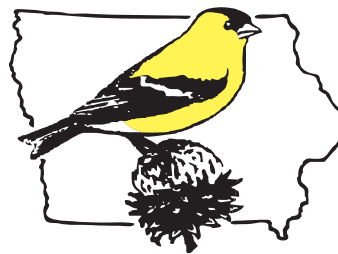


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Morning field trips at the spring meeting will include Wildcat Den State Park in Muscatine County. Photo by P. Hertzell.

## IOU 2010 Spring Meeting Bettendorf, Iowa – April 30 - May 2, 2010

The Iowa Ornithologists' Union Spring Meeting will be held April 30-May 2, 2010 in Bettendorf, Iowa. Our hosts for the meeting will be the Quad Cities Audubon Society. All meeting activities will take place at the Ramada Inn in Bettendorf.

The Quad Cities area is known for excellent woodland birding and of course, the Mississippi River. This meeting should be timed to take advantage of both as the first of the warblers and other neotropical migrants will just be arriving, while the tail end of the

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## Chickadee Check-off" ( Fish and Wildlife Fund )

April 15th. Abe Lincoln died. The Titanic sank. We deal with the IRS. Thankfully, there is a bright spot to this otherwise inauspicious date on the calendar. Via the "Chickadee Check-off", Iowa birders can designate a portion of their Form 1040 tax refund to the Wildlife Diversity Program, which promotes conservation of non-game wildlife. Initially established in 1981, this fund remains an important source of revenue for the WDP, but voluntary donations have decreased substantially in recent years.

One of the co-editors of IOU News was born on April 15th. Checking off the "Fish and Wildlife" line on his 1040 is a welcome feel-good experience on this otherwise somber day.

More information about the Wildlife Diversity Program can be found at: [www.iowadnr.gov/wildlife/diversity/funding/html](http://www.iowadnr.gov/wildlife/diversity/funding/html)

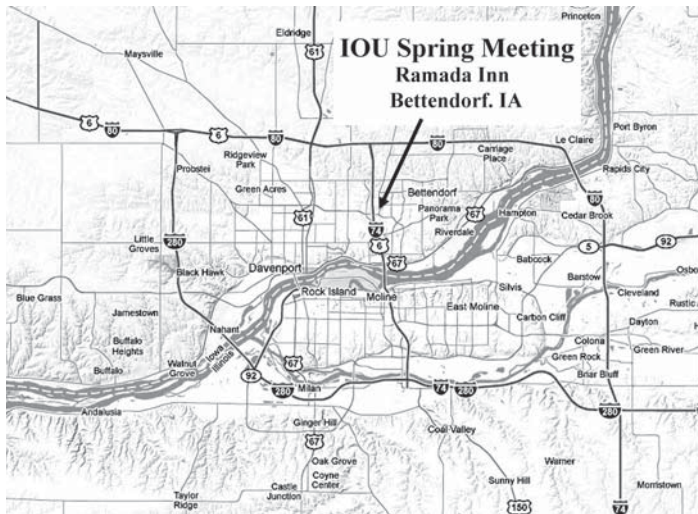
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waterbird migration should still be underway.

Potential fieldtrip locations include Wildcat Den State Park, Credit Island and Nahant Marsh, Wapsi Environmental Center, Lost Creek Lake, Sherman Park, Rock Creek State Park, Princeton Marsh, and Lock and Dams 13, 14, 15, and 16 on the Mississippi River. Some trips may also include areas on the Illinois side of the river.

In addition, there will be a special limited opportunity to visit Big Sand Mound Nature Preserve. Monsanto and MidAmerican Energy own and manage this 510 acre property along the Mississippi River near Muscatine. The preserve's purpose is to "conserve and enhance existing ecological communities, manage endangered species, protect archaeological features, and accommodate university research." Because access to this unique site is restricted, there will be a single Saturday fieldtrip which will be limited to fifteen people. The fifteen slots will be available to the first fifteen people to register for the meeting and select this fieldtrip.

**Directions:** The Ramada Inn is located just off Interstate 74 at the Kimberly Rd./Spruce Hills Dr. exit. It is less than ¼ mile off the Interstate.



**Motels:**

Ramada Inn, 3020 Utica Ridge, Bettendorf,  
(563) 355-7575  
\$69 IOU discount rate until March 31

Fairfield Inn, 3206 E. Kimberly Rd, Davenport,  
(563) 391-8222

Holiday Inn, 909 Middle Rd. Bettendorf,  
(563) 355-4761

Days Inn, 3202 E. Kimberly Rd, (563) 359-7165

**Camping:**

Buffalo Shores Campground - Hwy 22 ~1 mile west of Buffalo, Iowa

West Lake Campground - Locust St exit or Hwy 61 exit off Interstate 280, west to 110<sup>th</sup> St

Scott County Park - north on Hwy 61 past Eldridge near the community of Park View

**Keynote Speaker:**

***Dr. Brian Peer***

Brian Peer became interested in birds in graduate school at the University of Illinois under the tutelage of Dr. Scott Robinson. After completing his Ph.D., he was a postdoctoral fellow at the Smithsonian Institution combining molecular genetic techniques with field studies of Brown-headed Cowbirds. Brian began his career as a professor of biology at Simpson College and is now an Associate Professor of Biology at Western Illinois University in Macomb. Brian's studies are diverse and have taken him throughout North America and Europe, and have included topics such as gynandromorphic birds, sexual selection, animal signals, and brood parasitism in wild turkeys, but his primary area of interest is the interaction between the Brown-headed Cowbird and its hosts. Brian has more than 40 publications and has secured more than \$300,000.00 in grants to support his research.



Dr. Peer's studies include brood parasitism. On the left, a single Dickcissel egg is flanked by two Brown-headed Cowbird eggs.

