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Dear Bob,

Please find enclosed two Documentation Forms for recent sightings of birds I made with my son. I hope these will be of interest and value to you. If you desire extra information please let me know.

Although I do not "bird" Iowa very frequently now, I have been serious about listing bird species since March of 1966. I have been a co-leader on birding trips throughout southern California, to Southeast Arizona, to Puget Sound - the Olympic Peninsula and numerous places in the Pacific Northwest. I took a graduate level Ornithology course at Univ. Wisconsin - La Crosse and my life list now includes 483 species. All of this - is only to let you know of my experience level. Please be assured that both records I have enclosed are totally accurate and I am very familiar with field identification of both species - two rather simple ones at that.

Bob Cecil of Keokuk suggested that I send the forms to you. (Bob felt the Crane sighting was note worthy - I am not so sure Avocets are important. But its the first time I've seen Avocets on the Mississippi river)

Best Regards
Ric Zarwell