

Dear Carl:

Please forgive for not having documentation forms but here are some highlights of this fall:

American White Pelican - 1 on NOV. 24 in Evansdale on Cedar River.

Magnificent Frigate Bird - 1 on OCT. 3 at Lake Red Rock - DID NOT IDENTIFY SEX
DOES THIS BIRD NEED ANY DETAILS!? Ha! Ha!

SAME DAY!
INCREDIBLE!

GOLDEN EAGLE - 1 on OCT. 3 at Lake Red Rock banding station. I was trapping migrating raptors on a bluff by the lake and had an adult Red-tail land on my pigeon-lure. It flew off immediately, surprisingly, and then I saw why. A huge eagle pirated the pigeon from the hawk. It was in perfect sunlight ^{20ft. away} and the golden nape shimmered. The broad white band at the base of the tail feathers suggested immature Golden Eagle. When it left I watched it soar above the blind revealing the large white patches at the base of the primaries. IMM. Gold. Eagle!

COOPER'S HAWK - 3 on OCT 22 in Cedar Falls (2 ADULTS, 1 IMMATURE)

GOSHAWK - 1 on OCT. 18 in Cedar Falls (IMMATURE). PROBABLY ♀.

LARGE ACCIPITER, TYPICAL ACCIPITER IMMATURE PLUMAGE, LARGE AS A RED-TAIL.

Red-shouldered hawk - 1 on OCT. 22 in Cedar Falls. HEARD CALLING AT FIRST.

Broad-winged Hawk - 119 on SEPT 17 near Waukon Junction.



Red-tailed hawk - peak on 21-22 OCT. 40+ in 3.5 hrs on 21 OCT.
31+ in 6.0 hrs on 22 OCT.

OBSERVATIONS FROM BLIND in CEDAR FALLS - +'s indicate many more probably passed since blind obscured view.

SWAINSON'S HAWK - 1 on 19 OCT in Cedar Falls

Rough-legged hawk - 1 on 15 OCT in Cedar Falls

Osprey - 1 seen on SEPT. 1 at Ger. Wyth St. Park, seen off and on until OCT. 19.

Am. Kestrel - 30+ in Lucas Co. on OCT. 1.

Peregrine falcon - 1 on OCT. 15 in Cedar Falls
1 on OCT. 22 in Cedar Falls

Next time I promise to use standard forms!

Thanks!

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ALMOST FORGOT!

LONG-EARED OWL - 2 on OCT. 27 - Cedar Hills Sand Prairie - NW of C.F.

SHORT-EARED OWL - 6 on OCT. 27 - Cedar Hills Sand Prairie - NW of C.F.