

WISCONSIN FALCONWATCH

2018 Nesting Season Report

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Cover Image: *The unbanded adult female peregrine near her dolomite cliff eyrie on Rock Island. We banded her 4 young this year on June 17th. Her full nesting account is on page 21 of this report. Image © G.A Septon 2018*

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WISCONSIN FALCONWATCH 2018 Nesting Season Overview

This year there was a known total of 111 young produced at 36 successful nest sites. Fifteen nests were located along the Lake Michigan shoreline, 6 along the Fox River, 2 along the Wisconsin River system, 3 on the shores of Lake Superior, 8 along the Mississippi River (5 on cliffs) (*source RRP*), 1 on the Door Peninsula and 1 inland at Madison.

Overall total production was down 5% from 117 young in 2017 to 111 young in 2018. Average production per successful nest was down a bit also from 3.25 young/successful nest in 2017 to 3.08 in 2018.

On a bright note this season I only recorded 2 (1.82%) young that died in their nest boxes which is more in line with the long-term average of 2%. Last year I recorded an unprecedented loss of 13 young (11%) in nest boxes.

The numbers above once again reflect known/verified production but the actual numbers may be higher. It is likely there are at least a few nests that we don't know about and others where outcomes are unknown such as the bridge nest at De Pere, the Racine quarry and 6 Mississippi River bluffs this season. There were also 4 nests that were known to have failed this year due to various reasons.

The table below explains nesting terminology used in this report. All nesting information is extracted from known, verifiable data.

Successful =	Young produced
Failed =	Eggs Laid – no young produced
Active/Non-productive =	Falcons observed – no eggs produced
Outcome Unknown =	No confirmed outcomes
Color band: (b/r) =	Black/Red
Color band: (b/g) =	Black/Green
Color band: (b/blu) =	Black/Blue
Color band: (bl) =	Black

Once again I'd like to express my sincere gratitude to the many corporations, organizations and individuals (see Acknowledgements on page 57 in this report) that helped to make 2017 another successful year for Wisconsin's Peregrines.

The following pages provide an overview of the 2018 nesting season.

LAKEFRONT NEST SITES

Pleasant Prairie: We Energies Pleasant Prairie Power Plant



Nesting Details

Adult Female: Unbanded

Adult Male: “PBR” (b/r) 07/B, was produced in 2009 at Milwaukee’s Miller Brewery nest site. This was PBR’s 7th year at this site.

Eggs: 4 laid between March 22 – 29

Projected Hatch Dates: April 29 – May 1

Eggs Hatched: 4 between April 30 – May 2

Banded: 2 females & 2 males on May 21

Site Visits: Jan 29, May 21

Note: This nest site has been successful for the last 22 consecutive years but is now being decommissioned. A new site – Ardent Mills - located 2.5 miles to the north has constructed a nest box atop their facility. Peregrines have been observed hunting at the Ardent Mills site and in time - should relocate there.

This site has been active since 1997 producing a total of 65 young (2.95/year).



Above: The unbanded adult female with her 4 young

Below: Her 4 youngsters back home shortly after they were banded

Banding Data

Name	Sex	Project Band	USFWS Band
Lisa	Female	(b/blu) 53/W	1947-01178
CJ	Female	(b/blu) 54/W	1947-01179
Windsor	Male	(b/blu) 93/E	1156-03671
Rimfire	Male	(b/blu) 94/E	1156-03672

GPS: 42 Degrees 32' 16 N, 87 Degrees 54' 13 W

Kenosha: United Hospital System, Kenosha Medical Center



Nesting Details

Adult Female: “Olympia” (b/r) 31/W, produced in 2012 at the South Loop site on Michigan Ave. in Chicago, IL. This was her 4th year at this site.

Adult Male: “Livingston” (b/r) 55/D, produced in 2010 at the MG&E site in Madison, WI, back for his 6th year.

Eggs: 3 laid between April 2 – 8

Projected Hatch Dates: May 10 – 12

Eggs Hatched: 2 between May 12 – 13

Banded: 1 female & 1 male on May 31

Site Visits: Feb 27, May 31



Above: Olympia atop her nest box

Left: Banding day



This site has been active since 2006 producing a total of 23 young (1.77/year).

Banding Data

Name	Sex	Color Band	USFWS Band
Courtney	Female	(b/blu) 57/Y	1947-01199
Sheridan	Male	(b/blu) 10/R	1156-03688

GPS: 42 Degrees 34' 39 N, 87 Degrees 49' 11 W

Racine: Racine County Courthouse



Nesting Details

Adult Female: (b/g) R/13, produced in 2007 at the Tower Building in South Bend, IN, back for her 10th year.

Adult Male: “Beaster” (b/g) 67/M, produced in 2005 at We Energies Pleasant Prairie Power Plant, back for his 11th year.

Eggs: 4 laid between March 27 – April 2

Projected Hatch Dates: May 3 – 5

Eggs Hatched: 3 between May 5 – 7

Banded: 1 female & 2 males on May 25

Site Visits: May 25



Above: R/13

Below: Banding day

This site has been active since 2002 producing a total of 49 young (2.88/year).

Banding Data

Name	Sex	Project Band	USFWS Band
Bush	Female	(b/blu) A/46	1947-01191
Hawking	Male	(b/blu) 04/R	1156-03682
Ken	Male	(b/blu) 05/R	1156-03683

GPS: 42 Degrees 43' 30 N, 87 Degrees 47' 03 W

Oak Creek: We Energies Oak Creek Power Plant



Nesting Details

Adult Female: “Eurus” (b/blu) 48/M, produced in 2016 at the Georgia Pacific Mill nest site in Green Bay, WI. This was her 1st year at this site.

Adult Male: “Michael” (b/r) P/58, produced in 2015 at the Racine County Courthouse nest site in Racine, WI – back for his 2nd year.

