)	= juvenile(s)	B	= Beach	Mem	= Memorial	SRA	= State Recreation Area
lg	= large	BBS	= USGS Breeding Bird Survey (Route)	MM	= Mile Marker	Twp	= Township
m	= male	Bldg	= Building	MWRP	= Metro. Wastewater Reclamation Plant	Univ	= University
mat.	= material	BS	= Bird Sanctuary	NA	= Natural Area	WTP	= Wastewater Treatment Plant (Ponds)
m.ob.	= many observers	CA	= Conservation Area	NC	= Nature Center	WMA	= Wildlife Management Area
ph	= photo(s)	CBC	= Audubon Christmas Bird Count	NHL	= National Historic Landmark	Wds	= Woods
plum	= plumage	CC	= Community College	No.	= North	WS	= Wildlife Sanctuary
pr(s)	= pair(s)			NP	= Nature Preserve		

SUMMER 2017 FIELD NOTES

BLACK-BELLIED WHISTLING-DUCK

23 Jun (3), Alexander (REF); 22 Jul, LostMound (EB:ph, DTW, JNn, CA, et al.)

Snow Goose

MC: 12, Emiquon (Fulton Co), 8 Jun (AW).



SNOW GOOSE. Kaufman Park, Champaign County, 23 June 2017. Photo by Jeff Bryant.

Ross's Goose

Wilmington (Will Co), 3-8 Jun & 3-15 Jul (DKL, JAS, LBR).

Greater White-fronted Goose

EPSP (Woodford Co), 3 Jun - 23 Jul (JnG, m.ob.); Emiquon (Fulton Co), 8 Jun (TH, DHR); near Columbia (Monroe Co), 29 Jul (JHi); Pyramid SP (Perry Co) (injured), 18 Jun (DMK); Carl-L-F (Fayette Co) (injured), 22 Jun & 3 Jul (DMK).

Canada Goose

Breeding: L&D 13 (Whiteside Co) (fldgs), 2 Jul (EG); Zuma Crk flats (Rock Island Co) (fldgs), 2 Jun (SMF); Hennepin Tr (Rock Island Co) (fldgs), 17 Jun (SMF); Barstow Rd Wet (Rock Island Co) (fldgs), 4 Jul (SMF); DWR (Putnam Co) (fldgs), 1 Jun (JnG); Centerpoint Ponds (Ogle Co) (fldgs), 6 Jul (DFS); Pleasant Valley CA (McHenry Co) (fldgs), 6 Jun (JAn); Moraine Hills SP (McHenry Co) (fldgs), 8 Jun (CP); GlacialPk (McHenry Co) (ad on nest), 2 Jun (TWf); Amboy Marsh (Lee Co) (fldgs), 21 Jun (SH); Lincoln Hwy (Lee Co) (fldgs) 11 Jul (TJ); 16 (Lake Co), BraidwoodL (Will Co) (fldgs), 17 Jun (JBH); DCPA (Will Co) (fldgs), 14 Jul (JnG); McKinley Wds FP (Will Co) (fldgs), 3 Jun (EG); Trask Bridge FP (Winnebago Co) (fldgs), 15 Jun (AW); Blackhawk Farms Raceway (Winnebago Co) (fldgs), 23 Jul (JC); NygrenWet (Winnebago Co) (fldgs), 4 Jun (DTW); Rckfd (Winnebago Co) (fldgs), 4 Jun (TWf, SH); 62 reports in Cook Co; Afton FP (DeKalb Co) (fldgs), 14 Jun (RA); 33 reports in DuPage Co; GLPSNA (Grundy Co) (fldgs), 1 Jun (WSr); Annawan (Henry Co) (fldgs), 14 Jun (EG); Illinois Ave Pk (Kane Co) (fldgs), 17 Jun (JDC); Willowhaven NC (Kankakee Co) (fldgs), 1 Jun (JBH); KankakeePk (Kankakee Co) (fldgs), 3 Jul (JBH); Gar Crk Tr (Kankakee Co) (fldgs), 29 Jun (JBH); Mount Olive (Macoupin Co) (fldgs), 22 Jun (C&C); HL (Madison Co) (fldgs), 24 Jun (R&MA); Moraine View SP (McLean Co) (fldgs), 17 Jul (ML); Emiquon (Fulton Co) (fldgs), 1 Jun (DU); Emiquon (Fulton Co) (nest w/ eggs), 13 Jun (AGt); Wildlife Pra SP (Peoria Co) (fldgs), 15 Jun (DE); Urbana (Champaign Co) (fldgs), 3 Jun (DSn); Heritage Pk (Champaign Co) (fldgs), 5 Jun (DU); Sangamon (fldgs), 10 Jun (LW); Tazewell (fldgs), 19 Jun (M&SZ); KSP (Vermillion Co) (fldgs), 7 Jul (DSn); Metamora bike tr (Woodford Co) (fldgs), 2 Jun (GF); Watershed NC (Madison Co) (fldgs), 3 Jun (CK); Caseyville (St. Clair Co) (fldgs), 5 Jun (KAM).

MC: 250, LostMound (Carroll Co), 2 Jun (EB).

Mute Swan

Breeding: PeacockM (Will Co) (fldgs), 13 Jun (JnG); BurnidgeFP (Kane Co) (fldgs), 5 Jun (DW); Antioch (Lake Co) (fldgs), 4 Jul (LMr); MoraineHills (McHenry Co) (nest w/ yg), 6 Jun (CP); LCal (Cook Co) (fldgs), 1 Jun (EG); PowderhornL (Cook Co) (fldgs), 11 Jun (WJM); Glenlake Ave (Cook Co) (fldgs), 29 Jul (CW); Emiquon (Fulton Co) (nest w/ eggs), 13 Jun (AGt); BannerM (Peoria Co) (fldgs), 25 Jun (HB); Sang (fldgs), 10 Jun (LW).

MC: 80, Emiquon (Fulton Co), 7 Jun (AGt); 30, LCal, 8 Jun (SBe); 28, SpringL (Tazewell Co), 18 Jun (LM).

Trumpeter Swan

Breeding: RollinsSav (Lake Co) (fldgs), 3 Jun (EEEd).

MC: 8, RollinsSav (Lake Co), 2 Jun (CM); 3, LostMound (Carroll Co), 2-3 Jun (EB); 3, LRSNC (Cook Co), 4 Jul (JC).

Wood Duck

Breeding: L&D 13 (Whiteside Co) (fldgs), 2 Jul (EG); Thorn Crk NP (Will Co) (fldgs), 19 Jun (ASA); WhalonL (Will Co) (fldgs), 7 Jul (JAS); Normantown Wet (Will Co) (fldgs), 1 Jul (LMr); NygrenWet (Winnebago Co) (fldgs), 4 Jun (ECe); Hennepin Tr Pkwy SP (Rock Island Co) (fldgs), 19 Jun (SMF); Zuma Crk flats (Rock Island Co) (fldgs), 4 Jul (SMF); Hennepin Tr Pkwy SP (Rock Island Co) (fldgs), 30 Jul (SMF); GLNA (McHenry Co) (fldgs), 4 Jun (JHy, RSt, JAn, LM, AP, et al.); Lippold Pk (McHenry Co) (fldgs), 11 Jun (JAn); MoraineHills (McHenry Co) (fldgs), 3 Jun (LM, JAn, LGu); GlacialPk (McHenry Co) (fldgs), 2 Jun (TWf); Rochele Del Monte Ponds (Ogle Co) (fldgs), 25 Jun (EG); DWR (Putnam Co) (fldgs), 13 Jun (SZ); Gremel (Lee Co) (fldgs), 2 Jul (SHr); CedarL (LaSalle Co) (fldgs), 1 Jun (JnG); AlmondM (Lake Co) (feeding yg), 7 Jun (BL); MidSav (Lake Co) (fldgs), 9 Jun (AWS); AlmondM (Lake Co) (fldgs), 7 Jun (AWS); Crawford Rd (Lake Co) (fldgs), 26 Jun (BJS); Pingree Grove (Kane Co) (fldgs), 19 Jun (JNn); DYNL (Kane Co) (fldgs), 3 Jun (WSr); Max McGraw Wildlife Foundation (Kane Co) (fldgs), 10 Jun (CP); Delnor WTP (Kane Co) (fldgs), 20 Jun (BA, KA); LeRoy Oakes FP (Kane Co) (fldgs), 21 Jun (WLz); Alba Twp (Henry Co) (fldgs), 24 Jun (DFS); 18 reports in Cook Co; 11 reports in DuPage Co; Picasaw Fen (Boone Co) (ad on nest), 7 Jun (JNe); Arispie M (Bureau Co) (fldgs), 7 Jun (MAM); LostMound (Carroll Co) (fldgs), 10 Jun (EB); Heritage Pk (Champaign Co) (fldgs), 15 Jun (DU); Charleston (Coles Co) (fldgs), 3 Jun (GT); Vermont Twp (Fulton Co) (ad on nest), 13 Jun (M&SZ); Emiquon (Fulton Co) (nest w/ eggs), 13 Jun (AGt); Double T (Fulton Co) (fldgs), 4 Jun (AGt); Emiquon (Fulton Co) (fldgs), 25 Jun (R&MA); KankakeePk (Kankakee Co) (fldgs), 17 Jul (JBH); HeilandL (Kankakee Co) (fldgs), 15 Jul (JBH); HeronCP (Vermillion) (fldgs), 17 Jun (BT); EPSP (Woodford Co) (fldgs), 15 Jul (TBL); SextonWet (Alexander Co) (fldgs), 7 Jun (AGn); TwoRivers (Calhoun Co) (fldgs), 24 Jun (R&MA); CarlWWTP (Clinton Co) (feeding yg), 23 Jul (DH); Island Rd (Jackson Co) (fldgs), 26 Jun (KRg); Watershed NC (Madison Co) (fldgs), 25 Jun (MTM); HL (Madison Co) (fldgs), 24 Jun (R&MA); MermetL (Massac Co) (fldgs), 25 Jun (VM); Levee Rd (Randolph Co) (fldgs), 29 Jul (TWf, EG, AG).

MC: 403, Emiquon (Fulton Co), 13 Jun (EOd); 270, DWR (Putnam Co), 20 Jul (IF); 160, AlmondM, 11 Jun (AWS); 150, RendL-J, 28 Jul (TWf).



WOOD DUCK. Memorial Park Cemetery, Skokie, Cook County, 24 June 2017. Photo by John Bates.

Blue-winged Teal

Breeding: Springbrk (DuPage Co) (nest w/ yg), 26 Jul (GP, KW); RollinsSav (Lake Co) (fldgs), 26 Jun (CS).
MC: 28, RollinsSav (Lake Co), 4 Jul (GGI, BJS).

Northern Shoveler

MC: 7, Cuba M (Lake Co), 9 Jun (DW); 4, LostMound (Carroll Co), 11 Jun (EB); 4, *Monroe*, 22 Jun (KAM).

Gadwall

Breeding: RollinsSav (Lake Co) (fledged yg), 26 Jun (SCn); Lake Co Fairgrounds (Lake Co) (fledged yg), 13 Jul (AWS).
MC: 22, RollinsSav (Lake Co), 1 Jul (SCn).

American Wigeon

Jackson, 11 Jul (DMK).

Mallard

Breeding: LChaminwood Pr (Will Co) (fldgs), 11 Jun (JS); EagleL (Will Co) (fldgs), 2 Jun (SZ); LRen (Will Co) (fldgs), 23 Jul (JW); Ohara Wds (Will Co) (fldgs) (MAM); WhalonL (Will Co) (fldgs), 22 Jul (MAM); PeacockM (Will Co) (fldgs), 3 Jul (MAM); Lockport Pra NP (Will Co) (fldgs), 20 Jul (JnG); NygrenWet (Winnebago Co) (fldgs), 21 Jun (ECe); Grove Rd (Kendall Co) (fldgs), 3 Jun (EG); 20 reports in Lake Co; GLNA (McHenry Co) (fldgs), 25 Jun (DRD); Holiday Hills (McHenry Co) (fldgs), 14 Jul (LM); Rochelle (Ogle Co) (fldgs), 25 Jun (EG); Zuma Crk flats (Rock Island Co) (fldgs), 2 Jun (SMF); Barstow Rd Wet (Rock Island Co) (fldgs), 4 Jul (SMF); Pingree Grove FP (Kane Co) (fldgs), 19 Jun (Jnn, JW); Oakhurst FP (Kane Co) (fldgs), 8 Jun (WSr); Fox R (Kane Co) (fldgs), 9 Jul (BL); Quarry Pk (Kane Co) (fldgs), 12 Jul (BA); N. Aurora (Kane Co) (fldgs), 9 Jul (JNn); GLPSNA (Grundy Co) (fldgs), 1 Jul (JC); 126 reports in Cook Co; 63 reports in DuPage Co; Kankakee (Kankakee Co) (fldgs), 9 Jun (JDC); Beckman Pk (Kankakee Co) (fldgs), 20 Jul (JBH); HeilandL NP (Kankakee Co) (fldgs), 15 Jul (JBH); MomenceWet (Kankakee Co) (fldgs), 1 Jul (LM); Metamora bike tr (Woodford Co) (fldgs), 16 Jun (GF); EPSP (Woodford Co) (fldgs), 3 Jun (JnG, C&JG); Kaufman Pk (Champaign Co) (fldgs), 11 Jun (DU); Heritage Pk (Champaign Co) (fldgs), 11 Jun (DU); Fields West Pond (Champaign Co) (fldgs), 15 Jul (DU); Robert Porter Pk (Champaign Co) (fldgs), 15 Jul (DU); Emiquon (Fulton Co) (nest w/ eggs), 1 Jun (AGt); Emiquon (Fulton Co) (fldgs), 30 Jun (TWf); RendL-J (Jefferson Co) (fldgs), 28 Jul (TWf, EG, AG); Cahokia Mounds (St. Clair Co) (fldgs), 11 Jun (SZ).
MC: 250, AlmondM (Lake Co), 24 Jul (AWS).

American Black Duck

Rt 83/Winchester & Peterson Rd fluddles (Lake Co), 17-18 Jun (BJS, MA); Shiloh Pk (Lake Co), 2-26 Jul (EWW, BJS, DRD, LMr).

Northern Pintail

MC: 2, Emiquon (Fulton Co), 25 Jun (AW).

Green-winged Teal

MC: 4, Lewistown (Fulton Co), 27 Jun (JSd).

Redhead

EvergreenL (McLean Co.), 21 Jul (JPs); HL (Madison Co), 12 Jun (FRH); DWR (Putnam Co), 2 Jun (DFS).

Ring-necked Duck

MC: 6, GLNA (McHenry Co), 4 Jun (m.ob.).

Greater Scaup

IBSP (Lake Co), 1 Jun (BJS).

Lesser Scaup

NygrenWet (Winnebago Co), 1 Jun (JLy); Waish-kee-shaw Res (Kendall Co), 9 Jun (CSs); Pingree Grove FP (Kane Co), 24 Jun (WLz); Emiquon (Fulton Co), 25 Jun (R&MA); Eagle Pk M (Madison Co), 4 Jun (FRH); HL (Madison Co), 12 Jun (VS).

Bufflehead

GLNA (McHenry Co) 10 Jun (m.ob.).

Common Goldeneye

LMich-C (Cook Co), 22 Jun - 7 Jul (PWA, ASA); Wauk & MacArthur Wds (Lake Co), 22 Jun & 29 Jun (GJ).

Hooded Merganser

Breeding: DeerGrove (Cook Co) (fldgs), 9 Jun (HT); McKinley Pk (Cook Co) (fldgs), 24 Jun (CL); SpringCrk (Cook Co) (fldgs), 9 Jun (CSr); GLPSNA (Grundy Co) (fldgs), 3 Jul (DU); RollinsSav (Lake Co) (fldgs), 26 Jun (CS); NygrenWet (Winnebago Co) (fldgs), 7 Jun (ECe); Emiquon (Fulton Co) (fldgs), 25 Jun (R&MA).
MC: 19, SpringCrk (Cook Co), 7 Jul (CSr); 13, Mendenhall Pk, 19 Jun (MI); 11, LostMound, 7 Jun (EB); 9, NygrenWet, 8 & 11 Jun (ECe & TT resp).

Common Merganser

2 Jun & 4 Jul, Zuma Crk flats (Rock Island Co) (SMF); 31 Jul, Riverside Bend (Cook Co) (RMa).

Red-breasted Merganser

MC: 35, 87th St. Steel Mills (Cook Co), 1 Jun (EDG, EG, AG).

Ruddy Duck

Breeding: NygrenWet (Winnebago Co) (fldgs), 7 Jun (DTW, ECe).
MC: 14, DWR (Putnam Co), 3 Jul (DFS); 8, GLNA (McHenry Co), 4 Jun (SH, TWf).

Northern Bobwhite

Breeding: Knoles Rd (Menard Co) (fldgs), 17 Jul (MMo); PrRdg-M (Marion Co) (pr w/ 12 yg), 16 Jun (DMK).
MC: 14, PrRdg-M (Marion Co), 16 Jun (DMK); 13, Midewin (Will Co), 31 Jul (JS); 12, JEPC (Cass Co), 2 Jul (JHe); 12, *Fulton*, 6 Jul (AGt); 12, Columbia BBS (Monroe Co), 3 Jun (KAM); 12, KLMSNA (Monroe Co), 9 Jun (TWf); 12, Pyramid (Perry Co), 17 Jun (HDR); 11, Meredosa (Morgan Co), 13 Jun (VSG); 9, Polecat Crk (Coles Co), 30 Jul (GT); 8, Pembroke (Kankakee Co), 15 Jun (DRD); 8, *Menard*, 1 Jul (AGt); 8, *Tazewell*, 25 Jun (DHH); 8, CarlL-B (Bond Co), 14 Jul (DMK); 7, Havana elec. substation (Mason Co), 14 Jul (DKL).

Ring-necked Pheasant

Breeding: Green Acres (Ford Co) (fldgs), 25 Jun (DU); Double T (Fulton Co) (fldgs), 4 Jun (AGt).
MC: 12, Finrock SHA (DeWitt Co), 24 Jun (EWr); 8, Muirhead Springs FP (Kane Co), 4 Jun (WLz); 6, Nipper WS (Sangamon Co), 3 Jun (TRg).

Greater Prairie-Chicken

MC: 2, Bartel (Marion Co), 10 Jun (VS).



WHITE-WINGED DOVE. River Grove, Cook County, 4 June 2017.
Photo by Susan Szeszol.



KING RAIL. Goose Lake Prairie S.P., 8 July 2017. Photo by Oliver Burris.

Wild Turkey

Breeding: McKinley Wds FP (Will Co) (nest w/ yg), 13 Jul (GP); RockCut (Winnebago Co) (fldgs), 19 Jul (DTW); LowdMil (Ogle Co) (fldgs), 25 Jun (EG); FoxRidge (Coles Co) (fldgs), 26 Jun (GT); GLPSNA (Grundy Co) (fldgs), 3 Jul (DU); KRSP (Kankakee Co) (fldgs), 26 Jun (MMn); KankakeePks (Kankakee Co) (fldgs), 8 Jul (JBH); Merwin NP (McLean Co) (fldgs), 17 Jun (JW); Petersburg (Menard Co) (fldgs), 3 Jul (MMo); O'Fallon (St. Clair Co) (fldgs), 27 Jun (MF).
MC: 20, Bremer WS (Montgomery Co), 9 Jun (NR); 14, Eldon Hazlet SP (Clinton Co), 29 Jun (MSS); 12, GLPSNA (Grundy Co), 3 Jul (DU); 12, Miller City (Alexander Co), 18 Jun (DMK).

Pied-billed Grebe

Breeding: Burnham Pra (Cook Co) (nest w/ yg), 14 Jun (WJM); Hegewisch M (Cook Co) (fldgs), 24 Jun (WJM); Douglas Pk (Cook Co) (fldgs), 18 Jun (EDG); WaterfallGlen (DuPage Co) (fldgs), 25 Jun (MAM); RollinsSav (Lake Co) (fldgs), 10 Jun (CSh); LCF (Lake Co) (hatchlings), 13 Jul (AWS); Independence Grove area (Lake Co) (hatchlings), 15 Jun (BJS); GLNA (McHenry Co) (fldgs), 8 Jul (JCs, JIE, AZ); DWR (Putnam Co) (fldgs), 16 Jul (JnG, C & JG); Kuerston Rd22 (Will Co) (fldgs), 5 Jul (DZ).
MC: 21, RollinsSav (Lake Co), 27 Jun (GGI, BJS); 20, GLNA (McHenry Co), 29 Jul (CPo); 15, GlacialPk (McHenry Co), 30 Jul (GP, KW); 13, LCal, 24 Jul (WJM); 11, DWR (Putnam Co), 3 Jul (DFS).

Rock Pigeon

Breeding: La Framboise Res (Cook Co) (ad on nest), 22 Jun (JS); ESTL (St. Clair Co) (pr w/ 12 yg), 9 Jul (DMK).
MC: 164, Chicago (Cook Co), 16 Jul (DKA).

Eurasian Collared-Dove

Breeding: La Moille (Bureau Co) (ad w/ nest mat.), 24 Jul (MAM); 15 reports in Cook Co; *Madison* (ad on nest), 1 Jul and (nest w/ yg), 19 Jul (CK).
MC: 14, St. Morgan BBS (Madison Co), 4 Jun (KAM); 12, ESTL (St. Clair Co), 9 Jul (DMK); 11, Des Plaines River area (Cook Co), 15 Jul (SSI); 10, *Champaign*, 14 Jun (LWR); 9, *Tazewell*, 25 Jun (DHh).

WHITE-WINGED DOVE

Kaneville (Kane Co), 9-26 Jul (JSt:ph, RSt, m.ob.). *Cook*, 19 Jun (JSA:ph); Des Plaines R area (Cook Co), 4 Jun (SSI:ph); *Christian*, 9 Jul (BLd).

Mourning Dove

Breeding: Big Rock FP (Kane Co) (ad w/ nest mat.), 3 Jul (JNn); IBSP (Lake Co) (ad w/ nest mat.), 22 Jun (WMC); Wauk (Lake Co) (ad w/ nest mat.), 23 Jun (AMc, WMC); *McHenry* (ad w/ nest mat.), 22 Jul (LM); Milan St (Rock Island Co) (ad w/ nest mat.), 29 Jun (SMF); Chicago (Cook Co) (fldgs), 17 Jun (GF); Air Station Pra (Cook Co) (fldgs), 20 Jun (SCn); Izaak Walton Pr (Cook Co) (ad on nest), 1 Jun (PLr); *Cook* (nest building), 7 Jun (JW); Cherry Hill Wds (Cook Co) (nest building), 9 Jun (DFS); *DuPage* (nest building), 4 Jun (JDC); GreeneVal (DuPage Co)

(fldgs), 26 Jun (JDC); MArb (DuPage Co) (fldgs), 24 Jun (JDC, JyZ); Wood Dale Res (DuPage Co) (fldgs), 10 Jul (ToC); Kaufman Pk (Champaign Co) (fldgs), 12 Jun (DU); Champaign (Champaign Co) (ad w/ nest mat.), 18 Jun (DSn); Urbana (Champaign Co) (ad w/ nest mat.), 5 Jul (DSn); *Iroquois* (nest w/ yg), 1 Jul (JRr); HeronCP (Vermilion) (nest building), 17 Jun (BT).
MC: 124, Havana elec. substation (Mason Co), 25 Jun (DTW); 102, EPSP (Woodford Co), 15 Jul (MHB); 80, Hennepin Tr Parkway SP (Rock Island Co), 31 Jul (SMF).

Yellow-billed Cuckoo

Breeding: Northwestern Univ (Cook Co) (ad w/ nest mat.), 17 Jun (IOB); GLPSNA (Grundy Co) (fldgs), 26 Jun (JNn); McKinley Wds FP (Will Co) (ad w/ food), 29 Jun (VM); Havana (Mason Co) (ad w/ food), 24 Jun (DKI).
MC: 7, St. Morgan BBS (Madison Co), 4 Jun (KAM); 7, Dudleyville BBS, 4 Jun (DMK); 7, MermetL (Massac Co), 2 Jul (m.ob.); 7, Pyramid, 17 Jun (HDr); 6, Beaucoup BBS, 1 Jun (DMK); 5, Big Muddy Levee (Jackson Co), 20 Jun (AGn); 5, OakBot, 1 Jul (AGn); 5, IBSP, 4 Jun (AOS); 5, John M Olin NP (Madison Co), 5 Jul (MTh).

Black-billed Cuckoo

Breeding: Campton FP (Kane Co) (fldgs), 13 Jun (MWD); Barefoot Savanna (McHenry Co), 30 Jun (RSt).
MC: 2, IBSP (Lake Co), 2 Jun – 18 Jul (m.ob.); 2, Big Rock FP, 1 Jul (JSt); 2, Boone Crk CA (McHenry Co), 7 Jul (SMn, et al.); 2, *Ogle*, 17 Jul (JZi); 2, Midewin, 14 Jul (BCS).

Common Nighthawk

MC: 22, 87th St Steel Mills (Cook Co), 4 Jun (EG); 7, *Effingham*, 18 Jul (BW).

Chuck-will's-widow

MC: 4, Beardstown (Cass Co), 8 Jun (BMy&CMY, JPs); 4, FerneClyffe (Johnson Co), 1 Jul (KAM).

Eastern Whip-poor-will

MC: 17, SRSF, 25 Jun (DHh); 15, Cass, 2 Jun (BAT); 5, SiloamSpr (Brown Co), 12 Jun (VS); 3, BigRiver (Henderson Co), 29 Jul (DHh); 3, IBSP, 1 Jun (BJS).
Notes: Reports in Lee, Kane, Will, Kankakee, Putnam, Mason, Fulton, Tazewell, Fayette, Calhoun, Jersey, Jackson, and Johnson Cos.

Chimney Swift

Breeding: South Oak Pk (Cook Co) (fldgs), 16 Jul (EDG); RiisPk (Cook Co) (fldgs), 25 Jul (EDG); GLPSNA (Grundy Co) (ad w/ nest mat.), 5 Jul (BL); Brunner FP (Kane Co) (nest w/ yg), 26 Jul (MMr); Brunner FP (Kane Co) (nest w/ eggs), 21 Jun (MMr); Brunner FP (Kane Co) (nest building), 7 Jun (MMr).
MC: 185, Marberry Cleaners chimney, St. Charles (Kane Co), 31 Jul (JJD).

Ruby-throated Hummingbird

Breeding: JP (Cook Co) (ad on nest), 14 Jun (CL), Chicago (Cook Co) (fldgs), 26 Jul (DK, GF); residence (DuPage Co) (nest w/ yg), 13 Jun (MAM); *DuPage* (ad w/ nest mat.), 5 Jul (MAM); DWR (Putnam Co) (nest w/ eggs), 10 Jun (JCs).
MC: 51, Hickory Ridge Rd (Jackson Co), 13 Jul (RSR); 25, *Pike*, 19 Jul (JoGa); 17, O'Fallon (St. Clair Co), 30 Jul (MFu);

BLACK RAIL

21-28 Jun (mostly heard only, briefly seen in flight), Montrose (ASA, AWS, JIE, LGM, KAM, MMC, CA, DKA, AFS, FRM, AZ, GAW, EK, et al.).

King Rail

Breeding: Bartel (Cook Co) (fldgs), 30 Jun (Plr); GLPSNA (Grundy Co) (fldgs), 9 Jul (MR).
MC: 3, Bartel (Cook Co), 30 Jun (PLr); 3, GLPSNA (Grundy Co), 27 Jun (JLc); 2, Springbrk, 6 Jul (MAM).

Virginia Rail

Breeding: Newburg CA (Boone Co) (fldgs), 2 Jun (JNe); Air Station Pra (Cook Co) (fldgs), 20 Jun (MHo).
MC: 5, Air Station Pra (Cook Co), 20 Jun (SCn); 3, LCal, 4 Jun (CGI).



AMERICAN WOODCOCKS. Illinois Beach S.P., Lake Co. 4 Jun. 2017. Photo by Steve Mulhall.



BLACK-NECKED STILT NEST. AMAX, Wabash Co. 1 Jun. 2017. Photo by Leroy Harrison.



BLACK-NECKED STILT. AMAX, Wabash Co. 1 Jun. 2017. Photo by Leroy Harrison.

Sora

MC: 18, LCal (Cook Co), 8 Jun (SBe); 7, Reading Dr, Montgomery (Kendall Co), 26 Jul (CSs); 4, Outlet Mall Marsh, Aurora, 6 Jun (CSs).

Common Gallinule

Breeding: GlacialPk (McHenry Co) (nest w/ yg being fed), 30 Jul (KW, GP); GLPSNA (McHenry Co) (fldgs), 29 Jul (CP, GAW, CLW); DWR (Putnam Co) (fldgs), 23 Jul (GAW, JW, DFS); DYNL (Kane Co) (fldgs), 22 Jul (DLe, WSR); LCal (Cook Co) (fldgs), 28 Jul (WJM); Emiquon (Fulton Co) (nest w/ eggs), 7 Jun & (nest w/ yg), 13 Jun (AGt); Emiquon (Fulton Co) (fldgs), 24 Jun (DKl); MermetL (Massac Co) (fldgs), 25 Jun (VM).
MC: 20, Emiquon (Fulton Co), 13 Jun (AGt); 15, GLNA (McHenry Co), 29 Jul (CP); 14, DWR, 23 Jul (GAW); 9 (2 ad w/ 7 yg), LCal, 30 Jul (AFS); 6, GlacialPk, 30 Jul (GP, KW); 6, MermetL, 25 Jun (VM); 5, Pratt'sWW, 30 Jun (SCo).

American Coot

Breeding: GLNA (McHenry Co) (2 ads, 8 yg juvs, 12 older juvs), 29 Jul (GAW, CLW).
MC: 22, GLNA (McHenry Co), 29 Jul (GAW, CLW); 21, DWR (Putnam Co), 2 Jun (DFS); 16, Emiquon (Fulton Co), 27 Jun (EOd, DW).

Sandhill Crane

Breeding: DeerGrove (Cook Co) (fldgs), 7 Jun (HT); Rte 84 (Carroll Co) (fldgs), 3 Jun (EB); Crabtree NC (Cook Co) (fldgs), 30 Jun (MFi); SpringCrk (Cook Co) (fldgs), 20 Jun (WPn); Vulture Ravine (Kane Co) (feeding yg), 6 Jul (GP); DYNL (Kane Co) (fldgs), 4 Jun (BA, KA); MidSav (Lake Co) (feeding yg), 11 Jun (BL); Lake (feeding yg), 26 Jun (RAB); COLSP (Lake Co) (fldgs), 25 Jun (EE); Pine Dunes FP (Lake Co) (fldgs), 9 Jul (MM); RollinsSav (Lake Co) (fldgs), 17 Jul (SCn); Stickney Run (McHenry Co) (fldgs), 25 Jun (JAn); GlacialPk (McHenry Co) (fldgs), 17 Jun (SLr); WonderL (McHenry Co) (fldgs), 4 Jun (SMn); NygrenWet (Winnebago Co) (ad on nest), 7 Jun (ECe).

MC: 15, Union Rd/Huntley (McHenry Co), 10 Jun (BMy&CMY, JPs); 13, RayL FP (Lake Co), 17 Jun (BJS, GGI); 10, GLNA (McHenry Co), 29 Jul (CPo); 9, GlacialPk (McHenry Co), 17 Jun (SLr); 8, SpgBlf (Lake Co), 11 Jul (AOS);

Black-necked Stilt

Breeding: Emiquon (Fulton Co) (fldgs), 13 Jun (AGt); Emiquon (Fulton Co) (nest w/ eggs), 8 Jul (DU); Monroe (ads on nests), 19 Jun & 9 Jul (DMK); Jackson (ads w/ yg), 28 Jun - 16 Jul (DMK); ESTL (St. Clair Co.) (inc. 3 juv), 9 Jul (DMK:ph); ECapeGir (Alexander Co) (fldgs), 29 Jul (AG, EG, TWf); Ditch Rd (Alexander Co) (fldgs), 29 Jul (AG, TWf, EG).
MC: 80, Jackson, 28 Jun (DMK); 50, Emiquon (Fulton Co), 18 Jul (AWS); 37, ECapeGir, 6 Jun (KAM); 31, Elliot Rd Ponds, 9 Jul (CA); 28, Kaskis, 11 Jul (CSt); 17, KLMSNA, 25 Jun (C & PD).

American Avocet

Carlyle Sewage Ponds (Clinton Co) (4), 23 Jul (DHT); Emiquon (Fulton Co) (3), 8 Jul (m.ob.).

American Golden-Plover

Montrose, 13-16 Jun (m.ob.); Emiquon (Fulton Co), 20 Jun - 6 Jul (AGt, AFS, JGI, AC); Maplewood Rd (DeKalb Co) (2), 20 Jun (DJS); Emiquon (Fulton Co) (2), 6 Jul (AC); MommenceSod (Kankakee Co), 22 Jul (JBH).

Semipalmated Plover

LostMound (Carroll Co) (12), 4 Jun (EB); TwoRivers (Calhoun Co) (7), 30 Jul (EG, TWf, AG).

Piping Plover

2, Wauk (Lake Co), 31 Jul (AOS, AMc, BJS, EEd, JSk); Montrose, 18-26 Jul (m.ob.)



KILLDEER NEST. Illinois Beach S.P., Lake County, 22 June 2017.
Photo by Edward Warden.

Killdeer

Breeding: LChaminwood Pr (Will Co) (fldgs), 11 Jun (JS); Monee Reserve (Will Co) (fldgs), 18 Jul (BB); IBSP (Lake Co) (nest w/ eggs), 22 Jun (EWN); IBSP (Lake Co) (fldgs), 1 Jun (DTW); Ferson Crk (Kane Co) (fldgs), 19 Jun (JLg); Fermi-K (fldgs), 5 Jul (MN, GC); GLPSNA (Grundy Co) (fldgs), 26 Jun (JNn); Montrose (Cook Co) (fldgs), 11 Jun (JDA); JP (Cook Co) (fldgs), 24 Jun (KH); Bluff Spring Fen (Cook Co) (fldgs), 8 Jul (MMg); Afton FP (DeKalb Co) (fldgs), 21 Jun (LP, VS, LBR, DKL); GreeneVal (DuPage Co) (fldgs), 14 Jun (MAM); MArb (DuPage Co) (fldgs), 23 Jun (JyZ); Ty Warner Pk (DuPage Co) (fldgs), 4 Jun (JAS); Emiquon (Fulton Co) (nest w/ eggs), 25 Jun (R&MA); Willowhaven NC (Kankakee Co) (fldgs), 19 Jul (JBH); Havana electric substation (Mason Co) (fldgs), 25 Jun (R&MA); Charleston (Coles Co) (fldgs), 24 Jul (GT); RendL-J (Jefferson Co) (fldgs), 8 Jul (AG, EG).
MC: 900, CarlL-C (Clinton Co), 10 Jul (KW).

Upland Sandpiper

Breeding: Maplewood Rd (DeKalb Co) (nest w/ yg), 22 Jun (GP); M&M Turf Farm (McLean Co) (fldgs), 18 Jun (TWf).
MC: 9, M&M Turf Farm (McLean Co), 17 Jun (PA, TG); 6, Maplewood Rd (DeKalb Co), 22 Jun (GP);

Hudsonian Godwit

Emiquon (Fulton Co), 24 Jun - 12 Jul (DKl:ph, m.ob.).

Marbled Godwit

2, CarlL-C (Clinton Co), 28 Jul (RHs).

Short-billed Dowitcher

SantaFe, 11 Jun & 17 Jun & 27 Jun (MSS) (Summered? Only early to mid Jun report.).

American Woodcock

Breeding: 2 (presumed juvs), Burnham Pra NP (Cook Co), 14 Jun (WJM);
MC: 4, Calumet Sag, Palos (Cook Co), 3 Jun (Palos Sag Bird Blitz); 2, GLPSNA (Grundy Co), 1 Jul (JLy).

Wilson's Snipe

Breeding: SpgBlf (Lake Co) (fldgs), 2 Jul (EWW).
MC: 7, SpgBlf (Lake Co), 2 Jul (EWW); 3, RollinsSav, 4 Jul (MPz).

Spotted Sandpiper

Breeding: LCF (Lake Co) (fldgs), 13 Jul (AWS); Meridian Rd (Winnebago Co) (fldgs), 12 Jul (DTW); Montrose (Cook Co) (nest w/ yg), 2 Jul (FRM); JP (Cook Co) (nest w/ eggs), 2 Jun (EWN); Burnham Pra NP (Cook Co) (nest w/ eggs), 3 Jun (RLS); Montrose (Cook Co) (fldgs), 27 Jun (TWf); Bluff Spring Fen (Cook Co) (fldgs), 10 Jun (MMg); Techny Basin (Cook Co) (fldgs), 3 Jun (SCn); Air Station Pra (Cook Co) (fldgs), 20 Jun (SCn); JP (Cook Co) (fldgs), 8 Jul (RLS); Jelke Crk BS (Kane Co) (fldgs), 18 Jun (PRI); Fox R (Kane Co) (fldgs), 8 Jul (MMr); Legacy Ave ponds (Champaign Co) (nest w/ yg), 30 Jun (ZS); KankakeePks (Kankakee Co) (fldgs), 18 Jul (JBH).

MC: 20, Sanganois SFWA (Mason Co), 19 Jul (AWS); 15, TwoRivers (Calhoun Co), 30 Jul (TWf, AG, EG); 14, Rainbow Beach, Chicago, 23 Jul (DFS).

Lesser Yellowlegs

Absent between 10 Jun and 24 Jun.

Greater Yellowlegs

Kaskis, 6 Jun (KAM); ECapeGir, 9 Jun (TWf); ECapeGir, 26 Jun (LBk).

Bonaparte's Gull

2, Wauk (Lake Co), 16 Jul (AWS).

Laughing Gull

Breeding: TwoRivers (Calhoun Co) (fldgs), 30 Jul (AG, TWf, EG).
MC: 6, CarlL-C (Clinton Co), 8 Jul (RH); 2, Emiquon, 20-21 Jun (AGT, WH resp); 2, LSpfld, 11 Jun (JMq).

Franklin's Gull

Emiquon (Fulton Co), 19 Jun (JGI); CarlL-C (Clinton Co), 23 Jun - 16 Jul (DMK, MSS).

Ring-billed Gull

MC: 1400, CarlL-C (Clinton Co), 30 Jul (DMK); 790, 87th St Steel Mills (Cook Co), 4 Jun (EG); 724, Riverplex Sandbar (Tazewell Co), 18 Jul (MI); 700, Wauk (Lake Co) (known breeding location), 18 Jul (JPL); 620, MonroeH-Chi (Cook Co), 31 Jul (DFS).

Herring Gull

Breeding: NortherlyI (Cook Co) (ad w/ nest mat.), 8 Jun (CL); Wauk (Lake Co) (ad on nest), 14 Jul (AWS); Wauk (Lake Co) (ad w/ nest mat.), 3 Jun (AWS).
MC: 82, Wauk (Lake Co), 16 Jul (AWS).

Lesser Black-backed Gull

NPM (Lake Co), 24 Jul (AOS); Riverplex Sandbar (Tazewell Co), 18 Jul (MI).

Least Tern

MC: 30, Miller City Rd (Alexander Co), 1 Jul (KAM).

Caspian Tern

Breeding: Montrose (Cook Co) (fldgs), 15 Jul (RDH); LincPk (Cook Co) (fldgs), 31 Jul (GAW); Evanston (Cook Co) (fldgs), 19 Jul (FRM); Wauk (Lake Co) (fldgs), 14 Jul (AMc); LSpfld (Sangamon Co) (feeding yg), 31 Jul (LW).
MC: 90, CarlL-C, 30 Jul (DMK); 80, Montrose (Cook Co), 4 Jul (EB).



SPOTTED SANDPIPER. Montrose Point, Cook County, 30 June 2017. Photo by Fran Morel.



LEAST TERN. AMAX, Wabash Co.
1 Jun. 2017. Photo by Leroy Harrison.



FORSTER'S TERN. Carlyle Lake,
Clinton Co. 13 Jul. 2017. Photo by Dan Kassebaum.



BLACK TERN. Chain-O-Lakes S.P.,
Lake Co. 25 Jun. 2017. Photo by Ethan Ellis.



NEOTROPIC CORMORANT. Roselle,
DuPage Co. 3 Jul. 2017. Photo by Andrew Aldrich.

Black Tern

Breeding: COLSP (Lake Co) (fldgs), 25 Jun (EE).

MC: 12, DWR (Putnam Co), Jun 1 (JnG); 12, CarlL-C, 27 Jul (DMK); 10, GLNA (McHenry Co), 4 Jun (SH, TWf); 8, Gridley WTP, 1 Jun (JPs); 7, MermetL, 10 Jun (SZ); 6, Emiquon, 11 Jul (JRR, LKs); 6, COLSP, 25 Jun (EE); 5, EPSP, 20 Jul (PF, MHB).

Common Tern

Breeding: Wauk (Lake Co) (ad on nest), 23 Jun (WMc, AMc, JPL).

MC: 16, Wauk (Lake Co), 8 Jul (DKL).

Forster's Tern

MC: 8, CarlL-C (Clinton Co), 13 Jul (DMK); 8, Emiquon (Fulton Co), 29 Jun (CDn); 5, RendL-J, 8 Jul (AG, EDG, EG).

Common Loon

LCarroll (Stevenson Co), 1 Jul (RMA); Twin Lakes, Paris (Edgar Co), 23 Jun (RBy); 21 Jun, RiverBend (Cook Co) (TAn); IBSP, 8 Jun (AOS); 4 Jun, LCal (CLW, GAW).

WOOD STORK

RendL-J, 6-20 Jul (BGu:ph, DMK:ph, CLH:ph, DTW, KAM, m.ob.).

NEOTROPIC CORMORANT

Nygren Wet Pr (Winnebago Co), 4-9 Jun (EC, JCL:ph, m.ob.); AlmondM (Lake Co) (2), 6 Jun - 24 Jul & (1) through 26 Jul (CF:ph, JAn, C&C:ph, AWS, m.ob.); North Aurora Is Pk, 9-18 Jul (JSt:ph, m.ob.); Jackson, 14 Jul & 28-29 Jul (RSR, DMn, JTr); Lake Park HS pond, Roselle (DuPage Co), 1-24 Jul (QF:ph, m.ob.).

Double-crested Cormorant

Breeding: AlmondM (Lake Co) (ad on nest), 7 Jun (BL); AlmondM (Lake Co) (nest w/ yg), 7 Jun (JLs); AlmondM (Lake Co) (fldgs), 11 Jun (AWS); MoraineHills (McHenry Co) (ad w/ nest mat.), 3 Jun (LGu, LM, et al.); AT&T Heron Rookery (Cook Co) (ad on nest), 9 Jun (HA); Baker'sL (Cook Co) (nest w/ yg), 2 Jun & (fldgs), 9 Jul (C&C); McGinty Slough (Cook Co) (fldgs), 3 June (HT); Carol Point M (DuPage Co) (ad on nest), 16 Jun (NA, GP); Elmhurst Quarry (DuPage Co) (nest w/ yg), 16 Jun (GP); Wood Dale Res (DuPage Co) (fldgs), 5 Jun (ToC); Emiquon (Fulton Co) (nest w/ yg), 13 Jun (AGt); Island Rd (Jackson Co) (ad w/ nest mat.), 28 Jun (RSR).
MC: 2000, CarlL-C, 3 Jun - 30 Jul (DMK); 1200, Baker'sL (Cook Co), 24 Jun (AW); 650, 87th St Steel Mills (Cook Co), 27 Jun (AG); 450, LRen (Will Co), 14 Jun (JnG); 430, Emiquon, 14 Jun (TH).

ANHINGA

TowerIs, SNF (Jackson Co), 24 Jun - 28 Jul; Big Muddy Levee (Jackson Co), 29 Jul (EG, TWf, AG); Pyramid (Perry Co), 18 Jun (DMK).

American White Pelican

MC: 2000, CarlL-F (Fayette Co), 3 Jul (DMK); 2000, TwoRivers (Calhoun Co), 28 Jul (BSf); 675, Greenview Wet (Woodford Co), 26 Jul (TH); 501, RendL-J, 11 Jul (JRR, LKs); 450, Emiquon, 3 Jun (WH).

American Bittern

MC: 2, GLPSNA (Grundy Co), 30 Jun (EE).
Noteworthy: 25 Jun - 15 Jul, GLPSNA (Grundy Co) (m.ob.); Emiquon (Fulton Co), 13 Jun (EOD); *Iroquois*, 15 Jun (GRS); Orland Grassland (Cook Co), 2 Jun (MMN); Chau (Mason Co), 4 Jun (C & JG, JnG); Pleasant Valley CA (McHenry Co), 6 Jun & 11 Jun (JAn, SMn); 13 Jun, COLSP (BJS).

Least Bittern

Breeding: LCal (Cook Co) (ad w/ nest mat.), 4 Jun (CGi).
MC: 10, Emiquon (Fulton Co), 19 Jul (DW); 3, Fermi-D, 21 Jul (ABH); 3, BannerM (Peoria Co), 2 Jun (CA); 2, LCal (Cook Co), 4 Jun (CGi).

Great Blue Heron

Breeding: 7 reports in DuPage Co; 14 reports in Lake Co; 11 reports in Cook Co; 4 reports in Will Co.
MC: 300, AT&T rookery (Cook Co), 5 Jul (EHi); 300, CarlL-F (Fayette Co), 3 Jul (DMK); 200, *Monroe*, 19 Jun (DMK); 200, *Union*, 18 Jun (DMK); 120, LRenwick (Will Co), 14 Jun (JnG); 120, *Jackson*, 16 Jul (DMK); 110, HL (Madison Co), 14 Jul (DMK); 75, Emiquon (Fulton Co), 13 Jun (AGt); 60, Kaskis (Randolph Co), 11 Jul (CSt); 50, AlmondM, 10 Jun (KAM).

Great Egret

Breeding: MArb (DuPage Co) (ad w/ food), 3 Jun (RSf); MidSav (Lake Co) (ad w/ nest mat.), 9 Jun (AWS); Techny Basin CA (Cook Co) (ad w/ nest mat.), 3 Jun (SCn); LRenwick (Will Co) (fldgs), 10 Jun (JnG); Baker'sL (Cook Co) (nest w/ yg), 9 Jun (JPL); Carol Point M (DuPage Co) (nest w/ yg), 16 Jun (GP); AT&T Heron Rookery (Cook Co) (ad on nest), 9 Jun (HA); Almond Marsh FP (Lake Co) (ad on nest), 7 Jun (JLs, AWS, BL); Elmhurst Quarry (DuPage Co) (ad on nest), 16 Jun (GP).
MC: 700, *Jackson*, 11 Jul (DMK); 600, TwoRivers (Calhoun Co), 14 Jul (DMK); 400, ECapeGir (Alexander Co), 24 Jun (KAM); 400, *Monroe*, 19 Jun (DMK); 325, Elliot Rd Ponds (Jackson Co), 16 Jul (TWf).