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## IOU Spring Meeting 2010 – Schedule

### FRIDAY, April 30 – Ramada Inn

5:30-9:00 P.M.	Registration Social time with snacks Field trip sign-up
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### SATURDAY, May 1 – Ramada Inn

6:00 A.M.	Breakfast
7:00 A.M.	Field trips depart
12:00 Noon	Lunch
1:00-1:30 P.M.	Larry Stone and Jon Stravers – <i>Gladys Black: The Legacy of Iowa's Bird Lady</i>
1:35-2:05 P.M.	Kelly McKay – Milan Bottom's Bald Eagle Study
2:15-4:00 P.M.	IOU General Business Meeting
4:00-4:10 P.M.	Introduction of new IOU members
4:15-5:15 P.M.	IOU Board Meeting
6:30-7:30 P.M.	Saturday Evening Banquet
7:30-8:30 P.M.	Speaker: Dr. Brian Peer – <i>The Cowbird Conundrum: Why Birders Should Care About Cowbirds</i>



### SUNDAY, May 2 – Ramada Inn

6:00 A.M.	Breakfast
7:00 A.M.	Field trips depart
12:00 Noon	Field trips return Lunch
	Final compilation



The Mighty Mississippi. Photo by Paul Hertzell.

# 2010 IOU Spring Meeting Bettendorf, Iowa

## REGISTRATION INFORMATION

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Make checks payable to: **Iowa Ornithologists' Union**

Mail to: Aaron Brees  
6759 NW 6<sup>th</sup> Dr.  
Des Moines, IA 50313

**Mail-in registration:**

### 2010 IOU Spring Meeting Registration Form

Copy, fill out, and mail--don't forget your check.

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

( Please include first and last names of all persons registering on this form )

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Big Sand Mound Field Trip (Check here if you wish to participate) \_\_\_\_\_

		<b>No. of Persons</b>			<b>Total Cost</b>
<b>Registration Fee:</b>	\$15.00	x	_____	= \$	_____
<b>Meals:</b>					
Sat. Breakfast:	\$ 7.00	x	_____	= \$	_____
Sat. Lunch:	\$ 6.00	x	_____	= \$	_____
Sat. Banquet:	\$13.00	x	_____	= \$	_____
Sun. Breakfast:	\$ 7.00	x	_____	= \$	_____
Sun. Lunch:	\$ 6.00	x	_____	= \$	_____

Meatless Option? Please check here \_\_\_\_\_.

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Total

# Evening Grosbeaks in Iowa: An Avian Mystery

James J. Dinsmore

For many Iowa birders, Evening Grosbeak is probably one of the most enigmatic species on the state list. Although never common, Evening Grosbeaks were seen almost yearly in Iowa during the 1970's and '80's, often on Christmas Bird Counts. Still, the bird was easily missed and by the 1990's it was seldom being seen in the state. The last Evening Grosbeak reported in Iowa was a single bird in Fairfield in April 1998 ( T.H. Kent, *IBL* 68:97, 1998 ). For people who started birding after about 1990, most have probably not seen Evening Grosbeaks in Iowa and must travel to Minnesota or even further to where they still appear in most years. So what is the story of this colorful bird? What has happened to its population?

Prior to about 1850, Evening Grosbeak was considered a bird of the western mountains and was rare east of the Mississippi River. In the latter half of the 1800's, Evening Grosbeaks underwent a major range expansion eastward, reaching the boreal forests of Canada and northeastern United States by the 1930's. It is unclear what caused this range extension but presumably food supply, climate and perhaps other factors were involved. By the 1940's, the number of Evening Grosbeaks reported in eastern North America increased considerably and peaked in the mid 1980's to early '90's. Then the trend abruptly and mysteriously reversed and populations declined rapidly, both in the East and elsewhere in its range.

Although we have little data from Iowa for much of the 1900's, Evening Grosbeaks were reported, especially in winter, from the mid 1900's into the 1990's. Like several other boreal species, it showed periodic fluctuations with fair numbers reported some years and few or none in others. Although most Evening



Evening Grosbeaks have not been seen in Iowa since 1998. This one was photographed in neighboring Minnesota, by Anthony Hertzell in 2009.

Grosbeaks stayed north of Iowa, in the peak population years a few likely reached Iowa and occasionally an irruption brought greater numbers southward. Two summaries of CBC data give an idea of changes in its abundance. From 1937-1956, Evening Grosbeaks were found on CBC's in only 3 of 20 years, 1941, 1946, 1953 (W. Brown, *IBL* 27:89, 1957). Evening Grosbeaks were found on 25 of 36 Christmas Counts from 1960 to 1995, with notably high numbers reported on 1961, 1975 and 1985 CBC's ( T.H. Kent and J.J. Dinsmore, *Birds in Iowa: 1996*, p. 359 ). In the last decade, though, the species seems to have disappeared from our state.

A recent paper provides a more complete picture of this puzzling population decline. Using data from Project Feeder Watch conducted by Cornell University and Bird Studies Canada, David Bonter and Michael Harvey determined the number of Grosbeaks seen from November 1988 through April 2006 ( *Condor* 110 :376-381, 2008 ). They divided their results into three 6-year periods: 1989-1994, 1995-2000, and 2001-2006. They found that Evening Grosbeaks were reported on nearly 59,000 checklists from a total sample of almost 1.2 million checklists. However, the percentage of sites reporting Evening Grosbeaks declined from 19.4% in 1989-1994 to only 9.7% from 2001-2006, a 50% decrease. They also noted that the average flock size declined by 27%, from 11.8 to 8.6 birds over the study period. Thus, there was strong evidence of a population decline, with fewer stations reporting the species and with a similar drop in the number of birds per station. These declines were evident across the entire range of the species, with decreases of more than 50% in parts of the Pacific Northwest, Mountain West, and northeastern North America. Somewhat less severe declines were noted in the Great Lakes region, presumably the origin of any birds found in Iowa.

### Iowa CBC Totals for Evening Grosbeak 1970 - 2009

CBC	Ttl	CBC	Ttl	CBC	Ttl
70-71	3	83-84	115	96-97	1
71-72	54	84-85	0	97-98	1
72-73	75	85-86	408	98-99	0
73-74	2	86-87	0	99-00	0
74-75	11	87-88	13	00-01	0
75-76	134	88-89	4	01-02	0
76-77	2	89-90	2	02-03	0
77-78	25	90-91	0	03-04	0
78-79	20	91-92	0	04-05	0
79-80	5	92-93	0	05-06	0
80-81	123	93-94	2	06-07	0
81-82	9	94-95	0	07-08	0
82-83	0	95-96	2	08-09	0

Source: *Iowa Bird Life* 1970-2009

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## IOU Central California Birding Tour – October, 2009

*Lee Schoenewe*

The allure of a California birding tour with pelagic excursions on Monterey Bay was enough for me and ten other folks to sign up. The trip was sponsored by the IOU and very capably led by Ann Johnson and Jim Bangma of Hologram Bird Tours. We finished the trip with over 170 bird species on the official list.

