

ture peregrines. Although she was not observed harassing the young peregrines, the possibility does exist since adult peregrines are usually considered a greater threat to the young of other nesting adult peregrines rather than natural predators such as Great Horned Owls.

Other unusual behavior observed included peregrine activity at a nest site. During 1989, the adult female at the 125 S. Wacker nest destroyed and

ate one of her eggs. The female may have eaten the egg because it was damaged and no longer viable. Usually, the egg would be removed by the adult but in this case the observers were surprised to watch the female ingest part of it. None of the four eggs she laid survived, but later that same breeding season she laid a second clutch of eggs, one of which hatched and the young successfully fledged (Table 2).

Concerns Continue

The occurrence of an adult peregrine in an area is good news for conservationists, but mere presence does not mean recovery success. If these falcons are unable to breed on their own, survival of the species is questionable. The increase in the number of peregrines and their success in breeding (Table 3) must be kept in proper perspective. This means being aware of and working to reduce problems

Table 2: Peregrine Territories in the Chicagoland Area

Site	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992
125 S. Wacker Chicago, IL	Pacer- (M,86-IL)	Jingles- (M,86-IL) Harriet- (F,85-MN)	Jingles Harriet	Jingles Harriet	Jingles Harriet	male-Blk Band* Harriet	Jingles Harriet
Irving Park Chicago, IL		Pacer	Pacer Zoar- (F,87-WI)	Pacer Zoar	Pacer Zoar** Pegasus- (M,87-IL) female ?42?	Pegasus* female ?42?	
Evanston, IL				? male ? female			
East Chicago, IN				Floydy- (M,87-WI) Phoenix- (F,87-IL)	Floydy Phoenix	Floydy*** Phoenix male-Blk Band	male - unbanded Igor- (F,90-WI)
Il Beach State PK Zion, IL				Adult female (88-Ontario)			
Gary, IN					? male ? female	Doc- (M,88-MI) Susy Q- (F,88-MI)	Doc Susy Q
Hyde Park Chicago, IL					adult - unbanded adult silver - band	banded male banded female	
Glen Ellyn, IL						1 adult	
Brit Centre Chicago, IL							? male ? female
Waukegan, IL							? male ? female
Lake Calumet, IL							? male ? female

* third adult peregrine present in territory intermittently during season

** peregrine died - building collision

*** peregrine died - unknown cause