Snowy Egret

MC: 89, Big Muddy Levee (Jackson Co), 29 Jul (AG, EG, TWf); 60, HL (Madison Co), 14 Jul (DMK); 37, *St. Clair*, 2 Jul (TBL); 35, Elliot Rd Ponds (Jackson Co), 16 Jul (TWf).

Little Blue Heron

Breeding: HL (Madison Co) (fldgs), 9 Jul (FRH); MermetL (Massac Co) (fldgs), 11 Jun (SZ); Front St (St. Clair Co) (fldgs), 1 Jul (DB, JR, WW).
MC: 400, *Union*, 18 Jun (DMK); 154, HL (Madison Co), 9 Jul (FRH); 70, Big Muddy Levee (Jackson Co), 1 Jul (AGn); 27, *Jackson*, 17 Jul (DMn).

Tricolored Heron

IBSP (Lake Co), 20-22 Jun (m.ob.).

Cattle Egret

MC: 51, Upper Chute Rd (Jackson Co), 29 Jul (TWf, EG, AG).



YELLOW-CROWNED NIGHT-HERON. Eggers Grove F.P., Cook County, 4 June 2017. Photo by Geoff Williamson.



GREEN HERON FLEDGLINGS. North Pond, Cook County, 1 July 2017. Photo by James Jarosz.

Green Heron

Breeding: LincPk (Cook Co) (ad w/ nest mat.), 4 Jun (ZP); LincPk (Cook Co) (fldgs), 12 Jul (GAW, MCDR); Fox Hollow FP (DuPage Co) (fldgs), 22 Jun (VS); The Grove, Glenview (Cook Co) (fldgs), 7 Jul (SCn); Columbus Pk (Cook Co) (nest building), 11 Jun (EDG); JP (Cook Co) (nest w/ yg), 17-29 Jul (DLo, et al.); Crystal Lake (McHenry Co) (fldgs), 18 Jul (DDa); Kaufman Pk (Champaign Co) (fledgling), 18 Jul (DSn); Fermi-D (DuPage Co) (fledgling), 26 Jul (MMk).

MC: 30, AT&T Heron Rookery (Cook Co), 5 Jul (EHi); 14, NoP (Cook Co), 12 Jul (GAW, et al.); 12, DYNL (Kane Co), 30 Jul (JSt); 11, DPCA (Will Co), 14 Jul (JnG).

Black-crowned Night-Heron

Breeding: LincPk (Cook Co) (ad w/ nest mat.), 4 Jun (ZP); NoP (Cook Co) (fldgs), 12 Jun (KA, BA); Humboldt Pk (Cook Co) (fldgs), 12 Jun (ML); Baker'sL (Cook Co) (nest w/ yg), 9 Jul (C&C); Wood Dale Res (DuPage Co) (fldgs), 13 Jun (ToC); Des Plaines CA (Will Co) (fldgs), 14 Jul (JnG); Peacock M (Will Co) (fldgs), 20 Jul (JnG); LRenwick (Will Co) (ad on nest), 14 Jun (JnG); Emiquon (Fulton Co) (ad w/ nest mat.), 8 Jul (DU).
MC: 45, LincPk (Cook Co), 11 Jun (JBF); 25, Emiquon (Fulton Co), 13 Jun (AGt); 14, LRen, 14 Jun (JnG); 14 Jun (11), NoP (GAW, et. al).

Yellow-crowned Night-Heron

Breeding: Waterman Ave (Madison Co) (ad on nest), 16 Jun (CK); Wilson Pk (Madison Co) (ad on nest), 13 Jun (AWS).

MC: 4, Granite City (Madison Co), 26 Jul (FRH); 3, HeronPond, 25 Jun (KAM).

Noteworthy: CricketCrk FP (DuPage Co) (juv), 31 Jul (ToC, GP, RS, MHe); CarlL-C (Clinton Co) (juvenile), 10 & 18 Jul (DMK).



YELLOW-CROWNED NIGHT-HERON ON NEST. Granite City, Madison County, 10 June 2017. Photo by Beau Schaefer.



BLACK VULTURE. Forbes S.P., Marion Co. 9 Jun. 2017. Photo by Leroy Harrison.

WHITE IBIS

Jackson, 9 Jul-20 Jul (WG, CA:ph, DMK:ph, DMn, KAM:ph, SZ:ph, m.ob.).

Glossy/White-faced Ibis

Emiquon (2), 13 Jun, (AWS, LRR, LSK).

Black Vulture

MC: 75 ("counted"), Fish Rd (Jackson Co), 2 Jun (CSt) & 35 present on 9 Jun (TWf); 32, Pope, 15 Jul (MSo); 30, KinkaidL, 1 Jul (TWf).

Turkey Vulture

MC: 120, Rte. 57 (Jefferson Co), 18 Jun (DMK); 72, Midewin (Will Co), 21 Jul (JnG); 60, Levee Rd (Jackson Co), 28 Jun & 16 Jul (DMK); 50, KRSP (Kankakee Co), 1 Jul (RDH).

Osprey

Breeding: CarlL-C (Clinton Co) (3 nests w/ yg), 23 Jun - 30 Jul (DMK); Baker'sL (Cook Co) (ad on nest), 4 Jun (MD); Bergman Sl (Cook Co) (ad on nest), 9 Jun (RLS); John Duffy Pr (Cook Co) (nest w/ yg), 20 Jun (RLS); LCal (Cook Co) (ad on nest), 8 Jul (WJM); McGinty Sl (Cook Co) (ad on nest), 3 Jun (ABA, HT); Powderhorn L (Cook Co) (ad on nest), 11 Jun (WJM); Saganashkee Sl (Cook Co) (ad feeding yg), 3 Jun (JWM); SpringCrk (Cook Co) (ad on nest), 17 Jun (CSr); Centennial Tr (DuPage Co) (nest w/ yg), 25 Jun (JAS, MAM); Fermi-D (DuPage Co) (3 nesting pairs), 8 Jun (GCn, MN); Emiquon (Fulton Co) (ad on nest), 20 Jun (DWu); *Fulton* (ad on nest), 29 Jun (AGt); Rend L (Jefferson Co) (nest w/ yg), 26 Jun (KAM); COLSP (Lake Co) (nest w/ yg), 2 Jul (SML); Spring L (Lake Co) (ad on nest), 5 Jul (BJS); MoraineHills (McHenry Co) (ad w/ food), 8 Jun (LM).

MC: 12, CarlL-C (Clinton Co), 23 Jun - 13 Jul (DMK); 11, Fermi-K (Kane Co), 6 Jul (GP).

SWALLOW-TAILED KITE

Simpson (Pope Co), 27 Jul (C&JH); Duckstamp Wet (Massac Co), 31 Jul (ELA).

Northern Harrier

MC: 2, GLPSNA (Grundy Co), 2 Jun - 24 Jul (m.ob.); 2, ECapeGir (Alexander Co), 3 Jul (LBk).

Sharp-shinned Hawk

Canal Shores GC (Cook Co), 5 Jun (PWa); Dunteman Sod Farm (Kane Co), 27 Jul (JS).

Cooper's Hawk

Breeding: 23 reports in Cook Co; GreeneVal (DuPage Co) (nest w/ yg), 19 Jun (MAM, DKl); BurnidgeFP (Kane Co) (nest w/ yg), 25 Jun (DW); Zion (Lake Co) (nest w/ yg), 1 Jul (EWW); JubileeC (Peoria Co) (fldgs), 9 Jul (EC).

MC: 6, Jarvis (Cook Co), 16 Jun (GG); 5, ColumbusPk-Chi, 28 Jun (EDG); 5, Woodridge (DuPage Co), 26 Jul (MAM).

Bald Eagle

Breeding: FoxR FP (Lake Co) (yg in nest), 19 Jun (MSz); BraidwoodL (Will Co) (fldgs), 13 Jul (JBH); Busse Wds FP (Cook Co) (ad on nest), 2 Jun (TWf); ShabbonaL SP (DeKalb Co) (ad w/ food), 2 Jul (JK); Champaign County (nest w/ yg), 1 Jun (ZS); Kickapoo SP (Vermillion Co) (nest w/ yg), 2 Jun (ZS); Santa Fe Bottoms (Clinton Co) (ad on nest), 4 Jun (MSS); Eagle Rd (White Co) (ads nest building), 3 Jun (SSE); CarlL-C (Clinton Co) (nest w/ 2 yg), 23 Jun (DMK).

MC: 10, SantaFe (Clinton Co), 11 Jun (MSS); 6, UMRNWR (Carroll Co), 22 Jul (EB); 5, TwoRivers, 30 Jul (AG, EG, TWf).

Mississippi Kite

Breeding: Benton (Franklin Co) (ad w/ nest mat.), 7 Jun (RPl); Cemetary Rd (Jackson Co) (fldgs), 25 Jun (RSR); Hickory Ridge Rd (Jackson Co) (fldgs), 23 Jul (RSR).

MC: 20, Muntz Rd (Jackson Co), 17 Jul (DMn); 14, Big Muddy Levee (Jackson Co), 11 Jul (CA); 12, ECapeGir (Alexander Co), 6 Jun (KAM); 11, Cahokia Mounds, 13 Jun (AWS); 9, Pomona (Jackson Co), 1 Jul (DKl).



BARN OWL. Prairie Ridge S.N.A.,
Marion Co. 14 Jun. 2017. Photo by Leroy Harrison.



BARN OWL. Prairie Ridge S.N.A.,
Jasper Co. 5 Jun. 2017. Photo by Leroy Harrison.

Red-shouldered Hawk

Breeding: Hickory Ridge Rd (Jackson Co) (nest w/ yg), 5 Jun (RSR).
MC: 5, MermetL (Massac Co), 11 Jun (VS); 3, Clark, 29 Jul (SLa); 3, OakBot (Jackson Co), 1 Jul (AGn); 3, Williamson, 6 Jul (JGd).

Broad-winged Hawk

Breeding: WaterfallGlen (DuPage Co) (nest w/ yg), 7 Jun (VS).
MC: 4, WaterfallGlen (DuPage Co) 3 Jul (DuPage Forest, ED).

Swainson's Hawk

MC: 2, Chapman Rd (Kane Co), 3 Jul (ASA); 2, Burlington (Kane Co), 8 Jul (VM).

Red-tailed Hawk

Breeding: SpringCrk (Cook Co) (fldgs), 18 Jun (HT); DeerGrove (Cook Co) (fldgs), 15 Jun (HT); Bluff Spring Fen (Cook Co) (fldgs), 15 Jul (MMg); LCal (Cook Co) (fldgs), 3 Jul (WJM); MArb (DuPage Co) (fldgs), 18 Jun (JyZ, ED); Twin Lakes (DuPage Co) (fldgs), 17 Jul (JAS); Fermi-D (DuPage Co) (fldgs), 5 Jul (MN, GC); Aurora (Kane Co) (nest w/ yg), 30 Jun (WSr); Lake (fldgs), 13 Jun (SML); Heiland FP (Kankakee Co) (fldgs), 15 Jul (JBH).
MC: 6, CarlL-C (Clinton Co), 3 Jun (DMK); 6, Fermi-K (Kane Co), 31 Jul (WLz); 5, SpringCrk, 2 Jun (MMC).

Barn Owl

Breeding: Lick Crk (Union Co) (feeding yg), 9 Jul (LT); PrRdg-M (Marion Co) (3 yg in nest box), 16 Jun (DMK); Pyramid (Perry Co) (nest box w/ yg), 18 Jun (DMK).
MC: 3, PrRdg-M (Marion Co), 16 Jun (DMK); 2, Richland (Johnson Co), 17 Jun (RES); 2, Lick Crk (Union Co), 9 Jul (LT).

Eastern Screech-Owl

MC: 4, IBSP (Lake Co), 25 Jun (JW).

Great Horned Owl

Breeding: Skokie Lagoons (Cook Co) (fldgs), 11 Jun (TBL); FermiLab (DuPage Co) (fldgs), 21 Jun (GP); Pecatonica (Winnebago Co) (fldgs), 21 Jun (AW); Liberty Pra Lane (Madison Co) (fldgs), 23 Jun (NW); MArb (DuPage Co) (fldgs), 8 Jul (JDC, JyZ); Pratt'sWW (DuPage Co) (fldgs), 27 Jun (GP); Oldfield Oaks FP (DuPage Co) (fldgs), 4 Jun (PCd); Perry Farm Pk (Kankakee Co) (ad on nest), 22 Jun (JBH).
MC: 3, Will, 10 Jun (DZ); 3, Skokie Lagoons (Cook Co), 11 Jun (TBL); 3, Fermi-D (DuPage Co), 21 Jun (GP); 3, COLSP (Lake Co), 24 Jul (BJS).

Barred Owl

Breeding: Gremel WS (Lee Co) (fldgs), 3 Jun (SHr); WaterfallGlen (DuPage Co) (fldgs), 7 Jun (VS); FoxRidge (Coles Co) (fldgs), 26 Jun (GT); FoxRidge (Coles Co) (fldgs), 8 Jul (GT); Rattlesnake Rd (Jackson Co) (fldgs), 19 Jun (RSR); FerneClyffe (Johnson Co) (fldgs), 1 Jul (DKI); Wilson Pk (Madison Co) (fldgs), 16 Jun (CK).
MC: 6, Knox, 20 Jun (AGt); 5, Gremel WS (Lee Co), 1 Jul (SHr); 4, Ellisville (Fulton Co), 20 Jun (AGt); 4, MermetL, 10 Jun (SZ).

Belted Kingfisher:

Breeding: GLPSNA (Grundy Co) (ad w/ food), 29 Jun (WSr); Miller Pond (Kane Co) (fldgs), 24 Jul (TKi); Perry Farm Pk (Kankakee Co) (feeding yg), 22 Jun (JBH); Gar Crk Trl (Kankakee Co) (ad on nest), 16 Jul (JBH); Beckman Pk (Kankakee Co) (used nest), 2 Jul (JBH).
MC: 5, Rock Island, 16 Jul (SMF); 4, Sexton Crk Wet (Alexander Co), 8 Jul (AGn); 4, Big Muddy Levee (Jackson Co), 1 Jul (AGn); 4, KankakeePks, 24 Jun - 3 Jul (JBH); 4, MomenceWet, 1 Jul (LM); 4, ArgyleL SP, 15 Jul (DHR); 4, WonderL (McHenry Co), 26 Jun (SMn); 4, KSP, 7 Jun (ZS); 4, LChaminwood Pr, 30 Jul (JSc); 4, NygrenWet, 15 Jul (RZm).

Red-headed Woodpecker

Breeding: McKinley Wds FP (Will Co) (ad on nest), 14 Jun (JS); NygrenWet (Winnebago Co) (ad w/ food), 21 Jun (ECe); StarvedRock (LaSalle) (ad w/ food), 24 Jun (DF); IBSP (Lake Co) (ad w/ food), 17 Jul (JSw); Gremel (Lee Co) (nest w/ yg), 4 Jul (SHr); DeerGrove (Cook Co) (nest w/ yg), 7 Jun (HT); SaltCrk (Cook Co) (fldgs), 21 Jul (DFS); Bemis Wds (Cook Co) (ad w/ food), 25 Jun (JAR); SpringCrk (Cook Co) (ad w/ food), 17 Jun (HT); Cantigny Pk (DuPage Co) (nest w/ yg), 8 Jul (DM, JC); Cantigny Pk (DuPage Co) (feeding yg), 8 Jul (LS); KankakeePks (Kankakee Co) (ad on nest), 18 Jun (JBH); MomenceWet (Kankakee Co) (nest w/ yg), 1 Jul (LM); Heiland FP (Kankakee Co) (fldgs), 15 Jul (JBH); KankakeePks (Kankakee Co) (fldgs), 18 Jul (JBH); Gar Crk Tr (Kankakee Co) (fldgs), 16 Jul (JBH); LaSalle (fldgs), 5 Jul (JY); Spfld (Sangamon Co) (feeding yg), 31 Jul (MMo); Spfld (Sangamon Co) (fldgs), 15 Jun (MMo); Altmans Rd (Sangamon Co) (ad w/ food), 9 Jul (MMo); Calhoun (ad on nest), 21 Jul (CA); Front St (St. Clair Co) (ad w/ food), 17 Jun (DB).
MC: 9, Fleming Rd (Mason Co), 15 Jul (MHB); 8, BeaverD SP (Macoupin Co), 10 Jul (CKe); 8, L&D 13 (Fulton Co), 2 Jul (EG); 7, Pembroke (Kankakee Co), 14 Jul (DFS); 7, MomenceWet (Kankakee Co), 2 Jul (LM); 6, Havana elec. substation (Mason Co), 30 Jun (TWf); 6, Chau (Mason Co), 25 Jul (TAn); 6, Cooper Pk (Tazewell Co), 31 Jul (MI); 6, CarlL-C (Clinton Co), 3 Jun (DMK).

Red-bellied Woodpecker

Breeding: Bemis Wds (Cook Co) (ad on nest), 18 Jun (JAR); Bemis Wds (Cook Co) (nest w/ yg 14 Jun (DFS); SwallowCliff (Cook Co) (nest w/ yg), 7 Jun (DFS); Poplar Crk (Cook Co) (feeding yg), 1 Jun (JMV); Bemis Wds (Cook Co) (feeding yg), 10 Jun (JAR); Skokie Lagoons (Cook Co), 11 Jul (MHo); Palatine Bike Tr (Cook Co) (feeding yg), 3 Jul (C&C, CF); LRSNC (Cook Co) (fldgs), 29 Jun (JPL, RAM); DeerGrove (Cook Co) (fldgs), 9 Jun (HT); Brookfield Zoo (Cook Co) (fldgs), 7 Jul (DK); MArb (DuPage Co) (ad on nest), 14 Jul (JyZ, MN); Lincoln Marsh (DuPage Co) (feeding yg), 24 Jun (ToC); HerrickL (DuPage Co) (feeding yg), 22 Jun (DBC); MArb (DuPage Co) (fldgs), 20 Jun (JyZ, MN); Lyman Wds (DuPage Co) (fldgs), 23 Jun (ToC); Salt Crk (DuPage Co) (fldgs), 11 Jul (ToC); Lincoln Marsh (DuPage Co) (ad w/ food), 24 Jun (TCa); Elmhurst (DuPage Co) (ad w/ food), 11 Jun (ToC); Centennial Tr (DuPage Co) (ad w/ food), 25 Jun (DuPage Forest); WaterfallGlen (DuPage Co) (ad w/ food), 7 Jun (VS); Tekakwitha Wds (Kane Co) (feeding yg), 23 Jun (JLg); Hampshire FP (Kane Co) (fldgs), 24 Jun (BL); Old School FP (Lake Co) (fldgs), 29 Jun (EEd); Lake (fldgs), 27 Jun (RAB); Ohara Wds (Will Co) (fldgs),



AMERICAN KESTREL. Waukegan Beach, Lake Co. 15 Jul. 2017. Photo by Andrew Aldrich.



RED-HEADED WOODPECKER. Gremel W.S. Lee Co. 4 Jul. 2017. Photo by Stephen Hager.

12 Jun (JnG); McKinley Wds FP (Will Co) (ad w/ food), 29 Jun (VM); KankakeePks (Kankakee Co) (feeding yg), 29 Jul (ChB); O'Fallon (St. Clair Co) (feeding yg), 10 Jun (MF); O'Fallon (St. Clair Co) (ad w/ food), 22 Jul (MF).

MC: 22, St. Morgan BBS (Madison Co), 4 Jun (KAM); 19, Columbia BBS (Monroe Co), 3 Jun (KAM); 16, Skokie Lagoons FP (Cook Co), 27 Jun (DW, LMT, MLM); 15, Dudleyville BBS (Bond Co), 4 Jun (DMK); 12, DeerGrove (Cook Co), 1 Jun (C&C); 10, KRSP (Kankakee Co), 1 Jul (RDH).

Yellow-bellied Sapsucker

MC: 2, MissPalis (Carroll Co), 15 Jun & 2 Jul (DTW & EG resp); LostMound (Carroll Co), 10 Jun (EB); UMRNWR (Carroll Co), 9 Jun (EB); Thomson (Carroll Co), 10 Jul (EB); Loud Thunder Rd (Rock Island Co), 24 Jun (SHr).

Downy Woodpecker

Breeding: 35 reports in Cook Co; 18 reports in DuPage Co; The Oaks (Lake Co) (ad on nest), 15 Jun (EEd); IBSP (Lake Co) (ad on nest), 3 Jun (JSw); Greenbelt FP (Lake Co) (fldgs), 14 Jun (SBe); IBSP (Lake Co) (fldgs), 10 Jun (JSw); Lake (feeding yg), 1 Jun & (fldgs), 3 Jun (M&GJ); Old School FP (Lake Co) (fldgs), 28 Jun (EEd); McHenry (nest w/ yg), 15 Jun (LGu); LowdMil (Ogle Co) (fldgs), 25 Jun (EG); DWR (Putnam Co) (fldgs), 16 Jul (JnG, C&JG); McKinley Wds FP (Will Co) (fldgs), 25 Jul (JS); Kaufman Pk (Champaign Co) (ad on nest), 18 Jun (DU); Kaufman Pk (Champaign Co) (fldgs), 26 Jun (DU); Heritage Pk (Champaign Co) (fldgs), 22 Jun (DU); Spfld (Sangamon Co) (ad w/ food), 7 Jun (JC).

MC: 12, Skokie Lagoons (Cook Co), 3 Jul (JBy); 11, Spears Wds (Cook Co), 24 Jun (MMN); 11, Palos, 3 Jun (BJS); 10, MArb, 2 Jul (JyZ); 10, LeRoy Oakes FP (Kane Co), 25 Jun (WLz); 10, LowdMil, 25 Jun (EG).

Hairy Woodpecker

Breeding: Chicago (Cook Co) (feeding yg), 21 Jun & (fldgs), 4 Jul (GF, DK); WaterfallGlen (DuPage Co) (nest w/ yg), 7 Jun (VS); MArb (DuPage Co) (feeding yg), 18 Jun (VM); Jelke Crk BS (Kane Co) (nest w/ yg), 10 Jun (WLz); Old School FP (Lake Co) (ad on nest), 12 Jun (EEd); The Oaks (Lake Co) (fldgs), 17 Jun (EEd); Knoles Rd (Menard Co) (fldgs), 16 Jun (MMo).

MC: 6, LowdMil, 25 Jun (EG); 6, Lodge Pk FP (Piatt Co), 30 Jun (JRC).

Northern Flicker

Breeding: Woodstock (McHenry Co) (feeding yg), 22 Jun (LLO); Midewin (Will Co) (feeding yg), 29 Jun (WSr); Midewin (Will Co) (ad w/ food), 17 Jun (R&MA); RollinsSav (Lake Co) (fldgs), 26 Jun (CS); Tanager Kames FP (Lake Co) (fldgs), 30 Jul (CS); Grant Wds (Lake Co) (fldgs), 2 Jul (CS); GLPSNA (Grundy Co) (fldgs), 3 Jun (DU); Kane (fldgs), 16 Jul

(LMr), 17 (Cook Co); SongbirdSl (DuPage Co) (ad on nest), 24 Jul (ToC); Fermi-D (DuPage Co) (nest w/ yg), 21 Jun (GP); West Chi Pra FP (DuPage Co) (feeding yg), 19 Jun & (fldgs), 11 Jul (NA); Lyman Wds (DuPage Co) (feeding yg), 25 Jun (JC); GreeneVal (DuPage Co) (feeding yg), 18 Jul (VS); GreeneVal (DuPage Co) (fldgs), 29 Jun (DKI); MArb (DuPage Co) (fldgs), 20 Jun (R&MA); MArb (DuPage Co) (ad w/ food), 18 Jun (Jyz, MN); Coal Miner's Tr (Woodford Co) (carry fecal sac), 5 Jun (DCs); BuseyWds (Champaign Co) (feeding yg), 24 Jun (BT); KankakeePks (Kankakee Co) (fldgs), 18 Jul (JBH); No Name Pk (Madison Co) (fldgs), 11 Jul (BSf).

MC: 13 Lake, 15 Jun (BJS); 11, DPCA (Will Co), 14 Jul (JnG); 10, BuseyWds (Champaign Co), 24 Jun (BTa).

Pileated Woodpecker

Breeding: ArrowheadL FP (Cook Co) (ad feeding yg), 10 Jun (NRi); Hodgkins (Cook Co) (ad on nest), 28 Jun (LR).

MC: 5, CONWR (Williamson Co), 19 Jun (M&YS).

American Kestrel

Breeding: Pleasant Valley CA (McHenry Co) (ads w/ yg), 11 Jun (LM); Lake St and Jefferson St (Cook Co) (2 ads w/2 yg) (KRe), SpringCrk (Cook Co), 3 Jul (HT); Proksa Pk (Cook Co) (ads w/ yg), 30 Jul (BM); Eggers Grove FP (Cook Co) (ad w/ food), 2 Jun (WJM); FermiLab (DuPage Co) (nest w/ yg), 21 Jun (GCn, MN); DYNL (Kane Co) (ad, nest w/ 5 yg), 1 Jun (MMr); Muirhead Springs FP (Kane Co) (ad w/4 yg), 15 Jul (WLz); Muirhead Springs FP (Kane Co) (ad w/ food), 18 Jun (WLz); Midewin (Will Co) (female w/ food), 17 Jun (TWf); Green Acres Sportsman's Club (Ford Co) (ads w/ yg), 25 Jun (DU).

MC: 8, CarlL-C (Clinton Co), 3 Jul (DMK); 7, ECapeGir (Alexander Co), 3 Jul (LBk); 6, DYNL (Kane Co), 1 Jun (MMr); 6, Monroe, 19 Jun & 9 Jul (DMK).

Merlin

Burma Rd (DeKalb Co), 29 Jul (Mli); Fullersburg Wds FP (DuPage Co), 26 Jul (DFS); Pioneer Tree Farm (McHenry Co), 3 Jun (SMn, KWe).

Peregrine Falcon

Breeding: Madison (fldgs), 24 Jun (R & MA, CA); Cook (fldgs), 2-3 Jul (HBm); River Rd (Madison Co) (nest w/ yg), 22 Jun (JNa).

MC: 4, River Rd (Madison Co), 30 Jun (SBo).

Monk Parakeet

Breeding: under Chicago Skyway (Cook Co) (ad on nest), 11 Jul (ChB); Great Western Tr (DuPage Co) (ad on nest), 10 Jul (MM, VM).

MC: 30, Chicago Skyway (Cook Co), 11 Jul (ChB).



WESTERN KINGBIRD. East St. Louis, St. Clair County, 9 July 2017.
Photo by Dan Kassebaum.

Great Crested Flycatcher

Breeding: Fox Ridge SP (Coles Co) (ad w/ food), 26 Jun (GT); Lyman Wds FP (DuPage Co) (ad w/ food), 4 Jul (ToC); Midewin (Will Co) (ad w/ food), 29 Jun (WSr); HerrickL FP (DuPage Co) (ad w/ food), 7 Jul (MRB); Merwin NP (McLean Co) (ad w/ food), 2 Jun (DCs); No Name Pk (Madison Co) (fldgs), 1 Jul (BSf); Gar Crk Tr (Kankakee Co) (fldgs), 25 Jul (JBH); Perry Farm Pk (Kankakee Co) (fldgs), 20 Jun (JBH); Gremel WS (Lee Co) (ad w/ fecal sac), 4 Jul (SHr); Bluff Spring Fen (Cook Co) (ad feeding yg), 15 Jul (MMg); Fermi-D (DuPage Co) (nest building), 8 Jun (MN); DeerGrove (Cook Co) (nest building), 9 Jun (HT).

MC: 10, Cap Sauers 2 (Cook Co), 3 Jun (Palos Sag Blitz data); 8, CarlL-C (Clinton Co), 3 Jun (DMK); 8, Dudleyville BBS (Bond Co), 4 Jun (DMK); 7, Lyman Wds FP (DuPage Co), 4 Jun (JC); 7, DWR (Putnam Co), 3 Jul (DFS).

Western Kingbird

Breeding: Havana (Mason Co) (ad w/ nest mat.), 6 Jun (AGt) & (ad on nest), 30 Jun (TWF) & (feeding yg), 8 Jul (DU) & (fldgs), 8 Jul (TBL, EG, AG) (present through season); Front St, ESTL (St. Clair Co) (ad on nest), 2 Jun (FRM, DKA) & (fldgs), 9 Jul (DMK) & (ad feeding fldg yg), 14 Jul (DMK).

MC: 6, Front St., ESTL (St. Clair Co), 2 Jun (DMK); 5, Havana elec substation (Mason Co), 14 Jul (DKL).

Eastern Kingbird

Breeding: Rock Run FP (Will Co) (fldgs), 17 Jul (JS); Midewin (Will Co) (fldgs), 16 Jul (ToC); Romeoville Pra NP (Will Co) (ad w/ nest mat.), 8 Jun (JnG); Midewin (Will Co) (ad w/ food), 10 Jun (DKL); Norman Jensen FP (Winnebago Co) (ad on nest), 9 Jun (DTW); Nardi Equestrian Pra (Ogle Co) (ad w/ food), 2 Jun (DTW); 20 reports in Lake Co; Route 47 (Kane Co) (ad on nest), 27 Jun (DCn); GLPSNA (Grundy Co) (ad w/ food), 3 Jul (DU); 37 reports in Cook Co; 15 reports in DuPage Co; La Moille (Bureau Co) (feeding yg), 14 Jul (MAM); KankakeePks (Kankakee Co) (fldgs), 17 Jul (JBH); Kaufman Pk (Champaign Co) (fldgs), 15 Jul (DU); MeadbrkPk (Champaign Co) (ad w/ food), 3 Jun (BT); Emiquon (Fulton Co) (ad w/ nest mat.), 1 Jun (DU); Kankakee NWR (Iroquois Co) (ad w/ food), 24 Jun (SE, SBe); C'dale (Jackson Co) (fldgs), 20 Jul (RSR); RendL-J (Jefferson Co) (fldgs), 8 Jul (AG, EG); Alhambra Fireman's Pk (Madison Co) (nest w/ yg), 15 Jun (CK); HL (Madison Co) (nest w/ yg), 23 Jun (CF, C&C); HL (Madison Co) (ad w/ food), 23 Jun (VM); Front St (St. Clair Co) (ad w/ nest mat.), 23 Jun (VM); Norris City (White Co) (feeding yg), 18 Jul (SSe); White (feeding yg), 18 Jul (SSe).

MC: 16, JP (Cook Co), 29 Jul (Wooded Is Bird Walks); 16, Pembroke, 14 Jul (DFS); 16, CarlL-C (Clinton Co), 30 Jul (DMK); 13, Midewin, 16 Jul (PCd); 12, RockCut (Winnebago Co), 30 Jul (DRo).

Scissor-tailed Flycatcher

Havana electric substation (Mason Co) (2), 20-21 Jun (CA:ph, WH:ph) & (1), 18-30 Jun (m.ob.).

Eastern Wood-Pewee

Breeding: MeadbrkPk (Champaign Co) (ad w/ food), 12 Jun (DU); Coles (ad w/ food), 13 Jun (GT); DeerGrove (Cook Co) (nest w/ yg), 9 Jun (HT); MArb (DuPage Co) (ad on nest), 6 Jun (JyZ, JZ); GreeneVal (DuPage Co) (nest building), 14 Jun (MAM); Lyman Wds (DuPage Co) (fldgs), 8 Jun (JC); WaterfallGlen (DuPage Co) (fldgs), 26 Jun (ED); Pratt'sWW (DuPage Co) (ad w/ food), 20 Jun (GP); Norris Wds (Kane Co) (fldgs), 13 Jun (BA); Cuba Marsh FP (Lake Co) (ad on nest), 23 Jun (JAn); Lyons Wds FP (Lake Co) (ad on nest), 29 Jul (WMC, AMc); VoloBog (Lake Co) (feeding yg), 29 Jul (JAn, LM); Shiloh Pk (Lake Co) (fldgs), 29 Jul (EWW); No Name Pk (Madison Co) (feeding yg), 6 Jun (BSf); MermetL (Massac Co) (ad w/ food), 25 Jun (VM); Northwoods Pk (Tazewell Co) (nest w/ yg), 1 Jul (M&SZ); McKinley Wds FP (Will Co) (ad w/ food), 29 Jun (VM); SugarR (Winnebago Co) (ad on nest), 6 Jun (RSt, CWt, VS).

MC: 16, Wolf Rd Wds (Cook Co), 21 Jun (BJS); 15, KRSP (Kankakee Co), 1 Jul (RDH); 14, IBSP, 2 Jun (DHe); 12, Ryerson (Lake Co), 3 Jun (DFS); 12, Gremel WS (Lee Co), 2 Jul (SHr); 12, Columbia BBS (Monroe Co), 3 Jun (KAM); 12, Thorn Crk NP (Will Co), 19 Jun (ASA); 11, SpringCrk (Cook Co), 24 Jun (CSr); 11, COLSP (Lake Co), 13 Jun (BJS).

Acadian Flycatcher

Breeding: McKinley Wds FP (Will Co) (nest w/ eggs), 13 Jul & (ad feeding yg), 15 Jul (GP & LY resp); JubileeC (Peoria Co) (fledgling), 2 Jul (EC), Pomona (Jackson Co) (ad on nest), 1 Jul (LBR, LR, ASA, DRD); Forbes S.P. (Marion Co) (ad on nest), 1 Jul (DMK).

MC: 10, John M Olin NP (Madison Co), 5 Jul (MTh); 9, Giant City SP (Jackson Co), 20 Jul (JSA); 8, SugarR FP (Winnebago Co), 6 Jun (CWt, RSt, VS); 8, Pomona, 24 Jun (KAM); 7, FerneClyffe, 12 Jun (APy); 5, MissPalis, 15 Jun (DTW).

Alder Flycatcher

VoloBog (calling), 5 Jul (BJS); Grant Wds FP (Lake Co), 24 Jun & 2 Jul (BJS, CSL); Miller-Anderson NP (Bureau Co), 2 Jun (DFS); Kaskaskia Is (Randolph Co) (calling), 3 Jun (KAM); Patriot's Pk (Bond Co) (calling), 10 Jun (CKE); MermetL (Massac Co), 10 Jun (SZ).

Willow Flycatcher

Breeding: Techny Basin CA (Cook Co) (feeding yg), 24 Jul (SCn); Springbrk (DuPage Co) (fldgs), 26 Jul (KW, GP); Lake (fldgs), 18 Jul (RAB); GLNA (McHenry Co) (ad w/ nest mat.), 20 Jun (JPL).

MC: 14, LCal (Cook Co), 22 Jul (CGi); 14, LCal (Cook Co), 22 Jul (CGi); 13, Springbrk (DuPage Co), 26 Jul (GP, KW); 11, Pratt'sWW, 21 Jul (KW); 11, SpgBlf (Lake Co), 2 Jul (EWW); 10, GLPSNA (Grundy Co), 26 Jun (LM); 9, Burnham Pra NP (Cook Co), 21 Jun (CGi); 8, PowderhornL/Burnham Wds GC (Cook Co), 11 Jun (WJM); 8, Burnham Pra NP (Cook Co), 14 Jun (WJM); 8, West Chi Pra FP (DuPage Co), 4 Jun (NA).

Least Flycatcher

Boone Crk CA (McHenry Co), 29 Jun - 7 Jul (SMn, et al.); 2, Des Plaines River Tr (Lake Co), 20 Jun (BJS, GGI, BSk); CarlL-C (Clinton Co) (2nd summer record for site), 10 Jul (DMK).

Eastern Phoebe

Breeding: Thorn Crk NP (Will Co) (ad on nest), 25 Jun (C&JG, JnG); Midewin (Will Co) (ad on nest), 25 Jun & (nest w/ yg), 16 Jul (ToC); Midewin (Will Co) (fldgs), 15 Jul (DKL); AlpinePk (Winnebago Co) (ad w/ food), 3 Jun (JNe); Woodstock (McHenry Co) (nest w/ yg), 13 Jun (LLo); L&D 16 (Rock Island Co) (nest building), 13 Jun (BD); Bliss Wds (Kane Co) (ad on nest), 3 Jun (EG); Crane Lane (Kane Co) (fldgs), 10 Jun (JS); Bemis Wds (Cook Co) (ad on nest), 11 Jun & (nest w/ yg), 25 Jun (LH); DeerGrove (Cook Co) (fldgs), 30 Jul (HT); Graceland Cem (Cook Co) (ad w/ food), 25 Jun (BS, LSK); 15 reports in DuPage Co; GLPSNA (Grundy Co) (nest w/ yg), 5 Jul (BL); Pleasant Plains (Sangamon Co) (fldgs), 3 Jun (MMo); Tolan Rd (Sangamon Co) (ad w/ food), 26 Jun (MMo); Hillcrest Ct. (Tazewell Co) (used nest), 14 Jun (M&SZ); Hillcrest Ct. (Tazewell Co) (ad w/ nest mat.), 13 Jun (M&SZ); Urbana (Champaign Co) (nest w/ yg), 8 Jun (ZS); Robert Porter Pk (Champaign Co) (fldgs), 15 Jul (DU); Robert Porter Pk (Champaign Co) (ad w/ food), 7 Jun (DU); Hickory Ridge Rd (Jackson Co) (used nest), 5 Jun (RSR); Jefferson (used nest), 24 Jun (NW); SilverL Pk (Madison Co) (nest w/ yg), 24 Jun (CK).

MC: 12, Midewin (Will Co), 8 Jul (CGi); 8, Humphrey BBS (Christian Co), 12 Jun (TRg); 8, Tawny Oaks (Peoria Co), 8 Jul (MI); 7, TwoRivers (Calhoun Co), 28 Jul (BSf); 7, FerneClyffe (Johnson Co), 19 Jun (HDR).



FISH CROWS. Carlyle Lake, Clinton County, . 18 July 2017. Photo by Dan Kassebaum.

Loggerhead Shrike

Breeding: Midewin (Will Co) (fldgs), 24 Jun (RCz).
MC: 2, Midewin (Will Co), 17 Jun (OB, Whimbrel BC, BB); 2, Luber Finger Lk (Edwards Co), 24 Jun (RES).

White-eyed Vireo

MC: 22, HL (Madison Co), 12 Jun (SZ); 11, Pomona (Jackson Co), 24 Jun (KAM); 11, PineHills (Union Co), 14 Jul (HDR); 9, CONWR, 19 Jun (M&YS); 8, SNF, 1 Jul (m.ob.).

Bell's Vireo

Breeding: GLPSNA (Grundy Co) (feeding yg), 5 Jul (JS).
MC: 6, GLPSNA (Grundy Co), Jul 25 (VS); 5, ICCA, 24 Jun (RDH); 5, Pyramid, 17 Jun (HDR); 5, Midewin, 26 Jun (CGi); 3, SextonWet, 15 Jun & 8 Jul (AGn); 3, UniversalMine, 1 Jul (GT); 3, Aurora West FP, 3 Jun (DCn); 3, Pembroke, 12 Jun (DKA, GAW); 3, Meredosa, 13 Jun (VSG).

Yellow-throated Vireo

Breeding: LRSNC (Cook Co) (feeding yg), 6 Jul (LY); SpringCrk (Cook Co) (fldgs), 29 Jun (HT); MARb (DuPage Co) (fldgs), 18 Jun (DKI); MARb (DuPage Co) (ad w/ food), 18 Jun (VM); McKinley Wds FP (Will Co) (nest w/ yg), 11 Jun (JLc, JnG).
MC: 6, COLSP (Lake Co), 13 Jun (BJS); 5, LRSNC (Cook Co.), 6 Jul (LY); 4, Miller-And (Bureau Co), 2 Jun (DFS); 4, MissPalis (Carroll Co), 15 Jun (DTW); 4, MARb (DuPage Co), 20 Jun (R & MA).

Warbling Vireo

Breeding: Midewin (Will Co) (fldgs), 3 Jun (DKI); BraidwoodL (Will Co) (fldgs), 24 Jul (JBH); DPCA (Will Co) (ad w/ food), 9 Jun (JnG); Rock Run FP (Will Co) (ad w/ food), 26 Jul (JS); LElizabeth NP (McHenry Co) (nest w/ yg), 25 Jun (FD, DE); Grunwald Farm (Kane Co) (fldgs), 26 Jun (BA, KA); NoP (Cook Co) (ad on nest), 7 Jun (m.ob.); Montrose (Cook Co) (ad on nest), 3 Jun (CLW, GAW); McKinley Pk (Cook Co) (ad on nest), 12 Jun & (nest w/ yg), 1 Jul (CL); Techny Basin (Cook Co) (nest w/ yg), 27 Jun (SCn); Eggers Grove (Cook Co) (nest building), 3 Jun (SZ); Izakk Walton Pr (Cook Co) (fldgs), 29 Jul (PLr); MlrMdw (Cook Co) (ad w/ food), 29 Jun (EG); MARb (ad on nest), 18 Jun (JyZ, ED); GreeneVal (feeding yg), 7 Jul (MAM); West Chi Pra (DuPage Co) (fldgs), 11 Jul (NA); HeilandL (Kankakee Co) (fldgs), 15 Jul (JBH); MomenceWet (Kankakee Co) (fldgs), 2 Jul (LM); Comlara Pk (McLean Co) (feeding yg), 15 Jul (TG); Kaufman Pk (Champaign Co) (ad on nest), 26 Jun (DU); RendL-J (Jefferson Co) (feeding yg), 9 Jul (TWf, EE, EG); Madison (feeding yg), 19 Jul (CK).
MC: 18, CarlL-C (Clinton Co), 3 Jun (DMK); 12, Eggers Grove FP (Cook Co), 2 Jun (WJM); 12, JP (Cook Co), 13 Jun (RLS); 12, Centennial Tr (Will Co), 3 Jul (JDC, MBC); 11, Humphrey BBS (Christian Co), 12 Jun (TRg); 11, LCal (Cook Co), 3 Jun (WJM); 11, Pembroke (Kankakee Co), 12 Jun (DKA); 11, DWR (Putnam Co), 2 Jun (DFS).

Red-eyed Vireo

Breeding: Eggers Grove (nest building), 3 Jun (PF, TWf); DeerGrove (fldgs), 25 Jun (HT); Meacham Grove FP (DuPage Co) (nest building), 1 Jun (VS); SugarR (Williamson Co) (ad on nest), 6 Jun (VS, RSt, CWt).

MC: 23, DeerGrove (Cook Co), 1 Jun (C&C); 20, LowdMil, 25 Jun (EG); 19, McClaughrey Spring Wds (Cook Co), 3 Jun (BJS).

Blue Jay

Breeding: 16 reports in Cook Co; 10 reports in DuPage Co; Lake Villa (Lake Co) (fldgs), 30 Jun (CVD); SNF (Pope Co) (nest w/ yg), 10 Jun (SZ); Springfield (Sangamon Co) (ad w/ food), 7 Jun (JC); NygrenWet (Winnebago) (ad on nest), 7 Jun (ECe).

MC: 44, Montrose (Cook Co), 1 Jun (ASA); 25, Ottawa Tr Wds FP, 8 Jul (AMD); 17, DeerGrove, 1 Jun (C&C); 17, Danada FP (DuPage Co), 27 Jul (JnG); 16, Sternes Wds NP (McHenry Co), 3 Jun (CPo); 16, Blackhawk Farms Raceway, 23 Jul (JcN); 15, IBSP, 2 Jun (AOS); 15, Boone Crk CA (McHenry Co), 20 Jun (SMn, et. al); 14, PlumCrk, 4 Jun (CGi); 14, Pioneer Wds, Palos, 3 Jul (CMk).

American Crow

Breeding: 1 report in Lake Co; 10 reports in Cook Co; 1 report in Winnebago Co; 1 report in Ogle Co; 1 report in Peoria Co; 1 report in Champaign Co; 2 reports in Coles Co.
MC: 51, River Rd Sloughs (Clark Co), 22 Jul (SLa); 44, Seneca BBS, 10 Jun (JDC, TKo); 28, Dudleyville BBS, 4 Jun (DMK); 26, Boone Crk CA (Boone Co), 6 Jun (SMn, KWe).

Fish Crow

MC: 16, Levee Rd (Monroe Co), 19 Jun (DMK); 13, HL (Madison Co), 9 Jul (FRH); 12, SIU farms (Jackson Co), 29 Jul (RG); 10, CarlWWTP (Clinton), 23 Jul (DHT); 9, TwoRivers, 28 Jul (BSf); 9, MermetL, 11 Jun (VS).
Noteworthy: All American Pk (Adams Co), 8 Jul (JMS); 1-4, *McClean*, 1 Jun - 27 Jul (MJW, SAu, et al.).

Horned Lark

Breeding: East Branch FP (DuPage Co) (fldgs), 26 Jul (ToC); MomenceSod (Kankakee Co) (fldgs), 22 Jul (JBH).
MC: 100, *Lawrence*, 26 Jul (VW); 35, Kaskis, 30 Jun (CSt); 26, Beaucoup BBS, 1 Jun (DMK); 23, Dudleyville BBS, 4 Jun (DMK); 23, Kaskis, 6 Jun (KAM); 21, Humphrey BBS, 12 Jun (TRg); 21, Columbia BBS, 3 Jun (KAM); 18, St. Morgan BBS, 4 Jun (KAM); 14, MomenceSod, 22 Jul (JBH).

Bank Swallow

Breeding: Izaak Walton Pr (Cook Co) (fldgs), 1 Jun (PLr); Paul Douglas (Cook Co) (nest building), 2 Jun (SWS); Greene Valley FP (DuPage Co) (nest building), 2 Jun (DKI); Wauk (Lake Co) (ad on nest), 2 Jun (TWf); NPM (Lake Co) (ad on nest), 2 Jun (AOS); Zuma Crk flats (Rock Island Co) (ad on nest), 2 Jun (SMF); RockCut (Winnebago Co) (ad on nest), 2 Jun (TT); Montrose (Cook Co) (ad on nest), 3 Jun (CLW, GAW); Montrose (ad on nest), 19 Jun (TWf), and (fldgs), 10 Jul (LGM); Montrose (Cook Co) (w/ fecal sac), 28 Jul (LGM).
MC: 550, Izaak Walton Pr (Cook Co), 1 Jun (PLr); 200, Bluff Rd near IL Rte 67 (Schuyler Co), 24 Jul (JGI); 150, CarlL-C (Clinton Co), 27 Jul (DMK); 100, Pyott/Virginia Rd Quarry Ponds, 8 Jul (RSt); 80, Grand Tower Is (Jackson Co), 20 Jul (KAM).