Eggs: 3 laid between March 25 – 30
Projected Hatch Dates: May 2 – 3
Eggs Hatched: 2 between May 2 – 4
Banded: 2 males on May 22
Site Visits: Feb 27, May 22



Above: A relaxing June afternoon at the nest box for Eurus and her youngsters

Left: Banding day



This site has been active since 1998 producing a total of 60 young (2.86/year).

Banding Data

Name	Sex	Project Band	USFWS Band
Gunner	Male	(b/blu) 96/E	1156-03674
Kluski	Male	(b/blu) 97/E	1156-03675

GPS: 42 Degrees 84' 20 N, 87 Degrees 82' 83 W

Milwaukee: Veolia Water-Hoan Bridge/MMSD Territory



Nesting Details

Adult Female: “Adah” (b/r) 01/S, produced in 2010 at Queen’s Bluff, Winona, MN. Adah likely nested here last year and nested at Milwaukee’s US Bank site in 2015-2016. Adah was found dead on site on May 27.

Adult Male: “Rounder” (b/g) B/38, produced in 2007 at Milwaukee’s Miller Brewery site, back for his 7th year.

Eggs: 4 laid between March 12 – 19
Projected Hatch Dates: April 19 – 21
Eggs Hatched: 4 between April 21 – 22
Banded: 4 females on May 12
Site Visits: May 12, 30, June 4



*Above: The adult female
Left: Her brood of 4 young*



This site has been active since 1999 producing a total of 22 young (1.1/year).

Banding Data

Name	Sex	Project Band	USFWS Band
Snowball	Female	(b/blu) 49/W	1947-01174
Serena	Female	(b/blu) 50/W	1947-01175
Flappy	Female	(b/blu) 51/W	1947-01176
Perrie	Female	(b/blu) 52/W	1947-01177

NOTE: 49/W was found grounded on her maiden flight on June 1. She was cared for by WI Humane Society and released back on site on June 4.

GPS: 43 Degrees, 01' 16 N, 87 Degrees, 54' 04 W

Milwaukee: We Energies Valley Power Plant



Nesting Details

Adult Female: Unbanded

Adult Male: “Hercules” (b/r) 60/R,
produced in 2011 at the St. Joe’s Hospital
nest site in Milwaukee – back for his 5th
year.

Eggs: 4 between March 22 – 31

Projected Hatch Dates: May 1 – 3

Eggs Hatched: 4 between May 2 – 5

Banded: 2 females & 2 males on May 24



This site has been active since 2002 producing a total of 38 young (2.23/year).

Banding Data

Name	Sex	Project Band	USFWS Band
Peaches	Female	(b/blu) 61/W	1947-01186
Shyrea	Female	(b/blu) 62/W	1947-01187
Chris	Male	(b/blu) 98/E	1156-03676
Marley	Male	(b/blu) 99/E	1156-03677

GPS: 43 Degrees 02' N, 87 Degrees 57' 49 W

Milwaukee: UW Milwaukee, EMS Building



Nesting Details

Adult Female: Unbanded, likely her 8th year here.

Adult Male: “Lightning” (b/r) 84/R, produced in 2012 at We Energies Oak Creek Power Plant in Oak Creek, WI. This was Lightning’s 4th year at this site.

Correction: In last year’s report the adult male was incorrectly listed as “Wildcat” (b/r) 71/P who was involved in a territorial battle at this site. The correct male was Lightning (b/r) 84/R described above.

Eggs: 4 laid between March 26 – April 2

Projected Hatch Dates: May 2 – 4

Eggs Hatched: 3 between May 3 – 8

Banded: 1 female & 2 males on May 25

Site Visits: May 25



Above: The unbanded adult female

Left: Her 4 young



This site has been active since 2009 producing a total of 37 young (3.7/year).

Banding Data

Name	Sex	Project Band	USFWS Band
Penny	Female	(b/blu) A/45	1947-01190
Warren	Male	(b/blu) 02/R	1156-03680
Muir	Male	(b/blu) 03/R	1156-03681

GPS: 43 Degrees 01' 25 N, 87 Degrees 53' 54 W

Milwaukee: St. Joseph's Hospital



Nesting Details

Adult Female: "Agatha" (b/r) C/44, produced in 2015 at the Millennium Park site in Chicago, IL. This was her 2nd year at this site.

Adult Male: Banded - unidentified

Eggs: 4 laid between March 26 – April 3

Projected Hatch Dates: May 2 – 4

Eggs Hatched: 4 between May 3 – 5

Banded: 3 females & 1 male on May 23

Site Visits: May 23



Above: Agatha
Below: Unidentified banded male
Left: Banding day

This site has been active since 2011 producing a total of 28 young (3.5/year).

Banding Data

Name	Sex	Project Band	USFWS Band
April	Female	(b/blu) 57/W	1947-01182
Maya	Female	(b/blu) 58/W	1947-01183
Speedy	Male	(b/blu) 59/W	1947-01184
Quentin	Male	(b/blu) 60/W	1947-01185

Note: 59/W could be a large male. 60/W likely a large male.

GPS: 43 Degrees 04' 26 N, 87 Degrees 58' 37

Milwaukee: MillerCoors Brewery



Nesting Details

Adult Female: Unbanded, not believed to be the same unbanded female as last year.

Adult Male: “Donald” (b/blu) 65/A, produced in 2016 at the St. Joe’s Hospital site in Milwaukee, WI – his 1st year here.

Note: There was a complete turnover of adults here this year with the new male (Donald (b/blu) 65/A) killing last year’s male (Wyatt (b/r) 74/Y) whose fresh carcass was found inside the nest box on March 22. There was also a b/blu banded female on site on April 12 but she was displaced by what I believe to be a new unbanded female.

Eggs: 2 on April 12

Projected Hatch Dates: May 14 – 16

Eggs Hatched: 1 on May 18

Banded: 1 male on June 6

Site Visits: March 22, April 6, 23, May 18, June 4, 6, July 10

This site has been active since 2002 producing a total of 30 young (2.0/year).



