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Iowa Birdline (319)338-9881 for 2/11/91  
The highlights this week are GYRFALCON in the north central,  
and GREAT BLACK BACKED GULL at Keokuk.

If you remember last year at this time, we had two reports of GYRFALCON in Cerro Gordo County, including a bird that Lowell Washburn of the DNR, who is a falconer, called in while flying his bird near Burchinal. On February 6th of this year, he had a similar experience with a gray phase gyrfalcon near Clear Lake. For more information, you can call Lowell at (515)357-3517.

In southeast Iowa, a second year dark mantled gull, believed to be a GREAT BLACK BACKED GULL was standing on the ice with HERRING GULLS above Lock & Dam #19 at Keokuk on the 7th. Below the dam, there were seven swans, at least three identified as MUTE SWANS, and the others TUNDRA SWANS. To see these birds, you must get permission from the Corps of Engineers office to walk out on the locks where they are visible. EURASIAN TREE SPARROWS are still being seen north of Burlington. For directions, call Chuck Fuller at (319)753-0710. In Johnson County, the TUNDRA SWAN and one TRUMPETER SWAN were still present on the 8th, with the TUNDRA SWAN below the dam at the Iowa River Power Co. restaurant at Coralville, and the TRUMPETER ranges the Iowa River in the Iowa City and Corlaville areas.

In the northeast, a NORTHERN SHRIKE was at Cedar Sand Prarie northwest of Cedar Falls in Blackhawk County on the 8th.

In central Iowa, the previously reported RED SHOULDERED HAWK in Hardin County was seen again on the 8th where county road D-65 crosses a wooded creek three and a half miles west of Union.

In the south central, the young SNOWY OWL which has been in Wayne County since December. continues through the 10th. From Clio, go east a quarter mile on Wayne County Road J-54, then north on gravel and look for the bird in the first three-quarters of a mile. Two adult BALD EAGLES were at Brown's Slough in Lucas County on the 10th.

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