

## SPRING SPECIES COUNT

This year, the weather was nearly perfect for the Spring Species Count. After a long, mostly cold spring, the dry and mild temperatures were welcomed. Some of the highlights of the day include the large numbers of Baltimore Orioles and Indigo Buntings observed. That continued as many people reported larger than normal numbers of those birds at their feeders. It has been a colorful spring! The cool spring may have delayed the migration of some water fowl. At Green Island, some of the ducks that should have left long ago were still around. It was fun to see American Wigeon, Gadwall, Bufflehead and Ruddy Ducks still around. It was a good year for warblers and Eagle Point Park in Dubuque was a hot spot. Eagle Point is always good for warbler migration and easily accessed. We observed a total of 142 species. The list follows.

Pied-billed Grebe	Warbling Vireo
Horned Grebe	Red-eyed Vireo
American White Pelican	Blue Jay
Double-crested Cormorant	American Crow
American Bittern	Horned Lark
Great Blue Heron	Purple Martin
Great Egret	Tree Swallow
Green Heron	N Rough-winged Swallow
Turkey Vulture	Bank Swallow
Canada Goose	Cliff Swallow
Trumpeter Swan	Barn Swallow
Wood Duck	Black-capped Chickadee
Gadwall	Tufted Titmouse
American Wigeon	Red-breasted Nuthatch
Mallard	White-breasted Nuthatch
Blue-winged Teal	House Wren
Northern Shoveler	Ruby-crowned Kinglet
Canvasback	Blue-gray Gnatcatcher
Redhead	Eastern Bluebird
Ring-necked Duck	Swainson's Thrush
Lesser Scaup	Wood Thrush
Bufflehead	American Robin
Hooded Merganser	Gray Catbird
Ruddy Duck	Brown Thrasher
Osprey	European Starling
Bald Eagle	Blue-winged Warbler
Sharp-shinned Hawk	Golden-winged Warbler
Cooper's Hawk	Tennessee Warbler
Red-shouldered Hawk	Orange-crowned Warbler
Broad-winged Hawk	Nashville Warbler
Red-tailed Hawk	Northern Parula
American Kestrel	Yellow Warbler
Ring-necked Pheasant	Yellow-rumped Warbler
Wild Turkey	Blk-throated Green Warb.
Sora	Blackburnian Warbler

Common Moorhen	Yellow-throated Warbler
American Coot	Palm Warbler
Sandhill Crane	Cerulean Warbler
Killdeer	Black-and-White Warbler
Greater Yellowlegs	American Redstart
Lesser Yellowlegs	Prothonotary Warbler
Solitary Sandpiper	Ovenbird
Spotted Sandpiper	Northern Waterthrush
Semipalmated Sandpiper	Common Yellowthroat
Least Sandpiper	Wilson's Warbler
Pectoral Sandpiper	Scarlet Tanager
Dunlin	Eastern Towhee
Short-billed Dowitcher	Chipping Sparrow
Long-billed Dowitcher	Field Sparrow
Ring-billed Gull	Vesper Sparrow
Herring Gull	Savannah Sparrow
Forster's Tern	Henslow's Sparrow
Black Tern	Song Sparrow
Rock Pigeon	Swamp Sparrow
Mourning Dove	White-throated Sparrow
Whip-poor-will	White-crowned Sparrow
Chimney Swift	Northern Cardinal
Ruby-throated Hummingbird	Rose-breasted Grosbeak
Belted Kingfisher	Indigo Bunting
Red-headed Woodpecker	Bobolink
Red-bellied Woodpecker	Red-winged Blackbird
Downy Woodpecker	Eastern Meadowlark
Hairy Woodpecker	Yellow-headed Blackbird
Northern Flicker	Common Grackle
Pileated Woodpecker	Brown-headed Cowbird
Eastern Wood-Pewee	Orchard Oriole
Least Flycatcher	Baltimore Oriole
Eastern Phoebe	Purple Finch
Great-crested Flycatcher	House Finch
Eastern Kingbird	American Goldfinch
Yellow-throated Vireo	House Sparrow



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