

SPRING 1993

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I am doing very much better since I had back surgery in December but I'm still not really an active birder again. Most of the following was noticed while doing other things.

TURKEY VULTURE	10 May	3	Ames	first
NIGHTHAWK	13 May	1	Ames	first
CHIMNEY SWIFT	23 Apr	2	Ames	first
YELLOW-BELLIED FLYCATCHER	28 May	1	Ames	only one for sure seen
LEAST FLYCATCHER	28 May	1	Ames(ISU)	last one heard
RED-BREASTED NUTHATCH	9 May	1	Ames(BP)	only one seen
SWAINSONS THRUSH	25 May	1	Ames	last
SOLITARY VIREO	2 May	1	Ames(BP)	first
YELLOW WARBLER	2 May	1	Ames	first
FOX SPARROW	1 Apr	1	Ames	

This one was at a brush pile in my back yard while I was getting ready to go to work. It gathered 3 pieces of dead grass 3 to 5 inches long in its beak and flew off. This seems like odd behavior for a migrating bird. On the 4th of April there was a Fox Sparrow on the same brush pile but I don't know if it was the same one or not (and it did nothing unusual).

WHITE-CROWNED SPARROW	22 May	1	Ames	only one seen
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