

IN A NEW REPORT THIS MORNING THE FIRST-IDENTIFIED
PLUMAGED LESSER BLACK-BACKED GULL FIRST REPORTED
OCT 5TH BELOW THE DAM AT RED ROCK RESERVOIR IN
MARION COUNTY WAS SEEN AT THAT LOCATION ON SUNDAY
OCT 15TH. IT WAS STANDING WITH HERRING GULL.

ALL SIGHTINGS IN THE WEEK'S REPORT ARE FROM THE
DES MOINES AREA IN CENTRAL IOWA. ON OCTOBER 14TH
AT SANDPIPER RECREATION AREA OF THE SAYLORVILLE RES-
ERVOIR, ^{WESTERN GREBE} WATER PIPITS, A LATE BUFF-BREASTED
SANDPIPER AND IN THE AREA A PRAIRIE FALCON. AND ON
FRIDAY THE 13TH MANY LECONTE'S SPARROWS AT SAYLORVILLE,
~~AND~~ ESPECIALLY NUMEROUS IN THE FIELDS BETWEEN CHERY
GLEN AND OAK GROVE, AND AT SANDPIPER RECREATION
AREA, A MERLIN, 5 DOWNYWOODS, SANDERLING, AND LATE
SEMPALMATED PLOVER, WHILE AT THE BEACH AT BIG CREEK
STATE PARK THERE WERE 20 LESSER GOLDEN PLOVERS
WE HAVE HAD NO REPORTS THIS WEEK ABOUT
THE LITTLE GULL, AND THE 3 SAND SCOTERS RE-
PORTED FROM SAYLORVILLE THE PREVIOUS WEEKEND, OCT.
7TH & 8TH.

IN DES MOINES ~~THE~~ JOHN HOOGERNEIDE, HAS HAD A
RELIABLE RED-NECKED SCREECH OWL IN HIS YARD FOR
THE PAST 2 WEEKS, WHICH ^{SITS IN THE OPEN AND} STAYS BACK DAY UNTIL
AFTER 6 PM. JOHN SAYS TO DRIVE INTO HIS
DRIVEWAY AT 206 SW 42ND ST UNTIL YOU SEE
WHITEWASH AND THEN LOOK ABOVE ~~FOR~~ FOR THE
OWL

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