The first big miss of the tour came for Dick Tetrault and Mark Brown when they failed to find their Double-winged Fuel Hawk at the Denver airport. They did manage to catch another plane and find the group at the end of the first day.

The first day at Muir Woods was packed with people on a Saturday, and although birds were not expected in such a busy place, two encounters with the same mixed flock produced Cassin's Vireo and Hermit Warbler along with the expected Chestnut-backed Chickadees, Townsend's Warblers and others. ( The Hermit Warbler was not an official trip bird since neither of the tour leaders was able to see it. Lee, Jerry, Karen and Linda are sorry about this. )

Bolinas Lagoon had a variety of shorebirds and water birds, and various locations at Point Reyes National Seashore gave us Black-throated Gray Warbler, Golden-crowned Sparrow, California Towhee, Anna's Hummingbird, great looks at a pair of Wrentits and our first encounter with a flock of seventeen Bushtits. We saw Bushtits on four of the ten days on the tour, and the count was always seventeen birds. Go figure.



Yellow-billed Magpies were numerous. Photo by Mark Brown.

Endemic Yellow-billed Magpies were numerous when we looked in the right farm country locales. We saw them regularly for three straight days. Del Valle State Park was a woodpecker bonanza, yielding Nuttall's WP and Red-breasted Sapsucker in addition to the regulars. We also learned that tarantulas and

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The reason(s) for these observations remain speculative. There are numerous ideas but no one has been able to pinpoint the exact cause or causes. Loss of habitat due to timber harvest or energy development ( gas, oil, hydroelectric ), avian disease, or decline of an important food source ( spruce budworm ) have all been proposed. Because the Evening Grosbeak inhabits the northern boreal forest, one of the largest and to date least altered ecosystems in North America, this decline is even more puzzling. However, the boreal forest has been exposed to numerous threats and vast areas have been dramatically altered in recent years. For example, changes in forestry management practices may negatively affect Evening Grosbeaks. Several studies have indicated the species favors older forests ( trees greater than 100 years old ) and forests with a diversity of tree species. Current practices that encourage harvesting of older trees and replanting stands of a single tree species lead to less favorable habitat for Evening Grosbeaks.

Although I have birded in Iowa for many years, I have limited experience with Evening Grosbeaks. Growing up in southern Minnesota, I never saw the species. My parents, who long maintained a winter bird feeder, began seeing the birds in the early 1970's. Finally, in November 1975, I saw my first Evening Grosbeak on a visit there. In March, 1978, I saw my first ( and only ) Evening Grosbeak in Iowa while on an ornithology class field trip to Brookside Park in Ames. Since then I have seen them a few times in Minnesota and elsewhere but never again in Iowa.

Famous for their bright colors and voracious appetites, Evening Grosbeaks were a winter highlight for people who had them visit their feeders. The events of recent years suggest that Evening Grosbeaks might not return to Iowa, at least in the numbers observed in the past. And, as for other species, global climate change has been proposed as another concern. Some climate change models predict that balsam fir, an important tree species for Evening Grosbeaks in the northeastern United States, will gradually retreat into Canada. As is commonly said, only time will tell.



Evening Grosbeak, Evergreen, Colorado, 2007. Photo by Kay Niyo.

bobcats, like chickens, do cross the road. The “Critter List” of things besides birds seen on the tour was very impressive!

A flock of elusive Lawrence’s Goldfinches was found at the arid Frank Raines Regional Park. We missed California Condor at Pinnacles National Monument, but found our first California Thrasher. Other highlights included Rock Wren, Ash-throated Flycatcher and the Bell’s coastal race of Sage Sparrow.

A late afternoon excursion to Los Padres National Forest gave us a calling Northern Pygmy Owl. In the fading light, Mountain Quail ran in front of the lead van. Dick lost a glove in the excitement and only a few of the group got diagnostic looks. Luckily, the next morning we found the flock moving down the hillside in good light. And Dick found his glove.



**A Black-footed Albatross was photographed from the deck of the Monterey Seabirds tour boat. Photo by Mark Brown.**



**A pair of White-tailed Kites quarrel over a recent catch. Photo by Mark Brown.**

We rolled into Monterey at lunch time and spent the afternoon at the Monterey Aquarium. The view from the deck out over Monterey Bay is spectacular. Brandt’s and Pelagic Cormorants, Heerman’s Gulls, Elegant Terns and several pelagic species could be seen, as well as seals and sea otters. In one section of the building, a Peregrine Falcon hunts pigeons and drops their feet onto a glass ceiling!

What can I say about the two days out on the bay with the Monterey Seabirds tour boat? There were shearwaters, jaegers, skuas and auklets plus Black-footed Albatross. At one point we had all three morphs of Northern Fulmar swimming around the boat. We were lucky to see Blue Whales, the largest animal on the planet, on both days.

In Monterey for several days, we spent a lot of time working Asilomar State Beach, including Point Pinos Seashore Park. We found Glaucous-winged Gull, Whimbrel, Black Oystercatcher, Black Turnstone, Surfbird and the shorebird whose name I most love to say, Wandering Tattler.



**South Polar Skua. Photo by Mark Brown.**



**All three morphs of the Northern Fulmar were seen swimming in Monterey Bay. Photo by Mark Brown.**



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## Ospreys in Iowa -- an Update

*Pat Schlarbaum*

*Editor's note: In the last issue of IOU News (25:4), Pat Schlarbaum of Iowa DNR gave us an informative review of the current status of Ospreys in Iowa. Since that article, 2009's nesting results have become available. Here follows a summary of last year's efforts. Thanks to Pat and to all of those dedicated folks involved in this exciting statewide endeavor.*

Twelve Osprey pairs were reported in Iowa in 2009. There were 9 successful nestings, producing 19 young birds. This year an additional 10 Ospreys were brought to Iowa from Minnesota, and another 10 were relocated from Wisconsin, with birds released at Spirit Lake, White Rock Conservancy, Mud Lake (Dubuque), Annett Nature Center in Warren County and at Lake Red Rock.

