SPRING 1998 FIELD REPORT

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Sandhill Cranes	2	April 28, 1998	Reported by Gary Nelson at Carney Marsh south of Ankeny
Peregrine Falcon (same pair)	May early?	Fledged 3 young in DM (Pat Schlarbaum)
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	1	April 22	Brown's Woods, West Des Moines
Marsh Wren	1	May 9	Harrier Marsh near Ogden
Wood Thrush	12	May 10	Brown's Woods, West Des Moines report From Denny Thompson
Wood Thrush	4	May 6,13, 29	Brown's Woods (Jane C & Sue Spieker)
Wood Thrush NEST	1	May 19	Brown's Woods (Jane C & Carol Berrier)
Swainson's Thrush	1	May 24	Clive Greenbelt
Yellow-throated Vireo		May 6, 13, 19, 29	A few singing Brown's Woods
Yellow-throated Vireo	2-3	May 30, 31	Loess Hills near Turin
Bell's Vireo	1	May 10	Saylorville Lake near mile long bridge
Red-eyed Vireo		May 13, 19, 29	Several singing Brown's Woods
Philadelphia Vireo	1	May 10	Polk City Wildlife area at Saylorville
Black and White Warbler	1	May 18	Clive Greenbelt
Prothonotary Warbler	2	May 10	Brenton Slough
Golden-Winged Warbler		May 11	Karl Jungbluth reported near Ledges
Tennessee Warbler		May 13, 19	Many at Brown's Woods both days
Tennessee Warbler	1	May 23	Clive Greenbelt, singing
Northern Parula	2	April 26	Walnut Woods, WDM
Yellow-rumped Warblers		May 6	Several at Brown's Woods
Cerulean Warbler	1	May 9	Ledges State Park
Yellow-throated Warbler	2	April 26	1 at Walnut Woods, 1 at Waterworks, DM
Yellow-throated Warbler	1	May 9	Ledges State Park
Blackburnian Warbler	1	May 30	Several saw one at Loess Hills near Turin
Ovenbird	2	May 13	Brown's Woods (JC & SS)
Louisiana Waterthrush	1	May 31	Loess Hills near Turin
Yellow-breasted Chat	1		Red Feather Prairie at Saylorville (DeT)
Mourning Warbler	1	May 19	Brown's Woods (JC &CB)
Orchard Oriole	1	May 31	Loess Hills near Turin
Baltimore Oriole		May	Abundant

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Scarlet Tanager M&F	2-3	May 6,13,19,29	Brown's Woods (JC, SS, CB)
Scarlet Tanager M	1	May 10	Ledges near Lost Lake
Scarlet Tanager M	1	May 31	Loess Hills near Turin
Rose-breasted Grosbeak		May	It seems there are far fewer than usual here Last year I had 13 at feeders - none this year But there were several in the Loess Hills
Blue Grosbeak	1	May 30,31	Loess Hills near Turin
Undigo Bunting		May 6	Brown's Woods
Purple Finch		April 12,14, etc.	Had several feeding for several days in April
Pine Siskins			Had a few off and on all winter until late April
Rufous-sided Towhee	1	May 9	Ledges at Lost Lake
Rufous-sided Towhee		May 30, 31	Several in Loess Hills singing
Sharp-tailed Sparrow			Denny Thompson saw one at Saylorville
Clay-colored Sparrow	1	April 25	Backyard in Clive
Clay-colored Sparrow	2	May 12	Iowa State Capitol Grounds, DM
Harris' Sparrow	1	May 16	Dallas Center by Terry Shepherd
White-crowned Sparrow	1	May 18	Backyard in Clive (JC)
White-throated Sparrow	2	May 16	Dallas Center by Terry Shepherd
White-throated Sparrows		April 24-25	Dozens of them came in overnight to Clive
White-throated Sparrows		Total control of portal	Most were gone by May 8

It seems like we missed most of the warblers – the people I talked to at the Loess Hills Seminar May 30-31 from western Iowa and Nebraska said they had seen very few also. There seemed to be quite a few Tennessee's singing, though, from as early as May 6th.