

Birding Reports (May 2018)



May 29, 2018 — New bird sightings for the area include: Common Nighthawk, Morning Warbler, Olive Sided Flycatcher, Yellow-throated Vireo, Cape May Warbler, Bay-breasted Warbler, Blackburnian Warbler, Wilsons Warbler, Blue-headed Vireo and Vesper Sparrow.

Recent bird sightings: Bald Eagle, Turkey Vulture, Red-tailed Hawk, Broad Wing Hawk, Sandhill Crane, Canada Goose, Hooded Merganser, Great Blue Heron, Red-winged Blackbird, Song Sparrow, Common Loon, American Robin, House Finch, Catbird, Common Raven, Morning Dove, Pileated Woodpecker, Pine Siskin, American Goldfinch, Towhee, Clay-colored Sparrow, Rose breasted Grosbeak, Oriole, Whip-poor Will, Snipe, Ruby throated Hummingbird, Purple Martin, Yellow-bellied Sapsucker, Chimney Swift, Trumpeter Swan, Yellow Warbler, Golden-winged Warbler, Eastern Kingbird, Pied-billed Grebe, Double-crested Cormorant, Turkey, House Wren, Bluebird and Indigo Bunting.

Happy Birding!

May 18, 2018 — The area is now experiencing the peak of spring migration. **New** bird sightings for the area include: Chestnut-sided Warbler, Orange Crown Warbler, Scarlet Tanager, Blackpoll Warbler, Canada Warbler, Golden-winged Warbler, Indigo Bunting, Great-crested Flycatcher, Least Flycatcher, Dunlin and Magnolia Warbler.

Recent bird sightings: Bald Eagle, Turkey Vulture, Red-tailed Hawk, Sharp-shinned Hawk, Sandhill Crane, Canada Goose, Hooded Merganser, Great Blue Heron, Red-winged Blackbird, Junco, Song Sparrow, Common Loon, American Robin, Purple Finch, House Finch, Catbird, Common Raven, Morning Dove, Pileated Woodpecker, Pine Siskin, American Goldfinch, Towhee, Clay-colored Sparrow, Coopers Hawk, Broad-winged Hawk, White-crowned Sparrow, Rose breasted Grosbeak, Oriole, Whip-poor Will, Snipe, Harris Sparrow, Ruby throated Hummingbird, and Great Egret.

Here is the popular link to check on the Decorah Iowa Eagle camera --
<http://www.ustream.tv/decoraheagles>. This year, the eagles are raising 3 young now about 23 days old or so.

A good way to attract some of these birds is with an Oriole feeder using jelly, oranges and mealworms. Happy Birding!

May 11, 2018 — New bird sightings for the area include: Ruby-throated Hummingbird, Red-headed Woodpecker, Gray Catbird, Sora Rail, Virginia Rail, Green Heron, American Redstart, Common Yellowthroat, Black-throated Green Warbler, Yellow Warbler, Black and White Warbler, Whip-poor Will, American Bittern, Ruby-crowned Kinglet, Solitary Sandpiper, Least Flycatcher and Swainsons Thrush. Have one Bluebird nest with 3 eggs along the Bluebird Trail at the Northland Arboretum.

Recent bird sightings: Bald Eagle (8), Turkey Vulture (9), Red-tailed Hawk, Sharp-shinned Hawk, Sandhill Crane, Canada Goose, Hooded Merganser, Great Blue Heron, Red-winged Blackbird, Junco, Song Sparrow, Common Loon, American Robin, Purple Finch, House Finch, Common Raven, Morning Dove, Pileated Woodpecker, Pine Siskin, American Goldfinch, Towhee, Clay-colored Sparrow, Coopers Hawk, Broad-winged Hawk, White-crowned Sparrow, and Great Egret.

May 4, 2018 — New bird sightings for the area include: Clay-colored Sparrow, Lincoln's Sparrow,

Yellow-headed Blackbird, Palm Warbler, Ruby-crowned Kinglet, Orange-crowned Warbler, Wilson's Snipe, Lesser Yellowlegs, Eastern Towhee, Brown Thrasher, Oriole, Rose-breasted Grosbeak, Red-necked Grebe, Coopers Hawk, Belted Kingfisher, White-throated Sparrow and White-crowned Sparrow.

Recent bird sightings: Bald Eagle (5), Turkey Vulture (14), Red-tailed Hawk, Sharp-shinned Hawk, Trumpeter Swan (50+) Merlin, Sandhill Crane, Canada Goose, Common Merganser, Common Goldeneye, Hooded Merganser, Great Blue Heron, Red-winged Blackbird, Junco, Song Sparrow, White Pelican (100), Common Loon (35 +) American Robin, Common Redpoll, Purple Finch, House Finch, Common Raven, Morning Dove, Pileated Woodpecker, Pine Siskin, American Goldfinch and Great Egret.

Waterfowl can be found along most portions of the Mississippi River and now on some smaller lakes.

Please report any unusual birds to Judd Brink ([\(218\) 838-4784](tel:2188384784)) or email (info@birdminnesota.com). Include a photo and/or a brief description in the email if possible. Happy Birding!

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