

## PA Rare Bird Report

<b>Submission Date</b>	2020-07-17 15:30:00
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<b>Observer's Address</b>	2 S. Valley View Rd Line Lexington PA 18932 United States
<b>Species (Common Name)</b>	Lark Bunting
<b>Species (Scientific Name)</b>	Calamospiza melanocorys
<b>Number of individuals</b>	1
<b>Age(s) and Plumage(s) and Sex (if known)</b>	? adult, solid black except for white comma on wing, male
<b>Observation Date and Time</b>	05-14-2020 9:00 AM
<b>Did you submit this sighting to eBird?</b>	Not yet (please do, eBird is great!)
<b>County</b>	Bucks
<b>Location (City, Borough, Township)</b>	Hilltown Township
<b>Exact Site (E.g. Name of park, lake, road)</b>	outside my 2nd story window
<b>GPS coordinates of sighting</b>	40.2964817,-75.2714041
<b>Habitat</b>	in a pinoak tree, up about 20 feet
<b>Distance to bird</b>	15-20'max
<b>Viewing conditions</b>	clear, windless morning about 9 AM EDT
<b>Optical equipment used</b>	eyeballs only
<b>Description</b>	after 3-4 day of sustained 30+ MPH winds from the west in MAY I woke up on the morning the wind abated and looked out my window to see a bird I had never seen before, about size of Robin, but skinny, solid black except for white slash on shoulder. went to look in my bird books, but none of the PA one had it, finally found it was a bird of Plains states, blown in by all that wind

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

sitting on branch, no leaves on tree at that time

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

see above

**Discussion – anything else relevant to the observation that will aid the committee in evaluating it:**

Augie, at PVNC, augustmirabella@aol.com , suggested I submit it to PORC, said he would vouch I was somewhat reliable, though not a birder as such.

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

yes, date is approximate as I wrote down dates of high wind from West but don't have that with me at the moment, GRRRR, call me for confirmation

**After**

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

Drawing

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