BANK SWALLOW. Montrose Point, Cook County, 22 June 2017. Photo by Jake Cvetas.



PURPLE MARTINS. Wooded Isle, Jackson Park, Cook Co. 28 Jul. 2017. Photo by Dan Lory.



BARN SWALLOW. Montrose Point, Cook Co. 16 Jul. 2017. Photo by Tamima Itani.

Tree Swallow

Breeding: WhalonL (Will Co) (ad on nest), 9 Jul (AC, RS); Midewin (Will Co) (fldgs), 25 Jun (ToC); NygrenWet (Winnebago Co) (nest w/ yg), 21 Jun & (feeding yg), 24 Jun (ECe & DTW resp); Kieselburg FP (Winnebago Co) (ad w/ food), 7 Jun (DTW) & 13 Jun (CK); GLNA (McHenry Co) (ad on nest), 10 Jun (KL); Bates Fen (McHenry Co) (nest w/ yg), 2 Jul (JAN); GLPSNA (Grundy Co) (ad on nest), 3 Jul (DU); GLPSNA (Grundy Co) (fldgs), 5 Jul (BL); Hickory Knolls (Kane Co) (fldgs), 15 Jun (JNn, JW); AlmondM (Lake Co) (ad on nest), 7 Jun (AWS); Old School FP (Lake Co) (ad on nest), 12 Jun (EED); MidSav (Lake Co) (ad on nest), 8 Jul (EED); Lake (nest w/ yg), 9 Jun (RAB); Old School FP (Lake Co) (nest w/ yg), 28 Jun (EED); COLSP (Lake Co) (nest w/ yg), 3 Jul (JC); IBSP (Lake Co) (feeding yg), 22 Jun (DTW); Pine Dunes FP (Lake Co) (fldgs), 13 Jul (AWS); 42 reports in Cook Co; Afton FP (DeKalb Co) (fldgs), 25 Jun (EG); 59 reports in DuPage Co; MeadbrkPk (Champaign Co) (ad on nest), 9 Jun (DU); Heritage Pk (Champaign Co) (ad on nest), 5 Jun (DU); RiverBend (Champaign Co) (ad on nest), 24 Jun (DU); Emiquon (Fulton Co) (fldgs), 8 Jul (DU); EvergreenL (McLean Co) (feeding yg), 13 Jun (JW); Wildlife Pra SP (Peoria Co) (nest w/ yg), 15 Jun (DE); Cooper Pk (Tazewell Co) (fldgs), 18 Jun (M&SZ); HeronCP (Vermilion) (ad on nest), 10 Jun (BT); Knoch Knolls (Will Co) (ad on nest), 6 Jun (JnG).
MC: 500, Chau (Mason Co), 6 Jul (CDn); 400, CarlL-C (Clinton Co), 13 Jul (DMK); 350, east of EPTP (Woodford Co), 18 Jul (AWS); 345, Gilliland's (Woodford Co.), 14 Jul (TH).

Northern Rough-winged Swallow

Breeding: Wood Dale Res (DuPage Co) (fldgs), 5 Jul (ToC); West Chi Pra FP (DuPage Co) (fldgs), 8 Jul (ToC); Montrose (Cook Co) (feeding yg), 29 Jun (DKA); Montrose (Cook Co) (fldgs), 22 Jun (DKI); Techny Basin (Cook Co) (feeding yg), 9 Jul (SCn); JP (Cook Co) (fldgs), 29 Jul (RLS); SpringCrk (Cook Co) (fldgs), 3 Jul (HT); JP (Cook Co) (fldgs), 11 Jun (RLS), 87th St Steel Mills (Cook Co) (fldgs), 12 Jul (EG, AG); SteelworkersP (Cook Co) (fldgs), 7 Jul (ASA); (Cook Co) (ad w/ nest mat.), 10 Jun (EDG); Sherman Pk (Cook Co) (ad w/ food), 21 Jun (JHn, GAW); JP (Cook Co) (ad w/ food), 27 Jun (RLS); Merwin NP (McLean Co) (nest building), 2 Jun (DCs).
MC: 300, 87th St Steel Mills (Cook Co), 1 Jun (EDG, AG, EG); 125, TwoRivers, 28 Jul (BSf).

Purple Martin

Breeding: Gillson (Cook Co) (ad on nest), 2 Jun (ChB); Cantigny Pk (DuPage Co) (30 ad & 25 fldgs), 8 Jul (MGr); Weldon Springs SP (De Witt Co) (fldgs), 9 Jul (EWrr); JP (Cook Co) (nest w/ yg), 24 Jun (PDK); DeerGrove (Cook Co) (fldgs), 26 Jul (HT); *Iroquois* (ad w/ fecal sac), 8 Jul (JRR); Cahokia Mounds (St. Clair Co) (ad feeding yg), 23 Jun (VM); Montrose (Cook Co) (ad feeding yg), 29 Jun (DKA); Marovitz GC (Cook Co) (nest w/ yg), 18 Jun (ASm); JP (Cook Co) (nest w/ yg), 25 Jul (RLS); LincPk (Cook Co) (nest w/ yg), 30 Jun (CLW); DWR (Putnam Co) (nest w/ yg), 16 Jul (JnG, C&JG); Armstrong Pk (DuPage Co) (nest w/ yg), 16 Jun (GP); Independence Grove FP (Lake Co) (ad on nest), 12 Jun (NSr); Hickory Knolls NA (Kane Co) (ad on nest), 15 Jun (JNn); SpringL Bottoms (Tazewell Co) (ad on nest), 18 Jun (LM); (Champaign Co) (ad on nest), 27

Jul (GT); McKinley Wds FP (Will Co) (ad on nest), 3 Jun (EG); Vermont Twp (Fulton Co) (ad on nest), 13 Jun (M&SZ); Pleasant Hill (Pike Co) (ad on nest), 21 Jul (CAN); Havana (Mason Co) (ad on nest), 30 Jun (TWF); O'Hara Wds NP (Will Co) (ad on nest), 3 Jul (MAM); Kickapoo Crk (Coles Co) (ad on nest), 15 Jun (GT).

MC: 200, CarlL-C (Clinton Co), 27 Jul (DMK); 100, Gillson (Cook Co), 16 Jul (GT); 90, Marovitz GC, (Cook Co), 9-24 Jun (ASm); 75, RendL-J, 17 Jul (JOS); 55, Cantigny Pk (DuPage Co), 8 Jul (MGr); 48, Jarvis, 4 Jun (LGM); 42, DWR, 24 Jul (DFS); 40, Cahokia Mounds (St. Clair Co), 10 Jun (DMK); 35, DresdenI L&D (Grundy Co), 15 Jul (DFS); 32, Fabyan FP (Kane Co), 22 Jun (JJD); 30, Grand TowerI (Jackson Co), 20 Jul (KAM).

Barn Swallow

Breeding: 6 reports in McHenry Co; 5 reports in Kane Co; 16 reports in Lake Co; 1 report in Boone Co; 27 reports in DuPage Co; 75 reports in Cook Co; 1 report in Rock Island Co; 7 reports in Will Co; 20 reports in Champaign Co; 1 report in Coles Co; 2 reports in Menard Co; 1 report in Woodford Co; 1 report in Cumberland Co; 5 reports in Jefferson Co; 8 reports in Madison Co.

MC: 569, GlacialPk (McHenry Co), 30 Jul (GP).

Cliff Swallow

Breeding: County Line FP (Winnebago Co) (used nest), 16 Jun (JNE); LostMound (Carroll Co) (fldgs) 2 Jul; NPM (Lake Co) (fldgs), 2 Jul (EWW, EG); North Aurora (Kane Co) (ad on nest), 9 Jul (BL); JP (Cook Co) (ad on nest), 2 Jun (EWn); LincPk (Cook Co) (ad on nest), 4 Jun (GAW); Evanston (Cook Co) (ad on nest), 7 Jul (RJD); JP (Cook Co) (nest w/ yg), 27 Jun (RLS); Northwestern Univ (Cook Co) (nest w/ yg), 22 Jul (JBa); JP (Cook Co) (nest w/ yg), 18 Jul (RLS); Gillson (Cook Co) (nest building), 2 Jun (ChB); JP (Cook Co) (nest building), 3 Jun (RLS); JP (Cook Co) (feeding yg), 7 Jul (ASA); Northwestern Univ (Cook Co) (feeding yg), 23 Jul (RJD); JP (Cook Co) (fldgs), 29 Jul (RLS); Emiquon (Fulton Co) (nest w/ yg), 13 Jun (AGt); Emiquon (Fulton Co) (nest building), 4 Jun (C&JG, JnG); Emiquon (Fulton Co) (fldgs), 1 Jun (DU); Emiquon (Fulton Co) (ad w/ food), 8 Jul (EG, AG); Pembroke (Kankakee Co) (ad on nest), 12 Jun (DKA, GAW); Front St (St. Clair Co) (nest w/ yg), 22 Jun (C&C); Front St (St. Clair Co) (ad w/ food), 23 Jun (VM).

MC: 400, CarlL-C (Clinton Co), 10 Jul (DMK); 400, Levee Rd (Monroe Co) (staging), 9 Jul (DMK); 200, ECapeGir (Alexander Co), 26 Jul (AGn); 190, GlacialPk (McHenry Co), 8 Jul (SMn); 103, JP, 27 Jun (RLS).

Carolina Chickadee

Breeding: Hickory Ridge Rd (Jackson Co) (fldgs), 16 Jun (RSR).
MC: 13, St. Morgan BBS, 4 Jun (KAM); 10, MermetL (Massac Co), 2 Jul (COS); 8, FoxRidge (Coles Co), 8 Jul (GT).
Notes: northernmost records from Champaign and Danville.

Black-capped Chickadee

Breeding: Trask Bridge FP (Winnebago Co) (fldgs), 15 Jun (AW); McKinley Wds FP (Will Co) (feeding yg), 3 Jul (JSb); Augustana College (Rock Island Co) (fldgs), 16 Jun (SBH); 87th St Steel Mills (Cook Co) (carry food), 1 Jun (AG, EG, EDG); SaltCrk (Cook Co) (ad w/ food), 5 Jun

(DFS); NoP (Cook Co) (ad w/ food), 14 Jun (m.ob.); GrantPk (Cook Co) (fldgs), 29 Jun (EG); Taylor Pk (Cook Co) (feeding yg), 13 Jun (EDG); Sherman Pk (Cook Co) (feeding yg), 21 Jun (JHn, GAW); Bluff Spring Fen (Cook Co) (feeding yg), 8 Jul (MMg); Palatine Bike Tr (Cook Co) (feeding yg), 9 Jul (C&C); DeerGrove (Cook Co) (nest w/ yg), 10 Jun (HT); Glen Ellyn (DuPage Co) (ad w/ food), 10 Jun (JZ); DuPage (fldgs), 3 Jun (EP); WaterfallGlen (DuPage Co) (feeding yg), 7 Jun and (fldgs) on 3 Jun & 15 Jul (VS, JDC); Lake in the Woods (DuPage Co) (fldgs), 20 Jun (LBR); MArb (DuPage Co) (feeding yg), 20 Jun & (fldgs), 24 Jun (JDC, JyZ); Greene Valley FP (DuPage Co) (fldgs), 26 Jun (JDC); West DuPage Wds (DuPage Co) (recently fledged yg), 2 Jul (LY); Springbrk (DuPage Co) (fldgs), 6 Jul (SBe); DuPage (fldgs), 8 Jul (JDC); Darien (DuPage Co) (feeding yg), 3 Jun (VS); St. James Farm FP (DuPage Co) (nest w/ eggs), 23 Jun (GP, MHe); Illinois Ave Pk (Kane Co) (fldgs), 17 Jun (JDC); IBSP (Lake Co) (fldgs), 22 Jun (DTW); Bates Fen (McHenry Co) (nest w/ yg), 1 Jun (JAn); Petersburg (Menard Co) (fldgs), 3 Jul (MMo); JubileeC (Peoria Co) (fldgs), 11 Jun (EC); Tazewell (fldgs), 19-27 Jun (M&SZ); Cooper Pk (Tazewell Co) (feeding yg), 2 Jun (M&SZ).

MC: 20, LowdMil (Ogle Co), 25 Jun (EG); 17, NoP (Cook Co), 9 Jul (CLW); 17, Des Plaines R Tr area (Lake Co), 9 Jul (BJS); 16, Lincoln Marsh (DuPage Co), 30 Jun (PRo); 16, LeRoy Oakes FP (Kane Co), 25 Jun (WLz); 15, Big Rock FP, 1 Jul (JSt).

Tufted Titmouse

Breeding: McKinley Wds FP (Will Co) (feeding yg), 3 Jul (JS).

MC: 15, MermetL (Massac Co), 11 Jun (GP); 13, Dudleyville BBS (Bond Co), 4 Jun (DMK); 12, SiloamSpr (Adams Co), 13 Jun (VS); 12, St. Morgan BBS (Madison Co), 4 Jun (KAM).

Red-breasted Nuthatch

Breeding: Memorial Pk Cem (Cook Co) (nest w/ yg), 4 Jun (JBa); MArb (DuPage Co) (feeding yg), 1 Jul (EWW).

MC: 3, Memorial Pk Cem (Cook Co), 4 Jun (JBa); 3, MArb (DuPage Co), 1 Jul (EWW); 3, Sternes Wds (McHenry Co), 3 Jun (CP).

White-breasted Nuthatch

Breeding: McKinley Wds FP (Will Co) (feeding yg), 16 Jun (JnG); Monee Res (Will Co) (fldgs), 17 Jun (WH, BB); NygrenWet (Winnebago Co) (fldgs), 21 Jun (ECe); DeerGrove (Cook Co) (fldgs), 15 Jun (HT); Bluff Spring Fen (Cook Co) (fldgs), 3 Jun (MMg); Palatine Bike Tr (Cook Co) (feeding yg), 14 Jun (C&C); Palos (Cook Co) (fldgs), 12 Jun (LM); SpringCrk (Cook Co) (fldgs), 3 Jul (HT); Spring Valley NS (Cook Co) (fldgs), 18 Jul (AK); Poplar Crk FP (Cook Co) (fldgs), 13 Jul (JMV, JFI, SBe); Dunham FP (DuPage Co) (ad on nest), 1 Jul (ToC); Salt Crk Pk FP (DuPage Co) (feeding yg), 11 Jul (ToC); Lyman Wds FP (DuPage Co) (fldgs), 4 Jun (JC, DBC); Lake in the Woods (DuPage Co) (fldgs), 23 Jun (LBR); GreeneVal (DuPage Co) (fldgs), 6 Jul (DKI); HerrickL (DuPage Co) (fldgs), 29 Jul (JC); GreeneVal (DuPage Co) (ad w/ food), 14 Jun (MAM); Kane (feeding yg), 11 Jun (DCn); Lake (feeding yg), 16 Jun (M&GJ); Fel-Pro RRR CA (McHenry Co) (fldgs), 20 Jul (JAn); Knoles Rd (Menard Co) (fldgs); 15 Jun (MMo).

MC: 15, SpringCrk (Cook Co), 7 Jul (CSr); 13, DeerGrove, 1 Jun (C&C); 13, Forest Park NC, 18 Jul (SGI); 12, LeRoy Oakes FP (Kane Co), 25 Jun (WLz); 12, Daniel Wright Wds (Lake Co), 30 Jul (GP).

Brown Creeper

Boone Crk CA (McHenry Co), 7 Jul (SMn, et. al); Crane Lane (Kane Co), 10 Jun (JSt); MArb, 1 Jul (EWW); SwallowCliff, 9 Jun (DFS); DeerGrove, 1 Jun (C&C); Skokie Lagoons (Cook Co), 18 Jun (JBy); 25 Jun & 6 Jul, LowdMil (EG & DFS resp).

House Wren

Breeding: Winnebago (ad w/ food), 5 Jun (DTW); Crete (Will Co) (nest w/ yg), 8 Jun (DZ); Thorn Crk NP (Will Co) (fldgs), 25 Jun (JnG, C&JG); Romeoville Pra (Will Co) (fldgs), 27 Jun (JnG); Midewin (Will Co) (fldgs), 17 Jun (R&MA); Rock Run (Will Co) (fldgs), 26 Jul (JS); DPCA (Will Co) (ad w/ food), 9 Jun (JnG); Putnam (nest w/ yg), 23 Jun (BJ); LTFP (Rock Island Co) (fldgs), 17 Jun (SMF); LowdMil (Ogle Co) (fldgs), 25 Jun (EG); 17 reports in McHenry Co; Mendota (LaSalle Co) (nest w/ yg), 14 Jun (GR); LaSalle (nest building), 5 Jul (JY); 14 reports in Lake Co; Fermi-K (ad on nest), 31 Jul (WLz); Kane (ad on nest), 12 Jul (TWf); 24 reports in DuPage Co; 27 reports in Cook Co; LCarrroll (Carroll Co) (nest w/ yg), 29 Jul (JGl); Curtis Crk (Adams Co) (ad on nest), 6 Jul (EBE); Urbana

(Champaign Co) (nest w/ yg), 8 Jun (ZS); Kaufman Pk (Champaign Co) (nest w/ yg), 26 Jun (DU); Eastgate Dr (Coles Co) (feeding yg), 2 Jun & (ad w/ fecal sac), 4 Jun & (nest w/ yg), 13 Jun & (ad w/ nest mat.), 16 Jun (GT) (GT); Douglas-Hart NC (Coles Co) (feeding yg), 16 Jun (GT); Weldon Springs SP (DeWitt Co) (fldgs), 9 Jul (EWr); Kankakee (ad on nest), 15 Jun (JBH); Humiston Wds (Livingston Co) (ad on nest), 3 Jun (Jng, C&JG); The Mines (Montgomery Co) (nest w/ yg), 11 Jun (SC); Wildlife Pra SP (Peoria Co) (nest w/ eggs), 20 Jul (DE); AllertonPk (Piatt Co) (ad on nest), 4 Jun (BT); Hillcrest Ct (Tazewell Co) (nest w/ yg), 13 Jun (M&SZ); Washington (Tazewell Co) (nest w/ yg), 13 Jun & (feeding yg), 14 Jun (M&SZ); Jefferson (ad on nest), 18 Jun (NW); Madison (ad on nest), 13 Jun (CK); Alhambra Fireman's Pk (Madison Co) (nest w/ yg), 15 Jun (CK); White (nest w/ yg), 6 Jun & (ad w/ food), 12 Jun (SSe); Williamson (nest w/ eggs), 10 Jul (WG).

MC: 27, LowdMil (Ogle Co), 6 Jul (DFS); 27, Thorn Crk NP (Will Co), 19 Jun (ASA); 24, Franklin Crk NA (Lee Co), 7 Jun (TB); 23, Johnson Sauk Tr SP (Henry Co), 24 Jun (DFS); 22, Lyman Wds FP, 25 Jun (JC); 20, Comlara Pk, (McLean Co), 15 Jul (TG).

Sedge Wren

Breeding: 87th St Steel Mills (Cook Co) (nest w/ yg), 12 Jul (EG); AG, EDG), 87th St. Steel Mills (Cook Co) (nest building), 8 Jun (EG, AG, EDG); GLPSNA (Grundy Co) (nest building), 8 Jul (SCn); Midewin (Will Co) (ad w/ food), 17 Jun (R&MA).

MC: 18, KankakeePks (Kankakee Co), 28 Jul (JBH); 14, GLPSNA (Grundy Co), 1 Jun (GP, SCn, Wsr); 11, Fermi-D (DuPage Co), 8 Jun (DSp); 11, KankakeePks, (Kankakee Co), 17 Jul (JBH); 10, Fulton, 19 Jul (AGt); 10, Muirhead Springs FP (Kane Co), 29 Jul (WLz); 8, Burnham Pra NP (Cook Co), 21 Jun (CGi).

Marsh Wren

Breeding: MallardL FP (DuPage Co) (ad w/ food), 15 Jul (QF); Normantown Wet (Will Co) (fldgs), 26 Jul (JnG); Emiquon (Fulton Co) (ad on nest), 13 Jun (AGt).

MC: 36, LCal (Cook Co), 8 Jun (SBe); 28, Normantown Wet (Will Co), 26 Jul (JnG); 15, LCal, 4 Jun (CGi); 15, Burnham Pra NP (Cook Co), 14 Jun (WJM); 15, DWR (Putnam Co), 23 Jul (GAW).

Carolina Wren

Breeding: Thornly Rd (Kane Co) (ad on nest), 25 Jul (JLg); Funk's Grove (McLean Co) (ad w/ nest mat.), 9 Jul (NKs); Knoles Rd (Menard Co) (fldgs), 17 Jun (MMo); Knoles Rd (Menard Co) (ad w/ food), 21 Jun (MMo); Spfld (Sangamon Co) (fldgs), 7 Jun (JC); Hickory Ridge Rd (Jackson Co) (nest w/ yg), 5 Jun (RSR); Hickory Ridge Rd (Jackson Co) (nest w/ eggs), 13 Jul (RSR); RendL-J (Jefferson Co) (nest w/ yg), 8 Jul (AG, EG); Madison (ad w/ nest mat.), 13 Jun & (feeding yg), 26 Jun (CK). **MC:** 23, St. Morgan BBS (Madison Co), 4 Jun (KAM); 17, Columbia BBS, 3 Jun (KAM); KRSP (8), 1 Jul (RDH); KSP (8), 6 Jul (ZS).

Blue-gray Gnatcatcher

Breeding: 29 reports in Cook Co; 11 reports in DuPage Co; 16 reports in Lake Co; LowdMil (Ogle Co) (feeding yg), 4 Jun (DTW); Monee Res (Will Co) (fldgs), 17 Jul (BB); Trask Bridge FP (Winnebago Co) (ad w/ food), 15 Jun (AW); NygrenWet (Winnebago Co) (ad on nest), 8 Jun (ECe); Busey Wds (Champaign Co) (fldgs), 24 Jun (BT); Downs Wds (McLean Co) (ad on nest), 16 Jun (NKs); JubileeC (Peoria Co) (fldgs), 11 Jun (EC).

MC: 28, Wolf Rd Wds (Cook Co), 21 Jun (Palos Sag Blitz Data); 26, COLSP, 13 Jun (BJS); 22, RollinsSav, 8 Jun (BJS, GGI); 16, JP, 15 Jul (RLS).

Golden-crowned Kinglet

2, MArb (DuPage Co), 1 Jul (EWW) (known breeding location).

Eastern Bluebird

Breeding: NygrenWet (Winnebago Co) (ad on nest), 7 Jun (ECe); Kieselburg FP (Winnebago Co) (feeding yg), 7 Jun (DTW); SugarR Alder FP (Winnebago Co) (fldgs), 18 Jun (KSm); Indian Hills Ct (Whiteside Co) (fldgs), 2 Jul (EG); Midewin (Will Co) (feeding yg), 10 Jun (DKI); Midewin (Will Co) (ad w/ food), 18 Jun (R&MA); LaSalle (nest building), 9 Jun (GR); LaSalle (feeding yg), 8 Jul (GR); Old School FP (Lake Co) (ad on nest), 12 Jun (EEd); IBSP (Lake Co) (feeding yg), 16 Jul (EEd); Daniel Wright Wds (Lake Co) (fldgs), 21 Jun (GH); IBSP (Lake Co) (fldgs), 2 Jul (EEd); Shiloh Pk (Lake Co) (fldgs), 2 Jul (EWW); 14 reports in McHenry Co; EvergreenL (McLean Co) (nest w/ yg), 14 Jun (JW); 29 reports in

Cook Co; Weldon Springs SP (DeWitt Co) (feeding yg), 9 Jul (EWr); 35 reports in DuPage Co; GLPSNA (Grundy Co) (fldgs), 30 Jun (TWf); Fabyan FP (Kane Co) (fldgs), 24 Jul (MWD); Spencer CA (Boone Co) (nest w/ yg), 6 Jun (JNe); Distillery Rd (Boone Co) (nest w/ eggs); HeronCP (Vermilion) (ad on nest), 17 Jun (BT); HeronCP (Vermilion) (feeding yg), 10 Jun (BT); 1 Jun (JNe); Champaign (Champaign Co) (fldgs), 24 Jun (DSn); Old State Rd (Coles Co) (ad on nest), 10 Jul and (fldgs), 30 Jun (GT); Enon Baptist (Coles Co) (ad w/ nest mat.), 28 Jun (GT); Lakeview Pk (Coles Co) (ad w/ food), 1 Jun (GT); Pembroke (Kankakee Co) (nest building), 12 Jun (DKA, GAW); Knoles Rd (Menard Co) (fldgs), 9 Jul (MMo); Wildlife Pra SP (Peoria Co) (nest w/ eggs), 15 Jun & (nest w/ yg), 22 Jun (DE); N. Front St (St. Clair Co) (feeding yg), 1 Jul (GP); Front St (St. Clair Co) (fldgs), 30 Jun (DW); CONWR (Williamson Co) (ad on nest), 6 Jun (AS); *Williamson* (nest w/ eggs), 11 Jun (WG).
MC: 16, Marb (DuPage Co), 19 Jul (JDC, MC); 15, Nachusa (Ogle Co), 7 Jul (WR); 14, Comlara Pk, (McLean Co), 15 Jul (TG); 13, Tawny Oaks (Peoria Co), 8 Jun (MI).

Veery

Breeding: Nachusa (Lee Co) (fldgs), 24 Jun (KML).
MC: 19, LowdMil (Ogle Co), 25 Jun (EG); 8, Pulaski Wds area, Palos (Cook Co), 19 Jun (LBR, et al.); 3, Nachusa (Lee Co), 24 Jun (KML); 3, RockCut (Winnebago Co), 5 Jul (DTW).

Wood Thrush

Breeding: *Ogle* (ad on nest), 1 Jun (JZ).
MC: 15, Marb (DuPage Co), 13 Jun (JyZ, DSc); 10, Wolf Rd Wds (Cook Co), 21 Jun (BJS); 9, Columbia BBS (Monroe Co), 3 Jun (KAM); 8, Lincoln Log Cabin SHS (Coles Co), 9 Jun (GT); 8, Colored Sands FP (Winnebago Co), 18 Jun (KSm); 7, SiloamSpr (Adams Co), 13 Jun (VS); 6, FoxRidge (Coles Co), 5 Jul (GT); 6, St. James Farm FP (DuPage Co), 23 Jun (JnG).

American Robin

Breeding: Breeding recorded in 33 counties.
MC: 176, Humphrey BBS (Christian Co), 12 Jun (TRg); 120, Rosehill Cem, Chicago, 24 Jun (MRs).

Gray Catbird

Breeding: 1 report in Carroll Co; 1 report in Ogle Co; 5 reports in Lake Co; 3 reports in Kane Co; 18 reports in DuPage Co; 31 reports in Cook Co; 4 reports in Will Co; 2 reports in Iroquois Co; 7 reports in Champaign Co; 1 report in Madison Co.
MC: 33, Des Plaines River Tr (Lake Co), 20 Jun (GGL, BJS); 28, Big Rock FP, 1 Jul (JSt); 27, COLSP, 23 Jun (BJS); 25, Bemis Wds, 1 Jul (DFS); 23, Wolf Rd Wds, Palos, 21 Jun (BJS); 22, LeRoy Oakes FP (Kane Co), 25 Jun (WLz); 20, CapSauers, 3 Jun (SBe); 20, GreeneVal, 27 Jun (DKI); 20, MazoniaL (Kankakee Co.), 14 Jun (JBH); 19, COLSP, 29 Jun (BJS);

Brown Thrasher

Breeding: 87th St. Steel Mills (Cook Co) (ad w/ food), 12 Jul (EG, AG, EDG); Afton FP (DeKalb Co) (ad w/ nest mat.), 17 Jun (JNn); GreeneVal (DuPage Co) (fldgs), 27 Jun (DKI); Campton FP (Kane Co) (feeding yg), 8 Jun (ABH); Midewin (Will Co) (ad w/ food), 29 Jun (WSr); JubileeC (Peoria Co) (fldgs), 11 Jun (EC); RiverBend (Champaign Co) (fldgs), 24 Jun (DU); Urbana (Champaign Co) (nest w/ yg), 7 Jul (ZS); HL (Madison Co) (feeding yg), 24 Jun (R&MA).
MC: 12, Burnham Pra NP (Cook Co), 29 Jun (MRs); 12, IBSP, 2 Jun (DHe); 9, Orland Grassland, 2 Jun (MMN); 9, Columbia BBS, 3 Jun (KAM); 8, Park No. 566, 1 Jul (CGi); 8, Boone Crk CA (McHenry Co), 7 Jul (SMn, et al.); 8, St. Morgan BBS, 4 Jun (KAM); 8, Alhambra Firemans Pk, 12 Jun (CKe); 7, GreeneVal, 27 Jun (DKI); 7, Pyramid, 17 Jun (HDr).

Northern Mockingbird

Breeding: LostMound (Jo Daviess Co) (ad w/ food), 22 Jul (Jnn, JW); *Williamson* (nest w/ eggs), 27 Jun (WG); Levee Rd (Monroe Co) (w/ 2 juv), 9 Jul (DMK).
MC: 32, Columbia BBS (Monroe Co), 3 Jun (KAM); 22, Havana elect. substation (Mason Co), 1 Jul (EE).

European Starling

Breeding: Ohara Wds (Will Co) (ad w/ food), 5 Jun (JnG); Romeville Prai (Will Co) (ad w/ food), 27 Jun (Jng); McKinley Wds Rd (Will Co) (ad w/ food), 27 Jun (JnG); Rckfd (Winnebago Co) (ad on nest), 30 Jun

(HA); (Winnebago Co) (ad w/ food), 2 Jul (EG); DWR (Putnam Co) (ad w/ food), 1 Jun (JnG); Pleasant Valley CA (McHenry Co) (nest w/ yg), 11 Jun (LM); *McHenry* (nest w/ yg), 3 Jul (LM); *McHenry* (fldgs), 6 Jun (JAn); MidSav (Lake Co) (fldgs), 11 Jun (BL); IBSP (Lake Co) (fldgs), 20 Jun (TWf); AlmondM (Lake Co) (fldgs), 7 Jun (AWS, BL); Home (Lake Co) (fldgs), 3 Jun (RAB, AWS); Wauk (Lake Co) (fldgs), 14 Jul (AWS); Culver FP (Kane Co) (fldgs), 3 Jun (EG); Fermi-K (Kane Co) (fldgs), 14 Jul (GP, DBC); GLPSNA (Grundy Co) (fldgs), 5 Jul (BL), 55 reports in Cook Co; 39 reports in DuPage Co; Havana electric substation (Mason Co) (fldgs), 30 Jun (TWf); Downs Wds (McLean Co) (nest w/ yg), 26 Jun (NKs); AllertonPk (Piatt Co) (ad on nest), 4 Jun (BT); Pembroke (Kankakee Co) (ad on nest), 12 Jun (GAW, DKA); 13 reports in Champaign Co; Burgner Acres (Coles Co) (ad on nest), 11 Jun (GT); Warbler Ridge (Coles Co) (ad w/ food), 13 Jun (GT); Emiquon (Fulton Co) (fldgs), 1 Jun (DU); *Jackson* (fldgs), 1 Jul (TWf); Belk Pk (Madison Co) (nest w/ yg), 11 Jun (NW); *Madison* (ad w/ nest mat.), 20 Jun (BI, AI); Marine Heritage Pk (Madison Co) (ad w/ food), 22 Jun (CK); *Madison* (ad w/ food), 13 Jun (CK); *St. Clair* (ad w/ food), 28 Jun (CK); *White* (ad on nest), 12 Jun (Sse).
MC: 600, Levee Rd (Monroe Co), 19 Jun (DMK); 500, HL (Madison Co), 14 Jul (DK); 460, MomenceSod, 30 Jul (JBH); 400, LCal, 21 Jul (SBB).

Cedar Waxwing

Breeding: HerrickL (DuPage Co) (ad on nest), 26 Jul (BP); GreeneVal (DuPage Co) (feeding yg), 18 Jul (VS); St. James Farm FP (DuPage Co) (ad w/ nest mat.), 14 Jul (MM); Emiquon (ad on nest), 1 Jun (DU).
MC: 30, Oldfield Oaks FP (DuPage Co), 4 Jul (PCd); 51, LaBagh, 9 Jul (CLW); 50, Arrowhead Tr (Coles Co), 10 Jun (GT); 42, Hennepin Tr, 1 Jun (SMF); 40, KankakeePks, 23 Jun (JBH); 40, IBSP, 26 Jul (JPL).

House Sparrow

Breeding: River Wds (Will Co) (fldgs), 17 Jun (JnG); Ohara Wds (Will Co) (ad w/ nest mat.), 3 Jul (MAM); Rckfd (Winnebago Co) (ad on nest), 30 Jun (HA); *Lake* (nest w/ yg), 27 Jun & (ad on nest), 2 Jul (GH); *Lake* (fldgs), 17 Jun (JGo); GLPSNA (Grundy Co) (ad on nest), 13 Jul (GP); Fermi-K (Kane Co) (ad on nest), 14 Jul (GP, DBC); Kaneville Cem (Kane Co) (feeding yg), 14 Jul (JNn); 62 reports in Cook Co; 24 reports in DuPage Co; LostMound (Carroll Co) (ad w/ food), 22 Jul (DTW); Funk's Grove (McLean Co) (ad on nest), 1 Jun & (feeding yg), 28 Jul (DU & RG resp); *Tazewell* (nest w/ yg), 21 Jun (M&SZ); Champaign (Champaign Co) (ad on nest), 1 Jun (BT); Urbana (Champaign Co) (ad w/ food), 19 Jun (DSn); Green Acres SC (Ford Co) (feeding yg), 25 Jun (DU); Pembroke (Kankakee Co) (ad on nest), 12 Jun (DKA, GAW); *Madison* (ad on nest), 21 Jun (NW); Alhambra Fireman's Pk (Madison Co) (nest w/ yg), 15 Jun (CK); *St. Clair* (ad w/ food), 15 Jul (AM).
MC: 410, Brookfield Zoo (Cook Co), 29 Jul (GP).

Eurasian Tree Sparrow

Breeding: Chau (Mason Co) (ad on nest), 14 Jun (Agt); Havana electric substation (Mason Co) (feeding yg), 25 Jun (DTW); HL (Madison Co) (ad w/ food), 21 Jul (m.ob.).
MC: 24, HL (Madison Co), 25 Jun (DMK); 15, Chau, 18 Jul (AWS); 15, *Tazewell*, 25 Jun (DHh); 12, Dundleyville BBS, 4 Jun (DMK).
Notes: Reported as far north and east as Ogle Co.



EURASIAN TREE SPARROW. Chautauqua N.W.R., Mason County, 24 June 2017. Photo by Urs Geiser.



GRASSHOPPER SPARROW. Havana, Mason Co. 1 Jul. 2017. Photo by Ethan Ellis.

House Finch

Breeding: WhalonL (Will Co) (ad w/ nest mat.), 22 Jul (MAM); *Will* (nest w/ yg), 4 Jul (LZ); *Cook* (feeding yg), 11 Jun & (ad w/ food), 5 Jul (S&DD); NoP (Cook Co) (feeding yg), 14 Jun (GAW, m.ob.); South Oak Pk (Cook Co) (fldgs), 1 Jul (EDG); Montrose (Cook Co) (fldgs), 4 Jul (EB, DM); Revere Pk (Cook Co) (ad w/ nest mat.), 30 Jun (DKA); MomenceSod (Kankakee Co) (ad w/ nest mat.), 30 Jul (JBH); Vernon Library (Lake Co) (nest w/ yg), 23 Jun (GH); Island Lake (Lake Co) (fldgs), 2 Jul (BE); Holiday Hills (McHenry Co) (fldgs), 11 Jun (LM); Kaufman Pk (Champaign Co) (fldgs), 10 Jun (DU); Eastgate Dr (Coles Co) (nest building), 16 Jun (GT); *St. Clair* (feeding yg), 17 Jul (MF).
MC: 75, GreeneVal (DuPage Co), 25 Jul (MAM); 31, LCal, 25 Jul (WJM); 30, Air Station Pra (Cook Co), 13 Jul (SCn).

Pine Siskin

Perry Farm Pk (Kankakee Co), 28 Jul (JBH).

American Goldfinch

Breeding: 3 reports in Cook Co; 2 reports in DuPage Co; 1 report in Kane Co; 1 report in Will Co; 1 report in Sangamon Co.
MC: 53, Big Marsh/Pk #564, 18 Jul (WJM); 46, McDonald Wds FP, 5 Jul (DF); 45, RollinsSav, 10 Jul (KKz).

Grasshopper Sparrow

MC: 22, Midewin (Will Co), 3 Jun (Ape); 22, UMRNWR (Carroll Co), 2 Jul (EG); 15, Nachusa (Lee Co), 26 Jun (JSI); 13, Mineral Marsh NP (Henry Co.), 26 Jun (SHr); 12, 87th St Steel Mills (Cook Co), 8 Jun (EDG, EG, AG); 12, Midewin (Will Co), 4 Jun (SZ); 10, LostMound (Carroll Co), 22 Jul (JNn); 10, Fermi-D, 18 Jun (JC).

Lark Sparrow

Breeding: Breton Ave (Kane Co) (nest w/ yg), 14 Jun (JS); Breton Ave (Kane Co) (ad w/ food), 21 Jun (LAe); Breton Avenue (Kane Co) (fldgs), 23 Jun (MMr); Breton Ave (Kane Co) (ad w/ nest mat.), 24 Jun (ASJ); IBSP (Lake Co) (ad w/ nest mat.), 7 Jun (JSw); Hollows CA (McHenry Co) (ad w/ nest mat.), 11 Jun (SMn, KWe).
MC: 15, LostMound (Carroll Co), 22 Jul (EB); 10, Thomson-Fulton Sand Pra NP (Whiteside Co), 22 Jul (DTW); 6, MineralM NP (Henry Co), 26 Jun (SHr).

Chipping Sparrow

Breeding: La Moille (Bureau Co) (ad w/ food), 24 Jul (MAM); MissPalis (Carroll Co) (fldgs), 2 Jul (EG); Proksa Pk (Cook Co) (feeding yg), 12 Jul (MHo); Perkins Wds (Cook Co) (fldgs), 4 Jun (JBa); JP (Cook Co) (fldgs),

29 Jul (RLS); Homewood (Cook Co) (fldgs), 4 Jul (PLr); LRSNC (Cook Co) (fldgs), 7 Jul (LMr); Dominican Univ (Cook Co) (ad w/ food), 7 Jul (EG); Gillson (Cook Co) (fldgs), 15 Jul (AFS); LincPk (fldgs), 13 Jul (LGM); MArb (DuPage Co) (feeding yg), 6 Jun (JZ, JyZ, DS) & (ad w/ food), 8 Jul (ED, JyZ); St James Farm FP (DuPage Co) (ad w/ food), 23 Jun (GP); *Kane* (fldgs), 27 Jun (DCn); Kaneville Cem (Kane Co) (fldgs), 31 Jul (JC); Chapman Rd (Kane Co) (ad w/ food), 29 Jul (GAW, CLW); Waish-keeshaw Reserve (Kendall Co) (ad w/ nest mat.), 3 Jun (EG); *Madison* (feeding yg), 13 Jun (CK); LowdMil (Ogle Co) (fldgs), 25 Jun (EG).
MC: 56, LowdMil (Ogle Co), 25 Jun (EG); 28, RendL-J (Jefferson Co), 21 Jul (DJS); 26, St. Morgan_, 4 Jun (KAM); 25, Humphrey BBS, 12 Jun (TRg); 25, Columbia BBS, 3 Jun (KAM); 24, LowdMil, 6 Jul (DFS); 19, MissPalis, 15 Jun (DTW); 17, Pembroke, 14 Jul (DFS).

Clay-colored Sparrow

Breeding: Lakewd (ad w/ nest mat.), 4 Jun (WMC, AMc); Pioneer Tree Farm (McHenry Co) (ad w/ food), 10 Jun (MCA, m.ob.).
MC: 6, Pioneer Tree Farm (McHenry Co), 10 Jun (MCA, m.ob.); 4, Springbrk, 17 Jun (JC, Wsr); 3, Lakewd, 4 Jun (WMC); 3, Lakewd, 4 Jun (AMc); 2, Afton FP (DeKalb Co), 6 Jun (RAN); 2, Hampshire FP (Kane Co), 24 Jun (BL); 2, Wauk, 2 Jun (CSH); 2, Lakewd, 6 Jun (BSk); 2, Johnsborg (McHenry Co), 1 Jul (EWW).

Field Sparrow

Breeding: SpringCrk (Cook Co) (feeding yg), 9 Jun (RLS); Coral Wds (McHenry Co) (feeding yg), 19 Jun (MSc); MArb (DuPage Co) (fldgs), 18 Jun (JDC, JyZ); LCal (Cook Co) (fldgs), 18 Jul (WJM); WaterfallGlen (DuPage Co) (fldgs), 15 & 17 Jul (JDC, VS); GLPSNA (Grundy Co) (fldgs), 13 Jul (GP); Poplar Crk FP (Cook Co) (fldgs), 13 Jul (JMV); GreeneVal (DuPage Co) (fldgs), 26 Jun (JDC); Midewin (Will Co) (fldgs), 23 Jun (IG); SpringCrk (Cook Co) (fledged yg), 1 Jun (HT); Knoch Knolls Pk (Will Co) (fldgs), 6 Jun (JnG); HerrickL FP (DuPage Co) (ad w/ food), 7 Jul (MRB); IBSP (Lake Co) (ad w/ food), 21 Jun (AWS, AMc, WMC); Spears Wds (Cook Co) (ad w/ food), 17 Jun (RKh); *Lake* (ad w/ food), 11 Jun (AWS); Hoover FP (Kendall Co) (ad w/ food), 6 Jun (WSr); Pleasant Valley CA (McHenry Co) (ad w/ food), 5 Jun (APh); Campton FP (Kane Co) (ad w/ food), 8 Jun (ABH); Headwaters CA (Kane Co) (ad w/ food), 3 Jun (BA).
MC: 35, Big Rock FP (Kane Co), 1 Jul (JSt); 24, Nachusa (Lee Co), 26 Jun (JSI); 22, LTFP (Rock Island Co), 17 Jun (SMF); 20, KRSP (Kankakee Co), 5 Jun (MMs); 20, Pembroke (Kankakee Co), 14 Jul (DFS); 19, Poplar Crk FP (Cook Co), 13 Jul (JMV); 19, Valley of Eden BS (Jo Daviess Co), 8 Jun (RA); 18, Midewin, 14 Jun (JPL); 17, Orland Grassland, 17 Jul (MMN); 16, Waish-keeshaw Reserve, 23 Jun (CSs); 15, Fermi-D, 8 Jun (DSp); 15, HerrickL, 7 Jul (MRB); 15, GLPSNA, 4 Jul (KKz).



YELLOW-BREASTED CHAT, Carpenter-Gurgens Park, Sangamon Co. 1 Jun. 2017. Photo by Dennis Oehmke.



HENSLOW'S SPARROW, Prairie Ridge S.N.A., Jasper Co. 3 Jul. 2017. Photo by Leroy Harrison.

Dark-eyed Junco (Oregon-type)

Peoria (Peoria Co) (visiting a backyard feeder), 3 Jun (KMa:ph).

White-throated Sparrow

Trump Plaza (Cook Co) (3), 6 Jun (CMk); Izaak Walton Pr (Cook Co), 13 Jul (PLr); Cook, 28 Jul (EK);

Vesper Sparrow

Breeding: North Aurora (Kane Co) (ad w/ food), 25 Jun (KSc); Mason (ad w/ nest mat.), 8 Jul (TBL).
MC: 7, BBS route (Piatt Co), 13 Jun (DT); 6, Seneca BBS (Grundy Co), 10 Jun (JDC); 5, Sheffield BBS (Bureau Co), 16 Jun (DFS); 4, Boone Creek CA (McHenry Co), 20 Jun (SMn).

Henslow's Sparrow

Breeding: Poplar Crk FP (Cook Co) (ad w/ fecal sac), 13 Jul (JfL, JMV, SBe); Pratt'sWW (DuPage Co) (ad on nest), 28 Jun (GP).
MC: 21, Valley of Eden BS (Jo Daviess Co), 27 Jun (RA); 19, Mallard L FP (DuPage Co), 19 Jul (KW); 19, Midewin (Will Co), 23 Jul (C & JG); 18, GLPSNA (Grundy Co), 8 Jul (C & JG); 16, Pratt'sWW (DuPage Co), 28 Jun (GP); 15, Poplar Crk FP (Cook Co), 13 Jul (JMV, JPL, et al.); 13, JEPC (Cass Co), 2 Jul (JHe); 13, Fermi-D (DuPage Co), 8 Jun (DSp).

Savannah Sparrow

Breeding: NortherlyI (Cook Co) (ad w/ nest mat.), 8 Jun (CL); SpringCrk (Cook Co) (ad w/ food), 9 Jun (DF, SBe); Burnham Pk (Cook Co) (ad w/ food), 6 Jun (SBe, SP, JLE, CMk, DFS); GreeneVal (DuPage Co) (ad on nest), 19 Jun (MAM); GreeneVal (DuPage Co) (fldgs), 14 Jun (MAM); Wood Dale Res (DuPage Co) (fldgs), 10 Jul (ToC); MArb (DuPage Co) (fldgs), 2 Jul (JyZ, JDC); GreeneVal (DuPage Co) (ad w/ food), 3 Jun (MAM); Wood Dale Res (DuPage Co) (ad w/ food), 5 Jul (ToC); Midewin (Will Co) (ad w/ food), 16 Jul (ToC).
MC: 43, MallardL FP (DuPage Co), 19 Jul (KW); 30, Muirhead Springs FP (Kane Co), 7 Jun (WLz); 28, GreeneVal, 3 Jun (MAM); 18, Springbrk, 25 Jun (AWy); 18, Pine Dunes FP, 3 Jul (BJS, GGI); 16, RayL FP, 2 Jul (BJS).

Song Sparrow

Breeding: Marengo Ridge (McHenry Co) (fldgs), 8 Jul (LM); MoraineHills (McHenry Co) (ad w/ nest mat.), 9 Jul (LM, RSt, et al.); GLNA (McHenry Co) (ad w/ food), 8 Jul (JCs, DY, AZ, JR, JAn, JIE); Knoch Knolls (Will Co) (ad w/ food), 9 Jun (DKI); RockCut (Winnebago Co) (ad w/ nest mat.), 2 Jun (TT); Mendota (LaSalle) (feeding yg), 14 Jul (GR); RollinsSav (Lake Co) (nest w/ yg), 1 Jul (SCn); Lake (feeding yg), 18 Jul (RAB); Tanager Kames (Lake Co) (feeding yg), 9 Jul (CS); Lake (fldgs), 19 Jul (RAB); SpgBlf (Lake Co) (fldgs), 2 Jul (EWW); Grant Wds (Lake Co) (fldgs), 2 Jul (CS); SpgBlf (Lake Co) (ad w/ food), 27 Jul (AMc, WMc); (Lake Co) (ad w/ food), 19 Jun (GT), 40 reports in Cook Co; 25 reports in DuPage Co; GLPSNA (Grundy Co) (fldgs), 8 Jul (SCn); Muirhead Springs FP (Kane Co) (ad w/ food), 7 Jun (DCn); Big Rock FP (Kane Co) (ad w/ food), 3 Jul (JNn); Kaufman Pk (Champaign Co) (fldgs), 18 Jul (DSn); Charleston (Coles Co) (ad w/ food), 19 Jun (GT); KankakeePks (ad w/ food), 5 Jun (JBH); Alhambra Fireman's Pk (Madison Co) (ad on nest), 15 Jun (CK).

