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Dear Tom,

Tanya just reminded me that the Iowa report will be due while we're out of town. Since we're leaving for San Diego tomorrow morning, my report will be brief.

Mallard - S.P. - approx. 100 - Dec 16 - Jan 18

- ✓ Black Duck - Settling Pond (S.P.) - 1 - Dec. 16 - Jan 18
- Gadwall - S.P. - 1, Dec. 10; Feb. 22
- Pintail - S.P. - 2 - Dec. 18 - 25; 2 - Jan. 18; 4 - Jan. 30; Feb 19-22 - 3
- Wigeon - S.P. - 2 - Dec. 20; 4 - Jan 2 - 28; 1 - Feb. 22
- ✓ Shoveler - Manawa - 4 - Dec. 4
- ✓ Ring-neck. - S.P. - 3 - Feb. 22 - 23
- ✓ Canvasback - S.P. 1 - Feb. 23
- ✓ Greater Scaup - S.P. - 6 - Feb. 22 Note: I had good light & was able to see green color on the heads. Also noted the rounded heads, large, wide bills & large size - almost as large as the redheads. Feb. 23 - 11 - did not see the green, but noted the other characteristics mentioned above.
- ✓ Redhead - S.P. - Feb 19 - 5; Feb 22 & 23 - 12
- ✓ Common goldeneye - Dec. 20 - 6 - S.P.; Dec. 25 - 2; Jan 30 - 2; Feb 19 - 42; Feb 23 - approx. 20
- ✓ Hooded merganser - S.P. - Dec. 2 - Feb. 1 - 1 male
- ✓ Common merganser - S.P. - Feb. 19 - 3
- Rough-legged Hawk - Jan. 8 - 2 - Hwy 34 - 13 mi w. of Chariton
- ✓ Bald Eagle - Feb 17 - Manawa area - 3 adults; 3 immatures

Northern shrike - Feb. 24 - DeSoto Refuge - Neb. side. Tanya Bray, Sandy Kovanda and I studied one from approx. 50-100 ft with binoculars & scopes (Bushnell - 25x) as it sat & hopped around in a multiflora rose hedge. We were able to see a large, hooked bill, light color on the base of the bill, thin, white area above the bill and very light scalloping on the breast.

*Best regards,
Babs*