We know that there are three nesting pairs around Coralville Reservoir in Johnson County, thanks to the staff of the Macbride Raptor Project. Each site produced young, for a total of 7 new



birds in the Macbride area. There are four pairs in the Cedar Falls/Waterloo area in Black Hawk County (County Conservation Board at Hartman Reserve Nature Center), but only one site (Gilbertville) saw success, with 2 chicks. One of the two pairs in Polk County (Polk County Conservation Board) produced two young. A nesting pair at Don Williams Lake (Boone CCB staff) hatched two birds, and a pair at the Duane Arnold Energy Plant in Linn County (Linn CCB staff at Wickiup Hill) produced one youngster. Finally, a nesting pair is in Woodbury County along the Missouri River successfully fledged 3 young Osprey. A nest site at Rathbun Lake was swamped by June floods.

Since 1997, a total of 228 Ospreys have been released at 11 sites in Iowa. Since 2003, 52 wild Ospreys have been produced at 24 successful nesting sites.



**Black Oystercatchers were found along Asilomar State Beach. Photo by Mark Brown.**

The bird of the trip, however, was a species not expected west of the Sierra Nevada Mountains. We saw lots of Western Bluebirds but when Jerry and I tried to make one into a Mountain Bluebird, leader Jim informed us that they migrate east of the Sierras and are very rare in the west where we were. Imagine our surprise, then, at finding an immature male Mountain Bluebird on Point Pinos Beach! It was only the third record for Monterey County. An article about the rare bird appeared in the *Monterey Herald* and Iowa birders were given due credit.

The bluebird discovery happened not only to be on the beach where John Denver's fatal plane crash occurred, but also on the anniversary of his death. As I was leaving San Francisco on a jet plane, I looked back on a birding tour where the sunshine almost always made me high. It was very interesting to visit California, but I thank God I'm a country boy!



**A Mountain Bluebird found on Point Pinos Beach was only the third record for Monterey County. Photo by Mark Brown.**

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# Common Birds at Unusual Times

## A Plea for Documentation

*Stephen Dinsmore*

One of the roles of the IOU is to gather and maintain data on Iowa's birds -- their status, timing of occurrence, breeding distribution, and much more. As our database of knowledge continues to grow, it becomes that much more valuable to efforts like the Breeding Bird Atlas, Birds in Iowa, and other projects. But all of this requires a database of reliable information.

During the last several years, technological advances have made it easier to obtain quality photographs and recordings of birds as a means of documentation. Nowhere has this been more evident than the IOU Records Committee, where greater than 50% of the records we evaluate now include a good photograph. While many birders readily provide such documentation for genuine rarities and vagrants, few make the effort to document more common birds at unusual times. The purpose of this message is to encourage birders to make that effort, and to suggest some target species.

We've spent many years as birders figuring out when (and where) the various bird species occur in Iowa. For example, we've learned that Sabine's Gull is a regular early fall migrant at large bodies of water, yet only 20 years ago we thought it an accidental vagrant! But as I look at the list of Iowa's birds, there are a small number of species that are often reported outside the firmly documented period of occurrence. In most cases, there are few or no accepted photographs to support such reports, and my aim here is to provide a list of species for which we could clearly benefit from having additional information. Here are a few that come to mind, although there are no doubt others:

Osprey: any report from 1 Dec to 25 Mar. There are many reports during this time period, but zero photographs of a bird that should be easy to document in even the poorest image.

Western Sandpiper: any spring report. There are scant few documented records period (so even fall reports should be photographed, if possible), but especially in spring when this species might be confused with an alternate-plumaged White-rumped Sandpiper.

White-rumped Sandpiper: any fall report. This species migrates in fall off the Atlantic Coast and I am aware of only one photographed fall bird from Iowa. Based on migration patterns elsewhere, I would expect most reports in Iowa in Sep/Oct, so early fall reports in particular are of interest.

Common Tern: any "summer" records between, say, 10 Jun and 15 Aug. I am aware of only a couple of photographed birds during this time period, although they are reported almost annually. This species is of interest because many birders are not aware of confusion with molting Forster's Tern, many of which show

dark primaries in summer.



**Western Sandpiper in spring is very rare in Iowa, and occurrences should be documented with photos. Photo by S. Dinsmore.**

Fall Empidonax: each fall there are dozens of reports to the species level, many without any details on how the bird was identified. We desperately need high quality photographs (or banding data) to better understand the timing of migration for each species in fall. I suspect there is a temptation to assume most are the "default" species, Least Flycatcher, which may not be correct. Unless an individual is singing, or captured, or seen extremely well, most are probably best left unidentified.



**Which Empidonax flycatcher is this? Stubby bill, big head, short wing projection - could be a Least. Actually, it's a juvenile Phoebe. Photo by Dick Stilwell.**

Tennessee/Orange-crowned Warbler: the timing of migration needs a better understanding. Most data indicate sharp switches between the two species in spring (5 May -- Orange-crowned before and Tennessee after) and again in fall (20 Sep -- Tennessee before and Orange-crowned after). A record of either species that is on the wrong side of these dates by a week or more (e.g., a mid-April Tennessee) should be documented by photographs if possible.

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## Time Flies When You're Atlasing: An Update on Iowa's 2<sup>nd</sup> Breeding Bird Atlas

Connecticut Warbler: any fall report. Like White-rumped Sandpiper, this is an Atlantic Coast migrant in fall and not expected in the Interior U.S. Banding and television tower kill have not documented this species in Iowa in fall, so many such reports may pertain to the similar Mourning Warbler or some other species.

Chipping Sparrow: any winter report between mid-Nov and 1 Apr. There are few photographs of winter birds, despite almost yearly reports and their presence at feeders where obtaining a photo should be relatively easy.

Clay-colored Sparrow: any fall report. They could occur any time between Aug and late Oct, although there are scant photographs to document a migration window. Photos would also help sort out possible confusion with fall Chipping Sparrows.

Lincoln's Sparrow: any winter report between mid-Nov and mid-Apr. This species is reported almost annually in winter, and frequently on one or more CBCs. In my years of editing the CBC report, I never once received a photo of one, nor am I aware of any winter photos for Iowa. Photographs are badly needed to confirm that some of these aren't juvenile Song Sparrows.



