

## John Latimer's Phenology Checklist

Below are a list of events that typically occur in April. The dates associated with the events are from my notes and represent averages taken from the Grand Rapids area. If you are south and west of Grand Rapids your dates may be earlier, north and east later. Naturally these are averages and depending on the spring weather they may be earlier or later than averages. The important thing will be to encourage the students to watch for these events as well as any other signs of spring they may discover on their own.

If you chose to do so you can send an email with a weekly report to the radio station. You can also create a sound file on a smart phone and send it along. You can access these reports on Wednesdays following the Tuesday phenology program at [www.kaxe.org](http://www.kaxe.org).

**Go to [kaxe.org](http://kaxe.org) and click on phenology talkbacks.**

The Phenology Show can be heard on:

91.7 FM Grand Rapids

90.5 FM Bagley, Bemidji

89.9 FM Brainerd

103.9 FM Ely.

The program airs live on Tuesday Morning at 7:20 AM and is preceded by the Talkback show featuring the voices of area students broadcast at 6:50 AM

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Event:

Avg. Date:

Date Observed:



Speckled Alder: catkins yield pollen when struck:

**April 2**

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Ruffed Grouse: First Drumming heard:

**April 3**

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Hazel Brush: First pollen or red stigma:

**April 8**

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Mourning Cloak Butterfly: First seen in spring:

**April 9**

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Flicker: First seen:

**April 12**

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Eastern Phoebe: Heard or seen:

**April 13**

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Lake Ice Free:

**April 14**

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Avg. Date:

Date Observed:



Common Loon: First heard or seen:

**April 14**

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Wood Frog: First heard:

**April 15**

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Spring Peeper: First Heard:

**April 17**

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Red Maple: First flowers:

**April 18**

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Mosquito: First seen:

**April 18**

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Earthworm: First sighting:

**April 22**

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Bloodroot: First Flowers:

**April 27**

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Quaking Aspen first green leaves:

**April 29**

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