



Four juvenile Wood Storks visited Hurricane Creek, Seminary Township, Fayette County from 28 August through 11 September 2007. Photos taken 8 September 2007 by Travis A. Mahan.



**White-faced Ibis** (*Plegadis chihi*) One at Chautauqua NWR, MSN on 30 Nov 2006 (JV, DO\*). The record from Chautauqua and that for the previous species are the latest fall records for both species in Illinois.

**Wood Stork** (*Mycteria americana*) Four juveniles at Hurricane Creek, Seminary TWSP, FAY on 28 Aug-11 Sep (2007.042; Frances Baldwin, Sandy Britt; TAM\*, DMK\*).



Mississippi Kite. Illinois Beach State Park, Lake County. 4 November 2007. Photo by Steve Huggins.

**Mississippi Kite** (*Ictinia mississippiensis*) One at Rockford, WIN on 8 Jul (2003.043; BW); one at Rockford, WIN on 10 May (2003.049; JM); one in ADA on 10 May (2003.045; KV); one at Winfield, DUP on 10 May (2003.046, MBe); one in SCL on 10 May (2003.047; ER); one w of Lexington, MCL on 10 May (2003.048; MEF); one at Belleville, SCL on 20 May (2007.027; DMK);

one at Waterfall Glen FP, DUP on 5 May (2007.028; JHe); one, 2nd year, at IBSP, LAK on 14 Sep (2007.029; PWS); an adult female at IBSP, LAK on 3-4 Nov (2007.037; SJH\*). IORC required documentation of Mississippi Kite from locations outside the limited breeding range of this species in southern Illinois. Such records have been increasing in number in the last few years, and the Committee has removed the species from the review list.

**Swainson's Hawk** (*Buteo swainsoni*) One at IBSP, LAK on 24 Sep (2006.046; PWS); one at IBSP, LAK on 14 Sep (2007.037; PWS); One at Rockford, WIN on 15 Sep (2007.051; DTW).

**Prairie Falcon** (*Falco mexicanus*) One at McHenry Dam, MCH on 31 Aug (2007.015; CSF); one at IBSP,



Prairie Falcon. Champaign County. 30 December 2007. Photo by Greg Lambeth.

LAK on 3 Nov (2007.040; SJH\*); one at Riverbend FP, CHA on 9-30 Dec (2007.063; BAG, GSL\*); one at Carlyle Lake, CLI on 30 Jan-2 Feb (2008.002; MS\*); one at Prairie Ridge State Natural Area, JAS on 25 Jan (2008.003; RES, CLH).

**Black Rail** (*Laterallus jamaicensis*) One at Kennekuk County Park, VER on 10 May (2003.045; MJE); one at Carlyle Lake, FAY on 15 Apr (2007.018; DMK).



Snowy Plover. Decatur dredge ponds, Macon County. 30 April-2 May 2007. Photo by Travis A. Mahan.

**Snowy Plover** (*Charadrius alexandrinus*) One at Lake Decatur dredge ponds, MCN on 30 Apr-2 May (2007.041; TAM\*).

**Whimbrel** (*Numenius phaeopus*) One along the Mississippi River at Lock & Dam 16, ROC on 29 June (2007.071; GW, TDw).

**Little Gull** (*Hydrocoloeus minutus*) One at Mermet Lake, MSS on 27 Feb (2004.071; FKB); two adults at Carlyle Lake, CLI on 22 Nov (2007.035; BRd; DMK\*, TAM\*). One of the Carlyle birds remained until 27 Nov 2007.

Little Gull. Carlyle Lake, Clinton County. 22-27 November 2007. Photo by Dan Kassebaum.



**Mew Gull** (*Larus canus*) One bird at Carlyle Lake, CLI on 23-24 Feb (2008.007; DMK\*, BRd\*, TAM\*, FMH\*, TB\*). This bird engendered a huge amount of discussion. It is apparently a 3rd cycle bird, clearly belonging to the canus complex. However, many observers thought the bird was an example of the taxon kamchatschensis ("Kamchatka Gull"), considered by some to be a distinct species. The Committee examined a number of photos and compared them to collections at the Field Museum. Unfortunately, birds in this plumage are not as cut-and-dried for identification as adults. The Committee concluded that we could not at present be certain that this individual belonged to kamchatschensis, but that