Photos of winter Lincoln's Sparrow would help confirm a rare presence during that season. This photo, by P. Hertz, was not taken during winter.

I hope birders will take this as a challenge and begin to better document some of these species. I don't doubt that these species occur in Iowa during the above time periods, but I am frustrated that we haven't obtained a level of evidence that matches our standard for other species. As an added benefit, if firm patterns are established for any of these species, the future need for details or documentation might be removed. So, dust off those cameras and visit your favorite birding locale -- one of these species is surely lurking somewhere!

Birders continue to collect valuable data as Iowa's 2<sup>nd</sup> Breeding Bird Atlas ( BBA ) enters its third year. Statewide, volunteers have logged more than 3,300 hours of observation, visited 650 blocks and recorded 190 species. These impressive numbers are testament to the dedication and enthusiasm of Iowa's BBA volunteers. However, with only 21 blocks completed, we still have a long way to go to reach our goals. This year we should aim to re-visit the 553 blocks with less than 10 hours of effort, and it's essential to put some effort into those 141 blocks that have yet to be surveyed. Everyone is invited to participate! In fact, you can start right now by searching for used nests or for species known to nest early such as Bald Eagle, Red-tailed Hawk and Great Horned Owl.

Currently the North Ames / Ames High Prairie block in Story County has logged the most species ( spp. ) with 123, with Ledges State Park in Boone County ( 116 spp. ) being a close second. Rounding out the top 5 are Chichaqua Bottoms North in Polk County, Whiterock Conservancy in Guthrie County, and Big Marsh East in Butler County. Keep in mind that although the total number of species in a given block is important, it is also crucial to insure adequate coverage by visiting as many square-mile sections in a block as possible. Similarly, a confirmed record is much more valuable than a probable, possible or observed account, so aim to update evidence codes as the opportunity arises.

Finally, thanks to all the volunteers who have dedicated their time to the Breeding Bird Atlas project. Iowa birders are making great progress. Your efforts are inspiring, and I can't wait to see what you accomplish in 2010!

### 2010 BBA Blockbusting Weekends

**Burlington / Muscatine: May 22-23**

**Clinton / Dubuque: June 19-20**

**Red Rock: July 10-11**

( More info at: <http://iowabirds.org> )

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# Iowa 2009 Listing and Big Day Totals

Forty-three Iowa birders submitted to *IOU News* state list lifetime totals through calendar year 2009. All totals listed below are current through December 31, 2009, and do not include additions from 2010.

Tom Kent leads all birders with 386 species recorded in the state, but Jim Fuller added one new state bird in 2009, inching him to within two of the leader. Four birders are clustered at 378, six behind Fuller. Tucker Lutter increased his state list by 14 birds in 2009, the most of anyone. Steve Dinsmore recorded the most species, 300, in the calendar year, and Nathan Miller recorded the highest percentage of his life list, .866, in 2009. Dinsmore and Miller are the *IOU News* **Top Birders for 2009**.

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 325 Ric Zarwell  
 323 Bill Huser  
 321 Dale Fye  
 318 Don Brown  
 315 Ed Thelen  
 311 Keith Dyche  
 307 John Bissell  
 299 Jeff Livingston  
 298 Gerald Von Ehwegen  
 292 Doug Harr  
 290 Nathan Miller  
 286 Dick Bierman  
 274 Tucker Lutter  
 254 Harley Winfrey  
 242 David Eastman  
 234 Bill Tollefson  
 208 Mark Carson  
 187 Jacob Newton  
 158 Willard J Piercy

## 2009 Annual Lists

300 Stephen Dinsmore  
 298 Jay Gilliam  
 281 John Rutenbeck  
 276 Paul Roisen  
 262 Keith Dyche  
 261 Jim Fuller  
 261 Mark Proescholdt  
 259 Pam & Reid Allen  
 255 Aaron Brees  
 252 John Bissell  
 251 Nathan Miller  
 250 Chris Edwards  
 242 Lee Schoenewe  
 242 David Eastman  
 235 Rita Goranson  
 231 Bill Scheible  
 230 Gerald Von Ehwegen  
 223 Jeff Livingston  
 213 Bill Tollefson  
 178 Danny Akers  
 176 Jon Strong  
 164 Dale Fye  
 160 Don Brown  
 145 Mark Carson  
 77 Willard J Piercy

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344 Stephen Dinsmore  
 326 Jim Fuller  
 321 Ray Cummins  
 313 Lee Schoenewe  
 311 Jay Gilliam  
 309 Mark Proescholdt  
 308 Aaron Brees  
 307 Pam & Reid Allen  
 295 Matt Kenne  
 295 Paul Hertzell  
 293 Ed Thelen  
 291 Rita Goranson  
 279 Keith Dyche  
 278 Nathan Miller  
 276 Carolyn Fischer  
 208 Mark Carson  
 195 David Eastman  
 110 Willard J Piercy

The *Big Green Big Year* has the acronym BIGBY ... and it is simply a Big Year in which you only count those species seen within walking or cycling distance of your home or principle place of work. As simple as that, no dashing off to the far corners of the planet burning fossil fuels as you go.

## 2009 Bigby

241 Nathan Miller  
 193 Jeff Livingston

## County Big Years

2009 Linn County	231 Bill Scheible
2009 Decatur County	208 Jeff Livingston

## Roadkills

75 Dick Bierman

## Yardlists

208 Jim Fuller (Johnson Co)  
 190 Carolyn Fischer (Cerro Gordo Co)  
 188 Ed Thelen (Dickinson Co)  
 185 Rita Goranson (Cerro Gordo Co)  
 184 Ann Johnson (Warren Co)  
 179 Matt Kenne (Kossuth Co)  
 177 Lee Schoenewe (Clay Co)  
 175 Ric Zarwell (Allamakee Co)  
 155 Stephen Dinsmore (Story Co)  
 150 Mark Proescholdt (Marshall Co)  
 127 Dick Bierman (Cherokee Co)  
 123 Chris Edwards (Johnson Co)  
 110 Bill Scheible (Linn Co)  
 108 Jay Gilliam (Warren Co)  
 108 Dale Fye (Linn Co)  
 105 Bill Tollefson  
 104 Reid & Pam Allen (Dallas Co)  
 91 Keith Dyche (Page Co)  
 68 Mark Carson (Story)  
 56 David Eastman (Black Hawk)



Sixteen Big Days were conducted in 2009, including new records for three different months, and first county Big Days for seven different counties.