Above: Donald – the new male
Below: Horus

Banding Data

Name	Sex	Project Band	USFWS Band
Horus	Male	(b/blu) 51/Y	1947-41523

NOTE: 51/Y could be a smaller female.

GPS: 43 Degrees 02' 28 N, 87 Degrees 57' 49 W

West Milwaukee: Malteurop, (formerly Froedtert Malt Complex – ADM)



Nesting Details

Adult Female: "Amylase" (b/g) *E/*S, a 2008-produced falcon from the US Steel old coke plant in Gary, IN, back for her 9th year.

Adult Male: "Witt" (b/blu) 48/E, produced in 2016 at the MG&E site in Madison, WI. Although "JJ" (b/g) 96/N was present early in the season he was displaced by Witt around March 22 and no longer seen. JJ had been present at this site for 10 years and fathered 23 young.



Eggs: 4 between April 10 – 16

Projected Hatch Dates: May 17 – 19

Eggs Hatched: 2 between May 17 – 19

Banded: 1 female & 1 male on June 6

Site Visits: March 10, May 22

Note: A new nest box was installed here this season with interior access that will withstand the elements for years to come and make annual cleaning much simpler.



Above: Witt & Amylase in the new nest box

Below: Back home after banding

This site has been active since 1995 producing a total of 65 young (2.83/year)

Banding Data

Name	Sex	Project Band	USFWS Band
Andromeda	Female	(b/blu) 50/Y	1947-41522
BigBad John	Male	(b/blu) 17/R	1266-0195

GPS: 42 Degrees 59' 58 N, 87 Degrees 58' 02 W

Wauwatosa: MPMC Thermal Power Plant

(Formerly We Energies Milwaukee County Power Plant)



Nesting Details

Adult Female: Unbanded immature

Adult Male: “Asa” (b/r) 17/M, produced in 2013 at the UW-Milwaukee EMS Building site in Milwaukee, WI. This was Asa’s 4th year at this site.

Eggs: 3 laid between May 1 – 5

Projected Hatch Dates: June 7 – 9

Eggs Hatched: 3 between June 6 – 8

Banded: 1 female & 2 males on June 27

Site Visits: Jan 30, March 16, June 27



Above: The unbanded immature female sitting out an April snowstorm

Below left: Her 3 young on banding day



This site has been active since 2013 producing a total of 20 young (3.33/year).

Banding Data

Name	Sex	Project Band	USFWS Band
Skye	Female	(b/blu) 03/Y	1947-41529
Hunter	Male	(b/blu) 50/S	1266-00503
Chase	Male	(b/blu) 51/S	1266-00504

GPS: 43 Degrees 02' 45 N, 88 Degrees 01' 39 W

Port Washington: We Energies Port Washington Generating Station



Nesting Details

Adult Female: “Brinn” (b/r)
84/X, produced in 2012 at Gold Hoist cliff, Split Rock State Park, Lake, Co., MN. This was her 5th year at this site.

Adult Male: “Beasley” (b/r)
P/07, produced in 2014 at We Energies Milwaukee County Power Plant in Wauwatosa, WI. This was his 2nd year at this site.

Eggs: 5 laid, March 21 – 31

Projected Hatch Dates: April 29 – May 3

Eggs Hatched: 5 between May 3 – 6

Banded: 2 females & 2 males on May 24

Site Visits: May 24



Above: Breakfast

Below: The 4 young after banding



This site has been active since 2000 producing a total of 63 young (3.32/year).

Banding Data

Name	Sex	Project Band	USFWS Band
Lillie	Female	(b/blu) A/43	1947-01188
Mackena	Female	(b/blu) A/44	1947-01189
Larsen	Male	(b/blu) 00/R	1156-03678
Shea	Male	(b/blu) 01/R	1156-03679

GPS: 43 Degrees 23' 01 N, 87 Degrees 52' 13 W

Sheboygan: Edgewater Generating Station



Nesting Details

Adult Female: (b/g) P/63, produced in 2005 at Grand Haven L. and P., Sims Plant in Grand Haven, MI. This was her 11th year here.

Adult Male: Banded - unidentified

Eggs: 3 laid by April 12

Projected Hatch Dates: May 15 – 17

Eggs Hatched: 3 by May 15

Banded: 1 female & 1 male on June 5

Site Visits: April 25, June 5



Above: P/63 – the adult female

Below left: Her 2 youngster on banding day



This site has been active since 1992 producing a total of 80 young (2.96/year).

Banding Data

Name	Sex	Project Band	USFWS Band
Spud	Female	(b/blu) 47/Y	1947-41519
Nacho	Male	(b/blu) 16/R	1266-00194

Note: One young was lost in the nest.

GPS: 43 Degrees 42' 58 N, 87 Degrees 42' 22 W

Manitowoc: Briess Malt & Ingredients Company
 (formerly Riverland Ag & Busch Agricultural Resources)