MC: 55, Fermi-D (DuPage Co), 29 Jun (GP); 47, DWR, 3 Jul (DFS); 45, St. Morgan BBS, 4 Jun (KAM).

Lincoln's Sparrow

Montrose (Cook Co), 2 Jun (ChB); Trump Plaza (Cook Co), 6 Jun (CMk).

Swamp Sparrow

Breeding: Lake (fldgs), 23 Jul (RAB); Gremel (Lee Co) (ad w/ food), 2 Jul (SHr).
MC: 14, COLSP (Lake Co), 29 Jun (BJS); 14, Blackhawk Farms Raceway (Winnebago Co), 23 Jul (JcN); 12, Burnham Pra NP (Cook Co), 24 Jun (CGi).

Eastern Towhee

Breeding: HerrickL (DuPage Co) (ad w/ food), 7 Jul (MRB); LeRoy Oakes FP (Kane Co) (fldgs), 18 Jun (JLg); Gremel WS (Lee Co) (feeding yg), 2 Jul (SHr); Marengo Ridge CA (McHenry Co) (ad w/ nest mat.), 5 Jun (LM);
MC: 19, LowdMil (Ogle Co), 25 Jun (EG); 18, Wolf Rd Wds, 21 Jun (BJS); 16, LowdMil (Ogle Co), 6 Jul (DFS); 13, Mazonia L (Kankakee Co), 14 Jun (JBH); 13, Columbia BBS (Monroe Co), 3 Jun (KAM); 13, BraidwoodL (Will Co), 24 Jul (JBH); 12, CarlL-C (Clinton Co), 10 Jun (MSS).

Yellow-breasted Chat

Breeding: West Chi Pra FP (DuPage Co) (ad w/ food), 25 Jun (GP, MHe).
MC: 12, Casey (Coles Co), 8 Jun (RRg); 12, CONWR (Williamson Co), 19 Jun (M&YS); 8, Silver Crk Pr (St. Clair Co), 24 Jun (KH); 7, SextonWet (Alexander Co), 8 Jul (AGn); 7, GLPSNA (Grundy Co), 26 Jun (LMr); 7, Rose Farms (Johnson Co), 25 Jun (KAM); 7, Pyramid (Perry Co), 17 Jun (HDr); 7, Vermilion (MJW, SAu); 6, CarlL-C, 3 Jul (DMK).

Yellow-headed Blackbird

Breeding: GLNA (McHenry Co) (fldgs), 8 Jul (AZ, JR, JCs, DY, JIE); GLNA (McHenry Co) (ad w/ food), 30 Jul (KW, GP).
MC: 30, GLNA (McHenry Co), 8 Jul (AZ, DY, JCs, JIE, JR); 5, GlacialPk, 3 Jun (SMn, et al.); 2, Route 47 near Hebron (McHenry Co), 2 Jun (SMn).

Bobolink

Breeding: 14 reports in Cook Co; 19 reports in DuPage Co; Pleasant Valley CA (McHenry Co) (ad w/ food), 18 Jun (JAn); Midewin (Will Co) (ad w/ food), 4 Jul (DKI).
MC: 112 (incl groups of 80 and 20 w/ many juv), Muirhead Springs FP (Kane Co), 15 Jul (WLz); 68, Bartel, 28 Jul (PLr); 37, Midewin, 3 Jun (APe); 29 (single point count), Penny Rd Pond, 3 Jul (JMV); 29, Burlington Pra FP (Kane Co), 11 Jul (CWt, RSt); 23, Valley of Eden BS (Jo Daviess Co), 27 Jun (RA); 20, Bowes Crk Wds FP (Kane Co), 21 Jun (BA); 20, BurnidgeFP, 16 Jun (JLg); 20, Brunner FP (Kane Co), 1 Jul (PRi); 17, MallardL FP, 19 Jul (KW).

Eastern Meadowlark

Breeding: MlrMdw (Cook Co) (fldgs), 14 Jun (EDG); SpringCrk (Cook Co) (fldgs), 3 Jul (HT); Penny Rd Pond (Cook Co) (ad w/ food), 3 Jul (JMV); Springbrk (DuPage Co) (ad w/ food), 17 Jun (JC, WSr); GLPSNA

(Grundy Co) (ad w/ food), 8 Jul (SCn); Nachusa (Lee Co) (ad w/ food), 25 Jun (EG); Midewin (Will Co) (ad w/ food), 2 Jun & (fldgs), 25 Jun (JnG & Wsr resp).

MC: 33, Beaucoup BBS, 1 Jun (DMK); 30, Columbia BBS (Monroe Co), 3 Jun (KAM); 30, Midewin, 4 Jun (SZ); 22, Muirhead Springs FP (Kane Co), 29 Jul (WLz); 20, Double T (Fulton Co), 14 Jun (VS); 15, PrRdg-J, 16 Jun (GPa).

Western Meadowlark

MC: 4, County Rd 600 E (Marshall Co), 15 Jun (GF); 3, Traughber Pra (Kendall Co), 14 Jul (BPh); 3, *Menard*, 1 Jul (AGt); 2, Sanderson Rd flud-dles (DeKalb Co), 27 Jul (VS).

Orchard Oriole

Breeding: River Bend FP (Champaign Co) (fldgs), 15 Jul (TAN); *Champaign* (ad on nest), 25 Jun (ZS); LCharleston (Coles Co) (fldgs), 27 Jul (TWt); LRSNC (Cook Co) (fldgs), 18 Jun (LBR); Eggers Grove FP (Cook Co) (fldgs), 7 Jul (ASA); Techny Basin CA (Cook Co) (ad w/ nest mat.), 3 Jun (SCn); ArrowheadL FP (Cook Co) (ad feeding yg), 24 Jun (NRI); JP (Cook Co) (ad feeding yg), 18 Jul (KHe); PapooseL (Cook Co) (ad feeding yg), 9 Jun (DFS); MArb (DuPage Co) (ad w/ food), 25 Jun (JyZ); West Chi Pra FP (DuPage Co) (ad w/ food), 25 Jun (GP); Dunham FP (DuPage Co) (fldgs), 27 Jun (GP); Wood Dale Res (DuPage Co) (fldgs), 5 Jul (ToC); Greene Valley FP (DuPage Co) (ad on nest), 3 Jun (MAM); WaterfallGlen (DuPage Co) (fldgs), 28 Jun (LAp); Palos (8, inc. nest w/ 2 lg yg, 2nd nest w/ 2 yg), 21 Jun (DFS); WaterfallGlen (ads w/ 3 yg & imm m w/ f feeding yg), 17 Jul (VS); St. James FP (DuPage Co) (nest w/ yg), 23 Jun (GP); Fermi-D (DuPage Co) (ad on nest), 10 Jun (JSt); Hanover Bluff NP (Jo Daviess Co) (ad w/ food), 2 Jul (EG); Quarry Pk (Kane Co) (fldgs), 12 Jul (BA); Campton FP (Kane Co) (fldgs), 16 Jun (AB); Perry Farm Pk (Kankakee Co) (ad w/ food), 18 Jun (JBH); IBSP (Lake Co) (ad w/ food), 3 Jul (EWW); MidSav (Lake Co) (fldgs), 8 Jul (EEd); HastingsL FP (Lake Co) (ad on nest), 3 Jun (KBy); RollinsSav (Lake Co) (ad on nest), 3 Jun (EEd); Amboy Marsh (Lee Co) (ad feeding yg), 21 Jun (SHr); Hickory Grove CA (McHenry Co) (ad w/ nest mat.), 2 Jun (LM); EvergreenL (McLean Co) (fldgs), 20 Jun (PA); Midewin (Will Co) (ad w/ food), 11 Jun (JnG, C&JG); NygrenWet (Winnebago Co) (ad w/ nest mat.), 8 Jun (ECe); Colored Sands FP (Winnebago Co) (fldgs), 18 Jun (KSm).

MC: 14, Midewin (Will Co), 8 Jul (CGi); 12, *Monroe*, 22 Jun (KAM); 10, Waish-kee-shaw Res (Kendall Co), 23 Jun (CSs); 8, Bluff Spring Fen, 3 Jun (MMg).

Baltimore Oriole

Breeding: 1 report in Jo Daviess Co; 1 report in Carroll Co; 4 reports in Winnebago; 1 report in McHenry Co; 14 reports in Lake Co; 7 reports in Kane Co; 33 reports in DuPage Co; 84 reports in Cook Co; 1 report in Rock Island Co; 2 reports in Kendall Co; 5 reports in Will Co; 3 reports in Kankakee Co; 1 report in Mason Co; 1 report in McLean Co; 15 reports in Champaign Co; 1 report in Coles Co; 1 report in Alexander Co.

MC: 19, Lyman Wds FP (DuPage Co), 4 Jun (DBC); 14, Loud Thunder FP (Rock Island Co), 17 Jun (SMF); 13, SagSl, 4 Jun (DFS); 13, MArb, 11 Jun (JyZ); 12, Illinois Ave Pk, Aurora, 17 Jun (JDC).

Red-winged Blackbird

Breeding: Old Monee (Will Co) (ad on nest), 2 Jun (SZ); WhalonL (Will Co) (feeding yg), 22 Jul (MAM); Midewin (Will Co) (fldgs), 28 Jun (DM, KKe); Midewin (Will Co) (ad w/ food), 25 Jun (ToC); Romeoville Pra (Will Co) (ad w/ food), 8 Jun (JnG); PeacockM (Will Co) (ad w/ food), 22 Jul (MAM); BraidwoodL (Will Co) (ad w/ food), 13 Jul (JBH); NygrenWet (Winnebago Co) (ad on nest), 7 Jun (ECe); DWR (Putnam Co) (ad w/ food), 1 Jun (JnG); (McHenry Co) (ad on nest), 11 Jun (JM); MoraineHills (McHenry Co) (nest building), 8 Jun (LM); DYNL (Kane Co) (ad on nest), 1 Jun (MMr); Fermi-K (Kane Co) (fldgs), 29 Jun (MN); Muirhead Springs FP (Kane Co) (ad w/ nest mat.), 7 Jun (DCn); Campton FP (Kane Co) (ad w/ food), 15 Jun (ABH); HeilandL NP (Kankakee Co) (ad w/ food), 15 Jul (JBH); RollinsSav (Lake Co) (nest w/ yg), 27 Jun (LMr); Grant Wds (Lake Co) (feeding yg), 22 Jun (CS); RollinsSav (Lake Co) (feeding yg), 1 Jul (SCn); (Lake Co) (feeding yg), 5 Jul (GH); Old School FP (Lake Co) (fldgs), 28 Jun (EEd); MidSav (Lake Co) (fldgs), 8 Jul (EEd); Grant Wds (Lake Co) (fldgs), 2 Jul (CS); (Lake Co) (ad w/ food), 1 Jul (GH); GLPSNA (Grundy Co) (fldgs), 13 Jul (GP); 63 reports in Cook Co; AftonFP (DeKalb Co) (ad w/ food), 17 Jun (JNn), 103 reports in DuPage Co; (McLean Co) (ad w/ nest mat.), 13 Jun (JM); *Scott* (ad w/ food), 30 Jul (TWf, AG, AGI);

HeronCP (Vermilion) (fldgs), 17 Jun (BT); Champaign (Champaign Co) (ad on nest), 1 Jun (BT); MeadbrkPk (Champaign Co) (ad on nest), 3 Jun (BT); Kaufman Pk (Champaign Co) (feeding yg), 25 Jun (DU); BuseyWds (Champaign Co) (fldgs), 24 Jun (BT); Kaufman Pk (Champaign Co) (fldgs), 26 Jun (DU); Robert Porter Pk (Champaign Co) (ad w/ nest mat.), 15 Jul (DU); Emiquon (Fulton Co) (nest w/ yg), 7 Jun (AGt); Emiquon (Fulton Co) (nest w/ eggs), 1 Jun (AGt); RendL-J (Jefferson Co) (fldgs), 8 Jul (AG, EG); *Madison* (nest w/ yg), 26 Jun & 1 Jul (CK).
MC: 1000, ECapeGir (Alexander Co), 29 Jul (AGn).

Brown-headed Cowbird

Breeding: 20 reports in Cook Co; 10 reports in DuPage Co; Jon J Duerr FP (Kane Co) (fldgs), 10 Jun (TWf); MissPalis (Carroll Co) (fldgs), 2 Jul (EG); Lyons Wds FP (Lake Co) (fldgs), 2 Jul (EWW); MidSav (Lake Co) (feeding yg), 8 Jul (EEd); McKinley Wds FP (Will Co) (fldgs), 4 Jul (C&C); Gremel WS (Lee Co) (feeding yg), 2 Jul (SHr); Kaufman Pk (Champaign Co) (fldgs), 25 Jun (DU); Grandyle Dr (Tanzewell) (fldgs), 26 Jun (M&SZ); Secor (Woodford Co) (ad w/ food), 4 Jun (BC); RendL-J (Jefferson Co) (fldgs), 9 Jul (EG, TWf, EE).

MC: 300, ECapeGir (Alexander Co), 18 Jul (LBk); 300, CarlL-C (Clinton Co), 27-30 Jul (DMK).

Brewer's Blackbird

Breeding: IBSP (Lake Co) (ad w/ nest mat.), 7 Jun (JSw).

MC: 20, IBSP (Lake Co), 3 Jun (JBy).

Common Grackle

Breeding: Kaufman Pk (Champaign Co) (ad on nest), 4 Jun (DU); Kaufman Pk (Champaign Co) (ad w/ food), 22 Jun (DU); Kaufman Pk (Champaign Co) (fldgs), 26 Jun (DU); Kaufman Pk (Champaign Co) (feeding yg), 14 Jun (DU); MeadbrkPk (Champaign Co) (feeding yg), 12 Jun (DU); Heritage Pk (Champaign Co) (feeding yg), 15 Jun (DU); Heritage Pk (Champaign Co) (fldgs), 19 Jun (DU); Stone Crk (Champaign Co) (ad w/ food), 22 Jun (DSn), 50 reports in Cook Co; 28 reports in DuPage Co; Emiquon (Fulton Co) (ad w/ food), 26 Jun (EOD, Lmk, AGt); Pingree Grove FP (Kane Co) (ad w/ food), 19 Jun (JNn, JW); Grant Wds FP (Lake Co) (fldgs), 2 Jul (CS); Grants Wds FP (Lake Co) (ad w/ food), 22 Jun (CS); RollinsSav (Lake Co) (ad w/ food), 10 Jun (CS); Alhambra Fireman's Pk (Madison Co) (ad on nest), 15 Jun (CK); Havana (Mason Co) (ad on nest), 1 Jun (DU); Havana (Mason Co) (ad w/ food), 24 Jun (DKI); MoraineHills (McHenry Co) (ad on nest), 1 Jun (JHy); *McHenry* (fldgs), 24 Jun (LM); DWR (Putnam Co) (ad w/ food), 1 Jun (JnG); Nieman Pond (Stephenson Co) (ad w/ food), 2 Jul (EG); SpringL (Tazewell Co) (ad w/ nest mat.), 18 Jun (LMr); Pekin (Tazewell Co) (ad w/ food), 3 Jun (C&JG, JnG); Coal Miner's Tr (Woodford Co) (ad w/ food), 3 Jun (JnG, C&JG).

MC: 400 (staging), Levee Rd (Monroe Co), 19 Jun (DMK); 150, MomenSod (Kankakee Co), 30 Jul (JBH); 100, DWR (Putnam Co), 13 Jun (AWS, LSK, JRRS).

Ovenbird

Breeding: Lowden-Miller SF (Ogle Co) (ad w/ food), 25 Jun (EG).

MC: 59, Lowden-Miller SF (Ogle Co), 25 Jun (EG); 11, SiloamSpr (Adams Co), 13 Jun (VS); 10, MissPalis (Carroll), 15 Jun (DTW).



BREWER'S BLACKBIRD. Illinois Beach S.P., 24 June 2017. Photo by Jeff Bilsky.

Worm-eating Warbler

MC: 5, FerneClyffe (Johnson Co), 19 Jun (HDR); 4, Pomona, 24 Jun (KAM).
Noteworthy: ICCA (Iroquois Co), 24 Jun (RDH).

Louisiana Waterthrush

MC: 5, Panther's Den Tr (Union Co), 30 Jun (RG); 4, FerneClyffe (Jackson Co), 19 Jun (HDR); 3, BeaverD SP (Macoupin), 10 Jul (CKE).

Golden-winged Warbler

Skokie Lagoons FP (Cook Co), 3 Jul (JBy).

Blue-winged Warbler

Breeding: Wolf Rd Wds (Cook Co) (fldgs), 3 Jul (MMC); LowdMil (Ogle Co) (ad w/ food), 25 Jun (EG).

MC: 3, Wolf Rd Wds (Cook Co), 3 Jul (MMC).

Black-and-white Warbler

Pearl City (Jo Daviess Co), 24 Jun (DW); Douglas-Hart NC (Coles Co), 26 Jun (RBy); Pine Hills (Jackson Co), 1 Jul (m.ob.).

Prothonotary Warbler

Breeding: Centennial Tr (DuPage Co) (fldgs), 27 Jul (MAM); McHenry D (McHenry Co) (nest building), 25 Jun (SMn); MomenceWet (Kankakee Co) (ad feeding yg), 2 Jul (LM); TwoRivers (Calhoun Co) (ad on nest), 30 Jun (BSf).

MC: 12, CRSNA (Johnson Co), 2 Jul (DRD, ASA, LR, LBR); 10, MermetL, 11 Jun (GPa); 8, Cape Bend Wet (Alexander Co), 8 Jul (AGn); 8, Mendenhall Pk (Peoria Co), 19 Jun (MI); 7, Des Plaines Riverway FP (DuPage Co), 22 Jun (VS).

Nashville Warbler

Jarvis (Cook Co), 17 Jul (ASA, LGM).

Kentucky Warbler

MC: 7, Pomona (Jackson Co), 24 Jun (KAM); 6, Panther's Den Tr (Union Co), 30 Jun (RG); 5, MissPalis (Carroll Co), 2 Jul (EG); 4, CRSNA (Johnson Co), 10 Jun (GPa); 4, Singing Wds NP, 7 Jul (MI); 4, PineHills, 14 Jul (HDR); 3 (m & agitated pr), KRSP-W, 12 Jun (JBH).

Common Yellowthroat

Breeding: Midewin (Will Co) (ad w/ food), 17 Jun (DKI); Braidwood Dunes (Will Co) (ad w/ food), 20 Jun (LSK, RLS); NygrenWet (Winnebago Co) (ad on nest), 4 Jun (ECE); NygrenWet (Winnebago Co) (ad w/ food), 8 Jun (ECE); Grant Wds (Lake Co) (ad on nest), 18 Jun (CS); Tanager Kames FP (Lake Co) (feeding yg), 9 Jul & (fldgs) 30 Jul (CS); Lake (fldgs), 23 Jul (RAB); Grant Wds (Lake Co) (ad w/ food), 22 Jun (CS); SpgBlf (Lake Co) (ad w/ food), 17 Jul (WMC); GLNA(McHenry Co) (ad w/ food), 8 Jul (AZ, DY, Jle, JR, JCS); DeerGrove (Cook Co) (fldgs), 26 Jul (HT); LCal (Cook Co) (fldgs), 25 Jul (WJM); Izaak Walton Pr (Cook Co) (ad w/ food), 19 Jun (PLr); Bartel (Cook Co) (ad w/ food), 24 Jun, (PLr); MlrMdw (Cook Co) (ad w/ food), 29 Jun (EG); Penny Rd (Cook Co) (ad w/ food), 3 Jul (JMV), 12 reports in DuPage Co; GLPSNA (Grundy Co) (ad w/ food), 13 Jul (GP); KankakeePks (Kankakee Co) (ad w/ food), 27 Jun (JBH); EvergreenL (McLean Co) (nest building), 1 Jun (PA, TG).

MC: 126, DWR (Putnam Co), 3 Jul (DFS); 55, RollinsSav, 30 Jun (DF); 51, Fermi-D, 29 Jun (GP).

Hooded Warbler

Breeding: LRSNC (Cook Co) (ad w/ food), 26 Jun (AFS).

MC: 5, Pulaski Wds (Cook Co), 19 Jun (Palos Sag Blitz Data); 3, RockCut, 2 Jun (TT).

American Redstart

Breeding: Ipsen Rd CA (Boone Co) (ad on nest), 16 Jun (JNe); Castle Rock SP (Ogle Co) (ads tending yg BHCO), 28 Jun (SJ); Chicago Portage Wds (Cook Co) (ad on nest), 2 Jul (JG); MArb (DuPage Co) (ad w/ yg), 18 Jun - 4 Jul (MN, JyZ); MArb (DuPage Co) (ad on nest), 14 Jun (MN, DBC); McKinley Wds FP (Will Co), 4 Jul (R & MA); Hennepin Tr (Rock Island Co) (fldgs), 1 Jul (SMF); Pomona (Jackson Co) (fldgs), 1 Jul (COS).

MC: 22, Hennepin Tr (Rock Island Co), 13 Jun (SMF); 21, COLSP (Lake Co), 13 Jun (BJS); 16, SantaFe (Clinton Co), 11 Jun (MSS); 14, Miller-And, 2 Jun (DFS).



CERULEAN WARBLER. McKinley Woods F.P., Will County, 2 July 2017. Photo by Jim Lukancic.

Cerulean Warbler

MC: 5, MissPalis (Carroll Co), 15 Jun (DTW); 3, Pomona, 24 Jun (KAM);
Noteworthy: 8 Jun, RockCut (Winnebago Co) (JNe); 3 Jun - 8 Jul, McKinley Wds FP (Will Co) (EG, Wsr, m.ob.); 2 Jun, Miller-And (DFS); 6 Jul, Jenk's Hollow (DhH); 18-21 Jun, COLSP (AOS, JNn, JPL, et. al.); 4 Jun - 2 Jul, JubileeC (EC);

Northern Parula

MC: 6, KSP (Vermilion), 6 Jul (ZS); 6, Big Muddy Levee (Jackson Co), 24 Jun (RPl); 6, MermetL (Massac Co), 20 Jun (HDR).

Cerulean Warbler x Northern Parula

24 Jul, Fabyan FP (Kane Co) (MWd). Continuing, presumed CERW x NOPA hybrid.

Yellow Warbler

Breeding: Izaak Walton Pr (Cook Co) (nest w/ eggs), 24 Jun (PLr); Eggers Grove (Cook Co) (ad w/ nest mat.), 3 Jun (PF, TWf); Izaak Walton Pr (Cook Co) (nest w/ yg), 6 Jul (PLr); JP (Cook Co) (feeding yg), 3 Jul (KH); LCal (Cook Co) (feeding yg), 3 Jul (WJM); Izaak Walton Pr (Cook Co) (fldgs), 2 Jul (PLr); Eggers Grove (Cook Co) (fldgs), 7 Jul (ASA); Montrose (Cook Co) (ad w/ food), 3 Jun (CLW); JP (Cook Co) (ad w/ food), 4 Jul (RLS); WaterfallGlen (DuPage Co) (feeding yg), 30 Jun (VS); MArb (DuPage Co) (feeding yg), 4 Jul (MN, JyZ); SongbirdSl (DuPage Co) (fldgs), 24 Jul (ToC); Fermi-D (DuPage Co) (ad w/ food), 29 Jun (GP); Big Rock FP (Kane Co) (fldgs), 3 Jul (JNn); Aurora West FP (Kane Co) (ad w/ food), 14 Jun (JNn, JW); SpgBlf (Lake Co) (fldgs), 2 Jul (EWW); MoraineHills (McHenry Co) (ad w/ food), 8 Jun (LM).

MC: 37, Des Plaines River Tr (Lake Co), 20 Jun (GGI, BJS); 30, LCal, 20 Jun (WJM); 26, COLSP, 23 Jun (BJS).

Chestnut-sided Warbler

Breeding: Bemis Wds (carrying food), 11 Jun (DFS).

MC: 5, Lyons Wds FP (Lake Co), 6 Jun (BJS); 3, 87th St Steel Mills, 1 Jun (EDG).

Pine Warbler

MC: 5, LowdMil (Ogle Co), 25 Jun (EG); 3, Pomona (Jackson Co), 1 Jul (m.ob.); 3, McDonald Wds FP, 26 Jun (BJS, GGI); 3, MoraineHills, 6 Jun (JHy, KKz); 2, WaterfallGlen, 9 Jul (JDC).

Yellow-rumped Warbler

Montrose (Cook Co), 13 Jun (ASA); DouglasPk (Cook Co), 26 Jun (EDG); Jarvis (Cook Co), 15 Jun (ChB).

Yellow-throated Warbler

MC: 7, MissPalis (Carroll Co), 2 Jul (EG); 6, LowdMil (Ogle Co), 6 Jun (DFS); 5, Pomona (Jackson Co), 24 Jun (KAM).

Prairie Warbler

MC: 5, CONWR (Williamson Co), 19 Jun (JGd); 3, Rose Farms, 25 Jun (KAM).

Summer Tanager

Breeding: GreeneVal (DuPage Co) (feeding yg), 18 Jul (VS); Pembroke (Kankakee Co) (ad on nest), 6 Jun (LR); Tawny Oaks (2, pr nesting in shagbark hickory tree, m w/ food), 15 Jun (MI). Summering prs reported as far north as Lee Co, Cook Co, Lake Co, and DuPage Co (3 prs).

MC: 7, CRSNA (Johnson Co), 10 Jun (GP); 7, Columbia BBS (Monroe Co), 3 Jun (KAM); 6, FerneClyffe (Johnson Co), 9 Jun (GPa); 5, SextonWet (Alexander Co), 8 Jul (AGn); 4, SiloamSpr, 13 Jun (VS); 4, John M Olin NP (Madison Co), 5 Jul (MTh); 4, Tawny Oaks (Peoria Co), 23 Jun (MI).

Scarlet Tanager

Breeding: St. James Farm FP (DuPage Co) (nest w/ yg), 23 Jun (MHe, GP); Dunham FP (DuPage Co) (fldgs), 1 Jul (DBC, GP); WaterfallGlen (DuPage Co) (ad w/ food), 19 Jun (ED); NygrenWet (Winnebago Co) (fldgs), 21 Jun (ECe).
MC: 17, Wolf Rd Wds (Cook Co), 21 Jun (BJS); 8, LowdMil (Ogle Co), 6 Jul (DFS); 8, Loud Thunder Rd (Rock Island Co), 23 Jun (SHr); 7, DeerGrove (Cook Co), 1 Jun (C&C); 5, SwallowCliff (Cook Co), 23 Jul (MCDR); 5, COLSP (Lake Co), 13 Jun (BJS); 5, Gremel WS (Lee Co), 8 Jun (SHr).

WESTERN TANAGER

IBSP (Lake Co), 4 Jun (C&C:ph, CF).

Northern Cardinal

Breeding: NygrenWet (Winnebago Co) (fldgs), 16 Jun & (ad on nest), 21 Jun (DTW & ECe resp); Lake (fldgs), 8 Jul (RAB); McHenry (fldgs), 24 Jul (LM); 18 reports in Cook Co; York Wds FP (DuPage Co) (ad on nest), 6 Jun (DuPage Forest); GreeneVal (DuPage Co) (ad w/ food), 27 Jun & (fldgs), 29 Jun (DKI); WaterfallGlen (DuPage Co) (fldgs), 25 Jun (JDC); MArb (fldgs), 20 Jun (DS, JyZ); Springbrk (fldgs), 17 Jun (JC, WSr); DuPage (fldgs), 12 Jun (VM); HerrickL (fldgs), 9 Jul (SSu); Lake in the Woods (DuPage Co) (fldgs) 15 Jul (LBR); Fullersburg Wds (DuPage Co) (fldgs), 29 Jul (JC); Fermi-D (ad w/ food), 21 Jun (GP); Tazewell (ad on nest), 19 Jun & (nest w/ yg), 20 Jun (M&SZ); Woodford (fldgs), 17 Jun (GF); Curtis Crk (Adams Co) (ad on nest), 6 Jul (EBE); Heritage Pk (Champaign Co) (ad on nest), 26 Jun (DU); Kaufman Pk (Champaign Co) (ad w/ food), 19 Jun & (nest w/ yg), 26 Jun (DU); Urbana (Champaign Co) (nest w/ yg), 7 Jul (ZS); RiverBend (Champaign Co) (fldgs), 24 Jun (DU); Walkers Ford Rd (Coles Co) (fldgs), 15 Jun (GT); LChar (Coles Co) (ad w/ food), 27 Jun (GT); Jackson (fldgs), 16 Jun (RSR); PereMar (feeding yg), 23 Jul (CA); Williamson (fldgs), 25 Jul (JGd).
MC: 53, St. Morgan BBS (Madison Co), 4 Jun (KAM); 41, Columbia BBS (Monroe Co), 3 Jun (KAM); 33, Humphrey BBS (Christian Co), 12 Jun (TRg); 30, South Oak Pk (Cook Co), 16 Jul (EDG); 26, Ottawa Tr Wds FP (Cook Co), 8 Jul (AMD); 25, LowdMil (Ogle Co), 25 Jun (EG); 22, Wildlife Pra SP (Peoria Co), 14 Jul (DE).

Rose-breasted Grosbeak

Breeding: LRSNC (Cook Co) (fldgs), 29 Jun (RAM); Salt Crk Pk (DuPage Co) (nest building), 21 Jun (ToC); Barnes Marsh (DuPage Co) (feeding yg), 2 Jul (LY); Fullersburg Wds (DuPage Co) (fldgs), 29 Jul (JC); Pratt'sVW (DuPage Co) (fldgs), 2 Jul (JC); MArb (DuPage Co) (ad w/ food), 18 Jun (DKI); Les Arends FP (Kane Co) (feeding yg), 26 Jun (LAE);

Batavia (Kane Co) (fldgs), 18 Jul (BAN); Old School FP (Lake Co) (ad on nest), 9 Jun (EEd); VoloBog (Lake Co) (feeding yg), 29 Jul (LM, JAn); LowdMil (Ogle Co) (fldgs), 25 Jun (EG); McKinley Wds FP (Will Co) (fldgs), 24 Jun (LY, LBR); Colored Sands (Winnebago Co) (ad w/ food), 18 Jun (KSm); Alhambra Fireman's Pk (Madison Co) (ad on nest), 12 Jun (CK).
MC: 14, LowdMil (Ogle Co), 25 Jun (EG); 12, Gremel WS (Lee Co), 2 Jul (SHr); 11, Miller-And (Bureau Co), 2 Jun (DFS).

Blue Grosbeak

Breeding: Tawny Oaks (Peoria Co) (pr w/ food, yg heard), 12 Jul (MI).
MC: 13, Columbia BBS, 3 Jun (KAM); 5, Pyramid, 17 Jun (HDR); 8, Levee Rd (Monroe Co), 19 Jun (DMK); 6, Dudleyville BBS (Bond Co), 4 Jun (DMK).

Indigo Bunting

Breeding: Bottom Rd (Putnam Co) (ad w/ food), 3 Jul (DFS); Midewin (Will Co) (ad w/ food), 29 Jun (WSr); MidSav (Lake Co) (feeding yg), 24 Jun (DK); GreeneVal (DuPage Co) (nest w/ yg), 18 Jul (VS); East Branch FP (DuPage Co) (feeding yg), 26 Jul (ToC); MArb (DuPage Co) (ad w/ nest mat.), 2 Jul & (fldgs), 15 Jul (MN, JyZ); Elsens Hill (DuPage Co) (fldgs), 24 Jul (LY); Wood Dale Res (DuPage Co) (fldgs), 5 Jul (ToC); WaterfallGlen (DuPage Co) (fldgs), 15 Jul (JDC); BuseyWds (Champaign Co) (nest w/ yg), 2 Jul (ZS); FoxRidge (Coles Co) (ad w/ food), 8 Jul (GT); Kolar Savanna (Iroquois Co) (ad w/ food), 24 Jun (SBe, SE); Alhambra Fireman's Pk (Madison Co) (ad w/ food), 25 Jun (CK).
MC: 60, CarlL-C (Clinton Co), 3 Jun (DMK); 40, Columbia BBS (Monroe Co), 3 Jun (KAM); 30, Jackson, 28 Jun (DMK); 33, Centennial Tr (DuPage Co.), 11 Jun (JAS); 32, St. Morgan BBS (Madison Co), 4 Jun (KAM); 29, Eldon Hazlet SP (Clinton Co), 26 Jun (MSS); 27, LowdMil, 25 Jun (EG); 26, SpringCrk, 24 Jun (CSR).

PAINTED BUNTING

Breeding: East St. Louis (St Clair Co) (2, singing m & f w/ food), 29 Jul & (1-2), 1 Jun - 31 Jul (JTr, AFS, TWF:ph, EG:ph, AG:ph, m.ob.).

Dickcissel

Breeding: Midewin (Will Co) (fldgs), 16 Jul (ToC); Midewin (Will Co) (ad w/ nest mat.), 25 Jun (ToC); Midewin (Will Co) (ad w/ food), 28 Jun (KKe, DM); NygrenWet (Winnebago Co) (ad w/ nest mat.), 4 Jun (ECe); Pine Dunes FP (Lake Co) (ad w/ food), 9 Jul (VM, MM), 16 (Cook Co); Afton FP (DeKalb Co) (ad w/ food), 13 Jul (DCn); East Branch FP (DuPage Co) (fldgs), 13 Jul (ToC); Dunham FP (DuPage Co) (ad w/ nest mat.), 1 Jul (GP, ToC, DBC); MArb (DuPage Co) (ad w/ food), 20 Jun (JZ, JyZ); GreeneVal (DuPage Co) (ad w/ food), 9 Jul (JC); GLPSNA (Grundy Co) (ad w/ nest mat.), 13 Jul (GP); Mineral M NP (Henry Co) (ad w/ food), 26 Jun (SHr); Robert Porter Pk (Champaign Co) (fldgs), 15 Jul (DU); Willowhaven NC (Kankakee Co) (ad w/ food), 25 Jul (JBH); Schaafsma Sod Farm (Kankakee Co) (ad w/ food), 31 Jul (JBH); Havana (Mason Co) (ad w/ food), 24 Jun (DKI); Cahokia Mounds (St. Clair Co) (ad w/ food), 23 Jun (CF, C&C).
MC: 120, Pyramid, 18 Jun (DMK); 80, CarlL-C (Clinton Co), 3 Jun (DMK); 58, Jamestown BBS, 2 Jun (DMK); 54, Beaucoup BBS, 1 Jun (DMK); 52, Midewin (Will Co), 4 Jun (SZ); 50, Brunner FP (Kane Co), 1 Jul (Pri); 46, 87th St Steel Mills, 8 Jun (EG); 40, GLPSNA, 1 Jul (JLy); 40, JEPC, 2 Jul (JHe); 37, Orland Grassland, 15 Jun (MMN); 37, Waish-kee-shaw Reserve (Kendall Co), 9 Jun (CSs); 32, Pyramid, 17 Jun (HDR).

EXOTICS

European Goldfinch

MC: 4, Wauk (Lake Co), 30 Jul (JLy).

Noteworthy: Rte. 83 heron rookery (DuPage Co.), 27 Jul (MAM).



PRAIRIE WARBLER. Little Red Schoolhouse N.C., Cook County, 24 June 2017. Photo by Jayne Leone.

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CONNECTICUT WARBLER. Dresden Locks, Grundy Co. 10 Sep. 2017. Photo by Don Blecha.

INTRODUCTION

The 2017 Fall season was notably dry and warm. The season began with a statewide rainfall deficit that continued into October in the southern half of the state. Statewide, it was the second driest September on record with less than an inch of rain recorded in many areas. Springfield had just 0.01" of rain in September. Rain in mid-October was locally heavy, especially to the north (NWS, 2018). On October 16, a record 4.19 inches of rainfall fell in a single day at O'Hare International Airport (Skilling, 16 Oct 2017) making it the second wettest October for Chicago since 1871.

The first cold front of the season arrived in early September and brought migrants and record low temperatures in the 40's down into central Illinois. Two major hurricanes, Harvey and Irma, impacted weather patterns to the south in mid-September. While Irma pushed some unusual pelagic migrants into Kentucky, none were observed in Illinois, save perhaps a Tri-colored Heron flying north along Lake Michigan. The remnants of Irma brought light rain and heat. A remarkably strong, prolonged heat wave in mid-September broke numerous records and delivered the hottest temperatures of 2017. Chicago recorded 7 days of 92°+ temperatures from September 20-26, and Effingham had 13 days of 90°+ temperatures from September 15-26 with the highest reading, 96°F, on September 21. In total, 135 record high temperatures were set across the state, and another 47 records were tied (Angel, 2017). The milder than normal temps continued until the end of October.

The first snow flurries of the season arrived in northern Illinois and several central Illinois locations on October 28. Most of Illinois dropped below freezing. The coldest reading was 19°F at Perry (Pike Co) on October 29. November was cooler than average. A weak La Nina weather pattern developed as the season ended.

RARE BIRD HIGHLIGHTS

Black-bellied Whistling Ducks in fall seem to be post-breeding dispersals from the south and are being detected

with increased frequency. There was a report of two Mottled Ducks at Lake Springfield in early November. In Kaneville, a White-winged Dove settled in for the month of August and was reliably seen by many. A second White-winged Dove was found on Nov 1 along the Chicago lakefront. Hummingbirds did not disappoint. An adult male Rufous Hummingbird visited a backyard feeder in Elgin from October 29 to November 2. An immature Rufous/Allen's Hummingbird was seen in Lake County from September 30 to October 1. A highlight of the season was the Broad-billed Hummingbird that showed up at Pam Stanko's backyard feeder in Sherman (Sangamon Co) on September 11 and cooperatively stayed for Vern Kleen to band it on September 13. Whooping Cranes are now seen annually in northern Illinois during migration. In 2017, there were single reports of multiple birds from DuPage (5), Kane (4), and Cook (3) counties. A Ruff made an appearance at Emiquon on August 20. A Parasitic Jaeger was reported along the Chicago lakefront on August 31 and at Lake Shelby (Moultrie County) on September 15-17. Juvenile Black-legged Kittiwake reports came in from Lake, Cook, and Sangamon Counties; Lake Springfield (Sangamon Co) hosted two on November 29 and December 1. Sabine's Gull was reported in four counties, and California Gull in three counties. A Wood Stork was documented in early August in Alexander County. Video of a Magnificent Frigatebird was taken in Lake County (August 21) and posted on social media. Two November reports of Pacific Loon (Clinton and Williamson counties) were notable, as there were no Illinois reports of this species in Fall 2016. Reports of Neotropic Cormorants have become more regular in Illinois. In Fall 2017, there were reports from four counties, including an accepted record at Rainbow Beach in Chicago on September 15. Anhingas have also become more regular in southern counties of Illinois. In 2017, Anhingas were reported in Jackson and Johnson Counties, and there was also an accepted record of two much farther to the north in DuPage County on October 10. White-Faced Ibises were reported in McHenry County in late September as well as in Jasper and Kankakee Counties. A Prairie Falcon returned to its now regular "Magic Stump" in Coles County, and one was also reported as a flyover in DuPage County along with a single

sighting in Douglas County. A Say's Phoebe was reported in *Sangamon* on September 19. Lastly, there was a Bullock's Oriole (4th confirmed state record) seen on private property in Cook County on November 22.

REGULARLY OCCURRING SPECIES HIGHLIGHTS

Snow Geese numbers were staggering in some locations with Carlyle Lake staging an estimated 60,000 geese in late November. Sixteen counties also recorded Ross's Geese within their borders. Trumpeter Swans are now being detected in more counties in fall than Tundra Swans. Gadwall and Northern Pintail were reported in good numbers this fall. Canvasback remains an excellent established migrant into the upper Mississippi River backwaters. Always noteworthy, a Harlequin Duck arrived in mid-November in far northeastern Illinois. All three Scoters were detected in five or more counties as well as Long-tailed Duck—often in unlikely places like corporate ponds and small inland lakes. Common Mergansers showed up early and were reported in 15 counties by the end of the period. Also, Ruddy Ducks were detected in half of Illinois counties, often in excellent numbers.

Resident game bird numbers were down this year with the exception of Northern Bobwhites. There were no major flights of Common Nighthawks or Chimney Swifts. Whip-poor-wills were reported in low numbers, and in only six counties, with an early departure. Most shorebirds were seen in good numbers at locations with suitable habitat, but were scarce through the middle of the state due to drought. Black-necked Stilts continue to expand their presence in Illinois, and there were impressive high counts of American Golden Plovers this season (430 at Chautauqua in late September and 64 at Clinton Lake in early October). Black Terns, which were reported in 30 Illinois counties in 2016, were seen in just 18 counties this year, with a high count of 30 at Horseshoe Lake in mid-August. American Pelicans have increased in numbers and now are continuing in larger numbers through the end of the season. There were 400 still present at Lake Springfield on 29 November. There were no large flight days for raptors. A very northerly Black Vulture was observed at FSHW (Lake Co) on 29 November. There were many reports of Bald Eagles, and a good number of Golden Eagles were reported and photographed. A very early Merlin was seen in DuPage County on 26 July, and an early Short-eared Owl was seen in Jo Daviess County on 30 August. Red-headed Woodpecker, which was thought to be rebounding, was reported in fewer counties this year (84, compared to 92 counties last year). Loggerhead Shrike was reported in 55 counties including the non-southern counties of Mason, Whiteside, and Will. Bell's Vireos were more widespread this fall (32 counties), and Northern Mockingbirds also continue their range expansion (51 counties). Overall, passerine numbers were down in central Illinois this year, and per H. David Bohlen, the birds seemed to move through quickly and not linger. The late dates for thrushes in 2017 all came from northern counties. American Pipits, Snow Buntings, and Lapland Longspurs were all reported in low numbers. A single report of a Smith's Longspur came

from Livingston County on 11 November. While many of the sparrows were reported in low numbers, LeConte's Sparrows were well detected in good numbers. There were only five counties in which Bobolink counts exceeded twenty individuals. A very late Baltimore Oriole on 26 November in Lake County was notable, as was a Rose-breasted Grosbeak in Chicago on 28 November. Euphagus blackbird numbers continue to decline. Many warbler species lingered late into October. November warbler late dates included Northern Waterthrush on the 14th, Chestnut-sided Warbler on the 19th, Palm Warbler on the 21st, and Nashville Warbler on the 29th of November.

IRRUPITIVE SPECIES

The earliest Snowy Owl appeared on 11 November in Livingston County. An immature Northern Shrike showed up at Montrose on 20 October. The earliest Red-breasted Nuthatches (2) appeared on 6 August at the Morton Arboretum in DuPage and continued in good numbers through the fall, with the highest count of 29 seen in Henry County on 9 October. An early Purple Finch was seen along the Chicago lakefront on 24 August. It was a good flight year for winter finches. Common Redpolls and Pine Siskins were more widespread this year (11 counties and 55 counties respectively). A Hoary Redpoll was reported at the Chicago Botanical Garden from 22 November to 14 December.

