

35th Annual Birdathon: May 6-13, 2018

Illinois birds are in trouble - and you can help!

Your pledges needed!

During the Birdathon, teams eagerly search for as many birds species they can find. Pledge donations are based on the number of species seen by your selected team, or you may pledge a flat amount.

This year's teams:

1. Old-timers: Jim Smith, Beth Chato (2017: 99 species)
2. The Big Sit: Beez Gordon, Helen Parker (2017: 39)
3. Urbana Parks & Forest Preserves Staff: (2017: 119)
4. Krazy Kayakers: Peter & Betsy Kuchinke (2017: 54)
5. Ghostbusters: Charlene Anchor, Janet Jokela (2017: 53)
6. President's Team: Sara Johnson & friends (2017: 86)
7. Or form your own team! Go where you like and collect pledges from friends

For more info, contact Beth Chato at ejchato@gmail.com or 344-6803.

Where will my donation go?

Your birdathon contributions go toward the CCAS

Kendeigh Memorial Fund, which supports scientific ornithological research in Illinois.

Since its beginning in 1988, the fund has supported over \$30,000 of research projects on Illinois birds. Topics have ranged from the impact of cowbird nest predation to the varied problems of declining grassland birds. Many grant recipients have gone on to prestigious careers in the natural history field.

A successful Birdathon will support next year's grants and move toward our dream of a sustaining endowment fund.

Yes! I will pledge to support the Birdathon!

I pledge \$ _____ per species seen by team _____

I will make a fiat donation of \$ _____ to help the cause

Name: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____ Phone # (_____) _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ - _____

Send this form to: CCAS Birdathon, P.O. Box 882, Urbana, IL 61803-0882, or contact Beth Chato (ejchato@gmail.com or 344-6803). Checks should be made out to CCAS; note Kendeigh Fund on the memo line. *Thank you!!*

Who was Dr. S. Charles Kendeigh?

Dr. Kendeigh was an eminent ornithologist and a renowned professor of zoology at the University of Illinois. He was a founding member, president, and board member of CCAS.

He also served as president of the Wilson Ornithological Society, and the Ecological Society of America, vice president of the American Ornithologists Union, and co-founder of the Nature Conservancy and Animal Behavior Society.

One of Dr. Kendeigh's most enduring contributions was a standard method for censusing birds.