

Field Reports of Bird sightings
 Spring, 1999
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Species	Number	Date	Location
✓ Pied-billed Grebe	13	20 April	Pond in western Polk county
✓ Horned Grebe	1	25 April	Errington Marsh, Polk County
✓ American bittern	1	6 May	Harrier Marsh
✓	1	12 May	Harrier Marsh
Greater White-fronted Goose	50	17 April	near Rush Lake, Palo Alto Cnty.
✓ Ring-necked Duck	1	2 May	Errington Marsh
✓ Turkey Vulture	2	1 March	Des Moines
✓ Mississippi Kite	1	21 May	137 51St, DM
	1	29 May	" "
	1	30 May	" "
✓ Broad-winged Hawk	5	24 April	137 51st St, Des Moines
	1	22 May	" "
✓ Sora	1	25 April	Errington Marsh
✓ Black-bellied Plover	1	30 May	Errington Marsh
✓ Semipalmated Plover	2	30 May	Errington Marsh
✓ Black-necked stilt	2	6 May	Harrier Marsh
✓ Semipalmated sandpiper	36	30 May	Errington Marsh
✓ White-rumped sandpiper	1	30 May	Errington Marsh
✓ Stilt sandpiper	1	2 May	Errington Marsh
✓ Common Snipe	15	11 April	Engledinger Marsh
✓ Wilson's Phalarope	2	6 May	Harrier Marsh
✓ Common Nighthawk	1	12 May	Des Moines
✓ American Pipit	3	6 May	Harrier Marsh
✓ Golden-winged warbler	1	12 May	Brown's Woods
	1	15 May	Huston Park, Palo Alto cnty.
✓ Northern Parula	1	12 May	Walnut Wood's St. Park

	2	15 May	Huston Park, Palo Alto cnty.
	1	21 May	137 51st St, DM
✓ Cape May warbler	1	18 May	Saylorville Lake
✓ Yellow-throated Warbler →	1	8 May	Ledges.
	1	12 May	Ledges S.P.
	1	13 May	western Polk county
✓ Prothonotary Warbler	1	12 May	Walnut Woods S.P.
✓ Louisiana Waterthrush	1	8 May	Ledges S.P.
✓ Kentucky Warbler	1	8 May	Ledges S.P.
✓ Hooded Warbler	2	12 May	Walnut Woods S.P.
✓ Summer Tanager	1	12 May	Walnut Woods S.P.
✓ Scarlet Tanager	1	18 May	Saylorville Lake
✓ Yellow-headed Blackbird	1	25 April	Errington Marsh

Note: I was with groups that had 17 warbler species on 8 May, 25 species on 12 May, 21 (?) on 15 May, and at a casual picnic on 18 May, without walking anywhere at all, we had 10 species (including Cape May). I'm too new at birding for it to mean much, but I certainly saw more warblers this year than I ever had before.

oops! Philadelphia vireo (1) 18 May Saylorville Res. ✓