

Christopher Farms and Gardens  
Sheboygan County Cancer Care Fund  
2024 Nest Box Monitoring Summary

## Project Tweety Bird

Box #	Box Description (15 boxes total)	2024 Nest Production Summary	Bird Species	Date 'Nest in Process' Observed	Date 'Nest Completed' Observed	Date 'Eggs Laid' Observed	Date 'Chicks Hatched' Observed	Date 'Chicks Fledged' Observed	Additional Details, Incl. Second / Third Clutches or Miscellaneous
B1	Orchard North	BCC: 0 (predation); HR: 5	Black Capped Chickadee	4/26; Straw topped with hair; moss added later	4/29; Chickadee Nest (straw, moss on top)	5/13; Five eggs	5/23; Assumed five chicks	All chicks and nest are gone, predation suspected.	Chickadee; assumed no chicks survived; Several attempts at Wren dummy nest, then full nest; assumed five chicks fledged
B2	Orchard South	HW #1: 3HW #2: 4	Hours Wren	4/29; a few twigs (dummy nest, then full nest)	5/23;	5/23; three brown eggs	unknown	6/12; three HW chicks	Second HW nest observed 6/27 w/ two brown eggs (4 total?). Assumed three chicks fledged, one deceased.
B3	Pumpkin Patch	TS #1: 0 (predation);	Tree Swallow; House Wren	5/23; Grass, white feathers	5/23; Five white eggs	5/23; Five white eggs	6/5; TS eggs are gone, three brown HR eggs present	6/18; three HW chicks	Second HW nest observed 7/9 w/ two brown eggs (4 total). Assumed three chicks fledged, one deceased.
B4	Prairie South (Farm House) West, New Box	BB: 5	Bluebird	4/19; nest started, grass	4/29; nest completed	unknown	5/30; five eggs observed	6/27; five BB chicks	No attempt at second nest
na	Prairie South (Farm House); (S)Middle, old box	(never occupied)	Bluebird	4/19; nest started, grass	5/6; full nest completed, was never occupied	--	--	--	Assumed this box with completed nest was abandoned in favor of "West-New Box" located +- 20 feet to west.
na	Prairie South (Farm House); (S)East- old box	TS: 3	Tree Swallow	unknown	5/6; full nest completed	unknown	unknown	Assumed 6/12 or shortly after; three TS chicks	Three chicks fledged, one found deceased in box; No attempt at second nest
B5	Garton Curve North	TS: 5	Tree Swallow	4/08; some grass present	5/13; formed nest with feathers	5/23; five eggs	6/5; assumed all five hatched	6/28; nest empty; five TS fledged	No attempt at second nest
B6	Bioswale North	BB: 3	Bluebird	4/08; some grass present	4/26; full nest completed	4/27; four blue eggs	5/13; four chicks	6/05; nest empty; four BB fledged; -see note* →	*Pile feathers observed E of nest, = three survivors. Later, 2 parents+3 chicks observed in area. Nest cleaned; BBs observed around box, no 2 <sup>nd</sup> nest built.
B7	Bioswale South	HW: 4	Hours Wren	4/29; some twigs present	6/05:	6/05: two white eggs; 6/12; eggs missing HW close	← continued: four new eggs;	2nd nest; 8/08 four HW chicks fledged;	Observed early on, BBs near that box; eventually only wrens around. Per measurement, distance from BS-N 75'; move box to south.
B8	Corn Dog relocation (Original location, Berry Patch)	TS: 4	Tree Swallow	TS took up residence almost immediately.	5/23; full nest with feathers !!	6/05: two white eggs. # not documented	Around 6/18; assume four chicks.	6/28; assumed four chicks fledged.	Original Location; Berry patch, HW dummy nest only; box moved to Corn Dog 5/13. Parents were very protective during most visits.
B9	Garton Curve South	BB: 5	Bluebird	4/19; some grass present	4/29; full nest	5/06: four new eggs.	Est. 5/20; four chicks	5/23; Parents / Fledglings stay in area.	Earliest sightings of BB at CFG here, late march. However nest building and eggs laid about same time as later arrivals; i.e. one month later.
B10	Turkey Trot West (Original location, TT North)	HW: 4	Hours Wren	5/23; some grass;	6/05; Full HW nest	6/18; Brown eggs, five	7/03; five chicks	7/09; five chicks	Moved box 5/13 from NE of pond, to W of pond overlooking the field. Consider relocating.
B11	Turkey Trot East (Renamed, original 'TT South')	BB: 5 HW: 3	Bluebird House Wren	5/23; Full BB nest	5/23; Full BB nest	6/12; first observation; four BB eggs	6/18; four chicks	7/10; estimate	Observed BB being harrassed by two pair of HR. Second nest were HW. Three eggs/chicks.
B12	Prairie North (Farm House) New Box	TS: 4	Tree Swallow	4/26; Some grass present	5/13; Complete TS nest with feathers	5/30+-; four eggs estimate	6/5; four chicks	6/27+-; Four chicks	Unsure of exact dates for this one. After TS fledged, BB observed hanging around, but no further action.
na	Prairie North (Farm House); Old box	(no nest built; never occupied)	--	No Activity for season	--	--	--	--	--
		<b>Total Eggs Laid:</b>	Bluebirds: 17	Chickadees: 5	Tree Swallows: 17	House Wrens: 21			
		<b>Total Chicks Fledged:</b>	Bluebirds: 16	Chickadees: 0	Tree Swallows: 12	House Wrens: 18			
		<b>Percent Survival:</b>	94.12%	0.00%	70.59%	85.71%			