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Mr. Ross Silcock Box 300 Tabor IA 51653

Dear Mr. Silcock:

I am enclosing some special documentation forms and sighting reports that I received with Breeding Bird Atlas results recently. Perhaps you would like to include some or all of them in the field reports as addenda to the spring/summer seasons. Also there is a report of a goshawk (now dead) included from Ron Andrews.

A third item I would like to relate is a barn-owl nest that was discovered in Wayne County this August. The enclosed photo was taken at the site by the landowner. Upon further investigation Bruce and I discovered the remains of young owls in the bottom of the nest that were obviously hatchlings from previous years. We will be picking through the stuff at a later date but for now we were quite please to discover a perennially used nest site. The owners are quite adamant about keeping the location quiet. Two birds fledged of 5 that hatched.

Sincerely,

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