



Pigeon -301, Mourning Dove -671, Eastern Screech-Owl -7, Great Horned Owl -1, Barred Owl -1, Short-eared Owl -9, Belted Kingfisher -4, Red-bellied Woodpecker -18, Downy Woodpecker -86, Hairy Woodpecker -29, Northern Flicker -1, Pileated Woodpecker -20, Blue Jay -316, American Crow -948, Common Raven -1, Black-capped Chickadee -555, Tufted Titmouse -116, Red-breasted Nuthatch -6, White-breasted Nuthatch -102, Brown Creeper -9, Carolina Wren -17, Winter Wren -2, Golden-crowned Kinglet -60, Eastern Bluebird -30, American Robin -17, European Starling -1792, Cedar Waxwing -41, American Tree Sparrow -95, Song Sparrow -5, White-throated Sparrow -5, Dark-eyed Junco -611, Northern Cardinal -138, Common Grackle -3, Purple Finch -10, House Finch -141, American Goldfinch -184, and House Sparrow -465.

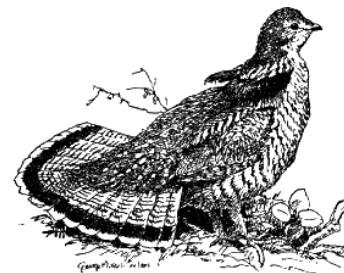
Comparing the data to our previous CBC, there were actually 5 species reported this year that weren't found last year: Common Merganser, Great Blue Heron, Northern Goshawk, Common Raven, and Common Grackle. Twelve species' numbers increased significantly, while ten species decreased. Notable were the Purple Finch, down from 106 last year to 10 this year, and White-throated Sparrow, down from 162 to 5 this year.

We had a good turnout that Saturday. Those counting were: Ernie Aharrah, Art Barlow, Ken Behrens, Bonnie Black, Ron Black, Hendrika Bohlen, Margaret Buckwalter, Pat Conway, Pete Dalby, Eric Dowlan, Gary Edwards, Mary Emerick, Gary Frank, Margaret Frank, Deb Freed, Walter Fye, Layne Giering, Harry & Jeanne Hakanson, Bob Hays, Edith Hays, Sally Hochman, Janice Horn, Anne Hunt, Rheba Klinger, Bill Kodrich, Henrietta Kodrich, Charles Marlin, Flo & Jim McGuire, Shirley Monrean, Ron Montgomery, Evelyn Myers, John & Kathy Pokrifka, Bill Reddinger, Joan & Carl Rowe, Melissa Sack, Ruth Schurr, Karl Schurr, Gil Twiest, Carole Willenpart, Richard Willenpart, Jack Williams, Fran Williams, and Margo Wimer.

Who is The Old Curmudgeon?

As we do every year, the group met for a delicious supper at BJ's Eatery in Knox, where we compared notes and tallied the birds. This year what we didn't see may be partly a factor of the warm weather. It will be interesting to see the data from other areas in the CBC report that will be sent to us later. Or to check the internet site to see all the results.

See <http://www.audubon.org/bird/cbc/> - click on "Current Year's Results".



## The Drumming Log

### Waiting for winter

by President Deb Freed

The picture of my window feeder with a bird may not seem that unusual except for the fact that the feeder was hung in September 2006 and this bird was the first to use it!



Last August I visited my sister in Columbus, Ohio, where I watched a procession of birds for one hour fly from tree, to deck railing to her window feeder. It was so entertaining that I purchased one at the local bird store. Shortly after returning home, I washed the window, filled the feeder with premium no hull feed and mounted with those substantial suction cups. I watched and waited, watched and