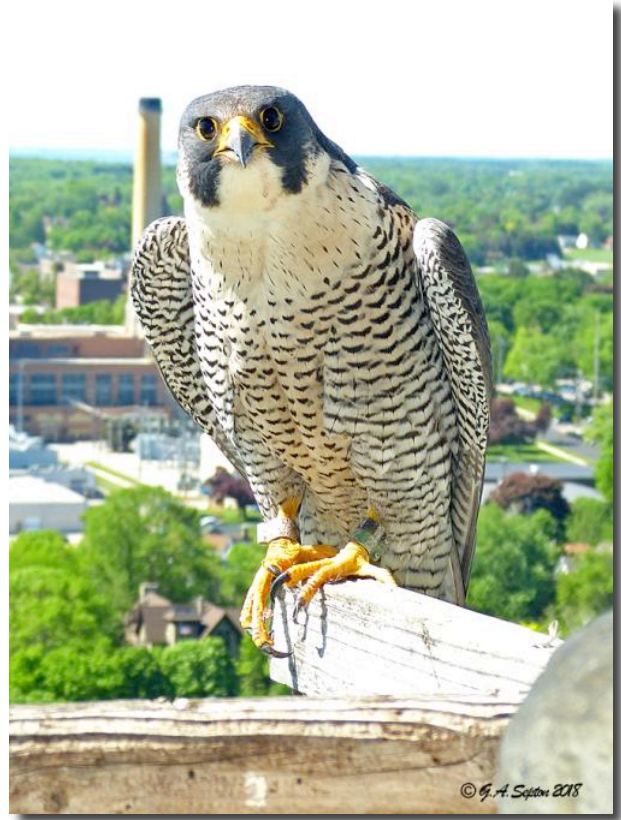


Nesting Details

Adult Female: “Valcor” (b/g) N/22, produced in 2013 at Chicago’s Wrigley nest site in Chicago, IL. This was Valcor’s 3rd year at the Briess site.

Adult Male: “Bartell” (b/blu) 41/A, produced in 2015 at MG&E Power Plant site in Madison, WI. This was Bartell’s 2nd year at the Briess site.

Eggs: 4 between April 4 – 11
Projected Hatch Dates: May 11 – 13
Eggs Hatched: 4 between May 12 - 14
Banded: 3 females & 1 male on June 1
Site Visits: June 1



Above: Valcor
Left: Her 4 youngsters

This site has been active since 1998 producing a total of 67 young (3.19/year).

Banding Data

Name	Sex	Project Band	USFWS Band
Millennium	Female	(b/blu) 59/Y	1947-01200
Sprinkles	Female	(b/blu) 60/Y	1947-41516
Alice	Female	(b/blu) 61/Y	1947-41517
JimBob	Male	(b/blu) 12/R	1156-03690

Note: 60/Y & 61/Y were found injured about a week apart in late June-early July. Both were treated for the injuries by Wildlife of WI and released back on site on July 21.

GPS: 44 Degrees 05’ 19 N, 87 Degrees 39’ 16 W

Kewaunee: Dominion Nuclear Power Plant (*Decommissioned*)



Nesting Details

Adult Female: “Athena” (b/g) N/27,
produced in 2007 at the Racine
County Courthouse site in Racine, WI.

Adult Male: “Cade” (b/r) 52/R,
produced in 2011 at the Georgia
Pacific Mill site in Green Bay, WI.

Eggs: 4 laid by April 5

Projected Hatch Dates: May 5 – 7

Eggs Hatched: 4 by May 10

Banded: 3 females & 1 male on May 29

Site Visit: May 29



Above: Athena
Below: Cade
Left: Banding day

This site has been active since 2001 producing a total of 45 young (2.5/year).

Banding Data

Name	Sex	Project Band	USFWS Band
Aphrodite	Female	(b/blu) A/47	1947-01192
Athena	Female	(b/blu) A/49	1947-01194
Ersa	Female	(b/blu) 54/Y	1947-01195
Apollo	Male	(b/blu) A/48	1947-01193

GPS: 44 Degrees 20' 31 N, 87 Degrees 32' 10 W

DOOR PENINSULA NEST SITES

Rock Island State Park: Dolomite Cliffs



Nesting Details

Adult Female: Unbanded

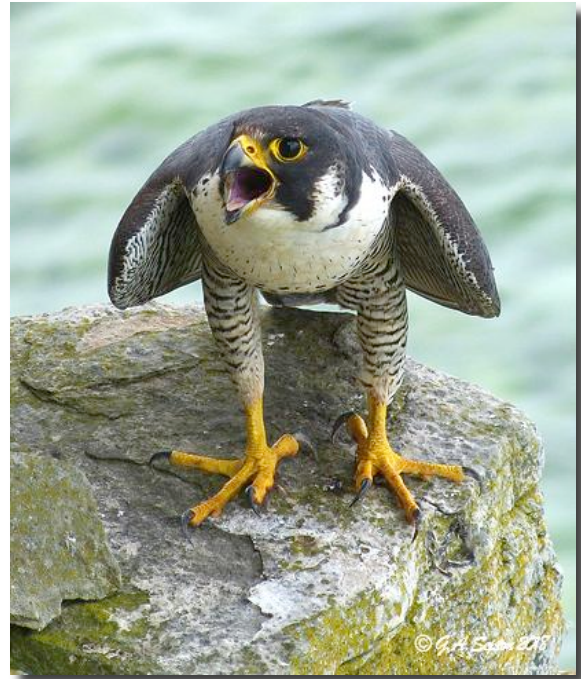
Adult Male: Unidentified

Eggs: At least 4

Eggs Hatched: 4 - May 29 – 30, est.

Banded: 2 females & 2 males on June 17

Site Visits: June 17



Clockwise from left: Dale & Glenys Bird & Donna Benson in the backup safety boat, the adult female, Randy Holm & Melody Walsh and Eddie Feltes. Also assisting this year was Bill Smith.



Banding Data

Name	Sex	Project Band	USFWS Band
Shime'	Female	(b/blu) 01/Y	1947-41527
Nitkato	Female	(b/blu) 02/Y	1947-41528
Ntowema	Male	(b/blu) 48/S	1266-00501
Nekane'	Male	(b/blu) 49/S	1266-00502

Note: 48/S is reverse banded.

GPS: 45 Degrees 25' 30N, 86 Degrees 49' 30W

This historical eyrie was active until the late 1950's. It was reoccupied in 2016, with a first successful nest in 2017. Since then it has produced a total of 6 young (3.0/year).

FOX RIVER NEST SITES

Green Bay: WPS Pulliam Power Plant



Nesting Details

Adult Female: “Jill” (b/r) 44/U, produced in 2013 at the Mayo Building at the University of MN. This was her 2nd year at this site.

