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There was an Olive-sided Flycatcher in my backyard this evening, tying the latest date ever for Story County. I suspected its identity while walking in the yard, (small bird @ top of dead tree doing nothing) and confirmed it with my spotting scope at 50 yards. Of course, the fact that I had time to walk around and into the house, locate my binoculars, ID the bird, search for my scope and tripod, unpack and assemble them, set them up on the deck, focus on the bird, ID it again, convince Linda to come out of the cool basement to see it, and show her the key characters until she begged to go back to the basement, demonstrates another key character of this species - they are never in a hurry! I see them about 30 days each year (spring and fall together) and have never seen one do or say anything! It's no wonder that they aren't very common; if they breed with the same urgency that they migrate or feed, it's a wonder that they exist at all.... It was still there at dark, so maybe tomorrow I'll have a new late spring record for Story County.

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