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Iowa Peregrine Nesting Activity 2004

Bob Anderson reports the pair at Lansing cliff, Allamakee County, hatched young but none were present at banding. A second wild nesting pair was reported downstream, by Dave Kester, on a Mississippi River cliff at Waukon Jct., Allamakee County. There were 2 eggs but no young produced. Female at this site was identified as Lora (48/E), hatched at Xcel Energy, Monticello, MN in 2003. Bob and Dave may have also identified the male.

A scrape was present at nest box on smokestack at Alliant Energy Plant at Chillicothe, Wapello County, but no young produced. Two unidentified peregrines occupied site.

Danny Akers, a reliable birder, reported a peregrine pair copulating about 1 mile southwest of Guttenberg, Clayton County, on April 18, but despite subsequent searches in the area, no eyrie was discovered. *

At state Capitol bldg in Des Moines female 39/E, NSP Riverside, Minneapolis 2003, has paired with 93T and are actively defending site from intruders.

At American Republic Insurance bldg. at Des Moines, Polk Co. Iowa, female 8/*T (Colonnade bldg. 2002) here for her first nesting attempt paired with fourteen-year-old male 93T, his twelfth year at this site. Four eggs were laid, 3 hatched, and three males fledged. One immature male, D/06, was retrieved dead from collision with Ruan bldg. in July.

At Louisa Generating Plant, Louisa County, Jim Haack, Mid-American Energy, reports that five-year-old female Murphy Z/V, here for fourth year, and an unidentified male fledged four, three males and a female. Female 62/D recently was trapped inside a building, at the plant, and died of apparent heat exhaustion.

At US Bank bldg at Cedar Rapids, Linn Co. Iowa, six-year-old female *S/ *5 nesting here for fifth time and 13 year-old male 64X, here for 12th year, produced four eggs, hatched four, and fledged three, one male and two females. YOY female 63/D was found dead. According to Jodeane Cancilla, it was feared no young survived at this site as shortly after fledging; adults were sighted repeatedly but no young were seen.

At Davenport, Scott County, a pair once again nested at Centennial Bridge on eastern section of middle span. Three young were reported before fledging, but neither adult was identified. Also, no activity was reported at 2003 territory at I80 bridge near Bettendorf.

It appears there is a new territory at Burlington, Des Moines County, beneath another Mississippi River bridge. Former falconer, Lee Eberly, reported at least one, and possibly two peregrines were seen flying to and from under the bridge in mid-June, and vocalizations were heard 4 or 5 times. There has been peregrine activity noted at this site in the past. No peregrines were identified, and it is unknown if there was an active nest.

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- XX. SP-Firststar Bank (US Bank), Cedar Rapids, Linn County, Iowa. Pat Schlarbaum, Bruce Ehresman, Iowa DNR, and Jodeane Cancilla, Macbride Raptor Project, report that six-year-old female *S/*5, nesting here for the fifth year, and 13-year-old male 64X, here for the 11th year, produced four eggs, hatched all four, and fledged three young, two females and a male. Survival of the brood is in question because shortly after fledging, adults were sighted repeatedly but no young were seen. N-375
- XX. SP-American Republic, Des Moines, Polk County, Iowa. Pat Schlarbaum and Bruce Ehresman, Iowa DNR, report that 14-year-old male 93T, his 12th year at this site, paired with a new female, three-year-old Ellie b/g 8/*T, fledged in 2001 at Colonnade, Minneapolis, Minnesota. They produced four eggs and fledged three young, all males. One of the young was found dead nearby in July. N-379
- XX. SP-Centennial Bridge, Davenport, Scott County, /Bluffton, Winneshiek County, Iowa. A pair of unidentified adult peregrines nested on the eastern end of the middle span of this bridge and fledged three young, not banded. N-379
- XX. SP-MEC Louisa, Louisa County, Iowa. Jim Haack, MidAmerica Energy, reports that five-year-old female Murphy Z/V, here for the fourth year, and an unidentified male fledged four young, three males and a female. After fledging, the young female was trapped and died in a building at the site. This is the third year of successful nesting at this site. N-470
- XX. LE-Waukon Junction cliff, Waukon Junction, Allamakee County, Iowa. **New Site.** One-year-old female Lora 48/E, fledged at NSP Monticello, Minnesota, paired with two-year-old Brady 19/M, fledged at Dairyland Cooperative, Alma, Wisconsin, and produced two eggs that failed to hatch. Bob Anderson reports that only the male appeared to be incubating. N-073
- XX. LE-Lansing cliff, Lansing, Allamakee County, Iowa. Bob Anderson, Raptor Resource Project, and Dave Kester report that an unidentified adult female paired with seven-year-old male Alpha *T/M, nesting here for the sixth year. They hatched some young, alive for a time but gone on June 17, cause unknown. Raccoons were the probable predators of the brood lost here in 2003 and perhaps also this year. N-075
- XX. NB-State Capitol, Des Moines, Polk County, Iowa. Pat Schlarbaum reports that female Fast Track b/g 39, fledged in 2003 at NSP Riverside, Minneapolis, Minnesota, paired with male 93T, long time and current nester at American Republic in Des Moines, less than a mile away. She is actively defending the site from intruders. Male 93T is the third Midwestern male detected in a bigamous relationship. Puff no nest 075
- XX. NB-Alliant Energy Plant, Chillicothe, Wapello County, Iowa. Pat Schlarbaum reports that two unidentified peregrines were present, made a scrape in a nest box on a smokestack, but produced no eggs. N-075
- [I-80 Bridge, Quad Cities, Scott County, Iowa. Lowell Washburn reports no peregrine activity at this site this year. Last year, at least one young was fledged here, from unidentified parents. This bridge is 12 miles upstream from Centennial Bridge.]