Adult Male: ‘Schuhter’ (b/r) 98/R, produced in 2012 at the Thilmany Mill site in Kaukauna, WI. Schuhter was first identified here on April 23 and the remains of the former resident unbanded adult male were found on site – likely killed in a territorial battle.

Eggs: 4 laid between March 17 – 25
Projected Hatch Dates: April 24 – 26
Eggs Hatched: 3 on April 30
Banded: 2 females & 1 male on May 21
Site Visit: Jan 20, April 25, May 21

This site has been active since 1996 producing a total of 69 young (3.0/year).

Above: Jill hunkered down for the 2-day record April snowstorm

Below: Schuhter feeding his “adopted”



Banding Data

Name	Sex	Project Band	USFWS Band
Lono	Female	(b/blu) 55/W	1947-01180
Hen-Solo	Female	(b/blu) 56/W	1947-01181
Millenium	Male	(b/blu) 95/E	1156-03673

GPS: 44 Degrees 32' 22 N, 88 Degrees 00' 32 W

Green Bay: UW Green Bay, Cofrin Library



Nesting Details

Adult Female: “Mimi” (b/r) D/54, produced in 2014 at We Energies Milwaukee County Power Plant – back for at least her 3rd year.

Adult Male: “Rupert” (b/r) H/24, produced in 2014 at the UW-Oshkosh nest site in Oshkosh, WI – back for at least his 2nd year.

Eggs: 4 laid between April 3 – 10

Projected Hatch Dates: May 10 – 13

Eggs Hatched: 3 by May 14

Banded: 1 female & 2 males on May 30

Site Visits: Jan 18, March 2, 15, May 30

Note: The 1st successful nest occurred here in 2017 and with a new nest box in place we should now see continued production.



This site has been active since 2011 producing a total of 7 young (0.88/year).

Banding Data

Name	Sex	Project Band	USFWS Band
Annie	Female	(b/blu) 56/Y	1947-01197
Tom	Male	(b/blu) 08/R	1156-03686
Gary	Male	(b/blu) 09/R	1156-03687

GPS: 44 Degrees 31' 30N, 87 Degrees 55' 30W



*Above: Mimi
Below: Rupert
Left: Banding day*

Green Bay: Georgia Pacific Mill



Nesting Details

Adult Female: “Chloe” (b/r) 53/E, produced in 2010 at the WPL Edgewater Generating Station site in Sheboygan, WI was back for her 6th year.

Adult Male: Believed once again to be “Elmo” (b/g) E/08, produced in 2006 at the Busch Agricultural Complex in Manitowoc, WI, likely back for his 10th year.

Eggs: 4 laid between April 3 – 9, est.
Projected Hatch Dates: May 10 – 12
Eggs Hatched: 4 by May 17
Banded: 1 female & 3 males on June 1
Site Visit: June 1



Above: “Chloe”
Left: Her 4 youngsters

This site has been active since 2008 producing a total of 33 young (3.0/year).

Banding Data

Name	Sex	Project Band	USFWS Band
Tango	Female	(b/blu) 62/Y	1947-41518
Wingo	Male	(b/blu) 13/R	1266-00191
Congo	Male	(b/blu) 14/R	1266-01192
Ringo	Male	(b/blu) 15/R	1266-01193

GPS: 44 Degrees 29' 33 N, 88 Degrees 01' 50 W

Green Bay: Proctor & Gamble Paper Products



Nesting Details

Adult Female: Unknown

Adult Male: Unknown

Eggs: Unknown

Eggs Hatched: At least 3

On June 14, I received an email from Bob Van Thiel informing me that he'd discovered 3 young peregrines at the Proctor & Gamble site. They appeared to be about 4 weeks of age. There is no access to this site for banding so for now we're just recording production when possible.



Above: The Proctor & Gamble site photographed from across the frozen Fox River in January 2018.

This site has been active since 2017 producing a total of 7 young (3.5/year).

GPS: 44 Degrees 31' 24 N, 88 Degrees 00' 23 W

Menasha: Essity (formerly SCA Tissue)



Nesting Details

Adult Female: “Victory” (b/blu) 78/N, produced in 2016 at the Briess Malt site in Manitowoc, WI – her 1st year here.

Adult Male: “Thor” (b/g) 76/N, produced in 2004 at the Busch Agricultural Resources complex in Manitowoc, WI. It’s likely this male has also been nesting at the nearby Roland Kampo Bridge site for some time.

Eggs: 3 between April 3 - 11

Projected Hatch Dates: May 14 – 16

Eggs Hatched: 2 between May 14 – 15

Banded: 2 females on June 5

Site Visits: June 5



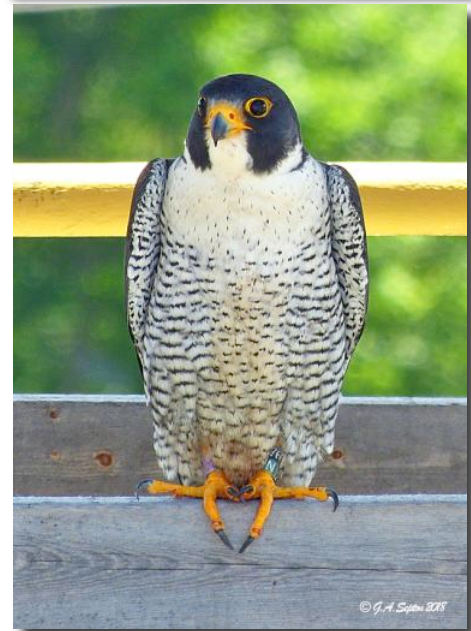
This site has been active since 2015 producing a total of 6 young (1.5/year).