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LOCATION ABBREVIATIONS

Location abbreviations used in field notes

AllertonPk	= Allerton Park (Piatt Co)	DeerGrove	= Deer Grove Forest Preserve (Cook Co)
AllertonPk_	= Allerton Park BBS (Piatt/Moultrie Cos)	DogtoothI	= Dogtooth Island (Alexander Co)
AlmondM	= Almond Marsh Forest Preserve (Lake Co)	DPCA	= Des Plaines Conservation Area (Will Co)
AMAX	= Amax Coal property, Keensburg (Wabash Co)	Dudleyville_	= Dudleyville BBS (Bond Co)
AmnBot	= American Bottoms (Monroe County)	DYNL	= Dick Young/Nelson Lake FP (Kane Co)
AndaSl	= Andalusia Slough RA (Rock Island Co)	DWR	= Dixon Waterfowl Refuge (Putnam Co) (formerly Hennepin-Hopper)
ArcolaM	= Arcola Marsh (Douglas Co)	ECapeGir	= East Cape Girardeau (Alexander Co)
Ark	= Arklands Reclamation Area/Pyramid SP (Perry & Randolph Cos)	EForkL	= East Fork Lake, Olney (Richland Co)
AromaPark	= Aroma Park (Kankakee Co)	Elsens Hill	= Elsens Hill, West DuPage Woods FP (DuPage Co)
Athens_	= Athens BBS (Menard Co)	Emiquon	= Emiquon Preserve area (Fulton Co)
Atkinson_	= Atkinson BBS (Henry Co)	EPSP	= El Paso Sewage Plant (Woodford Co)
Arsenal	= Arsenal Rd (Will Co)	ESTL	= East St. Louis (St Clair Co)
AWS	= Adams WS, Springfield (Sangamon Co)	EwingP	= Ewing Park, Bloomington (McLean Co)
BaileyWet-R	= Bailey Wetland (Richland Co)	Fairbury	= Fairbury BBS (Livingston/Ford Cos)
BaileyWet-W	= Bailey Wetland (Wayne Co)	Fermi-D	= Fermilab (Du Page Co)
Baker'sL	= Baker's Lake, Barrington (Cook Co)	FerneClyffe	= Ferne Clyffe State Park (Johnson Co)
BaldwinL	= Baldwin Lake (Randolph/St. Clair Co)	FGP	= Forest Glen Preserve (Vermilion Co)
BannerM	= Banner Marsh (Fulton & Peoria Cos)	Flora	= Flora BBS (Clay Co)
Bartel	= Bartel Grassland (Cook Co)	FoleySP	= Foley Sand Prairie Nature Preserve (Lee Co)
Bartonville_	= Bartonville BBS (Peoria Co)	Forestry	= University of Illinois Forestry plantation, Urbana (Champaign Co)
BeallWds	= Beall Woods State Park (Wabash Co)	FountainGrn	= Fountain Green Township (Hancock Co)
Beaucoup_	= Beaucoup BBS (Washington/Clinton Cos)	FTMassac	= Fort Massac State Park (Massac Co)
BeaverdamL_	= Beaverdam Lake BBS (Pope Co)	Funk'sGrove	= Funk's Grove Preserve lands (McLean Co)
Belknap_	= Belknap BBS (Johnson Co)	Gillson	= Gillson Park, Wilmette (Cook Co)
Bellrose	= Bellrose Waterfowl Reserve (Pulaski Co)	GlacialPk	= Glacial Park Conservation Area (McHenry Co)
BigBend	= Big Bend SFWA (Whiteside Co)	GLNTC	= Great Lakes Naval Training Center (Lake Co)
BigRiver	= Big River State Forest (Henderson Co)	GLPSNA	= Goose Lake Prairie SNA (Grundy Co)
Bloom	= Bloomington (McLean Co)	GreeneVal	= Greene Valley Forest Preserve (DuPage Co)
BraidwoodL	= Braidwood Lake (Will Co)	GrantPk	= Grant Park, Chicago (Cook Co)
BRSF	= Big River State Forest (Henderson Co)	GreenR	= Green River State Wildlife Area (Lee Co)
BurnidgeFP	= Burnidge Forest Preserve (Kane Co)	GuzyPra	= Margaret Guzy Pothole Wetlands (Shelby Co)
BurntPrairie_	= Burnt Prairie BBS (White Co)	GWWTF	= Gridley Wastewater Treatment Facility (McLean Co)
BuseyWds	= Busey Woods Park, Urbana (Champaign Co)	Harristown	= Harristown BBS (Macon/Logan Cos)
BusseWds	= Busse Woods Forest Preserve (Cook Co)	HeideckeL	= Heidecke Lake (Grundy Co)
CampPoint_	= Camp Point BBS (Adams Co)	HeronCP	= Heron County Park (Vermilion Co)
C'dale	= Carbondale (Jackson Co)	HeronPond	= Heron Pond NP, Cache River SNA (Johnson Co)
CapSauers	= Cap Sauers Holdings Nature Preserve (Cook Co)	HerrickL	= Herrick Lake Forest Preserve (DuPage Co)
CarlL -B	= Carlyle Lake (Bond Co)	HGC	= Harborside International Golf Course, @ LCal (Cook Co)
CarlL-C	= Carlyle Lake (Clinton Co)	HL	= Horseshoe Lake State Park (Madison Co)
CarlL-F	= Carlyle Lake (Fayette Co)	HLCA	= Horseshoe Lake CA (Alexander Co)
CBG	= Chicago Botanic Garden (Cook Co)	HomerL	= Homer Lake Forest Preserve (Champaign Co)
Champaign	= Champaign (Champaign Co)	IBSP	= Illinois Beach State Park (Lake Co)
Channahon	= Channahon Widewaters, Des Plaines River (Will Co)	ICCA	= Iroquois County CA (Iroquois Co)
Chau	= Chautauqua NWR (Mason Co)	JakeWolf FH	= Jake Wolf Memorial Fish Hatchery (Mason Co)
Chi	= Chicago, excl. Jackson Park, Lincoln & Grant Parks & Lake Calumet (Cook Co)	Jamestown_	= Jamestown BBS (Clinton/Madison Cos)
ChinqBl	= Chinquapin Bluffs NP (Woodford Co)	Jarvis	= Bill Jarvis Migratory Bird Sanctuary, Lincoln Pk, Chicago (Cook Co)
CIPSL	= C IL Public Service Cooling Lake (Jasper Co)	JEPC	= Jim Edgar Panther Creek SFWA (Cass Co)
ClearL	= Clear Lake (Mason Co)	JP	= Jackson Park and vicinity, Chicago (Cook Co)
ClintonL	= Clinton Lake (DeWitt Co)	JPPSP	= James "Pate" Phillip (Tri-County) State Park (Cook, DuPage, Kane Cos)
ColesCo Apt	= Coles County Airport (Mattoon, Coles Co)	JubileeC	= Jubilee College State Park (Peoria Co)
COLSP	= Chain-O-Lakes State Park (Lake Co)	JWJWFP	= James W. Jardine Water Filtration Plant (Cook Co)
Columbia_	= Columbia BBS (Monroe/St. Clair Cos)	Kankakee	= Kankakee (Kankakee Co)
Compton_	= Compton BBS (Lee/Ogle Cos)	KankakeePkS	= LeVasseur Park/Perry Farm Park (Kankakee Co)
ConnerL	= Conner Lake (Monroe Co)	KArb	= Klehm Arboretum (Winnebago Co)
CONWR	= Crab Orchard NWR (Williamson Co)	KCP	= Kennekuk Cove County Park (Vermilion Co)
COR	= Chain-of-Rocks (Madison Co)	Kell_	= Kell BBS (Marion Co)
CRSNA	= Cache River State Natural Area (Johnson Co)		
CrystalLk	= Crystal Lake Park, Urbana (Champaign Co)		
CWRP	= Calumet Water Reclamation Plant (Cook Co)		
CypressCrk	= Cypress Creek NWR (Pulaski, Union, Alexander, Johnson Cos)		

LOCATION ABBREVIATIONS *continued*

KinkaidL	= Kinkaid Lake (Jackson Co)	MissR	= Mississippi River (various counties)
Kinnikinnick	= Kinnikinnick Creek CA (Boone Co)	MomenceSod	= H & E Sod Farm, Momence (Kankakee Co)
Klehm Arb	= Klehm Arboretum (Winnebago Co)	MomenceWet	= Momence Wetlands (Kankakee Co)
KLMSNA	= Kidd Lake Marsh SNA (Monroe Co)	Monticello	= Monticello BBS (Piatt/Moultrie Cos)
KRSP	= Kankakee River State Park (Kankakee Co)	Montrose	= Montrose Harbor, Lincoln Park, Chicago (Cook Co)
KSP	= Kickapoo State Park (Vermilion Co)	MoraineHills	= Moraine Hills State Park (McHenry Co)
Lakewd	= Lakewood Forest Preserve (Lake Co)	MRB	= Mississippi River Blufflands (Monroe Co)
LaSalleL	= LaSalle Lake SFWA (LaSalle Co)	MSF&WA	= Middle Fork SFWA (Vermilion Co)
LBloom	= Lake Bloomington (McLean Co)	Mskoda	= Mskoda Sands Preserve, St. Anne Township (Kankakee Co)
LCal	= Lake Calumet (Cook Co)	Nachusa	= Nachusa Grasslands (Lee Co)
LChar	= Lake Charleston (Coles Co)	NewtonL	= Newton Lake SFWA (Jasper Co)
LCF	= Lake County Fairgrounds (Lake Co)	NoP	= North Pond, Lincoln Park, Chicago (Cook Co)
LDec	= Lake Decatur (Macon Co)	NortherlyI	= Northerly Island, Burnham Park, Chicago (Cook Co)
LDDP	= Lake Decatur dredge ponds (Macon Co)	NPM	= North Point Marina, Winthrop Harbor (Lake Co)
LMich-C	=Lake Michigan (Cook Co)	NygrenWet	= Nygren Wetlands Preserve (Winnebago Co)
LMich-L	=Lake Michigan (Lake Co)	OakBot	= Oakwood Bottoms, Shawnee National Forest (Jackson Co)
LincPk	= Lincoln Park, Chicago (Cook Co)	O'Fallon WTP	= O'Fallon Wastewater Treatment Plant (St. Clair Co)
LinGds	=Lincoln Memorial Gardens (Sangamon Co)	Olney	= Olney BBS (Richland/Wayne Cos)
LMurphy SP	= Lake Murphysboro State Park (Jackson Co)	Palos	= Palos area (sw. Cook Co)
LSummerset_	= Lake Summerset BBS (Stephenson Co)	PaulDouglas	= Paul Douglas Forest Preserve (Cook Co)
LostMound	= Lost Mound Unit, Upper Mississippi River NWR (Jo Daviess Co)	Peabody	= Peabody River King SFWA (St. Clair Co)
LOW	= Lake of the Woods FP (Champaign Co)	PeacockM	= Marsh by Peacock Engineering Company, Bolingbrook (Will Co)
LowdMil	= Lowden-Miller State Forest (Ogle Co)	Pecatonica	= Pecatonica River area (Winnebago Co)
LRen	= Lake Renwick (Will Co)	Pembroke	= Pembroke Township (Kankakee Co)
LRNC (Cook Co)	= Little Red Schoolhouse Nature Center, Palos	PereMar	= Pere Marquette State Park (Jersey Co)
LShel-M	= Lake Shelbyville (Moultrie Co)	PineHills	= Pine Hills/LaRue Ecological Area (Union Co)
LShel-S Dam)	= Lake Shelbyville (Shelby Co) (incl. Shelbyville Dam)	PLNWR	= Port Louisa NWR, Keithsburg Division of Mark Twain NWR Complex (Mercer Co)
LSpfld	= Lake Springfield (Sangamon Co)	PlumCrk	= Plum Creek Forest Preserve (Cook Co)
LSummerset_	= Lake Summerset BBS (Stephenson Co)	Pomona	= Pomona area (Jackson Co)
LTFF	= Loud Thunder Forest Preserve (Rock Island Co)	Pontiac	= Pontiac BBS (Livingston Co)
LtBlkSl	= Little Black Slough SNA (Johnson Co)	Pratt'sWW	= Pratt's Wayne Woods FP (DuPage Co)
LVerM	= Lake Vermilion, Danville (Vermilion Co)	PRKWA	= Peabody River King Wildlife Area (St. Clair Co)
L&D 12	= Lock & Dam 12 (Jo Daviess Co)	PrRdg-J	= Prairie Ridge State Natural Area (Jasper Co)
L&D 13	= Lock & Dam 13, Mississippi River (Whiteside Co)	PrRdg-M	= Prairie Ridge State Natural Area (Marion Co)
L&D 14	= Lock & Dam 14 (Rock Island Co)	Pulaski	= Pulaski BBS (Pulaski/Alexander Cos)
L&D 18	= Lock & Dam 18 Henderson Co)	QC	= Quad Cities and vicinity (Rock Island Co)
L&D 21	= Quincy Lock & Dam (Adams Co)	QuincyBay	= Quincy Bay SFWA (Adams Co)
LUREC	= Loyola University's Retreat and Ecology Campus (McHenry Co)	Rckfd	= Rockford (Winnebago Co)
MARB	= Morton Arboretum (DuPage Co)	RedwingSl	= Redwing Slough State Natural Area (Lake Co)
"magic stump"	= stump in ag field SE of Arcola (Coles Co)	RendL-F	= Rend Lake (Franklin Co)
MauvTerL	= Mauvaise Terre Lake (Morgan Co)	RendL-J	= Rend Lake (Jefferson Co)
Martinsville_	= Martinsville BBS (Clark/Crawford Cos)	RiverBend	= River Bend Forest Preserve (Champaign Co)
Maz/Braid	= Mazonia/Braidwood SFWA (Grundy/Will/Kankakee Cos)	RockCut	= Rock Cut State Park (Winnebago Co)
MBC	= Mackinaw Bluffs Corridor (Woodford Co)	RollinsSav	= Rollins Savanna Forest Preserve (Lake Co)
McCunePra	= McCune Sand Prairie NP (Bureau Co)	RRR	= Rock Run Rookery Forest Preserve (Will Co)
McGinnis	= McGinnis Slough (sw. Cook Co)	RSP	= Riverside Park (Sangamon Co)
MeadbrkPk	= Meadowbrook Park, Urbana (Champaign Co)	Ryerson	= Ryerson Conservation Area (Lake Co)
MelvinPrice	= Melvin Price Lock and Dam, Alton (Madison Co)	SagSl	= Saganashkee Slough (Cook Co)
Meredosia	= Meredosia NWR (Brown, Cass, Morgan counties)	St. Morgan_	= St. Morgan BBS (Madison Co)
MermetL	= Mermet Lake SFWA (Massac Co)	SaltCrk	= Salt Creek Woods Forest Preserve (Cook Co)
Midewin	= Midewin National Tallgrass Prairie (Will Co)	Sang	= Sangamon Co
MidFork	= Middle Fork River FP (Champaign Co)	Sangchris	= Sangchris Lake (Sangamon/Christian Cos)
Mid Meadows	= Midlothian Meadows Forest Preserve (Cook Co)	SantaFe	= Santa Fe Bottoms (Clinton Co)
MidSav	= Middlefork Savanna Forest Preserve (Lake Co)	SBBO	= Sand Bluff Bird Observatory (Winnebago Co)
Milford	= Milford BBS (Iroquois/Vermilion Cos)	SCH	= Spring Creek Headwaters FP (Cook Co)
Miller-And	= Miller-Anderson Woods NP (Bureau Co)	SFPK	= Sauer Family Prairie Kame FP (Kane Co)
Mill Creek	= Mill Creek BBS (Ogle/Carroll Co)	ShabbonaL	= Shabbona Lake SRA (DeKalb Co)
MrMdw	= Miller Meadow Forest Preserve (Cook Co)	Sheffield	= Sheffield BBS (Bureau Co)
MissPalis	= Mississippi Palisades State Park (Carroll Co)		

LOCATION ABBREVIATIONS *continued*

Sherburnville	= Sherburnville BBS (Kankakee, Will & Cook Cos)	Troy Grove	= Troy Grove BBS (LaSalle/Bureau Cos)
Sherrard	= Sherrard BBS (Mercer/Warren Cos)	TwoRivers	= Two Rivers NWR (Calhoun Co)
SiloamSpr	= Siloam Springs State Park (Adams Co)	UCCA	= Union County Conservation Area (Union Co)
SNF	= Shawnee National Forest (various counties)	UMRNWR	= Upper Mississippi River NWR (Carroll Co)
SongbirdSl	= Songbird Slough Forest Preserve (DuPage Co)	Union_	= Union BBS (McHenry Co)
SouthFm	= University of Illinois's South Farms (Champaign Co)	Urbana	= Urbana (Champaign Co)
Spfld	= Springfield (Sangamon Co)	VoloBog	= Volo Bog State Natural Area (Lake Co)
SpgBlf	= Spring Bluff Forest Preserve (Lake Co)	WaterfallGlen	= Waterfall Glen Forest Preserve (Du Page Co)
Springbrk	= Springbrook Prairie FP (DuPage Co)	Wauk	= Waukegan Beach & Harbor/lakefront (Lake Co)
SpringCrk	= Spring Creek Valley FP (Cook Co)	Wayne_	= Wayne BBS (DuPage/Will Cos)
SpringL	= Spring Lake (Tazewell Co)	Waynesville	= Waynesville BBS (McLean Co)
SRSF	= Sand Ridge State Forest (Mason Co)	WCCA	= Washington County CA (Washington Co)
StarvedRock	= Starved Rock State Park (LaSalle Co)	WhalonL	= Whalon Lake Forest Preserve (Will Co)
SteelworkersP	= Steelworkers Park, Chicago (Cook Co.)	WhispWil	= Whispering Willows Park, Bourbonnais (Kankakee Co)
Stillwell	= Stillwell BBS (Hancock Co)	Williamsfield	= Williamsfield BBS (Knox/Fulton Cos)
Streator	= Streator BBS (Livingston Co)	WinthropH	= Winthrop Harbor (Lake Co)
SugarR	= Sugar River Alder FP (Winnebago Co)	WolfL	= Wolf Lake/William W Powers SRA (Cook Co)
SwallowCliff	= Swallow Cliff Woods FP (Palos, Cook Co)	WP	= Washington Park (Sangamon Co)
Thomson	= Thomson Causeway RA (Carroll Co)	Yorkville	= Yorkville BBS (Kane Co)
TinleyCrk	= Tinley Creek Wetlands (s. Cook Co)	179th /Cen	= 179th & Central Rds FP, Country Club Hill (Cook Co)
TOT	= Trail of Tears SF (Union Co)		

STANDARD ABBREVIATIONS

EA:	= Early Arrival(s)	prop	= property	Cem	= Cemetery	NWR	= Nat'l Wildlife Refuge
LD:	= Late Departure(s)	pts	= points	Co(s)	= County(ies)	OSL	= Open Space Lands
MC:	= Max/High Count(s)	resp	= respectively	CP	= County Park	Pk	= Park
Species Notes Abbreviations:		subad(s)	= subadult(s)	Crk	= Creek	Pra	= Prairie
*	= documented record	unk	= unknown age/sex	EA	= Ecological Area	Pr	= Preserve
**	= specimen record	vid	= video	FP	= Forest Preserve	R	= River
ad(s)	= adult(s)	w/	= with	FS	= Field Station	Rd	= Road
alt	= alternate plumage (breeding)	yg	= young	GC	= Golf Course	SF	= State Forest
cop	= copulating	1st	= first winter plumage	H	= Harbor	SFWA	= State Fish & Wildlife /Waterfowl Area
et al.	= and others	2nd	= second winter plum.	HA	= Habitat Area	SHA	= State Habitat Area
f	= female	3rd	= third winter plumage	I	= Island	Sl	= Slough
fldg(s)	= fledgling(s)	Location Abbreviations:		L	= Lake	SNA	= State Natural Area
imm	= immature	Apt	= Airport	L&D	= Lock & Dam	So.	= South
incl	= including	Arb	= Arboretum	M	= Marsh	SP	= State Park
juv(s)	= juvenile(s)	B	= Beach	Mem	= Memorial	SRA	= State Recreation Area
lg	= large	BBS	= USGS Breeding Bird Survey (Route)	MM	= Mile Marker	Twp	= Township
m	= male	Bldg	= Building	MWRP	= Metro. Wastewater Reclamation Plant	Univ	= University
mat.	= material	BS	= Bird Sanctuary	NA	= Natural Area	WTP	= Wastewater Treat- ment Plant (Ponds)
m.ob.	= many observers	CA	= Conservation Area	NC	= Nature Center	WMA	= Wildlife Management Area
ph	= photo(s)	CBC	= Audubon Christmas Bird Count	NHL	= National Historic Landmark	Wds	= Woods
plum	= plumage	CC	= Community College	No.	= North	WS	= Wildlife Sanctuary
pr(s)	= pair(s)			NP	= Nature Preserve		

ORGANIZATIONS AND INSTITUTIONS

CAS	Chicago Audubon Society (field trips)	IBHW	Illinois Beach Hawk Watch (data from IBSP)
CBCM	Chicago Bird Collision Monitors (data largely involving window-strikes at high rises in downtown Chicago)	IORC	Illinois Ornithological Records Committee
COS	Chicago Ornithological Society (field trips)	IOS	Illinois Ornithological Society (field trips)
DBC	DuPage Birding Club (field trips)	KCA	Kane County Audubon (field trips)
ENSBC	Evanston-North Shore Bird Club (field trips)	LLCC	Lincoln Land Community College (Sangamon Co)
FMNH	Field Museum of Natural History	NPBW	North Pond Bird Walk (weekly surveys at North Pond in LincPk, led and compiled by Geoffrey A. Williamson)
FSHW	Fort Sheridan Hawk Watch (Fort Sheridan FP, Lake Forest)	SBBO	Sand Bluff Bird Observatory (Winnebago Co)
GVHW	Greene Valley Hawk Watch (data from Greene Valley FP)	SRAS	Starved Rock Audubon Society (field trips)
IAS	Illinois Audubon Society (field trips)	WBC	Whimbrel Birders Club (field trips)
JPBW	Jackson Park Bird Walks	WGNSS	Webster Grove Nature Study Society (field trips)

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FALL 2017 FIELD NOTES

BLACK-BELLIED WHISTLING-DUCK

Zuma Creek flats (Rock Island Co), 7 Aug (SMF); Emiquon, 23 Aug (LMk).

Snow Goose

EA: 21 Sep (12), Emiquon (AGt); 21 Sep (10), LinGds (JMcF); 29 Sep (IBHW, JLS, PWS). MC: 60,000, CarlL-C, 26 Nov (DMK); 9000, BaldwinL, 26 Nov (KR); 6000, RendL-J, 17 Nov (DDM); 5100, TwoRivers, 19 Nov (KW, JGI); 2095, LSpfld, 27 Nov (HDB). Reported in 44 counties.

Ross's Goose

EA: 16 Oct (2), DWR (DFS); 18 Oct, Spring Bay Pk (Woodford Co) (MHB); 9 Nov, LSpfld (HDB). MC: 25, BaileyWet-W (CLH); 11, CarlL-C, 18 Nov (WCR); 10, Mt. Vernon (Jefferson Co), 28 Nov (MHY); 5, Lincoln Gravel Quarry (Logan Co), 30 Nov (TH). Reported in 19 counties.

Greater White-fronted Goose

EA: 5 Oct (6), Fermi (AFS); 6 Oct (47), Adams (BSI); 6 Oct (8), Sangchris (Sang) (HDB). MC: 8000, Universal/Peabody Strip Mine (Edgar Co), 27 Nov (RBy); 6700, TwoRivers, 19 Nov (KW, JGI); 3000, CarlL-C, 27 Oct (DMK). Reported in 51 counties.

Cackling Goose

EA: 28 Sep (4), Gremel WS (Lee Co) (SBH); 29 Sep (8), Aurora (Kane Co) (BAn). MC: 155, DWR, 17 Nov (DFS); 101, Schlipf L (Woodford Co), 30 Nov (MEF); 85, ShabbonaL, 13 Nov (DJS). Reported in 24 counties.

Canada Goose

MC: 11,863, Fermi (GP). Reported in 93 counties.

Mute Swan

MC: 50, Emiquon, 18 Aug (CSF,CF,VM, MMo) & 24 Sep (EG). Reported in 25 counties.

Trumpeter Swan

EA: 21 Nov (4), LSpfld (HDB). MC: 26, DWR, 17 Nov (DFS); 25, UCCA, 22 Nov (LBk). Reported in 26 counties.

Tundra Swan

EA: 26 Oct, NygrenWet (Winnebago Co) (RZ); 3 Nov (2), Round L (Lake Co) (JRS); 5 Nov (4) Henry (TH); 11 Nov, Livingston (TH); 24 Nov, HLCA (AGn). MC: 350, UMRNWR, 23 Nov (Nkt); 203, IBHW, 19 Nov (KML, JLS, JS, PWS); 183, FSHW, 19 Nov (AWS); 88, DWR, 24 Nov (TH). Others: Monee Reservoir (Will Co), 12 Oct (DZ); BailyWet-W (6), 27 Nov (CLH). Reported in 18 counties.

Wood Duck

MC: 500, Emiquon, 19 Aug (IOS, m.ob.); 278, DWR, 11 Aug (DFS); 425, CONWR, 2 Oct (JGd, DDM); PLNWR, 28 Sep (KJM). Reported: 86 Cos.



TUNDRA SWANS. Bailey Wetland, Richland or Wayne County, 27 Nov. 2017. Photo by Leroy Harrison.



BUFFLEHEAD. Montrose, Cook County, 25 November 2017. Photo by Tamima Itani.

Blue-winged Teal

EA: 5 Aug (2), Buckhart (Sang) (HDB). MC: 3000, Chau, 4 & 23 Sep (JCs, m.ob., CAT). LD: 19 Nov (2), TwoRivers (KW, JGI); 18 Nov, EastPort Marina (Tazewell Co) (MI). Reported in 62 counties.

Northern Shoveler

EA: 11 Aug (4), DWR (DFS); 12 Aug (3), GlacialPk (FD); 18 Aug (8), LSpfld (HDB). MC: 1200, DWR, 27 Oct (DFS); 800, CarlL-C, 22 Oct (DMK); 337, CypressCrk, 30 Nov (KB). Reported in 52 counties.

Gadwall

MC: 8000, CarlL-F, 12 Nov (DMK); 4400, CONWR, 6 Nov (DDM, JGd, DD); 2450, DWR, 27 Oct (DFS); 1600, HL, 18 Nov (FRH). Reported in 61 counties.

American Wigeon

EA: 27 Aug (2), Chau (DTW). MC: 530, DWR, 16 Oct (DFS); 230, CONWR, 30 Oct (DDM, JGd, DD). Reported in 44 counties.

Mallard

MC: 30,000, CarlL-F, 12 Nov (DMK); 6000, TwoRivers, 19 Nov (KW, JGI); 4343, CypressCrk, 9 Nov (KB). Reported in 90 counties.

American Black Duck

EA: 4 Oct (12), RendL-F (EMs). MC: 17, DYNL, 11 Nov (JNn); 13, CONWR, 12 Nov (JyZ). Reported in 29 counties.

MOTTLED DUCK

[10 Nov (2), LSpfld (HDB).]

Northern Pintail

EA: 19 Aug (5), Chau (DKa); 6 Sep, LSpfld (HDB); 2 Sep (2), CarlL-C (DMK). MC: 5000, TwoRivers, 19 Nov (KW, JGI); 4050, StumpL FWMA (Jersey Co), 19 Nov (KW, JGI); 1250, DWR, 27 Oct (DFS); 600, CarlL-F, 12 Nov (DMK). Reported in 52 counties.

Green-winged Teal

EA: 6 Aug (3), Pecatonica Rd (Winnebago Co) (DTW); 20 Aug, Sangchris (Sang) (HDB); 3 Sep (5), CarlL-F (DMK). MC: 3000, Chau, 24 Sep (CAT); 1000, CONWR, 30 Sep (JGd); 600, CarlL-F, 24 Sep (DMK). Counties: 51.

Canvasback

EA: 7 Oct, Oswego (Kendall Co) (JV, RJ); 8 Oct (2), DWR (JRRS, GEN, LJK); 10 Nov (40), CarlL-F (DMK); 24 Oct, LSpfld (HDB). MC: 3000, L&D 13, 24 Nov (EO); 705, DWR, 17 Nov (DFS); 400, CarlL-C, 26 Nov (DMK). Reported in 30 counties.

Redhead

EA: 5 Oct (2), LSpfld (HDB); 29 Oct (40), CarlL-C (DMK). MC: 1260, Rainbow Beach, Chi, 4 Nov (EG, CGi); 600, IBSP-S, 30 Oct (AFS). Reported in 35 counties.

Ring-necked Duck

EA: 7 Sep, LSpfld (HDB); 12 Sep (2), RollinsSav (BN); 27 Oct (12), CarlL-F (DMK). **MC:** 4050, CONWR, 6 Nov (DDM, JGd, DD); 1100, Pyramid, 9 Nov (DDM); 1000, UCCA, 26 Nov (DDM). Most fall migrants appeared in early October. Reported in 50 counties.

Greater Scaup

EA: 7 Oct, Rainbow B, Chi (CGi, GE, TBL, GAW); 30 Oct, LSpfld (HDB); 3 Nov (4), EForkL (CLH); 23 Nov (2), CarlL-C (DMK). **MC:** 880, Rainbow B, Chi, 25 Nov (WJM, CGi). Reported in 9 counties.

Lesser Scaup

EA: 21 Oct (2), CarlL-C (DMK); 10 Oct, LSpfld (HDB). **MC:** 4000, CONWR, 6 Nov (DDM, JGd); 3000, CarlL-C, 10 Nov (DMK); 680, LSpfld, 6 Nov (HDB); 550, Riverplex Sandbar (Tazewell Co), 9 Nov (MI). Reported in 42 counties.

Harlequin Duck

EA: Wauk, 13-23 Nov (AOS, DRD, TBL:ph, m.ob.). **Others:** NPM/State Line Beach, 24 Nov (SMI, m.ob.) (possibly the same bird noted at Wauk).

Surf Scoter

EA: 30 Sep, IBSP-S (JBy); 6 Oct (6), Gillson (JRS, AFS); 7 Oct (7), Rainbow B, Chi (GE, CGi, TBL, GAW); 11 Oct, EForkL (CLH); 17 Oct (4) LSpfld (DOe, HDB); 6 Nov (3), LShel-M (TAM); 12-16 Nov, HL (FRH, BJS, m.ob.). **MC:** 21, Gillson, 10 Oct (GEN); 14, IBSP-N, 30 Oct (AOS); 8, Cal Pk, Chi, 28 Oct (CGi); 7, Riverplex Sandbar (Tazewell Co), 24 Oct (MI); 6, ClintonL, 29 Oct (AOS). **Others:** West Branch FP (DuPage Co) (3), 22-28 Oct (LY, m.ob.); Hosah Pk (Lake Co) (7), 8 Nov (BJS); L&D14 (2), 29 Oct & one on 7 Nov (EB, SMF, SDy, m.ob.); ClintonL (6), 29 Oct (JPs, m.ob.); Emiquon, 5 Nov (MJW, JPs, AGt). Reported in 10 counties.

White-winged Scoter

EA: 10 Oct (2), Gillson (GEN); 24 Oct, Eastport Marina (Tazewell Co) (MI); 3 Nov, EForkL (CLH); 6 Nov (3), LSpfld (HDB); 16 Nov, Adams (PJR, PR, AMR, JMu). **MC:** 35, LMich-C, Wilmette (Cook Co), 15 Nov (SSc); 5, Eastport Marina (Tazewell Co), 6 Nov (MI). **Others:** Big Slough Boat Ramp (Carroll Co), 27 Nov (EB); SagSl (2), 7 Nov (VS); Bloom (3), 7-24 Nov & one on 26-27 Nov (PA:ph, SA, BMy, JPs, m.ob.); L&D 19 (Hancock Co), Nov 19 (PR); MelvinPrice, 20-29 Nov (SMr, m.ob.). Reported in 9 counties.

Black Scoter

EA: 9 Oct (4), Wauk (PAM); 10 Oct, Gillson (GEN). **MC:** 18, IBSP-S, 11 Nov (AOS, SMI). **Others:** Ben Butterworth Parkway, Moline (Rock Island Co), 29 Oct - 7 Nov (SMF, SDy, EB, m.ob.); Riverplex Sandbar (Tazewell Co) (2), 13 Nov (MI); Emiquon, 5 Nov (JPs, MJW, AGt); LSpfld, 16 Nov (TRg); CONWR, 30 Oct (JGd, JGI, KW). Reported in 7 counties.

Long-tailed Duck

EA: 29 Oct, IBSP-S (AOS, SMI); 9 Nov, LSpfld (HDB). **MC:** 16, IBSP-S, 25 Nov (CDn); 4, Gillson, 29 Nov (AFS). **Others:** River Way, East Moline (Rock Island Co) (2), 25 Nov (DHh, BC); LMendota & KakushaL (LaSalle Co), 10-25 Nov (DHh, DJS, MAM, m.ob.); Eastport Marina (Tazewell Co), 23 Nov (MI). Reported in 6 counties.

Bufflehead

EA: 21 Oct, Pk No. 566, Chi (Mii); 29 Oct, LSpfld (HDB); 4 Nov (5), CarlL-C (DMK). **MC:** 400, CarlL-C, 10 Nov (DMK); 75, Altorfer Tract (Peoria Co), 11 Nov (ECn). Reported in 37 counties.

Common Goldeneye

EA: 30 Oct (2), Crabtree NC (Cook Co) (SWS); 3 Nov (2), Gillson (EWW); 9 Nov, LSpfld (HDB); 10 Nov, CarlL-C (DMK). **MC:** 500, L&D 13, 24 Nov (EO); 400, CarlL-C, 26 Nov (DMK); 250, LSpfld, 29 Nov (RBy). Reported in 27 counties.

Hooded Merganser

EA: 29 Oct, LSpfld (HDB). **MC:** 800, CarlL-C, 26 Nov (DMK); 200, ClintonL, 30 Nov (DLT); 150, Emiquon, 5 Nov (AGt); 125, SagSl, 18 Nov (ASA); 90, L Rawson (Bureau Co), 14 Nov (MAM); 77, CONWR, 27 Nov (JGd). **Others:** RollinsSav (56), 23 Nov (BJS, GGI); CypressCrk (51), 30 Nov (KB). Reported in 51 counties.

Common Merganser

EA: 27 Oct, NPM (AOS); 5 Nov, EForkL (CLH). **MC:** 30, SagSl, 11 Nov (IOS); 30, Wauk, 26 Nov (SD); 30, IBSP-S, 29 Nov (LM, JA); 22, CONWR, 20 Nov (DDM). Reported in 16 counties.

Red-breasted Merganser

EA: 10 Oct (6), Gillson (GEN, JRRS); 4 Nov (10), CarlL-C (DMK); 25 Oct, LSpfld (HDB). **MC:** 5000, NPM, 26 Nov (LM, JA); 2500, Gillson, 16 Nov (AFS); 90, CarlL-C, 23 Nov (DMK). Reported in 25 counties.

Ruddy Duck

EA: 8 Sep (2), LSpfld (HDB); 30 Sep (6), CarlL-C (DMK). **MC:** 2800, L&D 19 (Hancock Co), 5 Nov (EWW); 1440, DWR, 17 Nov (DFS); 1200, CarlL-C, 10 Nov (DMK); 980, Woodford, 24 Nov (MJB). **Others:** Alba Twp (Henry Co) (2), 27 Oct (DFS). Reported in 54 counties.

Northern Bobwhite

MC: 26, Meredosia NWR, 14 Aug (JGI); 17, Clark Rd (Fulton Co), 5 Nov (AGt); 15, Rollo Pr. (Mason Co), 4 Nov (MJW). Reported in 40 counties.

Ring-necked Pheasant

MC: 15, Finrock SHA (DeWitt Co), 21 Oct (TG); 13, Pra Green, Geneva Pk District (Kane Co) (MMr); 12, Sibley CA (Ford Co), 16 Oct (PA, TG). Reported in 30 counties.

Greater Prairie-Chicken

MC: 17, Bartel Land and Water Reserve (Marion Co), 21 Oct (RES). **Others:** Bartel Land and Water Reserve (Marion Co) (6), 28 Oct (PA, TG); NewtonL (Jasper Co), 14 Oct (RES). Reported in 2 counties.

Wild Turkey

MC: 31, CONWR, 22 Nov (WG); 25, Franklin Green (Lee Co), 2 Nov (ATo); 17, MermetL, 20 Aug (HDr); 17, MermetL, 20 Sep (NK). 61 Cos.

Pied-billed Grebe

MC: 450, Emiquon, 5 Nov (JPs, MJW); 200, EForkL, 6 Nov (CLH); 176, Sang, 11 Oct (HDB); 158, Riverplex Sandbar (Tazewell Co) (MI); 122, DWR, 3 Oct (DFS); 94, LChar, 6 Nov (RBy); 80, CarlL-C, 12 Nov (DMK); 78, Goose L NA (McHenry Co), 17 Sep (SM). Reported in 73 counties.

Horned Grebe

EA: 31 Aug, IBSP (AWS); 3 Sep (4), CarlL-C (DMK); 6 Sep, Hickory Ridge NP (Douglas Co) (RBy, TDF, TWt); 17 Oct, LSpfld (HDB). **MC:** 300, 4 Nov, CarlL-C (DMK); 50, Sang, 30 Nov (HDB); 27, CONWR, 20 Nov (DDM); 25, LShel-M, 6 Nov (TAM); 25, Emiquon, 5 Nov (JPs, MJW); 21, Loyola P, Chi, 9 Nov (JHn, GAW). Reported in 24 counties.

Red-necked Grebe

EA: 5 Nov, Emiquon (AGt, JPs, MJW); 13 Nov, GrantPk (AAh); 18-21 Nov, Navy Pier (Cook Co) (ASA, IOB, BSS, m.ob.); 21-22 Nov, The Hollows CA (McHenry Co) (JHy). **LD:** 29 Nov, IBSP (SMI, m.ob.); 29 Nov, Steelworkers Pk (ASJ, JPL, m.ob.). Reported in 4 counties.



EARED GREBE. Carlyle Sewage Ponds, Clinton County, 23 September 2017. Photo by Dan Kassebaum.

Eared Grebe

EA: 23 Aug, Wauk (PWS); 23-24 Sep, CarlL-C (DMK:ph); 19-21 Sep, Poplar Crk Pra (Cook Co) (CAT, DTW, DKa, m.ob.); 23 Oct, Detweiller P (Peoria Co) (MI). Reported in 7 counties.

Western Grebe

EA: 9-10 Sep, Emiquon (AGt, BMy, CAT, m.ob.). **MC:** 3, Emiquon, 22 Sep & 13 Oct (AGt, MZr). **LD:** 13 Oct, Emiquon (EWW). 31 reports from Emiquon between 9 Sep and 13 Oct. No reports from other locations.

Rock Pigeon

MC: 403, QC, 18 Nov (KJM); 330, Roosevelt Rd, Chi, 29 Nov (DFS); 200, Schweibert Pk (Rock Island Co) (SMF); 200, Moorman Swine Research Unit (Champaign Co) (ZS). Reported in 80 counties.

Eurasian Collared-Dove

MC: 25, Payson (Adams Co), 17 Oct (JMu); 24, Bureau, 5 Nov (TH); 20, River Grove (Cook Co), 4 Nov (SSL); 20, LaSalle (DCs). Reports in 68 Cos.



WHITE-WINGED DOVE. Montrose Point, Cook County, 1 November 2017. Photo by Julie Gidwitz.

WHITE-WINGED DOVE

Kaneville (Kane Co). Seen on 9 dates between 4-26 Aug at this location: (KAM, CAT, RSt, CWt, CGi, JNn, JWa, DRD, ASA, Jlg, PF, DLc, WSr). **LD:** 1 Nov, Montrose (FC, FRM:ph, JG, KKZ). Reported in 2 Cos: *Kane & Cook*.

Mourning Dove

MC: 300, CarlL-C, 11 Nov (DMK); 244, Fermi-D, 12 Nov (DBC, GP, JCl, m.ob.); 200, Little L Rd (Jackson Co), 6 Aug (JGd); 165, Chau, 23 Sep (CAT). Reported in 102 counties.

Yellow-billed Cuckoo

MC: 9, Pyramid, 19 Aug (HDr); 8, LMurphy SP, 20 Aug (LGA); 7, UMRNWR, 10 Aug (KJM). **LD:** 17 Oct, McKinley Wds FP (Will Co) (JoS), 16 Oct, BuseyWds (DU); 14 Oct, PineHills EA (JGl). Reported in 60 Cos.

Black-billed Cuckoo

MC: 2 in five counties. **LD:** 1 Oct, Salt Crk Wds (Cook Co) (JIE); 29 Sep, KankakeePks (JBH). Reported in 18 counties. Low detection this season.

Common Nighthawk

EA: 9 Aug (26), 87th St Steel Mills, Chi (AG); 10 Aug, Carroll (KJM); 13 Aug (10), Kankakee (JBH); 14 Aug (2), Park Ridge (Cook Co) (AFS); 21 Aug (3), LSpfld (HDB); 28 Aug (36), Olney (Richland Co) (CLH). **MC:** 283 & 253, Winnebago, 29 & 28 Aug (JCL); 206, Evanston (Cook Co), 3 Sep (FRM); 175, Berwyn (Cook Co), 28 Aug (BMn); 146, Lake, 19 Aug (RAB); 127, Mt. Vernon (Jefferson Co), 9 Sep (MHy); 78, FoxRidge, 18 Sep (TDF). **LD:** 29 Oct, W. Branch FP (DuPage Co) (APh); 21 Oct, Clinton (MSS); 19 Oct, GlacialPk (BSs); 15 Oct, Kankakee (JBH). Reported in 52 counties.

Chuck-wills Widow

No fall reports.

Eastern Whip-poor-will

MC: 2, SRSF, 28 Aug (SLr); 2, Will, 2 Aug (DZ) (the only MC Fall records for this reporting period). **LD:** 24 Sep, Colored Sands FP (Winnebago Co) (Ece); 22 Sep, Mason (CW). **Others:** Ogle, 3 Aug (SK); SNF, 20-21 Aug (Jki, Jse, NTr); War Bluff WS (Pope Co), 28 Aug (FF, SLI); SRSF, 3 Sep (SA, MJW). Low numbers with an early departure in 6 counties.

Chimney Swift

MC: 1600, Lincoln Elem School, St. Charles (Kane Co), 5 Sep (BA, JJD, MMr); 530, LLCC, 9 Oct (JGl); 731, Thomas Elem School, C'dale, 24 Sep (KW). **LD:** 20 Nov, Graceland Cem, Chi (CBn); 6 Nov (3), Chi (KH); 30 Oct, Oak Ridge Cem (Sang) (HDB); 14 Oct (2), St. Ellen Mine Pk, O'Fallon (St.Clair Co) (MFu); Reported in 77 counties.

Ruby-throated Hummingbird

MC: 100, War Bluff WS (Pope Co), 28 Aug (FF, SLI); 77, Pomona, 24 Aug (RMR); 16, Camp Sagawau, Palos (SPH). **LD:** 30 Oct- 3 Nov (f or imm.), Elgin (Kane Co) (KHm, m.ob.) Reported in 79 counties.

Rufous Hummingbird

Elgin (Kane Co) (ad m.) 29 Oct - 2 Nov (KHM:ph, DCn, DTW, m.ob.).

Rufous/Allen's Hummingbird

30 Sep - 1 Oct (imm m), Lake Forest B (Lake Co) (JOS).

BROAD-BILLED HUMMINGBIRD (imm. m)

Sherman (Sangamon Co) (imm. m, banded), 11-13 Sept (PS, HDB:ph, VMK:ph) (ph). First record for Sangamon Co and second state record.

Yellow Rail

Springbrk, 27 Sep (MW); Sibley CA (Ford Co), 14 Oct (SA, MJW); Northwestern Univ, Evanston, 16 Oct (CBCM).

King Rail

EA: 26 Jul, Springbrk (GP, KW). **LD:** 28 Sep - 9 Oct (juv), Wauk (AMc, SM, AOS).

Virginia Rail

MC: 5, DYNL, 14 Aug (JSr); 3, BartlettL Pra Wetland (Kendall Co) (SJ). **LD:** 29 Nov, Pembroke (JBH); 5 Nov, VoloBog (LM, RSt); 29 Oct, ClintonL (SA, MJW). Reported in 13 counties.

Sora

EA: 17 Sep, LSpfld (HDB). **MC:** 16, Fermi-D, 19 Aug (MW); 15, StumpL, 14 Oct (MG); 12, Emiquon, 14 Sep (AOS). **LD:** 31 Oct, WhalonL (DKa); 27 Oct, SpringCrk FP (Cook Co) (CSr); 15 Oct, Sibley CA (Ford Co) (TG, JPs); 27 Oct, HL (FRH). Reported in 33 counties.

Common Gallinule

MC: 30, Emiquon, 19 Aug (AOS); 10, DYNL, 27 Aug (OB, LR);



RUFIOUS HUMMINGBIRD. Elgin, Kane County, 30 October 2017. Photo by Jason Newton.

9, Hegewisch M, LCal, 30 Jul (AFS). **LD:** 14 Oct, Wauk (JSk); 9 Oct, Wauk (SMI); 1 Oct, GlacialPk (KKz, SMI); 30 Sep, Big M, LCal (ML, WJM). Reported in 10 counties.

American Coot

EA: 4 Sep, LSpfld (HDB); 16 Sep, CarlL-C (DMK). **MC:** 19,400, DWR, 27 Oct (DFS); 5000, CONWR, 6 Nov (JGd); 665, WolfL, 4 Nov (EG). Reported in 53 counties.

Sandhill Crane

MC: 8480, FSHW, 19 Nov (FRM, AWS); 5725, GVHW, 19 Nov (JAS); 4500, St James Farm FP (DuPage Co), 16 Nov (MMk); 3400, Three Oaks RA, 19 Nov (EES). Reported in 25 counties.

WHOOPIING CRANE

EA: 3 Oct, KaskIs (CS). **MC:** 5, GreeneVal, 16 Nov (MAM); 4, Big Rock (Kane Co), 28 Oct (DCn, JNn, JSr); 3, GreeneVal, 16 Nov (DKa); 3, GreeneVal, 19 Nov (JAS); 3, River Forest (Cook Co), 19 Nov (DAa, JSA); 2, BaileyWet, 8 Nov (CLH). Reported in 7 counties.

Black-necked Stilt

MC: 25, Emiquon, 27 Aug (TWf); 23, ECapeGir, 1 Aug (MHs). **LD:** 11 Sep (2), ECapeGir (LBk); 9 Sep (6), Sanganois SWA (AGt); 4 Sep (13), Emiquon (DHR, TH). **Others:** Pecatonica (5), 6-7 Aug (SLr, JCL, DTW); Ridott oxbows (4), (Stephenson Co), 11 Aug (EB); York Sloughs (Clark Co) (5), 12 Aug (SLa); Jackson (4), 21 Aug (KJM, DJA). Fall migration was obscured by summer dispersal into southern counties. Reported in 13 counties.

American Avocet

EA: 23 Jul (4), Carlyle Sewage Ponds (Clinton Co) (DH); 24 Jul, Emiquon (JGI); 5 Aug, CarlL-C (DMK:ph); 31 Aug, Grayville (White Co) (CLH); 4 Sep (2), Openlands Lakeshore Pr (Lake Co) (JRS). **MC:** 64, ClintonL, 5 Oct (TH); 16, LSpfld, 8 Oct (HDB:ph); 8, CONWR, 8 Oct (JGd, DDM); 9, CarlL-F, 14 & 22 Oct (DMK); 6, Winfield L&D, 23 Oct (AC, CGy); 3, Pyott/Virginia Rd Quarry Ponds (McHenry Co), 3 Sep (JA, RSt). **LD:** 28 Oct, ClintonL (SA, MJW); 28 Oct (2), EForkL (CLH); 27 Oct, CarlL-F (DMK); 24 Oct, Wauk (AMc, WMc, AOS). Reported in 16 counties.

Black-bellied Plover

EA: 6-7 Aug, Pecatonica (JCL, JNe, DTW, m.ob.); 13 Aug (5), ClearL (CDn); 25 Sep, LSpfld (HDB). **MC:** 14, Chau, 24 Sep (TH); 8, TwoRivers, 4 Sep (KAM); 8, CarlL-F, 22 Oct (DMK); 6, Chau, 26 Sep (GP); 5, Emiquon, 15 Sep (JGd); 4, Chau, 20 Aug (AWS). **LD:** 12 Nov, CarlL-F (DMK); 31 Oct (2), Montrose (KH); 17 Oct, Lake Forest B (Lake Co) (KKz). Reported in 24 counties.

American Golden-Plover

EA: 29 Jun (ad m), LSpfld (Sang) (HDB); 22 Jul, MomenceSod (JBH); 9 Aug (3), Freeport (Winnebago Co) (EB, JCL, DTW); 11 Aug, Alleghany/

Peterson Fuddle (Lake Co) (AWS); 14 Aug (2), Emiquon (AGt). **MC:** 430, Chau, 24 Sep (EG); 29, LShelb-M, 20 Sep (RBy); 28, MomenceSod, 27 Aug (KW, MWr); 20, Emiquon, 27 Sep (AGt); 15, Dunteman Sod Farm (Kane Co), 27 Aug (WL, JiS). **LD:** 31 Oct (33), Chau (MHB); 28 Oct (10), Big Rock (Kane Co) (DCn, JSr, JNn); 27 Oct (7), CarlL-C (DMK). Reported in 32 counties.