On 23 February, Jim Fuller, John Rutenbeck and Ken Lowder set a new record for the month of February, only to be surpassed two days later by Jeff Livingston, Nathan Miller and Matthew Torres. The tables turned in March when four birders from Decatur County established a new record of 98 for the month of March, only to see it slip away five days later when Jim Fuller, Chuck Fuller and John Rutenbeck hit 102 on the 27th of March.

Steve Dinsmore and Jay Gilliam put together three noteworthy Big Days including a new January record of 78, a first Marion County Big Day, and a new high total for a single county with 173 species tallied in Polk County on 17 May. This total surpassed the previous high of 171 set in Fremont County in 1991.

Bill Scheible participated in Big Days in Linn, Delaware and Keokuk counties, all first county events. There are now Big Day records for 28 of Iowa's 99 counties. Paul Hertzell holds the distinction of participating in nine of these first county Big Days, with six different companions. Rita Goranson has participated in seven, and Steve Dinsmore in six.

#### 2009 Big Days

- 173 **Polk Co.**, 17 May 2009, S Dinsmore, J Gilliam  
[ new record high total for a county Big Day ]
- 156 **Woodbury Co.**, 08 May 2009, J Probst, B Livermore, D Stage
- 153 **Statewide**, 11 May 2009, D Thompson, E&E Armstrong, P Walsh
- 142 **Boone Co.**, 13 May 2009, S Dinsmore, J Moreland  
[ first Boone County Big Day ]
- 142 **Linn Co.**, 14 May 2009, B Scheible, P Hertzell  
[ first Linn County Big Day ]
- 141 **Marion Co.**, 10 May 2009, S Dinsmore, J Gilliam  
[ first Marion County Big Day ]
- 136 **Decatur Co.** (Green Big Day), 10 May 2009, N Miller, Z Miller, B Baldwin. [ new record high total for Decatur County ]
- 129 **Appanoose Co.**, 10 May 2009, Johnson, Stephens, Stephens, Cummins, Tiemeier, Piatt, Schwerdtfeger  
[ first Appanoose County Big Day ]
- 119 **Ringgold Co.**, 09 May 2009, T Hovick, J Lautenbach  
[ first Ringgold County Big Day ]
- 112 **Keokuk Co.**, 08 May 2009, C Edwards, B Scheible  
[ first Keokuk County Big Day ]
- 102 **March Big Day**, 27 Mar 2009, J Fuller, C Fuller, J Rutenbeck  
[ new record total for March ]
- 98 **March Big Day**, 22 Mar 2009, N Miller, Z Miller, C Wilson, A Bergstrom. [ new record total for March, held for five days ]
- 94 **Delaware Co.**, 27 May 2009, C Edwards, B Scheible  
[ first Delaware County Big Day ]
- 78 **January Big Day**, 31 Jan 2009, S Dinsmore, J Gilliam  
[ new record total for January ]
- 76 **February Big Day**, 25 Feb 2009, J Livingston, N Miller, M Torres  
[ new record total for February ]
- 68 **February Big Day**, 23 Feb 2009, J Fuller, J Rutenbeck, K Lowder  
[ new record total for February, held for two days ]

#### Iowa Record Big Days by County

- Allamakee** 126 10 May 2003  
Ric Zarwell, Betty Zarwell, Meliss Wolfe, Matt Paulson
- Appanoose** 129 10 May 2009  
T Johnson, V Stephens, M Stephens, R Cummins, D Teimeier, L Piatt, L Schwerdtfeger
- Boone** 142 13 May 2009  
Stephen J Dinsmore, Jim Moreland
- Cerro Gordo** 145 11 May, 2002  
Paul Hertzell, Rita Goranson, Carolyn Fischer
- Clayton** 107 12 May 2007  
Danny Akers, Julie Brazell
- Clay** 148 09 May, 2004  
Lee Schoenewe, Gary Grange, Pete Ernzen
- Decatur** 136 10 May 2009  
Nathan Miller, Zack Miller, Ben Baldwin
- Delaware** 94 27 May 2009  
Chris Edwards, Bill Scheible
- Dickinson** 111 27 Aug 2008  
Lee Schoenewe, E&E Armstrong
- Emmet** 140 16 May 2007  
Rita Goranson, Matt Kenne, Paul Hertzell
- Floyd** 118 21 May 2005  
Curt Nelson, Rita Goranson, Paul Hertzell
- Fremont** 171 11 May, 1991  
Steve Dinsmore, Ross Silcock, BJ Rose, Doug Rose
- Greene** 150 11 May 2007  
Steve Dinsmore, Jay Gilliam
- Guthrie** 147 11 May 2008  
Jay Gilliam, Steve Dinsmore, Aaron Brees
- Hancock** 141 09 May, 2005  
Carolyn Fischer, Rita Goranson, Paul Hertzell
- Johnson** 136 08 May, 2004  
Tom Kent, Jim Fuller
- Keokuk** 112 08 May 2009  
Chris Edwards, Bill Scheible
- Kossuth** 153 14 May, 2002  
Matt Kenne, Paul Hertzell
- Linn** 142 14 May 2009  
Bill Scheible, Paul Hertzell
- Marion** 141 10 May 2009  
Stephen J Dinsmore, Jay Gilliam
- Marshall** 123 10 May, 2003  
Mark Proescholdt, Paul Hertzell
- Mitchell** 90 14 May, 2007  
Carolyn Fischer, Rita Goranson
- Polk** 173 17 May, 2009  
Stephen Dinsmore, Jay Gilliam
- Ringgold** 119 09 May 2009  
Torre Hovick, Joseph Lautenbach
- Warren** 154 09 May, 2003  
Aaron Brees, Jim Sinclair
- Winnebago** 127 09 May, 2004  
Paul Hertzell, Rita Goranson
- Woodbury** 165 08 May, 2004  
Jerry Probst, Bob Livermore, Dave Stage
- Worth** 136 13 May, 2003  
Paul Hertzell, Rita Goranson

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## Iowa Record Big Days by Month

