

## PA Rare Bird Report

<b>Submission Date</b>	2020-01-01 13:30:54
<b>Observer's Name</b>	Pamela Fisher
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<b>Observer's Address</b>	761 Gap PA 17527 United States
<b>Names of additional observers</b>	John Lahr, Jonathan Heller, Eric Witmer, Joshua Houck, Aden Troyer, Chad Kauffman, Nina Wolf, and Warren Wolf.
<b>Species (Common Name)</b>	Lark Sparrow
<b>Species (Scientific Name)</b>	Chondestes grammacus
<b>Number of individuals</b>	1
<b>Age(s) and Plumage(s) and Sex (if known)</b>	Adult.
<b>Observation Date and Time</b>	01-01-2020 11:20 AM
<b>Did you submit this sighting to eBird?</b>	Yes
<b>Link to eBird checklist</b>	<a href="https://ebird.org/checklist/S62847040">https://ebird.org/checklist/S62847040</a>
<b>County</b>	Lancaster
<b>Location (City, Borough, Township)</b>	Manheim
<b>Exact Site (E.g. Name of park, lake, road)</b>	Boyer's Run Road near Sanctuary Road.
<b>GPS coordinates of sighting</b>	40.214597, -76.394230
<b>Habitat</b>	Pasture, fields, a bit swampy and brushy. There is a very small woodlot here.
<b>Distance to bird</b>	30 yards
<b>Viewing conditions</b>	Mostly cloudy.
<b>Optical equipment used</b>	Bushnell 10x42 binoculars
<b>Description</b>	This bird had a very striking pattern on the face. Chestnut and white, clear breast with a central breast spot, large dark malars.

**Behavior (be as detailed as possible about what the bird was doing)**

It was feeding on the ground, occasionally popping up on a branch to look around or preen.

**Separation from similar species (How you eliminated others)**

Larger than most sparrows, the face is nothing like any sparrows around here.

**Are you positive of your identification ? (Why or why not)**

Yes, it was positively identified by knowledgeable birders.

**During**

iBird Pro

**After**

Peterson Field Guide to Birds of North America.

**Supporting evidence (check all that apply)**

Photograph  
Video

**Upload images, audio, video or drawings**



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