Banding Data

Name	Sex	Project Band	USFWS Band
Essity	Female	(b/blu) 48/Y	1947-41520
Olivia	Female	(b/blu) 49/Y	1947-41521

Note: 49/Y was found dead on site on July 20, 2018.

GPS: 44 degrees 12' 18 N, 88 degrees 27' 22 W



Above: Victory
Below: Thor
Left: Banding day

Oshkosh: UW Oshkosh



Nesting Details

Adult Female: “Julia” (b/r) 19/W, produced in 2011 at Chicago’s Lakeview nest site in Chicago, IL. This was Julia’s 3rd year at this site.

Adult Male: “Gaylord” (b/blu) 58/A, produced in 2016 at the UW-Milwaukee EMS site - his 1st year here.

Eggs: 3 laid by April 12

Projected Hatch Dates: May 15 – 17

Eggs Hatched: 2 on May 21

Banded: 1 female & 1 male on June 11

Site Visit: June 11



Above: Julia

Left: Banding day



This site has been active since 2011 producing a total of 20 young (2.5/year).

Banding Data

Name	Sex	Project Band	USFWS Band
Salt	Female	(b/blu) 52/Y	1947-41524
Pepper	Male	(b/blu) 18/R	1266-00196

GPS: 44 Degrees 01' 18 N, 88 Degrees 32' 53 W

WISCONSIN RIVER NEST SITES

Pardeeville: Alliant Columbia Generating Station



Nesting Details

Adult Female: (b/r) 02/H, produced in 2009 at the MEC Louisa site in Louisa Co., IA - back for her 8th year.

Adult Male: "Horos" (b/r) P/01, produced in 2014 at the Georgia Pacific Mill in Green Bay, WI - his 1st year here.

Eggs: 4 laid between April 1 - 11
Projected Hatch Dates: May 9 - 11
Eggs Hatched: 2 between May 10 - 11
Banded: 1 female & 1 male on May 31
Site Visit: May 31



Above: 02/H
Below: Horos
Left: Jesse & Jasper on banding day

This site has been active since 2006 producing at least 44 young (3.38/year).

Banding Data

Name	Sex	Project Band	USFWS Band
Jesse	Female	(b/blu) 58/Y	1947-01199
Jasper	Male	(b/blu) 11/R	1156-03689

GPS: 43 degrees 29' 17 N, 89 degrees 25' 15 W

Rothschild: WPS Weston Power Plant



Nesting Details

Adult Female: “Rosalee” (b/r) C/94, produced in 2014 at the MG&E nest site in Madison, WI – back for her 4th year.

Adult Male: “Sheldon” (b/r) 19/M, produced in 2013 at the UW-Oshkosh nest site in Oshkosh, WI – back for his 4th year.

Eggs: 4 laid between March 29 – April 4

Projected Hatch Dates: May 5 – 7

Eggs Hatched: 3 between May 7 – 9

Banded: 1 female and 2 males on May 29

Site Visit: May 29

Note: 55/Y was found injured on site on June 17 – treated for its injuries by REGI and released back on site on June 26.



Above: Rosalee incubating through an April snow storm

Below: Sheldon

Left: Her 3 young after banding

This site has been active since 2006 producing a total of 31 young (2.38/year).

Banding Data

Name	Sex	Project Band	USFWS Band
Phoenix	Female	(b/blu) 55/Y	1947-01196
Starlight	Male	(b/blu) 06/R	1156-03684
Wisco-spirit	Male	(b/blu) 07/R	1156-03685

GPS: 44 degrees 51' 34 N, 89 degrees 38' 57 W

INLAND NEST SITES

Madison: Madison Gas & Electric Company



Nesting Details

Adult Female: “Trudy” unbanded, likely the same female as previous 6 years.

Adult Male: “Melvin” (b/r) 80/P, produced in 2013 at We Energies Oak Creek Power Plant in Oak Creek, WI. This is Melvin’s 4th year at MG&E.

Eggs: 4 laid between April 14 – 24

Projected Hatch Dates: May 22 – 24

Eggs Hatched: 4 between May 24 – 26

Banded: 2 females & 2 males on June 12

Site Visit: Jan 24, June 12



Above: Trudy

Left: The 4 youngsters on banding day



This site has been active since 2009 producing a total of 39 young (3.9/year).

Banding Data

Name	Sex	Project Band	USFWS Band
Neutrino	Female	(b/blu) 53/Y	1947-41525
Berry	Female	(b/blu) 00/Y	1947-41526
Babcock	Male	(b/blu) 19/R	1266-00197
Crazylegs	Male	(b/blu) 45/S	1266-00198

GPS: 43 Degrees 04' 46 N, 89 Degrees 22' 28 W

LAKE SUPERIOR NEST SITES

Ashland: Xcel Energy Bay Front Generating Station

(Nesting data courtesy of Amy Ries, RRF)



Nesting Details

Adult Female: Unbanded

Adult Male: “Babyface” (b/r) 69/C, produced in 2010 at the Agri-Bunge Stackhouse site in McGregor, IA – his 1st year here.

Eggs: At least 4

Eggs Hatched: At least 4

Banded: 1 female and 3 males on June 29

This is the 5th nesting at this site. Adding the young produced at the old ore dock since 2009 (10) to those produced at the BFGS (18), a total of 28 peregrines have been produced at Ashland thus far (2.8/year).

Banding Data

Name	Sex	Project Band	USFWS Band
Bernice	Female	(b/blu) 77/X	1947-35527
Frank	Male	(b/blu) 23/B	1156-23750
Mason	Male	(b/blu) 24/B	1156-23751
Untee	Male	(b/blu) 25/B	1156-23752

GPS: 46 degrees 58' 72 N, 90 degrees 90' 17 W

Superior/Allouez: Burlington Northern Ore Docks

(Nesting data courtesy of Dave Evans)



Nesting Details

Adult Female: “Allouette” (b/blu) 65/H, trapped and banded on site by Dave Evans on March 4, 2017.