<b>January</b>	<b>78</b>	31 Jan 2009, Stephen Dinsmore, Jay Gilliam
<b>February</b>	<b>76</b>	25 Feb 2009, J Livingston, N Miller, M Torres
<b>March</b>	<b>102</b>	27 Mar 2009, J Fuller, C Fuller, J Rutenbeck
<b>April</b>	<b>141</b>	29 Apr 1989, S Dinsmore, P Hertzelt
<b>May</b>	<b>204</b>	13 May 1996, P Petersen, B Blevins, D Moeller
<b>June</b>	<b>135</b>	1 Jun 2005, D Akers, R Goranson, P Hertzelt
<b>July</b>	<b>120</b>	28 Jul 2005, E & E Armstrong, D Thompson
<b>August</b>	<b>136</b>	26 Aug 2005, L Schoenewe, E Thelen
<b>September</b>	<b>135</b>	5 Sep 1987, S Dinsmore, J Sinclair, A Fix
<b>October</b>	<b>101</b>	3 Oct 2008 Livingston, Livingston, Livingston, Miller, Miller, Wilson
<b>November</b>	<b>87</b>	11 Nov 2003, E Thelen, L Schoenewe
<b>December</b>	<b>75</b>	19 Dec 2007, B Dick, C Fuller, J Fuller, J Rutenbeck

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## 2009 County Listing

### Adair

133 Stephen Dinsmore  
120 Pam & Reid Allen  
104 Jay Gilliam  
60 Mark Proescholdt  
14 Dale Fye  
13 Paul Roisen

### Adams

140 Stephen Dinsmore  
112 Jay Gilliam  
102 Reid & Pam Allen  
62 Mark Proescholdt  
57 Keith Dyche

### Allamakee

282 Ric Zarwell  
183 Mark Proescholdt  
178 Danny Akers  
170 Rita Goranson  
166 Chris Edwards  
158 Stephen Dinsmore  
121 Pam & Reid Allen  
64 Keith Dyche  
48 David Eastman  
18 Dale Fye

### Appanoose

296 Ray Cummins  
217 Stephen Dinsmore  
187 Reid & Pam Allen  
184 Jay Gilliam  
183 Mark Proescholdt  
125 Keith Dyche  
116 Danny Akers  
114 Chris Edwards  
112 Paul Roisen  
70 Bill Tollefson  
65 David Eastman  
27 Dale Fye

### Audubon

137 Stephen Dinsmore  
106 Pam & Reid Allen  
101 Jay Gilliam  
66 Mark Proescholdt  
26 Jon Strong

### Benton

179 Mark Proescholdt  
144 Chris Edwards  
137 Stephen Dinsmore  
90 Reid & Pam Allen  
81 Dale Fye  
73 Bill Tollefson  
51 Danny Akers  
42 Paul Roisen

### Black Hawk

221 Mary Lou Petersen  
208 David Eastman  
167 Mark Proescholdt  
152 Stephen Dinsmore  
100 Chris Edwards  
95 Pam & Reid Allen  
90 Dale Fye  
70 Danny Akers  
70 Paul Roisen  
27 Keith Dyche

### Boone

262 Stephen Dinsmore  
249 Jim Dinsmore  
233 Mark Proescholdt  
228 Reid & Pam Allen  
213 Doug Harr  
194 Harley Winfrey  
135 Jay Gilliam  
112 Danny Akers  
101 Chris Edwards  
77 Paul Roisen  
64 Keith Dyche  
28 Dale Fye

### Bremer

169 Mark Proescholdt  
130 Stephen Dinsmore  
126 David Eastman  
105 Jay Gilliam  
105 Danny Akers  
80 Pam & Reid Allen  
22 Dale Fye

### Buchanan

160 Mark Proescholdt  
125 Stephen Dinsmore  
114 Chris Edwards  
83 Danny Akers  
67 Reid & Pam Allen  
38 Paul Roisen  
21 Dale Fye

### Buena Vista

197 Dick Bierman  
173 Lee Schoenewe  
150 Stephen Dinsmore  
93 Mark Proescholdt  
78 Pam & Reid Allen  
21 David Eastman  
15 Dale Fye

### Butler

213 Mark Proescholdt  
167 Stephen Dinsmore  
116 David Eastman  
102 Reid & Pam Allen  
68 Keith Dyche  
25 Danny Akers

### Calhoun

173 Stephen Dinsmore  
160 Mark Proescholdt  
127 Pam & Reid Allen  
105 Jay Gilliam  
60 Paul Roisen  
38 Danny Akers  
15 Dale Fye

### Carroll

207 Stephen Dinsmore  
168 Reid & Pam Allen  
168 Mark Proescholdt  
158 Jim Dinsmore  
108 Jay Gilliam  
125 Paul Roisen  
83 Keith Dyche  
53 Danny Akers  
18 David Eastman  
13 Jon Strong

### Cass

146 Pam & Reid Allen  
141 Stephen Dinsmore  
108 Jay Gilliam  
72 Mark Proescholdt  
22 Paul Roisen  
19 Jon Strong  
18 Keith Dyche

### Cedar

163 Chris Edwards  
127 Stephen Dinsmore  
80 Dale Fye  
68 Reid & Pam Allen  
58 Mark Proescholdt  
17 Paul Roisen  
16 Danny Akers

### Cerro Gordo

301 Carolyn Fischer  
294 Rita Goranson  
285 Paul Hertzelt  
205 Mark Proescholdt  
201 Stephen Dinsmore  
183 Dick Bierman  
175 Pam & Reid Allen  
175 Paul Roisen  
173 Jim Dinsmore  
108 Danny Akers  
103 Jay Gilliam  
92 Dale Fye  
52 Keith Dyche  
16 David Eastman

### Cherokee

266 Dick Bierman  
125 Stephen Dinsmore  
84 Paul Roisen  
67 Reid & Pam Allen  
61 Mark Proescholdt

### Chickasaw

141 Stephen Dinsmore  
140 Paul Hertzelt  
83 Mark Proescholdt  
60 Pam & Reid Allen  
22 Danny Akers  
21 Dale Fye

### Clarke

162 Jay Gilliam  
132 Stephen Dinsmore  
103 Reid & Pam Allen  
83 Dale Fye  
60 Mark Proescholdt  
21 Keith Dyche

### Clay

292 Lee Schoenewe  
201 Stephen Dinsmore  
181 Dick Bierman  
163 Jim Dinsmore  
132 Paul Roisen  
100 Pam & Reid Allen  
89 Mark Proescholdt  
30 Danny Akers