Semipalmated Plover

EA: 6 Jul, Emiquon (AC); 15 Jul, Burnham Pra NP (Cook Co) (TWf); 20 Jul, RendL-J (KAM). **MC:** 40, Chau, 2 Sep (SA, MJW). 30, Sanganois SWA (Mason Co), 3 Aug (AGt); 30, ClearL, 13 Aug (CDn); 26, BaileyWet-W, 13 Aug (CLH); 15, TwoRivers, 5 Sep (CAT); 11, CWRP, Chi, 27 Aug (WJM, m.ob.); 10, CarlL-F, 10 Aug & 4 Sep (DMK). **LD:** 31 Oct, Montrose (KH); 26 Oct, Emiquon (MHB). Reported in 38 counties.

Piping Plover

EA: 18-27 Jul, Montrose (LRs,VS:ph, m.ob.); 26 Jul - 12 Aug, Wauk (BJS, AFS, m.ob.). **MC:** 2, Wauk, 31 Jul - 5 Aug (EEd, AWS, AOS, AFS, m.ob.). **LD:** 12 Aug, Wauk (JBy, AFS, m.ob.).

Killdeer

MC: 800, ClintonL, 12 Aug (JPs); 500, Zuma Crk flats (Rock Island Co), 19 Aug (SMF); 400, Dunteman Sod Farm (Kane Co), 18 Aug (TWf); 400, Emiquon, 19 Aug (JnG, CAT); 400, Havana (Mason Co), 19 Aug (MST); 300, CarlL-F, 2-3 Sep (DMK). Reported in 92 counties.

Upland Sandpiper

EA: 9 Jul, Cinder Flts (Sang) (HDB). **LD:** 15 Sep, Wauk (SMI); 7 Sep, Hickory Ridge NP (Douglas Co) (RBy); 21 Sep, Mattoon (Coles Co) (KRd). **Others:** Alleghany Pk (Lake Co), 20 Aug (BJS, AOS); Franklin Grove (Ogle Co), 14 Aug (DCn); Midewin, 12 Aug (FJ); LaSalleL FWA (LaSalle Co), 5 Aug (JBr); Hickory Ridge (Douglas Co), 6 Sep (RBy, TWt). Reported in 6 counties.

Whimbrel

EA: 9 Aug, IBSP-S (AFS); 6 Aug, RendL-J (SA, MJW). **MC:** 2, IBSP-S, 21 Aug (AOS). **Others:** NPM, 19 Aug (AOS); Wauk, 19 Aug (AFS); IBSP-S, 1 Sep (AOS); Wauk, 5 Sep (SMI). Seven reports: 6 in Lake Co and 1 in Jefferson Co.

Hudsonian Godwit

EA: 19-20 Aug, Chau (IOS trip, TDF, TAM, m.ob.). **MC:** 3, ClintonL, 15 Sep (MEF); 3, Chau, 23 Aug (RD). **LD:** 15 Sep (3), ClintonL (MEF). Very low numbers. Reported in two counties.

Marbled Godwit

EA: 28 July (2), CarlL-C (RH). **LD:** 4 Sep, CarlL-C (DMK:ph); 25-28 Aug, Chau (AGt, EG, SLr,VS, DTW, TWf, MZr, SZr). **Others:** Chau, 19 Aug (BA, KA). Reported only in Mason and Clinton counties.

Ruddy Turnstone

EA: 22 Jul, IBSP-S (AOS); 23 Jul, Wauk (BJS); 27 July, Sang (HDB); 6 Aug, EPSP (JPs); 4 Sep, TwoRivers (KAM). **MC:** 4, CarlL-C, 28 Jul (RH); 4, RendL-J, 6 Aug (SA, MJW). **LD:** 8 Oct, RollinsSav (BJS, m.ob.); 24 Sep, Montrose (CLW, GAW, m.ob.); 24 Sep, CarlL-F (DMK). Reported in 9 counties.

Red Knot

EA: 26 Aug, Chau (AGt). **LD:** 5 Sep, TwoRivers (St Louis Audubon, BRe, MST, KAM, CAT, m.ob.). Reported in 3 counties.

RUFF

Emiquon (ad. m), 20 Aug (IOS, MMC, AWS:ph, m.ob.). Only report.

Stilt Sandpiper

EA: 26 Jul, Peterson Rd (Lake Co) (BJS); 27 Jun, Emiquon (LSP, VS, LY); 20 Jul (3), Tower Island (Jackson Co) (KAM). **MC:** 190, Chau, 24 Sep (EG); 180, CarlL-F, 4 Sep (DMK); 60, Emiquon, 2 Sep (MIi); 35, BaileyWet-W, 13 Aug (CLH); 26, DWR, 8 Oct (GEN, LJK, JRRS); 26, RendL-J, 28 Aug (DDM). **LD:** 14 Nov, LSpfld (HDB); 22 Oct, CONWR (JGI); 15 Oct, Mirador Subdivision Ponds (Kane Co) (JSr). **Others:** Miss R (Carroll Co), 10 Aug (KJM); Sang, 6 & 8 Sep (HDB). Reported in 38 counties.



WESTERN SANDPIPER. Carlyle Lake S.F.W.A., Fayette County, 4 September 2017. Photo by Dan Kassebaum.



SANDERLING. Waukegan Beach, Lake County, 31 July 2017.
Photo by Emma England.

Sanderling

EA: 10 Jul (2), Montrose (JIE); 14 Jul (3), Wauk (AWS); 28 Jul, RendL-J (AG, EG, TWf); 29 Jul, Mitchie Rd (Monroe Co) (AG, EG, TWf). **MC:** 114, NPM (Lake Co), 3 Sep (SML); 71, Wauk, 2 Sep (AFS); 47, Montrose, 18 Oct (ASA); 36, Chau, 10 Sep (KAM). **LD:** 16 Nov, Montrose (ASA); 14 Nov, Wauk (DKa, VS). Reported in 15 counties.

Dunlin

EA: 7 Sep, LShel-M (RBy); 15 Sep, Rainbow B, Chi (ASA:ph); 21 Oct (80), CarlL-F (DMK); 28 Oct, Berlin (Sang) (HDB). **MC:** 300, CarlL-F, 27 Oct (DMK); 126, FSHW, 15 Oct (AWS); 64, Rend-JL, 17 Nov (DDM); 60, Montrose, 15 Oct (LV); 46, 1 & 5 Nov, LSpfld (HDB). **LD:** 26 Nov (6), Grand Tower (Jackson Co) (DDM); 26 Nov, ClintonL (MJW); SpgBlf, 24 Nov (SML); 14 Nov, LSpfld (HDB); 29 Oct (80), CarlL-F (DMK). Reported in 29 counties.

Purple Sandpiper

No reports.

Baird's Sandpiper

EA: 17 Jul, RendL-J (JOS); 20 Jul, Sanganois SWA (Mason Co) (CAT); 21 Jul (3), NPM (AOS); 29 Aug (2), CarlL-C (CLH). **MC:** 19, Chau, 27 Aug (EG). **LD:** 8 Nov, GWWTF (BMy); 22 Oct, Montrose (ASA, HBm, RDH:ph, AFS, m.ob.); 15 Oct, Montrose (RDH); 27 Sep, James O. Breen CP (Kane Co) (LA, BA, Aph, m.ob.); 26 Sep, Fermi-D (GP, MW, m.ob.); 16 Sep, CarlL-C (AG, DMK, JPs). Reported in 28 counties.

Least Sandpiper

EA: 10 Jun, GreeneVal (TY); 13 Jun (4), EPSP (JM); 20 Jun, Emiquon (AGt); 25 Jun (2), Cinder Flts (Sang) (HDB). **MC:** 400, CarlL-F, 27 Oct (DMK); 390, Emiquon, 18 Jul (AWS). **LD:** 26 Nov (6), BailyWet-W (CLH); 26 Nov (6), Grand Tower (Jackson Co) (DDM); 26 Nov, ClintonL (MJW); 20 Nov (17), Grand Tower (Jackson Co) (HDr); 12 Nov, CarlL-F (DMK); 5 Nov (2), Emiquon, (JPs, MJW); 4 Nov, LSpfld (HDB). Reports: 64 Cos.

White-rumped Sandpiper

EA: 3 Aug, Oliver Rd (Winnebago Co) (DTW); 6 Aug, GreeneVal (VS); 9 Aug, GreeneVal (GP); 17 Aug, Emiquon (TAM); 2 Sep, RendL-J (JIE, EG, TWf); 4 Sep (2), CarlL-F (DMK:ph). **MC:** 8, CONWR, 8 Sep (JGd); 3, DWR, 3 Oct (DFS). **LD:** 29 Oct, Montrose (ATo); 28 Oct, Wauk (JBy, SD); 6 Oct, CarlL-B (DMK); 3 Oct, DWR (DFS); 2 Oct (2), CONWR (DDM). **Others:** Montrose, 24 Aug (SBB). Reported in 15 counties.

Buff-breasted Sandpiper

EA: 29 Jul, Dunteman Sod farm (Kane Co) (Mii, JSr), (4) (CAT, R&MA), (5) (DCn); 29 Jul (2), Oswego (Kendall Co) (Mii); 14 Aug, Emiquon (AGt); 5 Aug (2), Yorkville (Kendall Co) (ASA); 19 Aug (2), Chau (IOS, TDF, TAM, m.ob.); 19 Aug, Kane (WL, JSr, m.ob.); 22 Aug, Eagle Crk SP (Shelby

Co) (TDF); 23 Aug, Mendenhall Pk (Peoria Co) (ECn). **MC:** 6, Emiquon, 19 Aug (JIE, AWS). **LD:** 27 Sep (2), James O. Breen Community Pk, St. Charles (Kane Co) (LA, AGt, AFS, m.ob.); 26 Sep, Chau (GP); 3 Sep (2), CarlL-C (DMK:ph). **Others:** Montrose (2), 29 Aug (MMC); Fermi-D, 29 Aug (DKa, GP, JCl, m.ob.); BaileyWet-W, 30 Aug (CLH); RendL-J, 2 Sep (CLH); ClintonL (1-3), 9-19 Sep (MEF, JPs, MJW, m.ob.); Wauk, 15 Sep (AOS, AMc, WMc, SML); Montrose, 16 Sep (RDH, CLW, GAW, m.ob.). Reported in 17 counties.

Pectoral Sandpiper

EA: 25 Jun, Clark (SLa); 28 Jun, Techny Basin (Cook Co) (AFS); 29 Jun, IL Rte 47 (Livingston Co) (DFS); 29 Jun (12), Emiquon (CDn); 7 Jul, Sang (HDB). **MC:** 3920, TwoRivers, 30 Jul (AG, EG, TWf); 2500, TwoRivers, 4 Sep (KAM); 600, Zuma Creek Flats (Rock Island Co), 12 Aug (SMF); 500, Chau, 13 Aug (CDn). **LD:** 26 Nov, ClintonL (MJW); 13 Nov, BaileyWet-W (CLH); 12 Nov (20), CarlL-F (DMK); 9 Nov, LSpfld (HDB). Reports: 63 Cos.

Semipalmated Sandpiper

EA: 1 Jul, Montrose (KKz); 6 Jul, Emiquon (AC); 16 Jul, RendL-J (JTr); 26 Jul (2), Sang (HDB). **MC:** 400, Mason, 24 Jul (AGt); 400, Sanganois SWA (Mason Co), 19 Jul (AWS); 275, TwoRivers, 30 Jul (AG, EG, TWf). **LD:** 25 Oct, Montrose (FC, MMC, LMr, LGM, m.ob.); 13 Oct, Emiquon (EWW). **Other:** CarlL-F (40), 4 Sep (DMK:ph). Reported in 49 counties.

Western Sandpiper

EA: 3 Aug, Wauk (AWS, AMc, WMc, SML, NT); 4 Sep (2), CarlL-F (DMK:ph). **MC:** 4, Bonnie (Jefferson Co), 25 Aug (CAT); 3, Grand Tower (Jackson Co), 30 Aug (DDM); 3, Wauk, 17 Aug (AOS). **LD:** 3 Sep (2), Island Rd (Jackson Co) (JTr); 2 Sep, RendL-J (JIE, EG, TWf); 2 Sep, Bonnie (Jefferson Co) (DDM). **Other:** Montrose, 29 Aug (HBm, RJD, FRM, LGM, ARs, AFS); CarlL-C, 29-30 Aug (CLH, MSS); N. IL Rte 3 (Jackson Co), 28 Aug (JTr). Reported in 5 counties.

Short-billed Dowitcher

EA: 25 Jun, Emiquon (R&MA, HBm); 27 Jun, SanteFe (MSS); 29 Jun (2) Burnham Pra NP (CGi); 30 Jun, Montrose (JSA); 4 Jul, Cinder Flats, Spfld (HDB). **MC:** 45, Emiquon, 18 Jul (AWS); 20, Chau, 3 Sep (JCs, HG, EK, IO); 8, Burnham Pra NP, Chi, 11 Aug (JSA, DAa); 7, Bonnie (Jefferson Co), 25 Aug (CAT). **LD:** 24 Sep, Chau (EG); 21 Sep (3), DWR (TH); 20 Sep, Bonnie (Jefferson Co) (HDr, DDM). Reported in 27 counties.

Long-billed Dowitcher

EA: 28 Aug, RendL-J (DDM); 3 Sep (4), Emiquon (JCs, HG, EK, IOB); 3 Sep (5), Chau (JCs, HG, EK, IOB); 7 Sep, Sang (HDB). **MC:** 80, CarlL-F, 27 Oct (DMK); 38, Chau, 24 Sep (EG); 26, DWR, 8 Oct (LJK, GEN, JRRS); 23, Emiquon, 5 Nov (JPs, MJW). **LD:** 12 Nov, CarlL-F (DMK); 5 Nov (20-23), Emiquon (AGt, JPs, MJW); 3 Nov, Peterson Rd Fluddle (Lake Co) (JRS); 3 Nov (15), Chau (DHh); 3 Nov, BaileyWet-W (CLH), 3 Nov, Jackson (RPI). **Others:** Fermi-D (11), 1 Oct (GP, m.ob.); GlacialPk (2-8), 27 Sep - 3 Oct (RSt, Adn, m.ob.); DWR (12), 3 Oct (DFS); Hegewisch M, Chi, 9-13 Sep (EG, WJM, m.ob.); BaileyWet-W (5), 9 Oct (CLH). Reports: 26 counties.

American Woodcock

MC: 5, TwoRivers, 12 Nov (KS); 4, Riis Pk, Chi, 31 Oct (EDG); 3, Meadowbrk Pk, 5-6 Nov (ZS, DLT). **LD:** 12 Nov (5), TwoRivers (KS); 6 Nov (2), Chi Loop (Cook Co) (SCs); 6 Nov, downtown Chi (BSp); 6 Nov (2), Meadowbrk Pk (DLT); 6 Nov, Granite City (Madison Co) (FRH). Reported in 23 counties.

Wilson's Snipe

EA: 2 Jul (7), SpgBlf (EWW); 3 Jul, Bartel (MMC); 3 Aug (2), Sanganois SWA (Mason Co) (AGt); 8 Aug (3), Two Rivers (JGI). **MC:** 35, ClintonL, 26 Nov (MJW); 12, GlacialPk, 20 Oct (TWf); 21, Two Rivers, 17 Nov (JBk). **LD:** 29 Nov, O'FallonWTP (CKo); 26 Nov, LSpfld (HDB); 20 Nov, Fermi-D (MMk); 28 Nov, New Boston (Mercer Co) (DHh). Reported in 50 counties.

Spotted Sandpiper

MC: 20, Sanganois SWA (Mason Co) (AWS); 15, 87th St Steel Mills, Chi, 9 Aug (AG); 15, Two Rivers, 30 Jul (AG, EG, TWf); 14, Rainbow B, Chi (DFS); 12, EPSP, 23 Jul (JVK); 12, Lakeview Pk, Charleston (Coles Co), 27 Aug (V>); 12, CarlL-C, 5 Aug (DMK). **LD:** 6 Nov, Brunner Family FP (Kane Co) (WL); 3 Nov, KankakeePks (JBH); 17 Oct, CONWR (JGI). Reported in 61 counties.

Solitary Sandpiper

EA: 30 Jun, Nipper Pra (Sang) (HDB); 1 Jul, MidSav (BN); 29 Jun (2), Tower Rd Kayak Shelter (Cook Co) (DW); 6 Jul (3), Emiquon (AC); 8 Jul, RendL-J (AG, EG, EDG, BMy, CMy, KR). **MC:** 16, Erhart Fluddle (Lake Co), 1 Aug (BJS); 15, Air Station Pra, Glenview (Cook Co), 26 Aug (JPL); 15, CWRP, Chi, 20 Aug (WJM, m.ob.); 6, LShel-M, 25 Aug (TDF); 5, Emiquon, 18 Sep (DHh); 5, CONWR, 6 Sep (JGd). **LD:** 3 Nov, EForkL (CLH); 6 Oct, Dam No. 1 Wds FP (Cook) (JRS); 8 Oct, GreeneVal (MAM); 8 Oct, Oswego (Kendall Co) (MMk); 8 Oct, DWR (LJK, GEN, JRRS); 15 Oct, Moraine View SP (McLean Co) (NK). Reported in 62 counties.

Lesser Yellowlegs

EA: 1 Jul, Cinder Flats (Sang) (HDB); 8 Jul, RendL-J (DDM); 5 Aug (24), CarlL-F (DMK). **MC:** 655, Chau, 27 Aug (EG). **LD:** 8 Nov (3), Athens_ (DHh); 5 Nov (4), Emiquon (JPs, MJW); 2 Nov, LDec (TAM). Reported in 64 counties.

Willet

EA: 30 Jun (2), Emiquon (AGt, m.ob.); 4 Jul, Marine Pt (Sang) (HDB); 8 Jul, CarlL-C (RH). **MC:** 9, BaileyWet-W, 23 Jul (CLH); 5, Montrose, 14 Aug (MMC, RDH); 3, Riverplex Sandbar (Tazewell Co), 27 Aug (DHh, MI); 5, RendL-J, 12 Aug (DDM); 3, CarlL-C, 12 Aug (DMK). **LD:** 13 Sep, Bonnie (Jefferson Co) (DDM); 24 Aug, Montrose (SBB). Reported in 7 counties.

Greater Yellowlegs

EA: 26 June, ECapeGir (LBk); 29 Jun, Emiquon (CDn); 4 Aug, Sang (HDB). **MC:** 125, Emiquon, 11 Jul (LJK, JRRS); 75, IBHW, 28 Aug (JS, PWS); 55, Emiquon, 8 Jul (AG, EG). **LD:** 19 Nov, LChar (RBy); 17 Nov (2), RendL-J (DDM); 15 Nov, Sangchris (HDB); 9 Nov, GlacialPk (RST); 9 Nov, BailyWet-W (CLH). Reported in 54 counties.

Wilson's Phalarope

EA: 29 Jun, Emiquon (CDn); 16 Jul, Alleghany/Peterson Fluddle (Lake Co) (AWS); 12 Aug, RendL-J (DDM). **MC:** 8, Chau, 19 Aug (TAM, m.ob.); 10, CarlL-F, 16 Aug (DMK); 3, BaileyWet-W, 17 Aug (CLH); 2, Fermi-D, 29 Aug (JCl, GP, RSy); 2, Ballard NC (Effingham Co) (BR). **LD:** 24 Sep, Oswego (Kendall Co) (RJ, SJ). **Others:** Sang, 26 Aug (HDB). Reported in 13 counties.

Red-necked Phalarope

EA: 15 Jul (ad m), EPSP (MHB, TH, DKa, TBL, CAT, m.ob.); 6 Aug (juv.), Pecatonica (ME, CAT, DTW, m.ob.); 15 Aug (juv.), James O. Breen Community Pk, St Charles (Kane Co) (BA, m.ob.); 24 Aug, CarlL-C (CLH). **MC:** 17, Chau, 27 Aug (EG, DTW, MZ, SZ); 5, RendL-F, 20 Sep (HDr, DDM); 3, ClintonL, 9 Sep (MJW); 2, TwoRivers (KAM, CAT); 2, Alleghany/Peterson fluddle (Lake Co), 11 Aug (SMl:ph, AWS, AOS). **LD:** 22 Sep, ClintonL (MEF); 15 Sep (4), CarlL-C (DMK). Reported in 16 Cos.

Red Phalarope

30 Sep (juv), CarlL-C (IOS pelagic, TDF:ph, JGl, KAM, DMK:ph, m.ob.); 21 Oct, CarlL-C (DMK); 19-21 Nov, Wauk (BJS, ASA, AFS, AWS, BSs:ph, m.ob.). Reported in 2 counties.



RED PHALAROPE. Carlyle Lake, Clinton County, 30 September 2017. Photo by Jared Gorrell.



BLACK-LEGGED KITTIWAKE. Steelworkers Park, Cook County, 30 November 2017. Photo by Matthew Cvetas.

PARASITIC JAEGER

31 Aug, Montrose (LGM); 1 Sep, Gillson (JPL); 1 Sep, Montrose (MMC, STn); 2 Sep, CarlL-C (JSA, JWL); 15-17 Sep, LShel-M (RBy, AG, KAM, TAM:ph, JPs); 16 Sep, CarlL-C (SLAS Field Trip, JWE, m.ob.); 16 Sep, CarlL-C (DB, MTM, EWe); 10 Oct, Gillson (GEN, JRRS); 5 Nov (juv.), CarlL-C (DMK:ph). Seen in 3 counties.

Jaeger sp.

Montrose, 1 Sep (MMC); Gillson, 10 Oct (GEN, JRRS); NPM, 2 Nov (EWW); Gillson, 16 Nov (JRS).

BLACK-LEGGED KITTIWAKE

NPM, 17 Nov (AOS); SteelworkersP, 26-30 Nov (ASA:ph, m.ob.); LSpfld, 26 Nov (HDB:ph); LSpfld, 28-30 Nov (JPs, TRG, VSg, m.ob.). **MC:** 2, LSpfld, 29 Nov & 1 Dec (RBy & HDB resp). All juveniles. Reported in Lake, Cook and Sangamon Counties.

Sabine's Gull

EA: 8 Sep (ad), LSpfld (HDB); 13 Sep (3 juv), LShel-S (RBy); 29 Sep (5 ad), CarlL-C (DMK, DTW). **MC:** 5 (ad), CarlL-C (DMK, DTW). **LD:** 29 Sep, CarlL-C (JPs, VS, DTW); 29 Sep, Emiquon (CAT). **Other:** Emiquon (juv), 17 Sep (AGt) & (ad), 29 Sep (UWG). Reported in 4 counties.

Bonaparte's Gull

EA: 4 Jul (ad), LSpfld (HDB); 9 Jul (juv), WhalonL (ACu, RS); 14 Jul, Wauk (AFS); 19 Jul, LChar (RBy); 13 Aug, CarlL-C (DMK). **MC:** 8000, CarlL-C, 12 Nov (DMK); 500, CONWR, 13 Nov (JGd, DDM); 334, LShel-M, 3 Nov (CAT); 300, LSpfld, 8 Nov (HDB). Reported in 43 counties.

Laughing Gull

EA: 4 Jul (ad), LSpfld (HDB); 5 Jul (2nd cycle), CarlL-C (MSS); 17 Jul, Wauk (AOS); 30 Jul (juv), TwoRivers (AF, EG, Twf). **Others:** Emiquon (ad), 9 Sep - 2 Oct (BMy, DHh, SLr, m.ob.); CONWR, 11-19 Oct (DDM, JGl, m.ob.). **LD:** 19 Nov, LSpfld (APa); 4 Nov, CarlL-C (DMK). Reported in 11 counties.

Franklin's Gull

EA: 7 Aug, RendL-J (JTr); 2 Sep, Emiquon (Mii); 7 Sep, LSpfld (HDB); 6 Sep, CarlL-C (RH). **MC:** 27, Riverplex Sandbar (Tazewell Co), 24 Oct (MI); 26, Grand View Pt, Chestnut Mt (Jo Daviess Co); 15 Oct (GEN); 21, Sang, 24 Oct (HDB); 20, CarlL-C, 13 Sep (DMK). **LD:** 19 Nov, LSpfld (APa); 18 Nov, HLCA (FRH); 11 Nov, CarlL-C (DMK); 6 Nov (2), EForkL (CLH). Reported in 23 counties.

Ring-billed Gull

MC: 4500, CarlL-C, 30 Sept (JPs); 4000, CarlL-C, 14 Sep (CAT); 3800, DWR, 8 Oct (GEN, JRRS, LJK). Reported in 66 counties.

CALIFORNIA GULL

28 Oct - 2 Nov, Schiebert Pk (Rock Island Co) (SMF:ph, CAT); 19-21 Nov & 27 Nov, NPM (AAA:ph, JNn, JSr, m.ob.); 24 Oct, Riverplex Sandbar (Tazewell Co) (MI). Reported in 3 counties.

Herring Gull

EA: 10 Aug (6), Miss R (Carroll Co) (KJM); 20 Aug, CarlL-C (DMK); 8 Sep, LSpfld (HDB). **MC:** 1500, NPM, 20 Nov (AMc, WMc, LMr, AOS); 600, IBHW, 26 Nov (KML, JLS, JS, PWS). Reported in 41 counties.

Iceland Gull (Thayer's Gull)

EA: 27 Oct, IBSP (AOS); 28 Oct, Schweibert Pk (Rock Island Co) (SMF); 2 Nov, Riverplex Sandbar (Tazewell Co) (MI); 5 Nov, Wauk (CAT). **MC:** 8, NPM (AAA); 3, FedEx Ponds (Lake Co), 24 Nov (AWS); **Others:** Monroe H, 27 Nov (DFS); GrantPk, 28 Nov (EG); NPM, 19-22 Nov (ASA, EG, BJS, m.ob.); Eastport Marina (Tazewell Co), 24 Nov (JPs); CarlL-C (1st cycle thayeri), 11-12 Nov (DMK). Reported in 7 counties.

Lesser Black-backed Gull

EA: 3 Aug, Wauk (JNn, JWa); 15 Aug, LSpfld (HDB). **MC:** 4, LShel-M, 17 Sep (TAM); 4 (2 ad, 2 juv), CarlL-C, 4 Nov (DMK). **Other:** BaileyWet-W (1st winter), 24 Oct (CLH). Reported in 14 counties.

Glaucous Gull

Riverplex Sandbar (Tazewell Co), 11 Nov (MI); NPM, 19 Nov (AAA); Lone Pt Shelter, IL R (LaSalle Co), 30 Nov (DJS).

Great Black-backed Gull

EA: 28 Oct, NPM (SMI). **Others:** Wauk, 19-23 Nov (AWS, m.ob.); NPM, 22 Nov (BB, OB, LR, BSs). Reported in *Lake* and *Cook*.

Least Tern

LD: 19 Aug, RendL-J (HDr); 18 Aug, ECapeGir (LBk); 17 Aug (2), Emiquon (TAM); 16 Aug, CarlL-F (juv) (DMK). Reported in 4 counties.

Caspian Tern

MC: 240, CarlL-C, 1 Sep (JIE, EG, TWf); 220, CarlL-C, 3 Sep (DMK); 157, LSpfld, 13 Aug (JGJ); 140, RendL-J, 19 Aug (HDr); 65, Baker'sL, 25 Aug (CF). **LD:** 22 Oct, CarlL-C (DMK); 17 Oct, CONWR (JGJ); 12 Oct, L&D 14 (SMF); 10 Oct, Montrose (ASA, FRM, LGM); 8 Oct, Marine Pt (Sang) (HDB). Reported in 32 counties.

Black Tern

MC: 30, HL, 17 Aug (PO); 25, Chau, 19 Aug (KAM); 21, Zuma Crk flats (Rock Island Co), 10 Aug (VS); 20, 87th St Steel Mills, Chi, 4 Sep (AG); 18, EForkL, 17 Aug (CLH). **LD:** 13 Oct, LSpfld (HDB); 12 Oct, CONWR (JGJ); 30 Sep (2), CarlL-C (DMK); 30 Sep, Carl-L (IOS trip, KAM, JPs, DTW, m.ob.); 17 Sep (4), Moraine Hills (NKn). Reported in 18 counties.

Common Tern

EA: 7 Jul, LSpfld (HDB); 6 Aug, CarlL-C (DMK); 13 Aug (3), HL (BE); 20 Aug, Chau (DKa, KAM, AWS, CAT); 17 Aug, LSpfld (HDB). **MC:** 62, 87th St Steel Mills, Chi, 4 Sep (AG); 11, Montrose, 26 Sep (GAW); 6, LShel-S, 13 Sep (RBy); 6, CarlL-C, 13 Sep (KAM). **LD:** 27 Oct, Montrose (LGM); 13 Oct, Williamson (KR); 12 Oct, CONWR (JGJ); 10 Oct (2), Montrose (ASA); 10 Oct (2), Riverplex Sandbar (Tazewell Co) (MI); 10 Oct, LSpfld (HDB); 10 Oct (2), EForkL (CLH); 8 Oct (2), CarlL-C (DMK). Reports in 10 Cos.

Forster's Tern

MC: 400, CarlL-C, 8 Oct (DMK); 200, CarlL-C, 30 Sep (KAM, VS, m.ob.); 170, RendL-J, 23 Aug (HDr). **LD:** 24 Nov (6), CarlL-C (DMK); 13 Nov (13), CONWR (JGd, DDM); 3 Nov, LSpfld (HDB). **Others:** Montrose, 28 Oct & 1 Nov (RDH, DCn, m.ob.). Reported in 32 counties.

Red-throated Loon

EA: 25 Oct, Emiquon (AGT); 29 Oct, ClintonL (SA, JPs, MJW); 7 Nov, CIPSL (CLH). **MC:** 7, IBSP-N, 27 Nov (JNn, JSr); 5, IBSP-S, 22 Nov (EG); 3, NPM, 22 Nov (EG). **Others:** HeideckeL, 11 Nov (VS); CarlL-C, 10 & 26 Nov (DMK). Reported in 6 counties.

PACIFIC LOON

Emiquon, 4-5 Nov (MI, AGt, JPs); CONWR, 13 Nov (DDM, JGd); CarlL-C, 5 Nov (DMK).

Common Loon

EA: 10 Oct, Gillson (JRRS); 10 Oct, Montrose (RDH); 24 Oct (19), LSpfld (HDB); 27 Oct, CarlL-C (DMK). **MC:** 35, 6 Nov, LShel-M (TAM); 35, CarlL-C, 11 Nov (DMK); 32, LChar, 6 Nov (RBy); 21, ClintonL, 13 Nov (CAT); 21, Montrose, 3 Nov (GAW, TWf). Reported in 31 counties.



WOOD STORK. Sexton Creek Wetlands, Alexander County, 5 August 2017. Photo by Allen Gathman.

WOOD STORK

Sexton Crk wetlands (Alexander Co), 5 Aug (AGn:ph).

MAGNIFICENT FRIGATEBIRD

Channel Lake, Antioch (Lake Co), 21 Aug (DCn:ph); Centennial Tr, Romeoville (Will Co) (juv), 15 Sep (MCn).

NEOTROPIC CORMORANT

LShel-M, 4-5 Aug (RBy:ph., TAM, TDF); Grand Tower (Jackson Co), 9 Aug (RBy, CAT); Jackson, 24 Aug (JGJ, RPI); Rainbow B, Chi, 15 Sep (ASA), MMC); AlmondM, 19 Sep (AWS). Reports from 4 counties.

Double-crested Cormorant

MC: 10,000, CarlL-C, 1-9 Oct (DMK); 1395, FSHW, 28 Oct (BSs, AWS); 950, Wauk, 17 Aug (AWS). Reported in 76 counties.

ANHINGA

Grand Tower (Jackson Co) (1-2), 18-27 Aug (DJA, KJM, JGJ, PL, RPI, RMR); Island Rd (Jackson Co) (1-2), 27 & 28 Aug (MH, MHs, AGn); CRSNA (Johnson Co), 21 Aug (RRu); GreeneVal (DuPage Co) (2), 10 Oct (REF). Reported in 3 counties: 2 southern and 1 northern.

American White Pelican

MC: 12,000, CarlL-C, 3 Sep (DMK); 5000, RendL-J, 13 Sep (DDM); 2500, Chau, 27 Aug (TWf). **LD:** LSpfld (170), 30 Dec (HDB). Continued in large numbers through December in *Sangamon*. Continued into December in *Union*, *St. Clair*, *Grundy* and *Clinton* counties. Reported in 50 counties.

American Bittern

EA: 30 Jul, American Way Marsh (Lake Co) (JRS); 6 Aug, Beecher (Will Co) (SZ); 22 Aug, Indian Ridge M, LCal (SBe); 26 Aug, Grand Tower (Jackson Co) (KR). **MC:** 4, RollinsSav, 8 Oct (SMI); 2, Orland Grassland, 15 Oct (MMe). **LD:** 4 Nov, HiddenLk FP (DuPage Co) (MMk); 2 Nov, Pk No. 566, Chi (JPK); 31 Oct, Montrose (KH); 30 Oct, Wauk (WMc). Reported in 11 counties.

Least Bittern

MC: 5, Fermi-D, 3 Sep (GP, m.ob.); 5, Emiquon, 14 Sep (AGt). **LD:** 26 Oct, downtown Chi (DDy); 16 Sep, Wauk (CF); 14 Sep (5), Emiquon (Agt); 11 Sep, DWR (DFS). Reported in 10 counties.

Great Blue Heron

MC: 331, LShel-M, 14 Aug (Rby); 200, CarlL-F, 19 Aug, 4 & 10 Sep (DMK); 200, CarlL-C, 8 Oct (DMK); 107, Sullivan (Moultrie Co), 5 Aug (TDF). Reported in 95 counties.

Great Egret

EA: 7 Jul, LSpfld (HDB). **MC:** 1500, Chau, 26 Aug (JRk, KRk); 800, Island Rd (Jackson Co), 24 Aug (AGn); 800, Kaskis, 2 Aug (CSt); 800, CarlL-F, 19-20 Aug, 3-4 Sep and 16 Sep (DMK); 540, TwoRivers, 30 Jul (AG, EG, TWf). **LD:** 27 Nov, CBG (AFS); 24 Nov, GreeneVal (JAS); 18 Nov (2), RiverBend (ZS); 18 Nov (2), *Madison* (FRH); 12 Nov (2), CarlL-C (DMK). Reported in 69 counties.

Snowy Egret

EA: 16 Aug (imm.), LSpfld (HDB). **MC:** 95, Grand Tower (Jackson Co), 21 Aug (KJM, DJA); 40, HL (BE); 3, RendL-J, 9 Aug (CLH); 2, Emiquon, 24 Sep (EG). **LD:** 26 Sep, Emiquon (AGT); 22 Oct, HL (FRH); 23 Oct, Indian Ridge Rd (Jackson Co) (JTr); 16 Oct, CONWR (JGd, DDM). Reported in 16 counties.

Little Blue Heron

MC: 240 (mostly imm.), HL, 20 Aug (FRH); 56, HL, 15 Aug (CKo); 54, Grand Tower (Jackson Co), 21 Aug (DJA); 10, RendL-J, 2 Sep (CLH); 9, LShel-M, 22 Aug (TDF). **LD:** 22 Oct, CONWR (JG); 14 Oct, St. Ellen Mine Pk, O'Fallon (St. Clair Co) (MFu); 14 Oct, Jackson (AGn). **Others:** HiddenL FP (DuPage Co), 6 Aug (DFS, LY) (only northern IL report). Reported in only 18 counties.

TRICOLORED HERON

MidSav, 6 Sep (KKz:ph).

Cattle Egret

EA: 26 Aug, CarlL-F (DMK); 1 Sep (2), Island Rd, W of IL Rte 3 (Jackson Co) (JIE, EG, TWF); 2 Sep, StarvedRock (KS). **MC:** 291, Jackson, 21 Aug (KJM, DJA); 140, HL, 14-15 Aug (FRH, CKo); 33, Grand Tower (Jackson Co), 21 Aug (DJA); 32, Elliott Rd Ponds (Jackson Co), 21 Aug (JG). **Others:** Montrose, 19 Oct (ASA:ph, AFS); DWR, 8 Oct (LJK, GEN, JRRS). **LD:** 15 Nov, C'dale Res (DDM); 14 Nov, CONWR (CAT). Reported in 16 counties.

Green Heron

MC: 15, Cape Bend Wetlands (Alexander Co), 5 Aug (AGn); 14, DYNL, 7 & 14 Aug (JSr). **LD:** 12 Nov, Grunwald Farms Family FP (Kane Co) (DJS); 29 Oct, Wauk (IOB); 27 Oct, Univ of IL Arb (Champaign Co) (BM); 25 Oct, NPBW (GAW, m.ob.); 12 Oct, CarlL-C (EWW). Reported in 59 counties.

Black-crowned Night-Heron

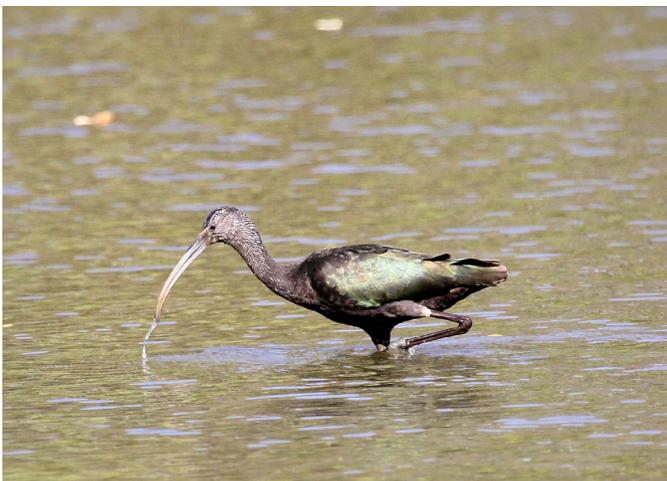
EA: 20 Aug (imm.), Marion (*fide* RDy); 20 Sep (3), Marine Pt (Sang) (HDB). **MC:** 27, LincPk, 5 Aug (AB); 12, Emiquon, 4 Sept (DHr, TH); 7, CONWR, 14 Sept (DDM, CAT). **LD:** 30 Nov (juv), Skokie (Cook Co) (HBm); 29 Nov, North Shore Channel, Chi (JRS), 26 Nov, Fox R, Carpentersville (Kane Co) (JJz); 6 Nov, Kaufman Pk (Champaign Co) (DU). Reported in 21 counties.

Yellow-crowned Night-Heron

MC: 2, Granite City (Madison Co), 4 Aug (FRH). **LD:** 21 Aug, CRSNA (RR); 16 Aug, Erie (Whiteside Co) (JCh); 27 Aug, Legacy Ave Ponds (Champaign Co) (DU). Reported in 6 counties. Numbers declining.

White-faced Ibis

GlacialPk (6), 28 Sep (NKa, LM, APH, RSt) & (9), 29 Oct (JA, ADn, JWL, APH, RSt, DTW); CIPSL (2), 13-14 Oct (CLH); Willowhaven NC (Kankakee Co), 23 Oct & 25 Oct (JBH).



PLEGADIS IBIS (SP). East Fork Lake, Richland County, 22 October 2017. Photo by Leroy Harrison.



MISSISSIPPI KITE. Oakwood Bottoms, Jackson County, 21 Aug. 2017. Photo by Tamima Itani.

Plegadis sp.

GlacialPk (4-6), 30 Sep – 3 Oct (TBL, MW, m.ob.); DWR (2), 8 Oct (LJK, GEN, JRRS); LMich-C (5); 9 Oct (JBn); NewtonL (Jasper Co) (5), 14 Oct (RES); GlacialPk (5-8), 19-21 Oct (TBL, DFS, EWW); Hegewisch M, LakeCal, 21-22 Oct (Mii, WJM, ASA, JIE); EforkL, 22 Oct (CLH).

Black Vulture

MC: 21 in 3 counties: *Hardin, Pope* and *Williamson* on 7 Oct, 21 Aug and 8 Oct, respectively (MSe, RG, JGd); 20, CRSNA, 8 Oct (PP). **Others:** FSHW, 17 Oct (KML); Danville (Vermilion Co), 8 Oct (APS); FSHW, 17 Oct (KML:ph, JRS); GlacialPk (2), 19 Oct (SBd:ph, KKz); near Congerville (Woodford Co), 28-30 Nov (W & JMe; CAT:ph, MEF:ph). Reported in 19 counties—exclusively in southern Illinois except for singles in *Lake* and *Woodford*.

Turkey Vulture

MC: 248, FSHW, 15 Oct (AWS); 225, GreeneVal, 25 Oct (GVHW); 180, Governor BondL (Bond Co), 26 Nov (CKo); 152, *Sang*, 1 Oct (HDB); 120, CarlL-C, 10 Nov (DMK); 95, Chestnut Mountain Ski Resort (JoDavieSS Co), 15 Oct (GEN, APS). Reported in 99 counties.

Osprey

EA: 10 Aug, UMRNWR (KJM); 12 Aug, *Lake* (RAB); 12 Aug, Fermi-D (JCl, DMg, m.ob.); 12 Aug, Centennial Tr (Will Co) (JDC); 12 Aug, Baumann Pk (Winnebago Co) (EP); 12 Aug (2), DPCA (FJ); 12 Aug (2), LRen (DBs, MZ); 12 Aug (3), COLSP (BJS); 13 Aug (3), Bruce WMA (Moultrie Co) (DU). **MC:** 39, FSHW, 17 Sep (AWS); 16, IBHW, 27 Sep (JLs, JS, PWS). **LD:** 14 Nov, *Sang* (JMq); 9 Nov, FSHW (KML, JRS). Reported in 54 counties.

Mississippi Kite

EA: 3 Sep, GreeneVal (JAS); 17 Sep, FSHW (AWS). **MC:** 30, McClure (Alexander Co), 9 Aug (CAT); 14, Jonesboro (Union Co) (LM); 9, Neunert Rd floodplain (Jackson Co), 21 Aug (DJA, KJM). **LD:** 16 Oct, IBHW (KML, JS, PWS:ph); 27 Sep, LaBagh Wds, Chi (JRRS). Reported in 14 counties.

Bald Eagle

EA: 21 Aug (8 – incl 5 ad, 2 imm, 1 unk), *Jackson* (KJM, DJA); 26 Aug, BannerM (JBH); 27 Aug (2), IBHW (JS, PWS). **MC:** 70, Grand View Pt, Chestnut Mt (Jo DavieSS Co), 21 Nov (GEN, AWS); 27, DWR, 8 Oct (LJK, GEN, JRRS); 24, FSHW, 27 Sep (KML); 16, CarlL-C, 29 Oct & 10 Nov (DMK); 15, Emiquon, 23 Nov (MHB); 14, TwoRivers, 19 Nov (JG, KW). Reported in 87 counties.

Northern Harrier

MC: 16, CarlL-C, 28-29 Oct (DMK); 11, FSHW, 28 Sep (BSs, AWS); 8, GLPSNA, 11 Nov (VS); 6, KaskIs (JG, KW). Reported in 77 counties.



"WESTERN" RED-TAILED HAWK. Clinton County, 26 November 2017. Photo by Dan Kassebaum.

Sharp-shinned Hawk

EA: 12 Aug (2), JP (ECy, PAD); 13 Aug, Rockwood (Jackson Co) (DDM); 14 Sep, Fulton (MJW). **MC:** 194, FSHW, 28 Oct (BS, AWS); 109, IBHW, 25 Oct (JLs, JS, PWS). Reported in 46 counties.

Cooper's Hawk

MC: 25, FSHW, 15 Oct (AWS); 15, IBHW, 15 Oct (JLs, KML, JS, PWS); 12, GVHW, 27 Sep (GVHW); 8, MlrMdw, 29 Sep (JSA, LJK, FRM, GEN). 75 Cos.

Northern Goshawk

EA: 20 Oct, IBSP (JRRS); 24 Oct, IBHW (RSt); 26 Oct, GVHW (DKa, VS); 26 Oct, Tawny Oaks (Peoria Co) (MI). **MC:** 2, IBHW, 19 Nov (JS, KML, PWS, m.ob.). **Others:** Fulton Co Hawk Watch, 26 Oct (CAT); IBHW (imm.), 26 Oct (PWS); JP, 28-29 Oct (AH:ph, AAh). Reports: 5 Cos.

Red-shouldered Hawk

MC: 6, FSHW, 28 Oct (AWS, BSs); 6, CarlL-C, 9 Oct (DMK); 5, ClintonL, 30 Sep (KR); 5, MermetL, 28 Oct & 20 Aug (RRd & HDr resp). 64 Cos.

Broad-winged Hawk

EA: 3 Sep (6), FSHW (RJD, AWS); 3 Sep (3), IBHW (KML, JS, JRS, PWS). **MC:** 107, Arbor Gates Subdivision (Kendall Co), 28 Sept (SJ); 57, Dickson Mds Rd & County 9 (Fulton Co), 28 Sep (TH); 31, Detweiller Pk (Peoria Co), 28 Sep (MI). **LD:** 30 Oct, LaSalle (SR); 28 Oct, Batavia (Kane Co) (TK); 27 Oct, Petersbur (Menard Co) (MMn); 25 Oct, Tawny Oaks (Peoria Co) (MI); 17 Oct, Oak Ridge Cem (Sang) (HDB); 7 Oct, CarlL-C (DMK:ph). Reported in 43 counties.

Swainson's Hawk

EA: 4 Sep, IBHW (JS, PWS). **LD:** IBHW, 9 Nov (JS).

Red-tailed Hawk

MC: 389, FSHW, 28 Oct (BSs, AWS); 240, FSHW, 28 Oct (JPs); 177, IBHW, 28 Oct (JLs, JS, PWS); 80, CarlL-C, 28 Oct & 5 Nov (DMK); 56, Grand View Pt, Chestnut Mt (Jo Daviess Co) (LJK, GEN). Reports: 96 Cos.

Rough-legged Hawk

EA: 20 Oct, PaulDouglas (SWS); 20 Oct, Lake (SHt); 26 Oct, Monticello Rd FS (Champaign Co) (TDF); 9 Nov, PrRdg-J (CLH). **MC:** 5, IBHW, 28 Oct (JLs, JS, PWS); 3, FSHW, 28 Oct (JRS); 3, Tawny Oaks (Peoria Co), 30 Oct (MI); 3, PRSNA-J, 30 Nov (CLH); 3, CarlL-C, 24 Nov & 30 Oct (DMK & MI resp); 2, Heritage Pk (Champaign Co), 27 Nov (DU). Reports: 32 Cos.