Adult Male: Dave Evans says the male is likely “**Hunter**” (b/g) **M/26**, produced in 2005 at the New Madrid Power Plant site in New Madrid Co. – the same male as last year.

Eggs: At least 3

Eggs Hatched: At least 3

Banded: 2 females and 1 male on June 17



*Above: The abandoned ore dock
Photo credit: Dave Evans*

This site has been active since 2015 producing a total of 10 young (2.5/year).

Banding Data

Name	Sex	Project Band	USFWS Band
Nemadji	Female	(b/blu) 74/H	1687-14852
Loonfoot	Female	(b/blu) 20/X	1687-14886
RJ	Male	(b/blu) 03/D	1156-14894

GPS: 46 Degrees 70' 17 N, 92 Degrees 02' 63 W

Superior: General Mills S&X

(Nesting data courtesy of Dave Evans)



Nesting Details

Adult Female: “Crush” (b/blu) 73/H, this is a new female that was unbanded. Dave Evans trapped & banded her on May 11th.

Adult Male: “Old Globe” (b/r) 89/A, was trapped and banded near this site on March 9, 2012. Dave Evans re-banded this falcon on February 2, 2016 when he trapped it and saw the original color band was missing. New color band as above is **(b/blu) 89/A**.

Eggs: At least 2

Eggs Hatched: At least 2

On July 3, Dave Evans spotted 2 young close to fledging on top of the silo where the nest is located. They were unable to be banded.

This site has been active since 2009 producing a total of 18 young (1.8/year).

GPS: 48 Degrees 44' 36 N, 92 Degrees 06' 33 W

MISSISSIPPI RIVER NEST SITES



Photo Credits: BNSF RR Bridge - John Weeks, Eyass peregrines – L. Earl Bishop

Buffalo County: Maassen’s Bluff – 2 young produced.



Nesting Details

Adults: Unidentified

This site has been active since 2001 producing a total of 26 young (1.44/year).

Banding Data

Name	Sex	Project Band	USFWS Band
Otto	Male	(b/blu) 18/B	1156-23745
Hickey	Male	(b/blu) 82/E	1156-23746

GPS: 44 Degrees 22’ 59 N, 091 Degrees 57’ 43 W

Buffalo County: Twin /Hemion Bluff Complex – 3 young produced.



Nesting Details

Adults: Unidentified

Three young were produced at this site but were not accessible for banding.

This territory (Twin Bluff & Hemion Bluff) has been active since 2014 producing a total of 14 young (2.8/year).

GPS: 44 Degrees 24’ 50 N, 091 Degrees 59’ 55 W

Pierce County: Diamond Bluff – 3 young produced.



Nesting Details

Adults: Unidentified

This site has been active since 2011 producing a total of 14 young (1.75/year).

Banding Data

Name	Sex	Project Band	USFWS Band
Amhran	Female	(b/blu) 92/X	1947-35542
Trotter	Female	(b/blu) 93/X	1947-35543
Isaac	Male	(b/blu) 97/B	1156-23767

GPS: 44 Degrees 37'43 N, 092 Degrees 35' 17 W

Genoa: Dairyland Power Cooperative – 4 young produced.



Nesting Details

Adult Female: “Peta” (b/r) 32/V , produced in 2012 at the Busch Agricultural Complex/Briess Malt in Manitowoc, WI.

Adult Male: “Marcelle” (b/r) A/36, produced in 2013 - West Bluff, Pepin, Co., WI.

This site has been active since 1998 producing a total of 72 young (3.43/year).

Banding Data

Name	Sex	Project Band	USFWS Band
Millennium	Female	(b/blu) 56/P	1947-30406
Skywalker	Female	(b/blu) 57/P	1947-30407
Lucia	Female	(b/blu) 58/P	1947-30408
Dagger	Male	(b/blu) 06/B	1156-23726

GPS: 43 Degrees 33' 33 N, 091 Degrees 13' 56 W

La Crosse: US Bank – 3 young produced.



Nesting Details

Adult Female: (b/r) C/78, produced in 2014 - Hibbard Plant in St. Louis Co., MN.

Adult Male: Unidentified

This site has been active since 2006 producing a total of 36 young (2.77/year).

Banding Data

Name	Sex	Project Band	USFWS Band
Crystal	Female	(b/blu) 70/P	1947-35511
Abraham	Male	(b/blu) 08/B	1156-23728
Speedy	Male	(b/blu) 09/B	1156-23729

GPS: 43 Degrees 48' 48 N, 091 Degrees 15' 10 W

De Soto, Redbird Bluff – 2 young produced



Nesting Details

Adults: Unidentified

This site has been active since 2017 producing a total of 5 young (2.5/year).

Banding Data

Name	Sex	Project Band	USFWS Band
Charlotte	Female	(b/blu) 58/X	1947-35521
Clutch	Male	(b/blu) 20/B	1156-23747

GPS: 43 Degrees 30' 03 N, 91 Degrees 12' 46 W

Pepin County: Maiden Rock – 4 young produced.



Nesting Details

Adults: Unidentified

Peregrines nested here in 1987 producing 3 young but didn't begin nesting again regularly until 2001.

Since 2001, this site has produced a total of 41 young (2.28/year).

Banding Data

Name	Sex	Project Band	USFWS Band
Neenah	Male	(b/blu) 14/B	1156-23741
Menasha	Male	(b/blu) 15/B	1156-23742
Wira	Male	(b/blu) 16/B	1156-23743
Waupun	Male	(b/blu) 17/B	1156-23744

GPS: 44 Degrees 30' 06 N, 092 Degrees 17' 17 W

Prescott: BNSF Railroad Bridge – 3 young produced.

(Nesting data courtesy of Jackie Fallon)



Nesting Details

Adult Female: “Freya” (b/r) A/49, produced in 2015 at the Bay State Milling site in Winona, MN.

