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Dear Jim,

I always forget to get field reports in on time so will send a few notes to you early.

The Mississippi Kites came back to Des Moines near Fred Cranes. On June 12th the 2nd kite was sighted, the first had arrived mid-May. They were seen carrying nesting material around June 19th + 20th

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So far no young have been seen.

The Peregrine Falcons tried to raise there three young on the American Republic building. Having spent several days "baby-brid sitting" I was very saddened to <sup>lose</sup> ~~lose~~ the young male to the air-conditioner that was supposed to be closed off and made unaccessable

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One female flew well mid-July — the other was still walking the ledge and practicing take offs and landings.

Western Kingbirds nested again this Spring at the Iowa State Capitol building. The sycamore was very poorly leafed when they built their nest. I have not seen any young. It's sure the weather hurt.

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275 seen at end of month.



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Cattle Egrets have been "hanging out" at the North Airport between 6th + Morning-side drive, N. of I80, D.M. I've seen as many as 30 at a time there all summer until it all flooded this month. Also Many great <sup>egrets.</sup>

On Sunday, July 25<sup>th</sup> I got my first returning sandpiper. I found a solitary north of Perry.

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I hope you have  
a wonderful time  
while you are in  
N. Carolina. We'll  
miss you.

I am looking  
forward to your  
program in the Spring  
for Big Bluestem.

I told Steve I will  
help in any way I  
can for Saylorville  
CBC.

Also if you need  
any help for Spring  
10U let me know.

Sincerely  
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