Golden Eagle

EA: 16 Oct, GVHW (JnG); 16 Oct, DuPageR Pk (Will Co) (JnG); 19 Oct, GreeneVal (GVHW). **MC:** 2, Grand View Point, Chestnut Mt (Jo Daviess Co), 9 Nov (GEN, LJK); 2, FSHW, 19 Nov (RJD, FRM, AWS); 2, IBHW, 19 Nov (JLs, KML, JS, PWS); 2, Grand View Point, Chestnut Mt (Jo Daviess Co), 21 Nov (GEN, AWS); 2, IBHW, 25 Nov (JLs, JS, PWS). **Others:** FSHW (imm), 28 Oct (AWS, m.ob.); 28 Oct, Wauk (KH); IBHW, 29 & 31 Oct (JLs, JS, PWS:ph, m.ob.); Hampton Cem (Rock Island Co), 3 Nov (EB); FSHW, 13 Nov; IBHW, 13 Nov (JS, PWS); IBHW, 19 Nov (AOS); GVHW, 19 Nov (JAS); 20 Nov, Wauk (KBy). **LD:** 26 Nov, Bonpas R (Edwards Co) (RES); 25 Nov (2), IBHW (JLs, JS, PWS). Reported in 8 counties.

Barn Owl

MC: 3 (1 ad, 2 imm), Pyramid, 21 Aug (DJA, KJM); 3 (imm), PrRdg-J, 1 Aug (CLH); 2, Bartel Land and Water Reserve (Marion Co), 21 Oct (RES). **Others:** CypressCrk-U, 30 Oct (KB); Trenton (Clinton Co) (road kill), 11 Nov (DMK:ph).

Eastern Screech-Owl

MC: 4, BRSE, 28 Sep (KJM, DDO); 3, Clinton, two reports in Sept and 21 Oct (DMK). Reported in 30 counties.

Great Horned Owl

MC: 6, PLNWR, 28 Sep (KJM, DDO); 5, Pecantonica, 4 Nov (RZ); 5, Will, 8 Oct (JnG); 5, LaSalle, 26 Sep (SHt). Reported in 47 counties.

Snowy Owl

EA: 11 Nov, Gridley (Livingston Co) (TH); 12 Nov, Havana (Mason Co) (AGt, CDn); 13 Nov, Cal Pk, Chi (ASA, JRRS:ph); 13-30 Nov (6 sightings of at least 4 individuals, inc. 1 strike), O'Hare Airport (*fide* GM); 13 Nov, Chi (JRRS:ph, LJK); 14 Nov, L&D 13 (*fide* PSe:ph); 22-24 Nov, NPM (BMy:ph, Aph, m.ob.); 21-30 Nov, Steelworkers Pk, Chi (AG, m.ob.); 22 Nov, Montrose (MMC, AHc, LGM); 19 Nov, DeKalb (KML). **MC:** 2, Steelworkers Pk, Chi, 27 & 29 Nov (DKA, JNn, m.ob.). **Others:** NPM, 22 Nov (BMy:ph, BSs:ph, m.ob.); DeWitt, 23 Nov (APS); E of San Jose (Logan Co), 26 Nov (TAM, LAn); Monroe H, 27 Nov, Chi (EG, DFS, DBJ, NT); NW Winnebago Co, 28 Nov (SGT, JCL, JNe); O'Hare Airport, Chi, 26 Nov (RT); New Boston (Mercer Co), 28 Nov (DHh); Cicero (Cook Co), 29 Nov (DFS); Ottawa (LaSalle Co), 21-26 Nov (JSB:ph, CWe:ph, BDT:ph, KSy:ph, Sbd:ph, CY, JY); MelvinPrice, 28 Nov (CMM). Will, 29-30 Nov (DKa, JGt); Plainfield (DuPage Co), 30 Nov (JLS); Midway Airport, 30 Nov (NK); near Farmount (Vermilion Co), 30 Nov (Khr); Gridley (McLean Co), 30 Nov (PA). Reported in 13 counties. Strong influx in mid-Nov of many HY owls.

Barred Owl

MC: 8, Fraker Farm (Woodford Co), 6 Sep (MEF); 5, CONWR, 12 Oct (JG); 4, Gremel WS (Lee Co) (SBH). Reported in 63 counties.

Long-eared Owl

EA: 28 Sep, Mercer (KJM, DDO); 31 Oct - 3 Nov (2), Montrose (JWL, KKz, BSs, m.ob.); 5 Nov, Loyola Univ (KMk); 10 Nov, Nachusa (WR); 30 Nov, Ogle (JNe, WR).

Short-eared Owl

EA: 30 Aug, Valley of Eden BS (Jo Daviess Co) (RA); 30 Sep, IBHW (PWS); 1 Oct, Allerton Pk (Piatt Co) (NBe); 28 Oct, Kaskis (JG, KW); 4 Nov, Ursa Twp (Adams Co) (PJR, PR, JMu). **MC:** 6, Clinton, 22 Nov (DMK); 5, Montrose, 31 Oct (KKz); 5, BaileyWet-W, 2 Nov (CLH); 4, GlacialPk, 23 Nov (NKn); 2, Farmer City (DeWitt Co), 20 Oct (DOB). Reported in 16 counties.

Northern Saw-whet Owl

EA: 27 Oct, SBBO (JCL,Aph); 29 Oct, DYNL (JSr). **MC:** 2, SBBO, 20 Oct (EB, JCL); 2, IBSP, 2 Nov (EWW); 2, McDonald Wds FP (Lake Co) (KBy, JSk); 2, LTFP, 4 Nov (EWW). Reported in 12 locations incl 7 no. counties.

Belted Kingfisher

MC: 7, BannerM, 20 Aug (JnG); 6, Carroll, 10 Aug (KJM); 5, Moraine Hills, 5 Aug (JA, Aph, m.ob.); 5, Argyle L SP (McDonough Co), 10 Sep (ML); 5, LShel-S, 13 Sep (RBy). 4, Skokie Lagoons (Cook Co), 5 Aug (MLn). Reported in 85 counties.

Red-headed Woodpecker

MC: 30, SNF, 10 Sep (MR); 22, Thomson, 10 Aug (KJM); 22, Chau, 3 Sep (IOB, JCs, HG, EK); 16, Black Hawk Forest NP (Rock Island Co) (SMF); 15, Merwin NP (McLean Co), 3 Nov (BMy). Reported 84 counties.

Red-bellied Woodpecker

MC: 32, DeerGrove, 21 Sep (CSF); 25, Freeman Kame NP (Kane Co), 29 Oct (WL); 19, BRSE, 28 Sep (KJM, DDO). Reported in 100 counties.

Yellow-bellied Sapsucker

EA: 10 Aug (ad m), Thomson (KJM); 11 Sep, Petersburg (Menard Co) (MMn); 13 Sep, Williamson (JGd). **MC:** 14, Dam #4 Wds (Cook Co), 5 Oct (KKz); 12, McLean, 15 Oct (AG); 12, EwingP, 14 Oct (BMy). Reports: 60 Cos.

Downy Woodpecker

MC: 15, DeerGrove, 2 Oct (HT); 15, Thomson, 10 Aug (KJM); 14, Hennepin Tr (Rock Island Co) (SMF); 13, Freeman Kame NP (Kane Co), 29 Oct (WL); 13, Lyman Wds FP (DuPage Co), 28 Oct (DBC, JCl, m.ob.); 13, Lincoln Tr SP (Clark Co), 17 Sep (SLa). Reported in 98 counties.

Hairy Woodpecker

MC: 10, DeerGrove, 12 Sep (CSF); 9, Thomson, 10 Aug (KJM); 6, DWR, 17 Nov (DFS); 6, JubileeC, 17 Sep (ECn). Reported in 76 counties.

Northern Flicker

MC: 50, Sugar Grove NC (McLean Co), 30 Sep (NKs); 42, Dam #4 (Cook Co), 26 Sep (KKz); 38, MlrMdw, 29 Sept (FRM, GEN, LJK); 27, Bloom 11 Oct (TG); 13, PineHill, 5 Oct (JGI). Reported in 96 counties.

Pileated Woodpecker

MC: 5, BRSEF, 28 Sep (KJM, DDO); 4, Spears Wds (Cook Co), 19 Aug (RK); 4, Hennepin Tr (Rock Island Co), 28 Sep (SMF); 4, Sang, 9 Sep and 15 Sep (HDB); 4, Luber FinerL (Edwards Co), 30 Sep (SRt); 4, LMurphy SP, 21 Aug (LGa) & 15 Sep (DDM). Reported in 70 counties.

American Kestrel

MC: 12, CarlL-C, 28-29 Oct (DMK); 9, KaskIs, 28 Oct (JGI, KW); 8, Sang, 4 Sep (HDB); 7, Kidd Lk Marsh SNA (Monroe Co), 28 Oct (JGI, KW); 5, GreeneVal, 24 Nov (JAS); 5, McDonough, 21 Sep (KJM). Reports: 93 Cos.

Merlin

EA: 26 Jul, Fullersburg Wds (DuPage Co) (DFS); 29 Jul, Leland (DeKalb Co) (MIi); 1 Aug, NoP (CBn, GAW). **MC:** 37, FSHW, 27 Sep (KML); 36, IBHW, 15 Oct (KML, JIs, JS, PWS). **LD:** 30 Nov, Sang (MMn); 30 Nov, Champaign (ZS); 29 Nov, LaSalle (DCs). Reported in 44 counties.

Peregrine Falcon

MC: 24, FSHW, 17 Sep (AWS); 15, FSHW, 27 Sep (KML); 13, IBHW, 7 Oct (JS, PWS). Reported in 41 counties.

PRAIRIE FALCON

EA: 17 Oct, GreeneVal (JAS); 29 Oct, Coles (TDF:ph) (arrival of one at traditional wintering location). **Other:** Rte 130 at CR 100N (Douglas Co), 19 Nov (V>). Reported in 3 counties.

Monk Parakeet

MC: 32, Calumet Pk, Chi, 19 Aug (FRM); 22, Ave M, Chi, 30 Nov (KKz); 20, WolfL, 19 Nov (IOB, BSs); 16, LCal, 31 Oct (WJM); 16, Swift Rd/Great Western Tr (DuPage Co), 10 Aug (JPL, LMr, RAM). **Others:** IBSP (2), 14 Sep (CSF, CF); Kane (2), 10 Aug (RM). Reported in 4 counties.

Olive-sided Flycatcher

EA: 5 Aug, Farmdale Pk (Tazewell Co) (DHR); 6 Aug, DWR (MHB); 13 Aug, LMurphy SP (DDM); 22 Aug, Sang (HDB). **MC:** 4, CarlL-C, 2 Sep (DTW). **LD:** 28 Sep, Sang (HDB); 27 Sep, Thorn Creek NP (Will Co) (SZ); 24 Sep, Ryerson (DTo); 24 Sep, Fox River Resort (LaSalle Co) (SHt). 28 Cos.

Eastern Wood-Pewee

MC: 33, LMurphy SP, 20 Aug (LGa); 23, Henry, 23 Aug (KJM); 22, MArb, 6 Aug (DFS); 16, Lincoln Tr SP (Clark Co), 17 Sep (SLa); 16, CarlL-C, 20 Aug (DMK). **LD:** 29 Oct, Lodge Pk FP (Piatt Co) (TAM); 23 Oct, CONWR (HDr). 21 Oct, ThatcherWds (Cook Co) (JM); 20 Oct, BaileyWet-R (CLH); 17 Oct, Sang (HDB). Reported in 88 counties.

Yellow-bellied Flycatcher

EA: 25 Jul, HiddenL (DuPage Co) (MMk); 10 Aug, Red Hill SP (Lawrence Co) (CLH); 12 Aug, L Carina (Lake Co) (JRS); 16 Aug, Watershed NC (Madison Co) (MST). **MC:** 3, Richland, 5 Sep (CLH); 2, IBSP, 15 Aug (KKz); 2, Spring Bay Pk (Woodford Co), 27 Aug (MHB); 2, Crystall Pk, 24 Sep (TDF); 2, CarlL-C, 2 Sep (DTW). **LD:** 1 Oct, Petersburg (Menard Co) (MMn); 30 Sep, Willowhaven NC (Kankakee Co) (MMs). Reports: 30 Cos.

Acadian Flycatcher

MC: 20, LMurphy SP, 20 Aug (LGa); 6, Lincoln Tr SP (Clark Co), 17 Sep (SLa); 5, CONWR, 21 Aug (AHh); 5, TOT, 21 Aug (LM). **LD:** 27 Sep, ClintonL (RCn); 24 Sep (6), Clark (SLa); 24 Sep, Hennepin Tr (Rock Island Co) (SMF); 23 Sep (3), CarlL-C (KAM, DMK). Reported in 36 Cos.

Alder Flycatcher

EA: 6 Aug, Cinder Flats (Sang) (HDB); 7 Aug, Sullivan (Moultrie Co) (TDF); 19 Aug, CarlL-C (DMK); 28 Aug, Elsen's Hill (JCl, PAM, GP, RSy). **MC:** 2, L Paradise, Mattoon (Coles Co), 7 Sep (TWT); 2, Richland, 5 Sep (CLH). **LD:** 23 Sep, CarlL-C (DMK:ph); 17 Sep, Montrose (GAW); 16 Sep, Ryerson (EEd, JHu); 16 Sep, BurnidgeFP (RM). Reported in 8 counties.

Willow Flycatcher

MC: 6, Sang, 26 Aug (HDB); 4, Burgner Acres (Coles Co), 2 Sep (V>). **LD:** 29 Sep, GrantPk (DFS); 26 Sep, Lake (RAB); 10 Sep (2), Chau (KAM). Reported in 28 counties.

Least Flycatcher

EA: 14 Jul, Montrose (LGM); 15 Jul, Jarvis (LGM); 15 Jul, IBSP (SMI); 29 Jul, BaileyWet-W (CLH); 7 Aug, Carpenter Pk (Sang) (HDB). **MC:** 6, Montrose, 5 Sep (ChB); 5, Jarvis, 24 Aug (LGM); 5, Petersburg, 11 Sep (Menard Co) (MMn); 4, Sang, 5 Sep (HDB). **LD:** 14 Oct, Vernon Hills (Lake Co) (TK); 13 Oct (3), Skokie R Pr. (Lake Co) (CE); 11 Oct, Richland (CLH); 7 Oct, LSpfld (CDn); 23 Sep, CarlL-C (DMK). Reports: 39 Cos.

Eastern Phoebe

MC: 20, CarlL-C, 1 Oct (DMK); 18, BRSEF, 28 Sep (KJM, DDO); 12, Valley of Eden BS (Jo Daviess Co), 16 Oct (RA, BBD); 11, DWR, 1 Oct (ZSi); 10, Moraine View SP (McLean Co), 15 Oct (NKs). **LD:** Several seen through end of the period in Kane, Lake, Jackson, Coles and Clinton. Reported in 92 counties.

SAY'S PHOEBE

[19 Sep, LSpfld (HBD:ph). Third Sangamon record and earliest for Sangamon, if accepted.]

Great Crested Flycatcher

MC: 9, Thomson, 10 Aug (KJM); 5, McKee M, Blackwell FP (DuPage Co), 13 Aug (JCl, DMg); 7, Sang, 3 & 7 Aug (HDB). **LD:** 24 Sep (2), Healy Rd Sav, SpringCrk (HT); 24 Sep, CarlL-C (DMK); 23 Sep, Kendall (SJ). Reported in 65 counties.

Western Kingbird

EA: Havana electrical substation (Mason Co), 3-4 Aug (AGt, JGI); 6 Aug (2), HL (FRH). **MC:** 3, Upper Smith Rd (Morgan Co), 14 Aug (JGI, VSg). **LD:** 16-17 Oct, NortherlyI (ASA:ph, m.ob.). **Others:** CarlL-F, 20-21 Sep (RH, MSS, DMK); ESTL (St Clair Co), 15 Aug (KAM). Reports: 6 Cos.

Eastern Kingbird

MC: 47, GLPSNA, 16 Aug (KKz); 40, CarlL-C, 26 Aug (DMK); 25, Henry, 23 Aug (KJM); 24, Pembroke, 18 Aug (DFS); 18, WhalonL, 23 Aug (JAS). **LD:** 26 Sep, DWR (GP); 25 Sep (2), Governor's State Univ (Will Co) (LKs); 23 Sep (2), CarlL-C (DMK); 23 Sep (2), CarlL-F (KAM). 75 Cos.

Scissor-tailed Flycatcher

EA: 14 Aug, Upper Smith Rd (Morgan Co) (JGI, VSg). **MC:** 2, Havana electric substation (Mason Co), 20 Jun & 21 Jun (CAT & WH resp). **LD:** 31 Oct, Montrose (GAW, m.ob.); 28 Oct, Randolph (JGL). Reports: 3 Cos.



SCISSOR-TAILED FLYCATCHER. Montrose Point, Cook County, 31 October 2017. Photo by Ben Sanders.



NORTHERN SHRIKE. Montrose Point, Cook County, 21 October 2017. Photo by Jim Hully.

Loggerhead Shrike

LD: 25 Nov, HLCA (MHs). **Others:** Midewin, 30 Jul – 6 Aug (JLc, DKA, m.ob.); Thomson-Fulton Sand Pra NP (Whiteside Co), 7 Aug (EB); Ayers NP (Carroll Co), 23 Aug (KJM); *Mason*, 3-4 Nov & 11 Nov (DHh, SA, MJW). Singles reported in three northern counties (*Carroll*, *Whiteside* and *Will*), one central county (*Mason*), and five southern counties (*Alexander*, *Edwards*, *Jasper*, *Richland*, and *Wayne*).

Northern Shrike

EA: 20-22 Oct (imm.), Montrose (KH:ph, FRM, m.ob.); 25 Oct, IBHW (EG, JLs, AFS, AOS, JS, PWS); 1 Nov, *Wayne* (CLH:ph); 4-5 Nov, *Adams* (JMu). **MC:** 2, Springbrk, 24 Nov (JLS). **Others:** W of Gorham (Jackson Co), 15 Nov (APS); Rochelle (Lee Co), 18 Nov (JAH); LaSalle, 23 Nov (KMy:ph). Reported in 11 counties.

White-eyed Vireo

MC: 8, PineHills, 26 Sep (JGI); 8, Union Co CA, 17 Sep (HDr); 4, SBBO (JCL); 4, CarlL-C, 26 Aug (DMK:ph); 3, JubileeC (ECn). **LD:** 13 Nov, *Will* (DZ); 12 Oct, Colored Sands FP (Winnebago Co) (JCL); 10 Oct, PineHills (DLs). Reported in 44 counties.

Bell's Vireo

MC: 8, Fermi-D, 30 Aug (GP); 4, BannerM-F, 18 Aug (SZ); 3, SpringL, 27 Aug (EG); 3, *Sang*, 10 Sep (HDB). **LD:** 29 Sep, Petersburg (Menard Co) (MMn); 18 Sep, BuseyWds (DLT); 17 Sep, *Edwards* (RES); 10 Sep, Cinder Flts (*Sang*) (HDB). **Others:** CarlL-C, 20 Aug (DMK). Reported in 32 counties.

Yellow-throated Vireo

MC: 7, Lincoln Tr SP (Clark Co), 17 Sep (SLa); 6, Thomson, 10 Aug (KJM); 6, CarlL-C, 16 Sept (BDu, SHa, LJP). **LD:** 14 Oct, Carpenter Pk (*Sang*) (HDB); 12 Oct, Dan Wright Wds (Lake Co) (JRy); 9 Oct, Riis Pk, Chi (EDG). Reported in 65 counties.

Blue-headed Vireo

EA: 6 Sep, NoP (NPBW, GAW, m.ob.); 6 Sep, St Paul Wds (Cook Co) (JRS); 15 Sep, CrystalLk (BMi); 20 Sep, Oak Ridge Cem (*Sang*) (HDB); 21 Sep, Marine Heritage Pk (Madison Co) (CKo). **MC:** 5, SpringCrk, 20 Oct (AR); 4, HumboldtPk, Chi, 30 Sep (SBe); 3, Oakhurst FP (Kane Co), 5 Oct (WSr); 3, CrystalLk, 30 Sep (ZS); 3, Weldon Springs SP, 28 Sep (TH); 3, *Sang*, 8 Oct (HDB). **LD:** 5 Nov, No Name Pk (Madison Co) (BSf); 5 Nov, LaVista Pk (Madison Co) (FRH); 29 Oct, MArb (AFS); 29 Oct, CarlL-C (MSS, DMK); 23 Oct, Oak Ridge Cem (*Sang*) (HDB). Reported in 35 counties.

Philadelphia Vireo

EA: 10 Aug, Miss R (Carroll Co) (KJM); 24 Aug, MissPalis (EB); 24 Aug, Linne Wds FP (Cook Co) (JRS); 25 Aug, ScottL SAFB (St Clair Co) (CKo). **MC:** 10, Volo Bog, 3 Sep (AD, RSt); 8, FoxRidge, 22 Sep (RBy); 5, JubileeC,

24 Sep (ECn). **LD:** 13 Oct, CIPSL (CLH); 12 Oct, SBBO (JCL); 12 Oct (3 tower kills), *Sang* (HDB); 11 Oct, DeerGrove (HT); 11 Oct, *Champaign* (LML); 9 Oct, CarlL-C (DMK). Reported in 37 counties

Warbling Vireo

MC: 20, *Henry*, 23 Aug (KJM); 18, Montrose, 25 Aug (FRM); 18, Miss R (Whiteside Co), 10 Aug (KJM); 14, Crawford Co SFWA, 10 Sep (SLa); 11, Mattoon (Coles Co), 9 Sep (KRd). **LD:** 1 Oct, Pioneer Wds (Cook Co) (LSP); 29 Sep (5), CarlL-C (KAM); 22 Sep, *Sang* (HDB). Low numbers reported this season. Reported in 60 counties.

Red-eyed Vireo

MC: 19, LMurphy SP, 20 Aug (LGa); 15, Ryerson, 11 Sep (JA, LM); 15, Illini SP (LaSalle Co), 11 Sep (DFS); 15 (14 TV tower kills), *Sang*, 5 Oct (HDB). **LD:** 8 Nov, Montrose (LGM); 30 Oct (2), Franklin Grove (Lee Co) (ATg); 14 Oct (2), LLCC BBS (*Sang*) (NR). Lower numbers reported. Reported in 69 counties.

Blue Jay

MC: 200, CarlL-C, 8 Oct (DMK); 58, BRSF, 28 Sep (KJM, DDO); 57, Woodford, 27 Sep (TH); 54, *Iroquois*, 1 Oct (JRr); 53, FSHW, 26 Sep (KML); 51, DWR, 8 Oct (LJK, GEN, JRrs). Reported in 100 counties.

American Crow

MC: 450, Alton Crow Roost (Madison Co), 11 Nov (JGI, KW); 400, CarlL-C, 21 Oct (DMK); 367, Riverplex Sandbar (Tazewell Co), 9 Nov (MI); 300, LChar, 24 Nov (MZr, SZr); 285, *Sang*, 14 Nov (HDB); 150, Hyde Park, Chi, 10 Nov (JCC). Reported in 99 counties.

Fish Crow

MC: 75, TwoRivers, 31 Aug (KAM); 60, Grand Tower (Jackson Co), 21 Sep (DDM); 60, *Jackson*, 19 Sep (JGI). **LD:** 1 Nov (3), *McLean* (MJW); 1 Nov (2), Sangchris (HDB); 21 Oct (6), Easter Sl (Pulaski Co) (JGI). Reported in 18 counties.

Horned Lark

MC: 200, *Menard*, 22 Nov (BG); 110, Kaskis, 28 Oct (JGI, KW). Low numbers reported. Reported in 62 counties.

Purple Martin

MC: 200, Niota (Hancock Co), 8 Aug (DHh); 140, L Rawson (Bureau Co), 16 Aug (MAM); 135, SpringL (EG); 100, Gillson, 16 Jul (V>). **LD:** 12 Oct, *Sang* (HDB); 8 Oct, DWR (LJK, GEN, JRrs); 15 Sep (3), Charleston (Coles Co) (V>); 13 Sep (20), CypressCrk-J (KR). Reported in 49 counties.

Tree Swallow

MC: 12,000, CarlL-C, 22 Oct (DMK); 3000, LSpfld, 11 Oct (CGy); 2250, DWR, 8 Oct (CGi, GEN, JRrs). **LD:** 24 Nov, CarlL-C (DMK); 23 Nov (2), Evergreen L (McLean Co) (PA, TG); 28 Oct, Mirador Subdivision Ponds (Kane Co) (JSr); 27 Oct (15), Shabonna L (DeKalb Co) (DJS); 5 Nov, Halfmoon Is (Jackson Co) (JGI). Reported in 78 counties.



PHILADELPHIA VIREO. Grundy County, 10 September 2017. Photo by Don Blecha.



YELLOW-HEADED BLACKBIRD. Grundy Co. 30 Nov. 2017. Photo by Don Blecha.



BLACK-THROATED BLUE WARBLER. Red Hill S.P., Lawrence Co. 10 Sep. 2017. Photo by Leroy Harrison.



EASTERN BLUEBIRD. Morton Arboretum, DuPage Co. 14 Aug. 2017. Photo by Tamima Itani.



CAROLINA WREN. Goose Lake Prairie SP, 12 August 2017. Photo by Don Blecha.

Northern Rough-winged Swallow

MC: 300, Chau, 20 Aug & 10 Sep (KAM); 180, L&D 13 (KAB, JAB); 150, Oliver Rd (Winnebago Co) (DTW); 125, ECapeGir, 7 Sep (LBk); 120, KankakeePks, 1 Sep (JBH). **LD:** 12 Nov, BaileyWet-W (CLH); 30 Oct, KankakeePks (JBH); 29 Oct, Carlyle Sewage Ponds (Clinton Co) (MSS); 29 Oct, CarlL-C (DMK); 26 Oct (2), Arispie Marsh (Bureau Co) (MAM); 11 Sep (3), Sang R (Sang) (HDB). Reported in 63 counties.

Bank Swallow

MC: 1000, RendL-J, 4 Aug (DDM); 500, Chau, 26 Aug (JRk, KRk); 290, Miss R (Rock Island Co), 9 Aug (KJM); 150, Winnebago, 8 Aug (JCL). **LD:** 29 Sep, Afton FP (DeKalb Co) (DHh); 21 Sep, All American Pk (Adams Co) (JMu); 18 Sep (5), Oregon (Ogle Co) (TJ); 16 Sep (6), Sanganois SWA (Mason Co) (AGt); 13 Sep, HL (FRH). Reported in 52 counties.

Cliff Swallow

MC: 1760, Neunert Rd floodplain (Jackson Co), 21 Aug (DJA); 250, Sanganois SWA (Mason Co), 13 Aug (CDn); 250, LincPk, 4 Aug (JHn, GAW); 220, Grand Tower (Jackson Co), 21 Aug (DJA); 200, Winnebago, 4 Aug (DTW); 200, CarlL-C, 5 Aug (DMK). **LD:** 16 Oct, Eastport Marina (Tazewell Co) (MI); 13 Oct (12), CONWR (JGd); 11 Oct (2), LChar (V>); 8 Oct (4), Pere Marquette SP (Jersey Co) (QF); 3 Oct, Emiquon (SLr). Reported in 60 counties.

Barn Swallow

MC: 400, Chau, 13 Aug (CDn); 328, COLSP, 26 Aug (BJS, BYS); 300, Sanganois SWA, 13 Aug (CDn); 250, MermetL, 1 Sep (CAT). **LD:** 11 Nov, CarlL-C (DMK); 2 Nov, BaileyWet-W (CLH); 1 Nov (4), HL (FRH); 31 Oct (3), IBHW (JLs, AOS, JS); 29 Oct, Sang (HDB). Reported in 95 counties.

Carolina Chickadee

MC: 21, CarlL-C, 12 Oct (EWW); 20, Grand View (St. Clair Co), 15 Nov (ME); 16, CarlL-C, 27 Aug (DMK). Reported in 37 counties.

Black-capped Chickadee

MC: 49, Thomson, 10 Aug (KJM); 49, BRSF, 28 Sep (KJM, DDO); 45, Montrose, 26 Nov (ACu); 43, Lyman Wds (DuPage Co), 26 Oct (JCl); 31, LLCC (JM). Reported in 64 counties.

Tufted Titmouse

MC: 41, BRSF, 28 Sep (KJM, DDO); 18, Sang, 22 Sep (HDB); 18, CarlL-C, 27 Aug (DMK); 16, LMurphy SP, 20 Aug (LGA); 13, Charleston (Coles Co) (LF); 12, LSpfld, 8 Nov (JMr). Low numbers. Reported in 95 counties.

Red-breasted Nuthatch

EA: 6 Aug (2), MArb (DFS); 12 Aug, Chi (DDr, SDr); 16 Aug, StarvedRock (PSg); 29 Aug, Union Hill (Jackson Co) (JTr); **MC:** 29, Johnson Sauk Tr SP (Henry Co), 9 Oct (DBJ); 18, Van Patten Wds FP (Lake Co), 4 Nov (TBL); 12, Forbes SP (Marion Co), 31 Oct (CLH); 10, Queen of Heaven Cem (Cook Co), 11 Nov (DFS); 10, Hoover FP (Kendall Co), 3 Nov (CSs); 8, BRSF, 5 Nov (EWW). Reported in 60 counties.

White-breasted Nuthatch

MC: 24, DeerGrove, 19 Oct (CSF); 24, Lincoln Tr SP (Clark Co), 17 Sep (SLa); 19, Thomson, 10 Aug (KJM); 12, JubileeC (ECn). Reports in 94 Cos.

Brown Creeper

EA: 12 Sep, Ryerson (EEd); 28 Sep, Gremel WS (Lee Co) (SBH). **MC:** 11, Wauk, 13 Oct (NT); 10, Eggers Wds, Chi, 12 Oct (JIE, JGw); 6, Sang R Corridor Reserve (Piatt Co), 4 Nov (RV). Reported in 62 counties.

House Wren

MC: 29, Thomson, 10 Aug (KJM); 20, Burnham Pra, Chi 5 Aug (CGi); 15, GLPSNA, 16 Aug (KKz); 14, Bates Fen Bluebird Tr (McHenry Co), 5 Aug (JA); 14, Burnham Pra NP, Chi, 13 Aug (WJM, m.ob.); 14, CarlL-C, 30 Sep (DMK). **LD:** 26 Nov, Richland (CLH); 27 Oct, CarlL-F (DMK); 25 Oct, Angler's Pond (McLean Co) (TG); 22 Oct, Montrose (KKz); 22 Oct, Busey Wds (DU). Reported in 76 counties.

Winter Wren

EA: 21 Aug, Montrose (DKA); 3 Sep, MissPalis (EB); 13 Sep, Maxwell Pk (McLean Co) (RDP); 13 Sep, Bohm Wds NP (Madison Co) (NW). **MC:** 14, LaBaghWds, Chi, 17 Oct (LJK); 3, HL, 12 Nov (BJS). Reports in 45 Cos.

Sedge Wren

MC: 25, Muirhead Springs FP (Kane Co), 6 Aug (WL); 22, KankakeePks, 6 Aug (JBH). **LD:** 2 Nov (4), KankakeePks (JBH); 27 Oct, SpringCrk (CSr); 12 Oct (TV tower kill), Sang (HDB); 9 Oct, CarlL-F (DMK). Reported in 43 counties.

Marsh Wren

MC: 22, RollinsSav, 24 Sep (BSk); 8, Pine Dunes FP (Lake Co), 21 Sep (BJS); 5, Hickory Ridge (Douglas Co), 14 Oct (TDF). **LD:** 12 Nov, VoloBog (Aph, RSt); 9 Nov, CBG (AFS); 7 Nov, Fermi-D (GP). Reported in 42 counties.

Carolina Wren

MC: 15, Neunert Rd floodplain (Jackson Co), 21 Aug (DJA); LMurphy SP, 20 Aug (LGA); 14, FerneClyffe, 20 Aug (JCC); 12, LCarl-C, 29 Sep (KAM); 11, Sang, 30 Sep (HDB); 8, KankakeePks, 24 Sep (JBH). Reported in 95 counties.

Blue-gray Gnatcatcher

MC: 24, CarlL-C, 20 Aug (DMK); 18, COLSP, 26 Aug (BYS, BJS); 15, Skokie Lagoons (Cook Co), 25 Aug (IOB); 14, McKinleyWds FP, 25 Aug (JLc). **LD:** 28 Oct, VoloBog (Adn); SpringCrk, 22 Oct (CSr); 18 Oct (2), Sam DaleL SFWA (Wayne Co) (LSr). Reported in 75 counties.

Golden-crowned Kinglet

EA: 11 Sep, MArb (MN); 19 Sep (2), IBSP (AOS); 30 Sep, CrystalL Pk (ZS); 30 Sep, Heritage Pk (Champaign Co) (LMI); 30 Sep, CarlL-C (DMK). **MC:** 68, Dam #4 Wds (Cook Co), 16 Oct (KKz); 58, WashingtonPk, Chi (AAh, JCC, RFr, APy); 56, SBBO, 12 Oct (JCL); Reported in 75 counties.

Ruby-crowned Kinglet

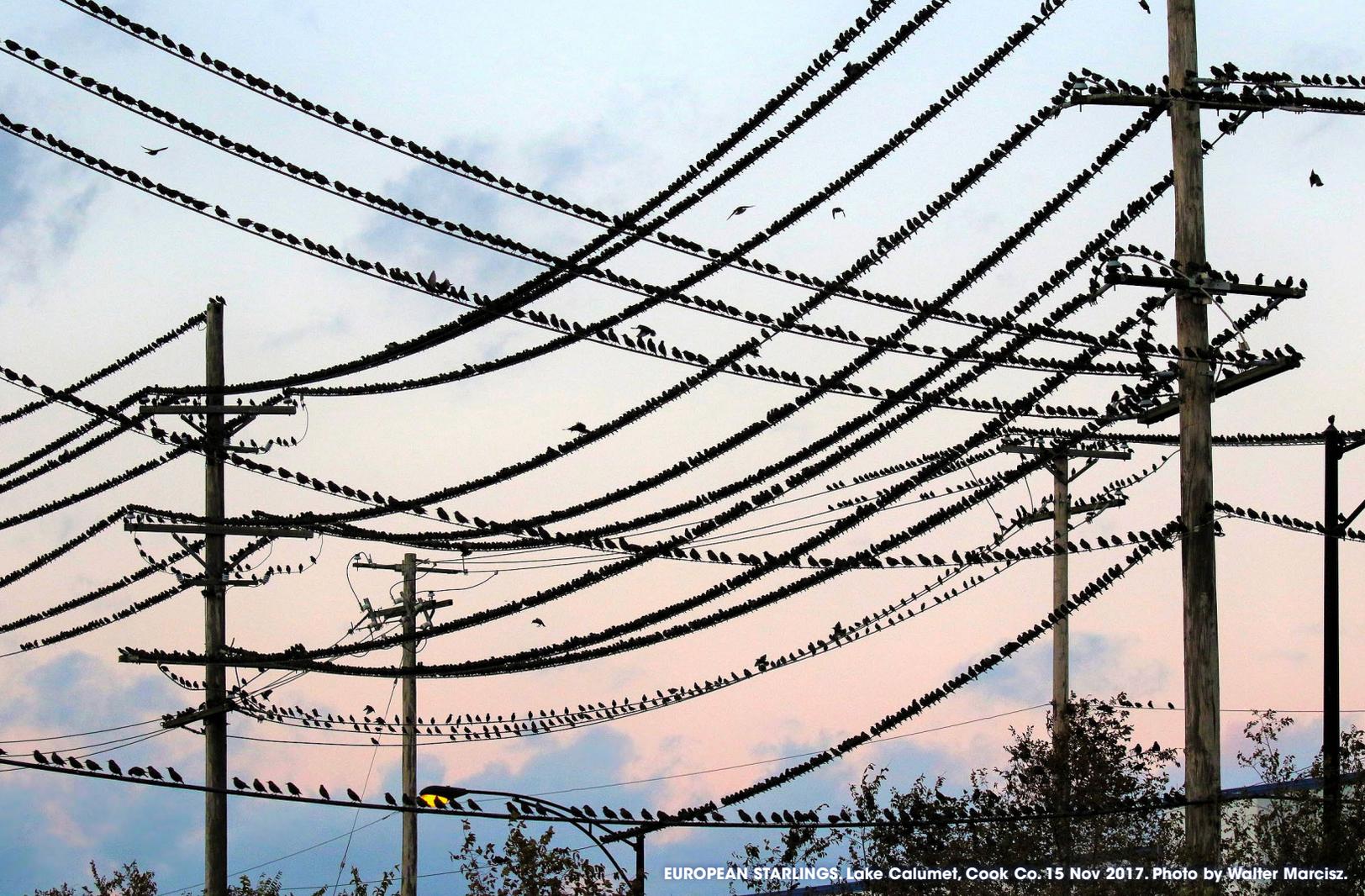
EA: 6 Sep, RockCut (DTW); 6 Sep (2), Park 538, Chi (JRS); 7 Sep, Cal Pk (WJM); 7 Sep, GrantPk (JIE, EG); 7 Sep, Montrose (ASA, LGM); 16 Sep, CarlL-C (JWE, m.ob.); 19 Sep, Sang (HDB). **MC:** 40, DeerGrove, 5 Oct (HT); 38, SBBO, 12 Oct (JCL); 30, CarlL-C, 14 Oct (DMK); 24, BRSF, 28 Sep (KJM, DDO); 23, Greene, 13 Oct (CDn); 18, LSpfld, 7 Oct (CDn). Reported in 76 counties.

Eastern Bluebird

MC: 40, Pope, 3 Nov (AP); CarlL-C, 5 Nov (DMK); 37, IBHW, 25 Oct (EG); 26, Tawny Oaks (Peoria Co), 15 Sep (MI); 22, Sang, 6 Oct (HDB). Reported in 88 counties.

Veery

EA: 23 Aug, Grant Pk (EG); 23 Aug, Sang (HDB); 24 Aug, BurnidgeFP (HD); 25 Aug, Red Hills SP (Lawrence Co) (CLH); 27 Aug, EwingP (EG); 2 Sep, Sam Dale L SFWA (Wayne Co) (JIE, EG, TWf). **MC:** 7, DuPage, 14 Sep (JSr); 3, Sang, 19 Sep (HDB); 2, No Name Pk (Madison Co), 20 Sep (BSf); **LD:** 6 Oct, GreeneVal (MAM); 1 Oct, Fermi-D (DBC, GPe, RSY, m.ob.). Reported in 23 counties.



EUROPEAN STARLINGS, Lake Calumet, Cook Co. 15 Nov 2017. Photo by Walter Marcisz.

Gray-cheeked Thrush

EA: 23 Aug, *Winnebago* (DTW); 25 Aug, Red Hills SP (Lawrence Co) (CLH); 1 Sep, Crystall Pk (MP, DLT); 1 Sep, MeadowbrkPk (JBt); 2 Sep, LaBagh Wds, Chi (CLW). **MC:** 9, *DuPage*, 14 Sep (JSr); 8, Ryerson, 17 Sep (DFS); 8, *Kane*, 6 Sep (SAC). **LD:** 20 Oct, Nelson Wds (Cook Co) (LKS); 19 Oct, California Pk, Chi (DKA); 16 Oct, DWR (DFS); 14 Oct, *Kankakee* (JBH); 12 Oct (2), CONWR (JGI). Reported in 34 counties.

Swainson's Thrush

EA: 23 Jul, Montrose (RDH); 12 Aug, Cantigny Pk (DuPage Co) (DMg, BPh); 23 Aug, Sang R FP (Champaign Co) (TAn); 24 Aug (2), LMurphy SP (DDM). **MC:** 191, *DuPage*, 14 Sep (JSr); 96, Cal Pk, Chi, 7 Sep (WJM); 45, Westchester (Cook Co), 13 Sep (DFS); 18, Crystall Pk, 19 Sep (LMI); 12, Crawford Co SFWA, 10 Sep (SLa). **LD:** 26 Oct, Chi Riverbank-Berteau to Montrose (Cook Co) (SSc); 21 Oct (2), Freeman Kame NP (Kane Co) (BA); 20 Oct, Crystall Pk (BM); 9 Oct, CarlL-C (DMK). Reported in 56 counties.

Hermit Thrush

EA: 18 Sep, JP (DLo); 20 Sep, Mattoon (Coles Co) (KRd); 30 Sep, *Sang* (HDB); 30 Sep (3), Watershed NC (Madison Co) (CKo). **MC:** 54, Dam #4 Wds (Cook Co), 5 Oct (KKz); 40, Montrose, 5 Oct (RDH); 18, SBBO, 12 Oct (JCL). Reported in 49 counties.

Wood Thrush

MC: 7, FoxRidge, 1 Aug (V>). **LD:** 8 Nov, Chi (ASA); 11 Oct, LLCC (JoGa). Reported in 38 counties.

American Robin

MC: 1089, MidSav, 21 Oct (DRD, AWS); 1073, No. Shore Channel, Chi, 17 Oct (RJD); 900, KankakeePks, 1 Nov (JBH); 210, HL (FRH). Reported in 98 counties.

Gray Catbird

MC: 33, Gremel WS (Lee Co), 2 Aug (KJM); 29, Thomson, 10 Aug (KJM); 28, Upper Moorman/Wavering Pk (Adams Co), 24 Sep (JMu); 28, BurnidgeFP, 11 Sep (WL); 26, Fermi-D, 30 Aug (GP); 18, Crawford Co SFWA, 10 Sep (SLa). **LD:** 30 Nov, Jarvis (LGM); 26 Nov, CarlL-C (DMK); 22 Nov, Distillery Rd CA (Boone Co) (JNe). Reported in 80 counties.

Brown Thrasher

MC: 11, Alhambra Firemans Pk (Madison Co), 10 Sep (CKo); 7, Jarvis, 19 Sep (JIE); 7, Lake Storey Pk, Galesburg (Knox Co) (Ahh). **LD:** 23 Nov (2), Cass (PH); 3 Nov, IIT Campus, Chi (GAW); 11 Nov, No Name Pk (Sang) (BSf). Reported in 58 counties.

Northern Mockingbird

MC: 10, Mattoon (Coles Co) (KRd); 6, St. Ellen Mine Pk, O'Fallon (St. Clair Co) (MF). Reported in 51 counties. Increasing.

European Starling

MC: 14,000, DWR, 8 Oct (LJK, GEM, JRRS); 7500, LCal, 15 Nov (WJM); 6108, QC, 21 Sep (KJM); 6000, CarlL-C, 23 Nov (DMK). Reported in 99 counties.

Cedar Waxwing

MC: 1595, Wauk, 17 Aug (AWS); 1067, IBHW, 28 Aug (JS, PWS); 660, FSHW, 10 Aug (AWS); 505, FSHW, 11 Aug (AWS); 465, *Lake*, 26 Sep (RAB); 320, KankakeePks, 22 Oct (JBH). Reported in 81 counties.

House Sparrow

MC: 300, Lombard (DuPage Co), 28 Aug (GP); 200, LincPk, 17 Oct (JNN); 200, NortherlyI, 6 Aug (CGi). 150, Roanoke Twp (Woodford Co), 30 Oct (RG); 150, QC, 8 Aug (KJM). Reported in 92 counties.

Eurasian Tree Sparrow

EA: 60, Chau, 23 Aug (CDn); 57, L&D 21, 27 Aug (JMu); 55, SpringL, 27 Aug (EG). Reported in 32 counties.

American Pipit

EA: 25 Aug, Atkinson Rd fluddle (Lake Co) (SMI); 2 Sep, Kunde Sod Farm (McHenry Co) (KWe, SM); 24 Sep (2), Emiquon (AGt); 27 Oct (2), Kaskis (KW). **MC:** 75, EForkL, 11 Nov (CLH); 47, Coles, 21 Oct (TDF); 22, ClintonL, 28 Oct (SA, MJW); 21, Wauk (DTW); 20, Ford, 7 Nov (DFS). **LD:** 30 Nov, GreeneVal (JAS); 18 Nov (8), DeWitt (DOn); 15 Nov, Little L Rd Fish Ponds (Jackson Co) (JGI). Reported in 28 counties. Seen in lower numbers this season.

House Finch

MC: 300, MlrMdw, 5 Nov (GEN); 89, MArb, 1 Oct (JDC, JyZ). Reported in 84 counties.

Purple Finch

EA: 24 Aug, Jarvis (KH); 11 Sep, FSHW (KML); 5 Oct, Kankakee (JBH); 9 Oct, Marion (BLE); 31 Oct, Sang (HDB). **MC:** 45, Colored Sands FP (Winnebago Co), 28 Oct (JCL); 24, CarlL-C, 4 Nov (DMK); 16, DYNL, 29 Oct (JSr); 16, MArb, 29 Oct (SB); 12, ClintonL, 1 Nov (MP, DT). Reported in 48 counties.

Common Redpoll

EA: 25 Oct, Montrose (DA, LGM); 25 Oct, LincPk (LGM); 26 Oct, Chi (RF:ph); 29 Oct, NoP (JPr:ph); 31 Oct, Sangchris (Sang) (HDB); 4 Nov (6), BRSF (CDn:ph); 12 Nov, Payson (Adams Co) (JMu). **MC:** 12, CBG, 30 Nov (ASJ); 12, WolfL, 24 Nov (SZ); 10, Gillson, 24 Nov (MMC). Reported in 11 counties.



HOARY REDPOLL. Chicago Botanic Gardens, Cook County, 27 November 2017. Photo by Matthew Cvetas.

HOARY REDPOLL

EA: CBG, 22 Nov - 14 Dec (AFS, MCC). Multiple reports from this sole location through Fall season.

Red Crossbill

EA: 7 Sep (4-5 juv.), Sinnissippi Pk, Sterling (Whiteside Co) (EMA); 15 Oct. (23 & 14) Grand View Point, Chestnut Mt (Jo Daviess Co) (GEN, CAT); 19 Oct (13), Speer (Stark Co) (DHh); 23 Oct, DuPage (DKa); **MC:** 92, BRSF, 5 Nov (EWW:ph); 36, Mercer, 5 Nov (EWW); 23, Grand View Point, Chestnut Mt (Jo Daviess Co), 15 Oct (GEN); 21, BRSF, 4 Nov (JPs); 20, Williamson, 14 Nov (DDM); 20, Greenwood Cem, Rckfd, 29 Oct (JNe, WR). **Others:** SRSF (5), 21 Oct (CDn); Galesburg (Knox Co), 23 Oct (JMy); SwallowCliff (8), 4 Nov (LBR); ShabbonaL (11), 6 Nov (BL). Reported in 19 counties.

White-winged Crossbill

EA: 25 Oct (2), Greenwood Cem, Rckfd (JGL); 28 Oct (2), Greenwood Cem, Rckfd (TT); 4 Nov (4), BRSF (CDn). **LD:** 3 Nov (2), IBHW (PWS). Reported in Lake and Winnebago Counties.

