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IOWA RBA (319)338-9881 Update for 6/6/96

IOWA RBA: 6/3/96

Birds Mentioned:

Western Grebe

Red-breasted Nuthatch

Lazuli Bunting

Mississippi Kite

Peregrine Falcon

Swainson's Hawk

On the 7th, in the northeast in Black Hawk County, ^{TUE} a WESTERN GREBE was on the lake at George Wyth State Park, and was best viewed from the boat ramp on the south side of the lake.

On the 5th, in the northwest in Clay County, Judy Knight of Spencer reports a pair of RED-BREASTED NUTHATCHES still at her feeder. The LAZULI BUNTING south of Spencer has not been seen now since early the morning of the 2nd.

The week's report of Monday, June 3rd.
Spring migration has about wound down, and there have not been many reports this week. However, we do have news of LAZULI BUNTING and MISSISSIPPI KITE.

In the northwest, Lee Schoenewe reported a male LAZULI BUNTING along the Little Sioux River in Clay County on the 1st. From the town of Dickens, go south on county road M-54 for four and a half miles, then west on 405th Street to a dead end parking lot. Then walk south on an old roadbed a quarter mile, ford a stream, and walk another quarter to third of a mile to a culvert, and the bird was seen from the culvert area and up to one hundred yards north of it. You can call Lee for more information at (712)262-8194.

In the central in Polk County, the MISSISSIPPI KITES have returned to their last year's nesting site at the rear of the Olivet Baptist Church at 73rd and Del Matro in Windsor Heights. On the 30th, they were observed nest building in the same tree as last year. This location is reached from I-235 by taking the 8th Street West Des Moines exit, and going north a little over a mile. Kites have also been seen regularly flying over Greenwood Park in Des Moines. In downtown Des Moines, three PEREGRINE FALCON chicks hatched the week of May 20th at the nest on the American Republic Building.

In the northeast in Black Hawk County, SWAINSON'S HAWKS are once again nesting in the Hartman Reserve in Waterloo, and they can often be observed from Geroge Wyth State Park by looking across the Cedar River.

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