

## TO SKIN

~~ON THE 26<sup>TH</sup>, 2 GLOW WERE STILL BEING SEEN LATE  
IN THE DAY AT THE CLAY BANKS FOREST LOCATION IN SERRA  
GORDO COUNTY.~~

② ON THE 25<sup>TH</sup> IN THE CENTRAL, 6 RED CROWNED  
WERE VISITING A FEEDER IN PALLA CO NORTH  
OF VAN METER. FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL EUGENE  
ARMSTRONG AT (515) 946-2726. AND THE <sup>PASTOR</sup> KILLDEER  
ARRIVED BACK IN CENTRAL IOWA.

① ON THE 1<sup>ST</sup>, IN TRENE, 1 GLOW WAS PRESENT IN  
THE EVENING AT THE CLAY BANKS FOREST LOCATION IN  
SERRA GORDO CO. <sup>2 GLOW WERE THERE IN THE 26<sup>TH</sup></sup> IN THE CENTRAL IN POLK CO, A R SKIN  
WAS SEEN ALONG HIGHWAY 415 ABOUT A MILE WEST OF  
THE SPILLWAY AT BIG CREEK STATE PARK BY THE ROAD  
FROM THE BOAT RAMP. IN MADISON CO, A NORTHERN  
SHAKE WAS AT BADGER CREEK S.P. TO THE NW,  
A SNOWY OWL WAS SPOTTED IN <sup>NUMBOLT</sup> ~~REYNOLDS~~ CO.  
ALONG C.R. C-26 ABOUT 3 MILES EAST OF BRADATE.

ON THE 28<sup>TH</sup> IN TRENE IN BUTLER CO, AN IMM-  
NOGO WAS ALONG 260<sup>TH</sup> ST, AT THE WEST END OF  
BIG MARSH. TWO WERE THERE

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Birds Mentioned:

GREAT GRAY OWL  
FERRUGINOUS HAWK  
Prairie Falcon  
Snowy Owl  
Northern Goshawk  
Townsend's Solitaire  
Trumpeter Swan  
Peregrine Falcon  
Long-eared Owl  
Short-eared Owl

~~To skip the recording and leave a message, just press the star at any time.~~ The big thaw of last week brought some waterfowl back into southern parts of the state, most notably along the Mississippi River, and at Lake Rathbun. The top birds this week are GREAT GRAY OWL, FERRUGINOUS HAWK, and PRAIRIE FALCON in Cerro Gordo County, and TOWNSEND'S SOLITAIRE in the northwest.

In the north-central in Cerro Gordo County, one to two GREAT GRAY OWLS were still being seen all week through the 23rd at the Clay Banks Forest area, one and a half miles northwest of the intersection of county roads B-43 and S-70, specifically along 225th Street, a quarter to a half mile west of Wren Avenue. In the area northwest of Thornton, the FERRUGINOUS HAWK was still being observed through the 23rd, most often in the tallest evergreen tree in an old farmstead near the intersection of 140th Street and Dogwood Avenue, or around the long grass area in the mile north of there. In addition, a PRAIRIE FALCON was spotted twice last week, on the 18th near 170th and Finch, and on the 22nd near 210th and Cardinal. The immature SNOWY OWL that had been in that area, has not been reported since the 15th, when it was sighted just south of 150th Street and Cardinal Avenue. The immature NORTHERN GOSHAWK was still present on the 19th in the north end of the Shell Rock River greenbelt area southeast of Rock Falls.

In the northwest, a TOWNSEND'S SOLITAIRE was found in southwest Cherokee County on the 22nd. From the town of Washta, go west on county road C-66 to G Avenue, then turn left and after 0.7 miles look for the bird in cedars on the left side of the gravel road. In Sac County, the family of three TRUMPETER SWANS has returned to Black Hawk Lake at Lake View.

In the northeast in Linn County, a PEREGRINE FALCON was seen on the Firststar Building in downtown Cedar Rapids on the 19th.

In the central in Carroll County, both LONG-EARED and SHORT-EARED OWLS were found in cedars at Swan Lake State Park on the 23rd.

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