### Clayton

221 Danny Akers  
142 Stephen Dinsmore  
112 Chris Edwards  
109 Jay Gilliam  
103 Reid & Pam Allen  
89 Mark Proescholdt  
33 Paul Roisen

### Clinton

210 Mary Lou Petersen  
141 Stephen Dinsmore  
127 Pam & Reid Allen  
109 Chris Edwards  
55 Mark Proescholdt  
54 Paul Roisen  
12 Danny Akers

### Crawford

143 Stephen Dinsmore  
83 Reid & Pam Allen  
62 Mark Proescholdt  
62 Paul Roisen  
41 Keith Dyche  
21 Danny Akers

### Dallas

242 Pam & Reid Allen  
206 Stephen Dinsmore  
168 Mark Proescholdt  
158 Jim Dinsmore  
132 Jay Gilliam  
90 Paul Roisen  
87 Danny Akers  
11 Keith Dyche

### Davis

142 Stephen Dinsmore  
134 Chris Edwards  
100 Reid & Pam Allen  
64 Mark Proescholdt

### Decatur

275 Nathan Miller  
268 Jeffrey Livingston  
141 Stephen Dinsmore  
109 Pam & Reid Allen  
92 Paul Roisen  
78 Mark Proescholdt  
45 Danny Akers  
28 Keith Dyche  
21 Dale Fye

### Delaware

186 Bill Scheible  
154 Mark Proescholdt  
128 Chris Edwards  
125 Stephen Dinsmore  
75 Reid & Pam Allen  
54 Danny Akers

### Des Moines

292 Chuck Fuller  
253 John Rutenbeck  
250 Jim Fuller  
141 Stephen Dinsmore  
141 Chris Edwards  
104 Pam & Reid Allen  
87 Paul Roisen  
61 Mark Proescholdt  
42 Dale Fye  
13 Danny Akers

### Dickinson

292 Ed Thelen  
289 Lee Schoenewe  
265 Doug Harr  
222 Stephen Dinsmore  
205 Dick Bierman  
187 Jim Dinsmore  
176 Jay Gilliam  
170 Paul Roisen  
167 Mark Proescholdt  
136 Reid & Pam Allen  
103 Keith Dyche  
96 Dale Fye  
96 Danny Akers  
89 Chris Edwards  
35 David Eastman

### Dubuque

120 Danny Akers  
109 Pam & Reid Allen  
133 Stephen Dinsmore  
127 Chris Edwards  
78 Paul Roisen  
65 Mark Proescholdt  
33 David Eastman

### Emmet

211 Lee Schoenewe  
164 Stephen Dinsmore  
155 Rita Goranson  
100 Reid & Pam Allen  
83 Mark Proescholdt  
68 Paul Roisen  
30 Danny Akers

### Fayette

131 Stephen Dinsmore  
117 Chris Edwards  
80 Danny Akers  
79 Pam & Reid Allen  
74 Mark Proescholdt  
21 Dale Fye

### Floyd

187 Paul Hertzelt  
174 Rita Goranson  
137 Stephen Dinsmore  
74 Mark Proescholdt  
62 Reid & Pam Allen  
50 Harley Winfrey  
32 Danny Akers

### Franklin

210 Mark Proescholdt  
157 Stephen Dinsmore  
145 Rita Goranson  
134 Pam & Reid Allen  
67 Paul Roisen  
22 Dale Fye  
15 Danny Akers  
11 David Eastman

### Fremont

265 Stephen Dinsmore  
262 Keith Dyche  
204 Mark Proescholdt  
203 Reid & Pam Allen  
189 Jay Gilliam  
127 Chris Edwards  
127 Paul Roisen  
75 Danny Akers

### Greene

234 Stephen Dinsmore  
202 Pam & Reid Allen  
197 Jim Dinsmore  
193 Jay Gilliam  
186 Mark Proescholdt  
62 Danny Akers  
58 David Eastman  
41 Paul Roisen

### Grundy

213 Mark Proescholdt  
155 Stephen Dinsmore  
110 Reid & Pam Allen  
48 Paul Roisen  
34 Keith Dyche  
27 Dale Fye  
24 Danny Akers

### Guthrie

252 Stephen Dinsmore  
220 Pam & Reid Allen  
205 Mark Proescholdt  
172 Jay Gilliam  
168 Jim Dinsmore  
101 Paul Roisen  
44 Danny Akers  
40 Jon Strong

### Hamilton

232 Stephen Dinsmore  
228 Mark Proescholdt  
226 Dennis Carter  
182 Jim Dinsmore  
179 Reid & Pam Allen  
116 Paul Roisen  
103 Jay Gilliam  
62 Danny Akers  
34 Dale Fye

### Hancock

231 Rita Goranson  
218 Paul Hertzelt  
194 Stephen Dinsmore  
173 Mark Proescholdt  
163 Pam & Reid Allen  
162 Paul Roisen  
153 Jim Dinsmore  
119 Jay Gilliam  
78 Harley Winfrey  
69 Danny Akers  
12 David Eastman

### Hardin

263 Mark Proescholdt  
160 Stephen Dinsmore  
116 Reid & Pam Allen  
103 Paul Roisen  
89 Danny Akers  
86 Keith Dyche  
74 David Eastman  
61 Bill Tollefson  
35 Dale Fye

### Harrison

183 Dick Bierman  
175 Stephen Dinsmore  
146 Gerald Von Ehwegen  
110 Pam & Reid Allen  
110 Paul Roisen  
88 Mark Proescholdt  
86 Jon Strong

### Henry

130 Stephen Dinsmore  
127 Chris Edwards  
101 Reid & Pam Allen  
63 Mark Proescholdt  
38 Paul Roisen  
11 Dale Fye

### Howard

134 Stephen Dinsmore  
74 Mark Proescholdt  
72 Pam & Reid Allen  
65 Harley Winfrey  
45 Danny Akers  
16 Dale Fye  
16 David Eastman

### Humboldt

139 Stephen Dinsmore  
104 Jacob Newton  
102 Reid & Pam Allen  
64 Mark Proescholdt  
20 Paul Roisen  
14 Dale Fye

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