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Field Reports of Bird sightings Fall, 1997 Phil J. Walsh 137 51st St Des Moines, IA 50312 515-255-2552

	Species	Number	Date	Location/Notes
J	Common Loon	5	8 Nov	Saylorville Res
	Night-heron (sp)	2	11 Oct	Maffit Reservoir. Both birds were imm.
	Ring-necked duck	15	10 Nov	Raccoon River Park, West DM
	Common goldeneye	12	10 Nov	Raccoon River Park, WDM
	Bufflehead	7 15	10 Nov 15 Nov	Raccoon River Park, WDM Gray's Lake, DM
J	Hooded merganser	14 70	8 Nov 15 Nov	Polk City Wildlife Area. Gray's Lake, DM
	Ruddy duck	12	10 Nov	Raccoon River Park
	Osprey	4 1 2	3 Sep 11 Sep 11 Oct	137 51st St, Des Moines Des Moines Des Moines
	Harrier	1	29 Oct	Saylorville Res.
	Mississippi Kite	1 2	1 Aug 5 Aug	137 51st St, DM 137 51st St, DM

Kites were conspicuous in their absence for the remainder of the period. They had been regular at this location up to 5 August, and I was confident they were nesting somewhere in the area, but 5 August is much too early to depart a successful nest site.

	Semipalmated plover	2	23 Aug	Harrier Marsh
	Wilson's phalarope	1	23 Aug	Harrier Marsh
V	Red-necked phalarope	3	23 Aug	Harrier Marsh
	Chimney swift	11	13 Oct	137 51st St, DM
	,	6	15 Oct	137 51st St, DM
		3	16 Oct	Waterworks Park, DM
		1	17 Oct	137 51st St, DM
		V4	18 Oct	137 51st St, DM
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	Carolina wren	2	1,2 Aug	137 51st St, DM
		1	8 Aug	137 51st St, DM
	Pine siskin	up to 18	starting in m	nid-October, and continuing

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