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[Mississippi bridge, Burlington, Des Moines County, Iowa. Falconer Lee Eberly reports seeing and hearing at least one and possibly two peregrine flying under the bridge in mid-June. Peregrine activity has been noted here in past years. There was no evidence of a nest here this year.]

Schlarbaum, Bruce DNR, Iowa DNR, and Deborah Canella, Madison County, Iowa, report that six-year-old female *S*2*5, nesting here for the fifth year, and 13-year-old male *4X*, here for the 11th year, produced four eggs, hatched all four, and fledged three young, two females and a male. Survival of the brood is in question because shortly after fledging adults were sighted repeatedly, but no young were seen.

XX. 28-American Republic, Des Moines, Polk County, Iowa. Pat Schlarbaum and Bruce Hirsman, Iowa DNR, report that 14-year-old male *J*1, his 12th year at this site, paired with a new female, three-year-old Ellie *E*8*7, fledged in 2001 in Colorado, Minnesota. They produced four eggs and fledged three young, all males. One of the young was found dead nearby in July.

XX. 29-Central Bridge, Davarport, Scott County, Burlington, Wisconsin, Iowa. A pair of unidentified adult peregrines nested on the eastern end of the middle span of this bridge and fledged three young, not banded.

XX. 29-MHC Lousia, Lousia County, Iowa. Jim Hark, MidAmerica Energy, reports that five-year-old female Murphy *M*4, here for the fourth year, and an unidentified male fledged four young, three males and a female. After fledging, the young female was trapped and died in a building at the site. This is the third year of successful nesting at this site.

XX. 30-Wanton Junction, Wanton Junction, Allamakee County, Iowa. One-year-old female *L*4*8*E, fledged at MSP, Monticello, Minnesota, paired with two-year-old Brady *B*7*M, fledged at Danlyand Cooperative, Albia, Wisconsin, and produced two eggs that failed to hatch. Bob Anderson reports that only the male appeared to be incubating.

XX. 31-E-I nesting cliff, Iasting, Allamakee County, Iowa. Bob Anderson, Raptor Resource Project, and Dave Kuster report that an unidentified adult female paired with seven-year-old male *A*1*M, nesting here for the sixth year. They banded some young, alive for a time but gone on June 15, cause unknown. Raptors were the probable predators of the brood lost here in 2003 and perhaps also this year.

XX. 32-State Capitol, Des Moines, Polk County, Iowa. Pat Schlarbaum reports that female Pat Jack *P*3, fledged in 2003 at MSP, Riverside, Minnesota, in Minnesota, paired with male *P*3*1, long time and courtship pair in American Republic in Des Moines, less than a mile away. She is actively defending the site from intruders. Male *P*3*1 is the third Midwestern male detected in a significant relationship.

XX. 33-Allan Energy Plant, Chubbuck, Wapello County, Iowa. Pat Schlarbaum reports that two unidentified peregrines were present, made a scrape in a nest box on a stack, but produced no eggs.

[30 Bridge, Quad Creek, Scott County, Iowa. Lowell Washburn reports no peregrine activity at this site this year. Last year, at least one young was fledged here, from unidentified parents. This bridge is 12 miles upstream from Central Bridge.]

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