

Season: FALL Year: 1983

Name and address

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Other observers (name, city):

(print or type)

908 East Briggs

Fairfield, IA 52556

Use first few lines to give weather and habitat conditions. Use line(s) below species data to give additional details, if needed. Mail to: T. H. Kent, 211 Richards St., Iowa City IA 5224 by 1 Mar, 1 Jun, 1 Aug, or 1 Dec.

use initials of obsv. on species line

SPECIES	NO.	DATE	LOCATION - COMMENT - OTHER OBSERVERS
			[Note: FF means Fairfield, Jefferson County, Iowa.]
TURKEY VULTURE	1	10/6/83	Over Chautauqua Park, FF
✓ COOPER'S HAWK	1	10/1/83	FF; flying south.
✓	2	10/3/83	FF; flying south.
RED-TAILED HAWK	2	10/5/83	Circling high over FF
COMMON SNIPE	1	10/28/83	Waterworks Park, FF.
✓ COMMON NIGHTHAWK	1	10/3/83	Last I saw in FF.
✓ CHIMNEY SWIFT	1000+	9/19&20 9/22 10/8	Fairfield High School smokestack-- they poured in for 30 minutes. Fire on--birds roosted elsewhere, and I never saw them in such huge numbers again, though they continued to roost in smaller groups in town. Last swifts I saw in FF.
✓ RUBY-THROATED HUMMINGBIRD	1	9/12&29	FF--in town. Did not see red gorget but presume it was this species.
BELTED KINGFISHER	1	10/14/83	Walton Lake, FF.
Yellow-shafted FLICKER	1	10/5/83	Last one I saw in FF.
YELLOW-BELLIED SAPSUCKER	2 imm.	10/11	FF
EASTERN WOOD-PEWEE	1	9/19/83	The only one I saw in FF this fall.

✓ TREE SWALLOWS	many	10/14/83	Last I saw in FF, which is not to say they weren't around longer, but it was the last time I got out to Walton Lake.
✓ BARN SWALLOWS	many	10/14/83	See note on tree swallows.
✓ BLUE JAY	200+	10/3/83	Between 8 & 10:30 A.M., loose flocks of 8-53 birds were flying south. FF
RED-BREASTED NUTHATCH	1	10/11/83	FF. The only one I've seen in Iowa.
BROWN CREEPER	1	10/6/83 10/9/83	Chautauqua Park, FF At my feeder.
WINTER WREN	1	10/11/83	Chautauqua Park, FF. In brambles in understory.
✓ GREY CATBIRD	1	10/2/83 10/10/83	Last one I saw in FF. I heard one call in Chautauqua Pk.
✓ BROWN THRASHER	4	10/4/83	Chautauqua Park, FF
AMERICAN ROBIN	2	11/22/83	Last I've seen in FF.
✓ WOOD THRUSH *	2	10/6/83	Chautauqua Park, FF. One was strutting in circles around the other, on the dirt road with its tail stiffly cocked straight up and its crest erected.
HERMIT THRUSH	2	10/6/83	Chautauqua Park, FF. With the wood thrushes of previous item. Migrating together?
	1	10/11/83	Chautauqua Park, FF. Last.
EASTERN BLUEBIRD	4	10/18/83	Jefferson County
	1	11/3/83	" "
✓ GOLDEN-CROWNED KINGLET	1	10/6/83	Chautauqua Park, FF.
	10(est)	10/11	" "
	many	10/24/83	" "
	2	11/4/83	FF.

✓ RUBY-CROWNED KINGLET	3 100's	10/6/83 10/11	Chautauqua Park, FF Chautauqua Park, FF. Every branch of every tree had its kinglet!
CEDAR WAXWING	several	10/27	FF.
EUROPEAN STARLING *	many	10/6/83	Two starlings mating in park.
✓ SOLITARY VIREO	1 2	10/4/83 10/6/83	Chautauqua Park, FF Chautauqua Park, FF
✓ NASHVILLE WARBLER	2 1	9/30/83 10/6/83	Riparian habitat 4 m. s. of FF. Chautauqua Park, FF
YELLOW-RUMPED WARBLER	many	10/6/83	Chautauqua Park, FF
✓ OVENBIRD	1	10/12/83	Found dead on FF lawn by Irma Hartman's cat. Irma took it out of her freezer to show me, on 10/27.
HOUSE SPARROW *	many	10/6/83	Female carrying grass tuft in beak.
✓ SCARLET Tanager	1	10/4/83	Chautauqua Park, FF. No trace of red --just greenish yellow above, yellow below, with black unmarked wings.
✓ EVENING GROSBEAK	2 1	11/13/83 11/28/83	FF. Sitting in tree near my feeder. At my feeder.
PURPLE FINCH	1 m.	11/21/83	FF; first I've seen this fall.
PINE SISKIN	2	11/26/83	FF; first I've seen this fall.
AMERICAN GOLDFINCH		10/2/83	Chautauqua Park--Fledgeling still being tended by adults.
✓ DARK-EYED JUNCO Slate-colored	4	10/6/83 10/11/83	At my feeder in FF. First I saw this fall. They stayed an hour and then left. Juncos began appearing regularly at my feeder.

AMERICAN TREE SPARROW	1	11/19/83	FF.
CHIPPING SPARROW	1	9/17-27 10/9/83	Immature--at feeder in FF. Last I saw in FF.
FIELD SPARROW	2	10/18/83	At my feeder.
WHITE-THROATED SPARROW	6(est) 1	10/14 11/4/83	In brush under trees, FF. First I saw this year. FF.

*10/6/83 was an unusually cool, pleasant, sunny day, and the weather seemed to inspire some springtime-like behavior.

ADDITIONAL OBSERVERS: IRMA HARTMAN, FAIRFIELD
TERRI KLEIN, FAIRFIELD

OSPREY	1	mid-Sept.	Seen on golf course ^{by Walton Lake} in FF by I.H.
	3	10/8/83	" " " " ^{by friends of. I.H.} †
	1	10/14/83	Seen by Terri Klein ^{by the Reservoir} in FF.

† "Friends" told IH
IH told me.
I'm telling you.

It's probably true.
(But I wouldn't swear to it.)