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Mr. Thomas Kent  
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Dear Mr. Kent:

I am writing to inform you of raptors caught by the Iowa State University Wildlife Care Clinic at our banding station on the Des Moines River. The station is located 6 miles south of Boone. Banding began September 20, 1993 and commenced November 3, 1993. Raptors banded include: 62 Red-tailed Hawks, 5 Sharp-shinned Hawks, 2 Cooper's Hawks, 1 Northern Goshawk, 1 Golden Eagle, and 1 Peregrine Falcon.

Most Sharp-shinned Hawks were banded October 7-10, as the first part of October was the peak accipiter migration. The Northern Goshawk was banded October 10. This bird was a passage male in good health. The Golden Eagle was caught October 17 and was a passage female. The Peregrine Falcon was caught September 27. It was a passage male of the tundra race.

An ancillary reason for banding was to establish normal hematological values for Red-tailed Hawks. Blood was drawn on several birds and blood chemistry levels were found. This data will be useful in the diagnoses and treatment of debilitated raptors admitted to the Wildlife Care Clinic.

Sincerely,

Michael D. Cox  
Biologist/Naturalist