Pine Siskin

EA: 3 Sep, FSHW (JRS, AWS); 5 Sep, River Forest (Cook Co) (JSA); 7 Oct, Galesburg (Knox Co) (RP); 7 Oct, LSpfld (CDn); 16 Oct (5), Chauncey M (Lawrence Co) (CLH); 11 Nov, CONWR (BJS). **MC:** 185, MArb, 28 Oct (DFS); 157, IBHW, 16 Oct (KML, JLS, JS, PWS); 124, FSHW, 17 Oct (KML, JRS); 90, Montrose, 16 Oct (LV) & 18 Oct (MMC); 30, SRSF, 11 Nov (SA, MJW). **Others:** Lake, 25 Aug (JLS). Reported in 55 counties.

American Goldfinch

MC: 450, DWL, 8 Oct (LJK, GEN, JRRS); 300, DeerGrove, 15 Oct (TK); Wolf Rd Pra NP (Cook Co), 6 Oct (DFS); 160, Sang, 18 Oct (HDB). Reported in 96 counties.

Lapland Longspur

EA: 26 Sep, Montrose (GAW); 27 Sep (2), GreeneVal (JnG); 20 Nov (100), Loami (Sang) (HDB). **MC:** 400, CarlL-C, 19 Nov (DMK); 290, Livingston, 11 Nov (TH); 210, GreeneVal, 24 Nov (JAS); 200, 87th St Steel Mills, Chi, 21 Nov (AG); 200, Sang, 24 Nov (HDB); 200, NW of Fairgrange (Coles Co), 4 Nov (V>). Reported in 30 counties.

Smith's Longspur

Livingston, 11 Nov (TH). (only report).

Snow Bunting

EA: 9 Oct, Montrose (DKA); 9 Nov (2), GWWTF (BMy). **MC:** 31, GreeneVal, 6 Nov (JCL); 28, IBHW, 10 Nov (JLS, PWS); 24, JP, Chi, 21 Nov (RLS); 24, Pk No. 566, Chi, 19 Nov (CGI); 6, Eastport Marina (Tazewell Co), 23 Nov (MI); 5, Wapella (DeWitt Co), 20 Nov (AG, EG). **Others:** 25-26 Oct, Montrose (MMC, BS:ph). Reported in 10 counties.

Eastern Towhee

MC: 28, BRSF, 28 Sep (KJM, DDO); 22, Gremel WS (Lee Co), 2 Aug (KJM); 16, CarlL-C, 9 Oct (DMK); 12, BraidwoodL, 2 Aug (DZ); 12, LyonsWds FP (Lake Co), 2 Aug (DF); 11, Midewin, 21 Aug (DC); 7, Sang, 14 Aug (HDB). **LD:** Reports through end of fall season. 27 Nov, White (SS); CarlL-C (2), 26 Nov (DMK); Randolph, 26 Nov (KR); 26 Nov, Van Patten Wds (Lake Co) (JRS). Reported in 86 counties.

Spotted X Eastern Towhee

SBBO (Winnebago Co), 30 Sep (EB, JCL) and 8 Oct (EB).

American Tree Sparrow

EA: 5 Oct, LaBagh Wds, Chi (JRRS); 6 Oct, Chi lakefront (JWe); 6 Oct, Montrose (CLW); 15 Oct, Mattoon (Coles Co) (KRd); 16 Oct (2), Williamson (WG). **MC:** 65, Burlington Pra Pr (Kane Co), 25 Nov (WL); 56, Chau, 29 Nov (MHB); 45, Willowhaven NC (Kankakee Co), 21 Nov (JBH); 45, Van Patten Wds Pr (Lake Co), 5 Nov (AWS). Reported in 60 counties.

Chipping Sparrow

MC: 90, BRSF, 28 Sep (KJM, DDO); 50, Lutheran Cem (Peoria Co), 25 Oct (ECn); 40, Rock Island Tr (Peoria Co), 24 Oct (ECn); 40, CarlL-C, 3 Sep (DMK); 38, Sang, 20 Sep (HDB); 38, C'dale Res, 29 Sep (RG); 35, Dixon Springs SP (Pope Co) (HDr); 34, Mem Pk Cem, Skokie (Cook Co), 30 Sep (JMB). **LD:** 20 Nov, KankakeePks (JBH); 19 Nov, Lutheran Cem (Peoria Co) (DHR, TH); 19 Nov, Rainbow B, Chi (KH); 16 Nov (2), ScottL SAFB (St. Clair Co) (CKO); 7 Nov, North Pt (Sang) (HDB). Reported in 89 counties.

Clay-colored Sparrow

EA: 1 Sep, Bartel (PLr); 3 Sep, Air Stn Pra, Glenview (Cook Co) (HBm); 3 Sep, Rosehill Cem (MCD). **MC:** 3, Ft. Sheridan FP, 22 Sep (MPE); 2, LincPk, 2 Oct (MII); 2, Washington Pk, Chi, 20 Sep (JCC, RF); 2, GLPSNA, 17 Sep (SM). **LD:** 28 Oct, Wauk (JBy, AFS); 27 Oct, River Forest (Cook Co) (JSA); 27 Oct, Orland Grassland (MMe). Reported in 7 counties.

Field Sparrow

MC: 22, DPCA, 12 Aug (FJ); 20, Midewin, 28 Oct (WSr); 20, Tawny Oaks (Peoria Co), 20 Oct (CM); 20, TurtleheadL FP (Cook Co), 10 Sep (LBR). **LD:** 29 Nov, Montrose (ASJ); 27 Nov (7), Ballard NC (Effingham Co) (BR); 27 Nov, Ryerson (SMI, AOS); 26 Nov (2), CarlL-F (DMK); 16 Nov, WP (HDB). Reported in 77 counties.

Vesper Sparrow

EA: 20 Sep, Pra Green (Kane Co) (MW); 24 Aug, Jacob (Jackson Co)

(JTr). **MC:** 44, BRSF, 28 Sep (KJM, DDO); 14, *Mercer*, 28 Sep (KJM, DDO); 8, Charleston (Coles Co), 30 Oct (DTF); 3, *Sang*, 23 Oct (HDB); 3, CarlL-C, 5 Nov (DMK). **LD:** 8 Nov, Tawny Oaks (Peoria Co) (MHB, PF); 30 Oct, O'Fallon WTP (CKo); 29 Oct, IBHW (PWS, m.ob.). Reports: 41 counties.

Lark Sparrow

EA: 5 Aug (4), DWR (JnG); 6 Aug, Ea. of Spfld (HDB) 10 Aug, *Carroll* (KJM); 13 Aug, RockCut (IV). **MC:** 4, DWR, 5 Aug (JnG); **LD:** 28 Sep, BRSF (KJM, DDO); 9 Sep, JP (RLS); 28 Aug, Montrose (ChB); 21 Aug, Grand Tower (Jackson Co) (DJA). Reported in 8 counties.

Savannah Sparrow

EA: 24 Sep (2), *Sang* (HDB); 1 Oct (4), CarlL-F (DMK). **MC:** 40, KaskIs, 28 Oct (JGI, KW); 30, Little L Rd Fish Ponds (Jackson Co), 15 Nov (JGI); 30, Sibley CA (Ford Co), 14 Oct (SA, MJW); 27, Bartel, 28 Sep (PLr); 20, Bartel Land and Water Reserve (Marion Co), 28 Oct (PA, TG). **LD:** 26 Nov (2), Kingsbury (Bond Co) (CKo); 26 Nov, CarlL-C (DMK); 23 Nov (8), Sam Dale L (Wayne Co) (RES); 15 Nov (30), LittleL Rd Fish Ponds (Jackson Co) (JGI); 14 Nov, Loyola Pk, Chi (KH). Reported in 58 counties.

Grasshopper Sparrow

MC: 5, Petersburg (Menard Co), 13 Oct (MMn); 5, Cordova (Rock Island Co) (EB). **LD:** 16 Nov, Petersburg (Menard Co) (MMn); 26 Oct, IBSP (EWW); 9 Oct, Mineral M NP (Henry Co) (DBJ). Reported in 14 counties.

Henslow's Sparrow

MC: 9, Muirhead Springs FP (Kane Co), 6 Aug (WL); 9, Midewin, 6 Aug (KM, LS); 8, Valley of Eden BS (Jo Daviess Co), 8 Aug (RA). **LD:** 30 Oct, DYNL (BL); 25 Oct, White Oak Pk, Bloom (MJW); 20 Oct, GLPSNA (WSr). Reported in 22 counties.

LeConte's Sparrow

EA: 28 Sep (2), *Sang* (HDB); 29 Sep, WhalonL (MW). **MC:** 7, *Sang*, 9 Oct (HDB); 5, Petersburg (Menard Co), 11 Oct (MMn); 5, PrRdg-J, 12 Oct (CLH); 5, BaileyWet-W, 20 Oct (CLH); 4, Montrose, 19 Oct (ASA:ph). **LD:** 2 Nov, Douglas-Hart NC (Coles Co) (RBy); 2 Nov, Petersburg (Menard Co) (MMn); 2 Nov, Tawny Oaks (Peoria Co) (MI). **Others:** Mineral M (Henry Co) (4), 9 Oct (DBJ, APS); Rainbow B, Chi, 18 Oct (ASA); Millennium Pk, Chi (2), 19 Oct (DBJ). Reported in 24 counties. Well detected this season and in good numbers.

Nelson's Sparrow

EA: 11 Sep, CBG (AFS); 15 Sep (2), Montrose (ASA, ChB, MMC, GAW); 16 Sep, RollinsSav (AOS). **MC:** 6, Montrose, 26 Sep (SBB, MMC, FRM); 5, Pine Dunes FP (Lake Co), 30 Sep (SML). **LD:** 2 Nov, CBG (AFS); 29 Oct, Wauk (BJS); 27 Oct, Montrose (ASA); 25 Oct, White Oak Pk (McLean Co) (MJW). Reported in 12 counties.

Fox Sparrow

EA: 25 Sep, *Winnebago* (JNe); 29 Sep, Riis Pk, Chi (EDG); 29 Sep, Lyons Wds FP (Lake Co) (SML, AOS); 16 Oct, Carpenter Pk (Sang) (HDB); 22 Oct, CarlL-C (DMK). **MC:** 42, Hoover FP (Kendall Co), 5 Nov (Sjn); 34, MArb, 29 Oct (EWW); 30, Lyons Wds FP (Lake Co), 29 Oct (JBy). Reported in 51 counties.

Song Sparrow

MC: 70, MauvTerL, 8 Oct (CDn); 60, Fraker Farm (Woodford Co), 28 Oct (MEF); 57, Jelke Creek BS (Kane Co), 2 Nov (WL); 40, Midewin, 28 Oct (WSr); 40, Fermi-D, 10 Aug (GP). Reported in 88 counties.

Lincoln's Sparrow

EA: 1 Sep, Skokie Lagoons FP (Cook Co) (JRS); 2 Sep, IBSP (JRS). **MC:** 24, Burnham Pra NP, Chi, 1 Oct (CGi); 15, MauvTerL, 8 Oct (CDn). **LD:** 11 Nov, SIU Wildlife Annex & Kennel (Jackson Co) (RG); 7 Nov, Ping Tom Mem Pk, Chi (GAW); 6 Nov, LincPk (LRs, DFS); 2 Nov, BaileyWet-W (CLH). Reported in 45 counties.

Swamp Sparrow

EA: 28 Sep, Sangchris-S (HDB); 30 Sep, CarlL-C (DMK). **MC:** 65, MauvTerL, 8 Oct (CDn); 60, SteelworkersP, 25 Oct (CGi); 58, Montrose, 19 Oct (ASA); 50, BannerM, 21 Oct (ECn); 50, Schroeder NS (McLean Co), 13 Oct (JPs); 30, KaskIs, 28 Oct (JGI, KW); 30, MermetL, 28 Oct (RRd). Reported in 68 counties.



HARRIS'S SPARROW. Openlands Lakeshore Pr., Lake County, 24 November 2017. Photo by Kenny Younger.

White-throated Sparrow

EA: 30 Aug, Chi (CM); 2 Sep (3), Gremel WS (Lee Co) (SBH); 25 Sep, Petersburg (Menard Co) (MMn); 28 Sep, Bohm Wds NP (Madison Co) (DWb). **MC:** 270, NoP, 11 Oct (GAW); 155, Douglas Pk, Chi, 26 Oct (EDG, EG); 120, Tawny Oaks (Peoria Co), 27 Oct (MI); 80, CarlL-C, 28 Oct (DMK). **Other:** Savoy Club Ct (Cook Co), 28 Jul (EK). Reports: 81 Cos.

Harris's Sparrow

EA: 1 Oct, LincPk (CLW). **LD:** 26-28 Nov, Skokie (Cook Co) (ATk); 24-26 Nov, Openlands Lakeshore Pr (Lake Co) (SML, m.obs.). Reports from only 3 locations: 2 in Cook and 1 in Lake.

White-crowned Sparrow

EA: 18 Sep (2), Jarvis (LGM); 18 Sep (3), Skokie Lagoons (Cook Co) (JRS); 18 Sep, MArb (DAT); 23 Sep, *Fulton* (AGt); 29 Sep, Cinder Flats (Sang) (HDB); 19 Sep, O'Fallon (St Clair Co) (KAM). **MC:** 130, GrantPk, 17 Oct (JCmn); 85, Douglas Pk, Chi, 9 Oct (EDG); 55, MauvTerL, 8 Oct (CDn); 20, CarlL-F, 28-29 Oct (DMK); 14, HL, 12 Nov (BJS). Reported in 70 counties.

Dark-eyed Junco

EA: 9 Sep, *Lake* (RAB); 10 Sep (2), *McHenry* (EBs); 18 Sep, LincPk (LGM); 27 Sep (4), Woodlawn Cem (Champaign Co) (DSn); 5 Oct, Cinder Flts (Sang) (HDB); 6 Oct, CIPSL (CLH). **MC:** 497, LaBagh Wds, Chi, 25 Oct (JRRS); 232, Jarvis, 31 Oct (LGM); 150, North Chicago (Lake Co), 29 Oct (ENL); 142, *Sang*, 25 Oct (HDB). Reported in 87 counties.

Yellow-breasted Chat

MC: 2, SNF, 21 Aug (MHe, GP); 2, Greenspace No. Pk (Madison Co), 10 Aug (CKo). **LD:** 14 Sep, Maxwell Pk (McLean Co) (RDp); 14 Sep, Petersburg (Menard Co) (MMn); 5 Sep, Skokie Lagoons (Cook Co) (JRS). Reported in 14 counties.

Yellow-headed Blackbird

EA: 31 Jul, LincPk (GAW, JHo). **MC:** 9, GLPSNA, 30 Jul (GP, KW). **LD:** 30 Nov, *Grundy* (DBa). **Others:** Montrose, 7 Sep (JLP); DWR, 26 Sep (GP). Reported in 4 counties: *McHenry, Cook, Grundy, Putnam*.

Bobolink

MC: 219, COLSP, 26 Aug (BJS, BYS); 166, GreeneVal, 4 Sep (JAS); 110, Orland Grassland, 17 Sep (MMe); 64, Bartel, 18 Aug (PLr); 40, Sibley CA (Ford Co), 7 Sep (SA, MJW). **LD:** 16 Oct, Chauncey M (Lawrence Co) (CLH); 15 Oct, Montrose (RDH); 10 Oct, PaulDouglas (SWS); 9 Oct, SpringL (MHB); 16 Sep (2), CarlL-C (DMK). Reported in 22 counties. Only five counties where the MC was greater than 20: *Lake, Cook, DuPage, Kane, Ford*.



GOLDEN-WINGED WARBLER. Grundy Co. 10 Sep. 2017. Photo by Don Blecha.

Eastern Meadowlark

MC: 33, Muirhead Springs FP (Kane Co), 6 Aug (WL); 30, CarlL-C, 29 Oct (DMK); 23, *Will*, 18 Sep (DZ); 22, CONWR, 17 Oct (JGI); 15, Monticello Rd FS (Champaign Co), 3 Sep (TAn). **LD:** 27 Nov (6), *Will* (DZ); 26 Nov, Willowhaven NC (Kankakee Co) (JBH); 25 Nov, 87th St Steel Mills, Chi, 25 Nov (AG, EG). 25 Nov, CarlL-C (DMK). Reported in 71 counties.

Western Meadowlark

MC: 21, BRSE, 28 Sep (KJM, DDO). **LD:** 23 Nov (5), *Clinton* (DMK). **Others:** *Lee*, 2 Aug (KJM); German Valley Rd (Stephenson Co), 8 Aug (DFS); *Mercer* (7), 28 Sep (KJM, DDO); GWWTF, 5 Oct (BMy); CarlL-F (3), 14 Oct (DMK); CarlL-B, 15 Oct (DMK). Reported in eight counties: *Stephenson, Lee, Mercer, Henderson, McLean, Fayette, Bond* and *Clinton*.

Orchard Oriole

MC: 6, LChar, 3 Aug (RB); 5, Weldon Springs SP (DeWitt Co) (TH). **LD:** 11 Sept, Ryerson (JA, LM); 29 Aug, CarlL-C (CLH); 29 Aug, Scott L SAFB (St Clair Co) (CK). Reported in 28 counties.

BULLOCK'S ORIOLE

Hohlfelder Rd. (Cook Co), 22 Nov (SG).

Baltimore Oriole

MC: 32, Thomson, 10 Aug (KJM); 22, *Henry*, 23 Aug (KJM); 10, BraidwoodL, 15 Aug (JBH); 10, MArb, 10 Aug (MN, JZ); 7, ClintonL, 9 Aug (DLT); 5, ScottL SAFB, 1 Sep (CKo). **LD:** 26 Nov, Vernon Hills (Lake Co) (ECg:ph); 8 Oct, North Pt (Sang) (HDB); 27 Sep, St. Charles (Kane Co) (JLg); 20 Sep, *Madison* (JRn). Reported in 54 counties.

Red-winged Blackbird

MC: 11,283, *Rock Island*, 2 Nov (KJM); 9,000, DWR, 8 Oct (GEN, JRSS,

LJK); 5000, QC, 16 Oct (KJM); 3520, Fermi-D, 17 Sept (GP); 3203, *Sang*, 28 Oct (HDB); 1200, CarlL-C, 4 Nov (DMK). Reported in 89 counties.

Brown-headed Cowbird

MC: 3000, DWR, 8 Oct (LJK, GEN, JRSS); 2040, *Sang*, 24 Oct (HDB); 2000, CarlL-C, 17 Sep (DMK); 800, Willowhaven NC (Kankakee Co), 4 Oct (JBH); 1000, Marine Heritage Pk (Madison Co) (CKo). Reported in 70 counties.

Rusty Blackbird

EA: 16 Sep (3), Skokie Lagoons (Cook Co) (MLn); 17 Sep, McGinnis (LRe); 23 Sep (10), Watershed NC (Madison Co) (TLz); 25 Oct, Cinder Flats (Sang) (HDB). **MC:** 63, Hegewisch M, LCal, 21 Oct (WJM); 50, Hinckley (DeKalb Co), 15 Oct (DFS); 45, Willowhaven NC (Kankakee Co), 19 Nov (JBH); 40, CarlL-C, 11 Nov (DMK); 39, ScottL SAFB (St Clair Co), 7 Nov (CKo); 35, OakBot, 26 Nov (DDM). Reported in 31 counties. Declining numbers.

Brewer's Blackbird

MC: 15, Knapheide/Lyter Rd (Adams Co), 3 Nov (JMu); 10, CarlL-C, 10 Nov (DMK); 7, Exner M NP (McHenry Co), 13 Aug (AOS); 6, IBSP-S, 5 Aug (SMI, AOS); 6, Dunteman Sod Farm (Kane Co), 19 Aug (JSr); 8, Lover's Ln (Jackson Co), 4 Nov (JTr). Reported in 14 counties.

Common Grackle

MC: 75,000 DWR, 8 Oct (LJK, GEN, JRSS); 10,000, Fall Crk Overflow (Adams Co), 19 Aug (BSI); 6500, Freeman Kame NP, 29 Oct (WL); 6000, ScottL SAFB (St Clair Co) (CKo); 5000, *Sang*, 30 Oct (HDB). Reported in 76 counties.

Ovenbird

EA: 16 Aug, Grant Wds FP (Lake Co) (JRS); 19 Aug, SBBO (JCL); 23 Aug, Eggers Grove FP, Chi (SBB); 23 Aug, Montrose (KH, JGd, LMr); 23 Aug, Sang (HDB); 26 Aug, CarlL-C (DMK:ph). **MC:** 10, BuseyWds, 18 Sep (DLT); 10, Oakhurst FP (Kane Co), 5 Sep (JNn); 9, Sang, 19 Sep (HDB). **LD:** 29 Oct, Greenwood Cem, Rockford (Winnebago Co) (JNe, WR); 29 Oct, DYNL (SD); 29 Oct, Montrose (ATo). Reported in 43 counties.

Worm-eating Warbler

EA & MC: 18 Aug (3), Burden Falls (Pope Co) (HDr). **LD:** 23 Sep, Plainville (Adams Co) (JMu). **Others:** Champaign, 14 Sep (DSn); Charleston (Coles Co), 5 Sep (V>).

Louisiana Waterthrush

EA: 29 Jul, Weldon Springs SP (DeWitt Co) (DHr, TH); 2 Aug, HLCA (MH). **LD:** 21 Aug, CONWR (AHh); 19 Aug, Fall Crk Scenic Overlook SNA (BSL). Barely detected, reported in 4 counties during the period: Adams, DeWitt, Williamson and Alexander.

Northern Waterthrush

EA: 31 Jul, Jarvis (LGM); 31 Jul, Robinson Wds FP (Cook Co) (JSi); 5 Aug, JPBW (PAD, m.ob.); 5 Aug, Montrose (ARs, FRM, m.ob.). **MC:** 2, Washington Pk, Chi, 26 Sep (JCC, RFr); 6, NPBW, 6 Sep (GAW, m.ob.); 5, JP, 5 Sep (RLS); 5, Columbus Pk, Chi, 26 Aug (EDG, EG). **LD:** 14 Nov, GrantPk (DFS); 29 Oct, Perkins Wds, Evanston (Cook Co) (JMB); 13 Oct, Sang (HDB). Reported in 29 counties.

Golden-winged Warbler

EA: 23 Aug, Sang (HBD); 24 Aug, GrantPk (JIE); 24 Aug, Montrose (HBm, SBB, LMr); 24 Aug, LyonsWds FP (Lake Co) (AMc, WMc); 24 Aug, LLCC (TRg). **MC:** 11, Sang, 30 Aug (HDB); 8, BurnidgeFP (JB); 7, Mattoon (Coles Co), 6 Sep (KRd); 6, BuseyWds, 5 Sep (DLT). **LD:** 12 Oct, Petersburg (Menard Co) (MMn); 9 Oct, Carpenter's Pk (Sang) (HDB); 8 Oct, BuseyWds (JBt); 8 Oct, CarlL-C (DMK); 3 Oct, DWR (DFS). Reported in 35 counties.

Blue-winged Warbler

EA: 12 Aug (5), Castle Rock SP (Ogle Co) (CPo); 24 Aug, Sang (HDB). **MC:** 5, Castle Rock SP (Ogle Co), 12 Aug (CPo); 4, Hickory Grove (McHenry Co), 9 Sep (APh); 4, Sang, 5 Sep (HDB); 3, Sang R FP (Champaign Co), 23 Aug (TAn); 3, LOW, 31 Aug (TAn); 3, AllertonPk, 6 Sep (TAn); 3, Crawford Co SFWA (Crawford Co), 10 Sep (SLa). **LD:** 29 Sep, LRen (DHh); 28 Sep, Henderson (KJM, DDO); 26 Sep, River Tr NC (Cook Co) (BW); 26 Sep, FoxRidge (TDF); 24 Sep, BohmWds NP (DWb). Reported in 31 counties.

Brewster's Warbler

MeadowbrkPk (m backcross), 4 Sep (RDD); LinGds (Sang) (m backcross), 10 Sep (HDB).

Lawrence's Warbler

Red Hill SP (Lawrence Co), 25 Aug (CLH).

Black-and-white Warbler

EA: 30 Jul, Techny Basin CA, Glenview (Cook Co) (MLn); 5 Aug, CarlL-C (DMK); 10 Aug, Jarvis (ASA, LGM); 12 Aug (2), LOW (WRn). **MC:** 16, CarlL-C, 9 Sep (DMK); 13, FoxRidge, 22 Sep (RBy); 11, Crawford Co SFWA (Crawford Co), 10 Sep (SLa); 9, BuseyWds, 18 Sep (DLT); 9, Sang, 19 Sep (HDB); 9, CrystalLk, 24 Sep (TDF); 6, Montrose, 26 Sep (JNN). **LD:** 14 Oct, Edwards (RES); 13 Oct, CrystalLk (BMi); 9 Oct, Johnson Sauk Tr SP (Henry Co) (DBJ); 9 Oct, Montrose (DL0, MRs); 9 Oct, Limestone Pk (Kankakee Co) (MMs); 9 Oct, CarlL-C (DMK); Reported in 63 counties.

Prothonotary Warbler

MC: 6, CRSNA, 22 Aug (MR); 3, Sang, 24 Aug (HDB); 3, CarlL-C, 2 Sep (DTW). **LD:** 12 Oct, SNF-S (CD); 8 Oct, North Pt (Sang) (HBD); 17 Sep, CarlL-C (DMK:ph); 9 Sep (2), CRSNA (JGI); 1 Sep, McHenry (McHenry Co) (KW, SM). Reported in 21 counties.

Tennessee Warbler

EA: 11 Aug, Montrose (TI); 12 Aug (2), Castle Rock SP (Ogle Co) (CPo); 21 Aug, Kankakee (JBH); 23 Aug, Edwards (RES). **MC:** 50, Spring Bay Pk (Woodford Co), 3 Sep (MHB, PF); 32, Moraine Hills, 25 Aug (LM);

28, Sang, 30 Aug (HDB); 16, CarlL-C, 20 Sep (DMK). **LD:** 6 Nov, LSpfld (JMr); 29 Oct, Perkins Wds (Cook Co) (JMB); 29 Oct, JP (ASA); 29 Oct, W DuPage Wds (DuPage Co) (LY). Reported in 65 counties.

Orange-crowned Warbler

EA: 6 Sep (2), Charleston (Coles Co) (V>); 7 Sep, Montrose (AFS); 10 Sep, Edinburg (Christian Co) (DHh); 27 Sep (2), Hunter L Pond (Sang) (HDB). **MC:** 18, Douglas Pk, Chi, 26 Oct (EG, EDG); 15, Montrose, 13 Oct & 21 Oct (KKz); 13, MauvTerL (CDn). **LD:** 23 Nov, EvergreenL (McLean Co) (PA, TG); 22 Nov, Oakhurst FP (Kane Co) (WSr); 21 Nov, Montrose (LGM). Reported in 45 counties.

Nashville Warbler

EA: 13 Aug, Jarvis (LGM); 23 Aug, NPBW (GAW, m.ob.); 23 Aug, Quarry Pond, Batavia (Kane Co) (BA); 24 Aug, RSP (Sang) (HDB). **MC:** 45, Washington Pk, Chi, 24 Sep (JCC, RF); 15, Whistler Wds FP, Chi, 24 Sep (ASA); 10, Angler's Pond (McLean Co), 12 Oct (PA); Ryerson, 24 Sep (JPL). **LD:** 29 Nov, BurnidgeFP (DTW); 28 Nov, Jarvis (LGM); 7 Nov, CIPSL (CLH); 4 Nov, LLCC BBS (NR). Reported in 56 counties.

Connecticut Warbler

EA: 24 Aug, Elburn FP (Kane Co) (JNn); 3 Sep, Montrose (RDH); 3 Sep, LaBagh Wds, Chi (ATo). **MC:** 2, Old School FP (Lake Co), 6 Sep (JSk). **LD:** 13 Oct, Norris Wds NP (Kane Co) (Mii); 10 Oct, Urbana (RDD); 8 Oct, CarlL-C (DMK); 5 Oct, Salt Crk (DFS); 30 Sep, LaBagh Wds, Chi (JRRS); 29 Sep, DeerGrove (CSF, CF); 29 Sep, Montrose (LGM). Reports: 12 Cos.

Mourning Warbler

EA: 14 Aug, The Grove, Glenview (Cook Co) (JRS); 15 Aug, LaBagh Woods FP, Chi (JRS); 25 Aug, Douglas-Hart NC (Coles Co) (RBy), 7 Sep RSP (Sang) (HDB). **MC:** 2, Ryerson, 15 Sep (JRS); 2, Skokie Lagoons (Cook Co), 15 Sep (JRS); 2, Pk 538, Chi, 6 Sep (JRS); 2, Jarvis, 31 Aug (ASA). **LD:** 10 Oct (imm), Cinder Flts (Sang) (HDB); 9 Oct, Coal Miner's Tr., Minonk (Woodford Co) (TH); 3 Oct, Chi (JCC, APy). Reported in 15 counties.

Kentucky Warbler

EA: 16 Aug, Wabash (KM); 21-22 Aug, SNF (MM, GP); 21 Aug, CONWR (AHh); 24 Aug, PineHills (JGI); 28 Aug, Waltonville (Jefferson Co) (DDM); 30 Aug (2), FoxRidge (RBy). **LD:** 27 Sep, Kankakee (JBH); 18 Sep, CONWR (KR); 10 Sep, Izaak Walton Pr, Homewood (Cook Co) (PLr). Reported in 10 counties.

Common Yellowthroat

MC: 37, Gremel WS (Lee Co), 2 Aug (KJM); 26, DWR, 1 Sep (KH); 25, COLSP, 3 Sep (BJS); 24, Muirhead Springs FP (Kane Co), 6 Aug (WL); **LD:** 25 Nov, 87th St Steel Mills, Chi (AG, EG, AH); 11 Nov, Glenn Green OSL (Boone Co) (JNe); 4 Nov, Jarvis (CAT); 14 Oct, Carpenter Pk (Sang) (HDB); 14 Oct, CarlL-C (DMK); 14 Oct, NewtonL (RES). Reports: 75 Cos.

Hooded Warbler

LD: 13 Oct (f), Carpenter Pk (Sang) (HDB:ph); 8 Oct (2), BuseyWds (JBt:ph, RV); 21 Sep, DeerGrove (CSF); 19 Sep, Half Day FP (Lake Co) (JA, LM). Reported in 9 counties.



LAWRENCE'S WARBLER. Red Hill S.P, Lawrence County, 26 August 2017. Photo by Leroy Harrison.



BLACK-THROATED BLUE WARBLER. Montrose, Cook County, 12 September 2017. Photo by Tamima Itani.

American Redstart

EA: 29 Jul, Skokie Lagoons (Cook Co) (JB); 30 Jul, TwoRivers (AG, EG, TWf); 30 Jul, Daniel Wright Wds (Lake Co) (GP); 30 Jul, Hennepin Tr (Rock Island Co) (SMF); 15 Aug, RSP (Sang) (HDB). **MC:** 31, CrystalLk, 16 Sep (MPi); 30, Crawford Co SFWA (Crawford Co), 10 Sep (SLa); 30, CarlL-C, 10 Sep (DMK); 23, Kelsey Lk (Rock Island Co) (MLe). **LD:** 30 Oct, LinGds (Sang) (HDB); 17 Oct, Jarvis (ChB); 15 Oct (2), DeerGrove (HT); 14 Oct, EwingP (BMy, JPs); 13 Oct, KinkaidL (JGI). Reports: 70 Cos.

Cape May Warbler

EA: 22 Aug, LincPk (LGM); 23 Aug, Montrose (MMC), 26 Aug, CarlL-C (DMK); 30 Aug, Spring Bay Pk (Woodford Co) (MHB). **MC:** 6, WashingtonPk, Chi, 20 Sep (JCC, RF); 5, EvergreenL (McLean Co), 13 Sep (JPs); 3, Mionok (Woodford Co), 15 Sep (DHh). **LD:** 16 Oct, Dam #4 Wds (Cook Co) (KKz); 15 Oct, Washington (Tazewell Co) (MZ, SZ); 15 Oct, Downer's Grove (DuPage Co) (CP); 14 Oct, CarlL-C (DMK). Reported in 30 counties.

Cerulean Warbler

MissPalis, 24 Aug & 3 Sep (EBn).

Northern Parula

MC: 8, CarlL-C, 24 Sep (DMK); 6, Crawford Co SFWA (Crawford Co), 10 Sep (SLa); 5, Crystal Lk, 19 Sep (LMI); 5, Kelsey L (Rock Island Co), 3 Sep (MLe). **LD:** 20 Oct, North Pt (Sang) (HDB); 12 Oct, Bristol (Kendall Co) (JV); 12 Oct, Angler's Pond (McLean Co) (PA); 12 Oct, CrystalLk (LMI); 12 Oct, LOW (ThA). Reported in 38 counties.

Magnolia Warbler

EA: 20 Aug, Baker Wds FP (Kendall Co) (DFS); 23 Aug, LincPk (HBm, ChB, LJ, LGM); 24 Aug, RSP (Sang) (HDB). **MC:** 30, CarlL-C, 10 Sep (DMK); 23, Crawford Co SFWA (Crawford Co), 10 Sep (SLa); 21, JP, 26 Sep (RLS); 18, SBBO, 23 Sep (JCL); 15, Sang, 19 Sep (HDB). **LD:** 29 Oct, JP (Jct, SH, TWf); 29 Oct, Oldfield Oaks FP (DuPage Co) (PC); 14 Oct, Sang (HDB). Reported in 65 counties.

Bay-breasted Warbler

EA: 23 Aug, GrantPk (EG); 23 Aug, Northwestern Univ, Evanston (Cook Co) (TI); 25 Aug, Bemis Wds (Cook Co) (DFS); 27 Aug, Coal Miner's Tr, Minonk (Woodford Co) (PA); 27 Aug, CarlL-C (MST). **MC:** 16, CrystalLk, 16 Sep (ZS); 12, Douglas-Hart NC, 13 Sep (RBy). **LD:** 15 Oct, Montrose (LV); 15 Oct, Spfd (HDB); 14 Oct, Kankakee (JBH); 12 Oct (4), CrystalLk (LMI); 8 Oct, CarlL-C (DMK). Reported in 42 counties.

Blackburnian Warbler

EA: 18 Aug, Burden Falls (Pope Co) (HDr); 19 Aug, Fall Crk Scenic Overlook SNA (Adams Co) (BSI); 24 Aug, RSP (Sang) (HDB); 25 Aug, ScottL SAFB (St Clair Co) (CKo). **MC:** 9, Elsen's Hill (PAM); 7, Skokie Lagoons (Cook Co), 25 Aug (IOB); 6, Lyons Wds (Lake Co), 27 Aug (SML); 5, Spring Bay Pk (Woodford Co), 3 Sep (MHB, PF); 5, SRSF, 3 Sep (SA, MJW); 4, CarlL-C, 16 Sep (MT). **LD:** 13 Oct, Marine Pt (Sang) (HDB); 12

Oct, Heritage Pk (Champaign Co) (DWe); 8 Oct, BuseyWds (LMI); 4 Oct (2), Tawny Oaks (Peoria Co) (MI); 3 Oct, Montrose (KH); 1 Oct, CarlL-C (DMK). Reported in 45 counties.

Yellow Warbler

EA: 1 Aug, Marine Pt (Sang) (HDB). **MC:** 13, Wauk, 3 Aug (BJS); 10, Miss R (Whiteside Co), 10 Aug (KJM). **LD:** 27 Sep, Montrose (DKA); 21 Sep, Heritage Pk (Champaign Co) (LMI, DU). Reported in 35 counties.

Chestnut-sided Warbler

EA: 13 Aug, RockCut (IV); 19 Aug, Evanston (Cook Co) (JRS); 19 Aug, Jarvis (LGM); 19 Aug, LaSalle (DCs); 19 Aug (2), SBBO (JCL); 19 Aug, RSP (Sang) (HDB). **MC:** 14, Sang, 19 Sep (HDB); 10, FoxRidge, 22 Sep (RBy); 10, CarlL-C, 10 Sep (DMK); 9, JP, 26 Sep (RLS); 7, Crawford Co SFWA (Crawford Co), 10 Sep (SLa). **LD:** 19 Nov, Quincy (Adams Co) (BSI); 29 Oct, JP (ASA); 16 Oct, Carpenter Pk (Sang) (HDB); 14 Oct, Tazewell (JoS); 14 Oct, McLean (MEF). Reported in 49 counties.

Blackpoll Warbler

EA: 19 Aug (2), Evanston (JRS); 19 Aug, Skokie Lagoons (Cook Co) (JRS); 23 Aug, Champaign (ZS); 10 Sep, CarlL-F (DMK:ph); 12 Sep, North Pt (Sang) (HDB). **MC:** 28, NoP, 6 Sep (NPBW, GAW, m.ob.); 16, WashingtonPk, Chi, 2 Sep (JCC, RF); 8, Kankakee, 13 Sep (JBH). **LD:** 26 Oct, Montrose (RDH); 21 Oct, Lyons Wds FP (Lake Co) (AFS); 17 Oct (2), Quarry Pk, Batavia (Kane Co) (BA); 7 Oct, KankakeePks (JBH). Reported in 34 counties.

Black-throated Blue Warbler

EA: 27 Aug, Thatcher Wds (Cook Co) (RAM); 28 Aug, Elsens Hill (PAM); 1 Sep, Carroll (EB); 1 Sep, River Forest (Cook Co) (JSA); 3 Sep, Moraine View SP (McLean Co) (DOn). **MC:** 3, Montrose, 23 Sep (MK); 3, ThornCreek NP (Will Co), 23 Sep (SZ); 3, PerkinsWds (Cook Co), 1 Oct (TI). **LD:** 22 Oct, Montrose (NKO); 20 Oct, SBBO (EB, JCL); 15 Oct, McLean (AG). **Others:** Lurie Garden, Chi, 3 Oct (DBJ); Red Hill SP (Lawrence Co), 10 Sep (CLH); CarlL-C, 30 Sep - 1 Oct (DMK:ph). Reported in 20 counties.

Palm Warbler

EA: 23 Aug, Montrose (HB, MMC, FRM); 23 Aug, RockCut (SGT); 5 Sep, Angler's Pond (McLean Co) (PA, TG); 13 Sep, CarlL-C (DMK, KAM). **MC:** 75, NortherlyI, 29 Sep (JLg); 74, JP, 26 Sep (RLS); 68, Douglas Pk, Chi, 12 Oct (EDG); 49, Sang, 11 Oct (HDB); 40, EvergreenL (McLean Co), 10 Oct (PA). **LD:** 21 Nov, McCormick NA, Burnham Pk (Cook Co) (ASA); 12 Nov, BaileyWet-R (CLH); 11 Nov, Loyola Pk, Chi (KKz). Reports: 56 counties.

"Yellow" Palm Warbler (Eastern)

Chi, 6 Nov (LGM:ph).

Pine Warbler

EA: 6 Aug (juv), Wauk (AWS) (presumed migrant); 11 Aug, IBSP (Lake Co) (JRS); 6 Sep, Red Hill SP (Lawrence Co) (CLH). **MC:** 5, Lincoln Trail SP (Clark Co), 17 Sep (SLa). **LD:** 2 Nov, CONWR (RPI); 28 Oct, CarlL-C



"YELLOW" PALM WARBLER. Chicago, Cook County, 6 November 2017. Photo by Luis Munoz.

(DMK); 19 Oct, CypressCrk-P (RSr); 17 Oct, JP (DLy); 13 Oct, Fraker Farm (Woodford Co) (MEF); 5 Oct, Red Hill SP (Lawrence Co) (CLH); 4 Oct, Raceway Wds FP (EES). Reported in 28 counties.

Yellow-rumped Warbler

EA: 23 Aug, SteelworkersP (SBB); 4 Sept (2), Sugar Crk Cem (Iroquois Co) (JRR); 1 Sept, MermetL (CAT). **MC:** 132, CarlL-C, 13 Oct (EWW); 120, Evergreen L (McLean Co), 11 Oct (JPs). Reported in 82 counties.

Yellow-throated Warbler

MC: 4, ClintonL, 30 Sept (KR); 4, CarlL-C, 16 Sep (DMK:ph). **LD:** 8 Oct, CarlL-C (DMK); 1 Oct, Salt Crk (DFS). Reported in 24 counties.

Prairie Warbler

LD: 26 Sep, CONWR (JTr); 22 Sep, FoxRidge (V>); 18 Sep, Urbana (RDD); 6 Sep, Violet Patch Pk (Kendall Co) (CSs); 21 Aug, Midewin (DC). Reported in 7 counties.

Black-throated Green Warbler

EA: 30 Jul, CarlL-C (CLH); 11 Aug, LincPk (LGM); Isle a la Cache FP (Will Co) (CG); 26 Aug (2), CarlL-C (DMK); 26 Aug, EwingP (PA, WH, BMy, JPs); 26 Aug, Watershed NC (Madison Co) (FRH). **MC:** 12, CarlL-C, 24 Sep (DMK); 11, Lincoln Tr SP (Clark Co), 17 Sept (SLa); 9, Thorn Creek NP (Will Co) (SZ); 8, Sang, 15 Sep (HDB). **LD:** 3 Nov, Will (DZ); 29 Oct, BuseyWds (DU); 21 Oct, Sang (HDB); 16 Oct, HL (MFu). Reported in 65 counties.

Canada Warbler

EA: 12 Aug, Red Hill SP (Lawrence Co) (CLH); 23 Aug (2), Washington Pk, Chi (RF, JCC); 23 Aug, Montrose (MMC); 23 Aug, LincPk (CB, TWf, GAW); 23 Aug, Quarry P (Kane Co) (BA); 23 Aug, KankakeePks (JBH). **MC:** 3, EwingP, 26 Aug (BMu); 2, Yorkville (Kendall Co) (EH). **LD:** 5 Oct, DeerGrove (HT); 27 Sep, Bohm Wds NP (Madison Co) (DWb); 26 Sep, JP (RS). Reported in 25 counties.

Wilson's Warbler

EA: 19 Aug, Jarvis (LGM); 23 Aug (2), Sang R FP (Champaign Co) (TA); 4 Sep, Patriots Pk (Bond Co) (CK). **MC:** 7, NoP, 6 Sep (NPBW, GAW, m.ob.); 6, Univ of IL Arboretum (Champaign Co), 1 (BM). **LD:** 14 Oct, CrystalLk (ZS); 14 Oct, Weaver Pk (Champaign Co) (DS); 8 Oct, Rock Run RP (Will Co) (JLu). Reported in 39 counties.

Summer Tanager

MC: 8, LMurphy SP, 20 Aug (LG); 4, Lincoln Tr SP (Clark Co), 17 Sept (SLa); 4, Tawny Oaks (Peoria Co), 6 Sep (MI). **LD:** 20 Oct, CrystalLk (BM); 14 Oct, Poverty Point (Coles Co) (RBy); 9 Oct (3), CarlL-C (DMK); 5 Oct, River Forest (Cook Co) (JSA). Reported in 48 counties (increase from 37 counties in 2016).

Scarlet Tanager

MC: 5, Sternes Wds NP (McHenry Co), 7 Aug (CPo). **LD:** 14 Oct, Crystal Lk (ZS); 14 Oct, Sang (HDB); 13 Oct, Anglers Pond (McLean Co) (MJW); 13 Oct, Holiday Pk (McLean Co) (TG); 9 Oct, Dam No. 4 Wds (Cook Co) (KKz); 9 Oct, River Forest (Cook Co) (JSA); 9 Oct, Crabtree NC (Cook Co) (MD). Reported in 39 counties.

Northern Cardinal

MC: 83, GreeneVal, 12 Nov (MAM); 40, CarlL-C, 29 Oct (DMK); 36, Gremel WS (Lee Co), 2 Aug (KJM); 30, War Bluff WS (Pope Co), 28 Aug (FF, SLI); 25, No Name Park (Madison Co), 24 Oct (BSf). Reported in 97 counties.

Rose-breasted Grosbeak

MC: 16, Heritage Pk (Champaign Co), 21 Sept (DU); 10, Maple Grove FP (DuPage Co), 4 Oct (KL); 10, Sang, 20 Sep (HDB). **LD:** 28 Nov, Jarvis (LGM); 23 Nov, Carroll (EB); 26 Oct, Douglas Pk, Chi (EDG, EG); 26 Oct, Izaak Walton Pr (Cook Co) (PLr); 25 Oct, Skokie Lagoons (Cook Co) (JRS). Reported in 56 counties.

Blue Grosbeak

MC: 13, Neunert Rd floodplain (Jackson Co), 21 Aug (DJA); 6, CarlL-C, 5 Aug (DMK); 5, LostMound, 4 Sept (EB); 5, Sang, 4 Sep (HDB). **LD:** 22 Oct, CONWR (JG); 26 Sept, Mattoon (Coles Co) (KRd); 30 Sept, Luber



BLUE GROSBEEK. Goose Lake Prairie SP, 12 August 2017. Photo by Don Blecha.

Finer L (Edwards Co); 16 Sep, CarlL-B (DMK); 20 Sep, Scott (DHh). **Others:** MArb (3), 6 Aug (DFS), *Rock Island* (4) (2 ad m, 1 imm, 1 unk), 10 Aug (KJM); Emiquon (3), 19 Aug (CAT); IBSP-S (2), 18 Aug (DF). Reported in 46 counties.

Indigo Bunting

MC: 41, DWR, 11 Aug (DFS); 28, Chicago Portage Wds (Cook Co), 2 Sept (LRe); 30, Sahara Wds SFWA (Saline Co), 2 Aug (KR). **LD:** 2 Nov, Douglas-Hart NC (Coles Co) (RB); 28 Oct, Lyons Wds (Lake Co) (JBy); 27 Oct, CarlL-F (DMK:ph); 24 Oct, LLCC (TR). Reported in 90 counties.

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MC: 40, McLean, 7 Aug (JPs); 12, Sanganois SWA (Mason Co), 13 Aug (CDn); 12, Finrock SHA (DeWitt Co), 5 Aug (TG, PA); 12, Neunert Rd floodplain (Jackson Co), 21 Aug (DJA); 12, Orland Grasslands (Cook), 14 Aug (MMe). **LD:** 21 Oct, PrRdg-J (CLH); 15 Oct, Burnham Pk, Chi (CLW, GAW); 14 Oct, Hickory Ridge (Douglas Co) (TDF); 14 Oct, Sibley Grove (Ford Co) (MJW, SA); 14 Oct, Jersey (KSh). Reported in 51 counties.

EXOTICS

European Goldfinch

MC: 9, Wauk, 9 Oct (DF); 8, Independence Grove FP (Lake Co), 13 Nov (SMI). All reports from Lake Co.

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EASTERN TOWHEE feeding **BROWN-HEADED COWBIRD**.
Gremel W.S., Lee Co. 2 July 2017. Photo by Stephen Hager.



OVENBIRD. South Shore S.P., Clinton Co.
24 Sep. 2017. Photo by Dan Kassebaum.



CONNECTICUT WARBLER. Dresden Locks,
Grundy Co. 10 Sep. 2017. Photo by Don Blecha.

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