

YEARS AGO

10 years ago, the Summer 2003 *Ohio Cardinal*, Vol. 26 No. 4 (Bill Whan, Editor), contained these items:

The cover was a photo of a Black Rail discovered in a *Holmes* flower garden.

Ospreys nested in 16 counties according to the Ohio Department of Wildlife.

One of an apparent pair of Upland Sandpipers lingered along Krause Road, *Ottawa*.

Dickcissels “staged an invasion of sorts”; they were noted in 26 counties.

Six Western Meadowlarks were reported including a pair carrying food.

25 years ago, the Summer 1988 *Ohio Cardinal*, Vol. 11 No. 4 (Ed Pierce and Tom Kemp, Co-Editors), contained these items:

It was the hottest summer in at least 50 years, and July was among the driest ever.

Matt Anderson wrote an extensive account of Ohio’s first nesting Peregrine Falcons. The birds were not released (at least not in Ohio) but arrived in Toledo on their own in 1987 (the male) and 1988 (the female, who replaced a 1986 arrival which had died). The nest, on the Commodore Perry Building, fledged two young.

A Loggerhead Shrike pair nested in *Wood*.

Ohio’s second Black-throated Sparrow spent 04 Jun to 29 Jul in Hambden Orchard WA, *Geauga*.

The only reported Dark-eyed Junco was in the South Chagrin Reservation, *Cuyahoga*.

The first Blue Grosbeak nest in the Oak Openings biome, *Lucas*, was documented.

[As a personal note, one of the Toledo Peregrines was my lifer in May, 1990 – ed.]

35 years ago, the Summer 1978 issue, Vol. 1 No. 2 (John Herman, Editor), was the second *Ohio Cardinal*. It showed that the journal would be a going concern. Nineteen individuals provided sightings. The issue included these items:

The summer was cooler than normal.

Yellow-crowned Night-Herons nested in *Cuyahoga* and *Franklin*.

One Osprey summered in the state.

Five singing Dark-eyed Juncos were noted in Stebbins Gulch, *Geauga*.

A lone male Blue Grosbeak in *Hamilton* received special mention.

House Finches which nested in *Cuyahoga* also received special mention; in addition they were seen in *Lorain*.

50 years ago, the Summer 1963 *Cleveland Bird Calendar*, Vol. 59 No. 3 (Donald L. Newman, Editor), contained these items:

A Yellow-crowned Night-Heron spent 16 to 31 Jul on the Black River in Grafton, *Lorain*.

“Bald Eagle - The fully adult bird which arrived at Sherwin Pond, in Waite Hill [*Lake*] on May 31 remained much of the following day, flying about and perching in the pond area.”

Three Osprey sightings were reported; one was a bird harassing the above eagle.

Two Western Meadowlarks were seen at Burke Lakefront Airport, *Cuyahoga*, where they had been “reported each summer since 1958”.

A contributor described Cerulean Warbler, Hooded Warbler, and American Redstart nestlings being predated by Blue Jays.

100 years ago, the *Bird Calendar* did not publish a Summer 1913 issue.