Adult Male: Unbanded

This site has been active since 2007 producing a total of 14 young (1.17/year). These numbers represent the young produced on the WI side of this bridge. In some years the peregrines nest on the MN side and these young are reported as produced in MN.

GPS: 44 Degrees 44' 52 N, 092 Degrees 48' 12 W

Mississippi River nesting data & information provided by Amy Ries of the Raptor Resource Project: www.raptorresource.org/ & Jackie Fallon of the Midwest Peregrine Society: midwestperegrine.umn.edu/

FAILED NEST SITES

Buffalo County: Greshik's Bluff



Nesting Details

Adults: Unidentified

Eggs: At least 3

Projected Hatch Dates: Unknown

Eggs Hatched: Failed

From Amy Ries: Amy reports that when they arrived to band at this site they found 3 addled eggs – cold, and sun-faded on the top indicating they had not been turned in a while. No adults present.

This site has been active since 2008 producing a total of 5 young (0.45/year).

Alma: Dairyland Power Cooperative



Nesting Details

Adult Female: “Power” (b/g) R/63, produced in 2008 at the Alliant Cassville power plant.

Adult Male: “Kiwi” (b/g) C/97, produced in 2006 at the Xcel Energy King plant site in Bayport, MN.

Eggs: At least 4

Projected Hatch Dates: Unknown

Eggs Hatched: Failed

From Amy Ries: Amy reports that in mid-July she spotted “Power” perched just outside the cliff nest box at 12-Mile Bluff near Alma.

This site has been active since 1997 producing a total of 52 young (2.36/year).

GPS: 44 Degrees 18' 08 N, 91 Degrees 54' 46 W

Kaukauna: Thilmany Mill



Nesting Details

Adults: Unidentified

Eggs: 4 laid between April 6 – 13

Projected Hatch Dates: May 14 – 16

Eggs Hatched: Failed

This marks the 2nd year in a row this site has failed. Amy Ries plans on visiting here to try and identify any possible causes.

This site has been active since 2007 producing a total of 31 young (2.58/year).

GPS: 44 Degrees 16' 57 N, 88 Degrees 15' 11 W

Jefferson: Valero Renewables



Nesting Details

Adult Female: “Smokey” (b/g) 82/A, produced in 2003 at the Edgewater site in Sheboygan, WI - her 15th year here.

Adult Male: “Suzuki” (b/g) E/06, produced in 2006 at We Energies Pleasant Prairie Power Plant in Pleasant Prairie, WI - present at this site for at least 10 yrs.

Eggs: 5 between April 5 – 21

Projected Hatch Dates: May 14 – 16

Eggs Hatched: Failed

From Matt Hill: Matt reported a turnover of females here this year with “Louise”(bl) S/56 from Ontario, Canada, present from last November into March. The resident female “Smokey” (b/g) 82/A returned on February 26th and laid 5 eggs between April 5 – 21. By May 15 only one female remained on site. On May 21st Matt identified her as “Lily” (b/blu) 59/M, produced in 2016 at the Thilmany Mill site in Kaukauna, WI – her 1st year here.

This site has been active since 2004 producing a total of 35 young (2.33/year).

GPS: 43 Degrees 02' 28 N, 87 Degrees 57' 49 W

ACTIVE/NON-PRODUCTIVE SITES

Milwaukee: US Bank

Although peregrines were observed here during the nesting season and a scrape and prey remains were present, no nesting occurred.

This site has been active since 1988 producing a total of 59 young (1.9/year).

GPS: 43 Degrees 02' 18 N, 87 Degrees 54' 10 W

Devil's Lake State Park: East Bluff Quarry

From Bill Smith: Bill first observed an unbanded, adult male peregrine here on March 4th. He also noted it was joined by an adult female on March 26th. On April 4th he observed 2 females on site and on April 8th found one to be an unbanded, 1-year old sitting near last year's eyrie with a full crop.

By April 30th things had changed here and Bill noted that the adult male he'd seen previously was not present and in its place he found a one-year old male – with the one-year old female. On May 21st Bill found a different, banded male with heavier malar stripe present.

With both peregrines now identified as one-year olds its not surprising that nesting did not occur this season. On July 7th Bill also noted that one of the falcons was banded so it may be that yet another one-year old female had moved in. On August 4th Bill observed 3 falcons on site. Of note is that between July and September, young peregrines are out and about dispersing and are attracted to other peregrines so seeing 3 or more falcons at a nest site this time of year is not unusual.

It will be interesting to see how all this shakes out between now and next spring.

This site was first successful in 2015 and since has produced a total of 7 young (1.75/year).

GPS: 43 Degrees 24' 46 N, 89 Degrees 42' 7 W

Trempealeau County: Trempealeau Bluff

From Amy Ries & Bill Smith: Amy reports peregrines at this site in April and Bill observed a pair copulating at this site on March 29th. But, a local landowner told him on July 19th that he'd not seen the falcons in June and believes they did not nest. Amy reports that they were not able to get into this site this year but it appears no nesting occurred.

This site produced 2 young in 2011.

OUTCOME UNKNOWN

Crawford County: Lynxville Bluff Complex

From Amy Ries & Bill Smith: Lynxville is a complicated complex/territory. Because of this, going forward it will be divided into two territories. First is the Lynxville complex which contains at least 5 suitable cliffs as follows from north to south: Hobb's Hollow Bluff, Travis's Bluff, Lee's Bluff, Kettle Hollow Bluff, and Cold Spring Landing Bluff. The second territory - Monehan's Bluff is 3.2 – 3.6 miles to the south of the Lynxville complex. This year the falcons appeared to be nesting at Monahan's Bluff, the southernmost cliff in this area. We (RRF) found prey remains – a lot of them! – and mutes, but no young, eggs, or eggshells. They saw one falcon, but it did not defend the territory. Adults are unknown.

This site has been active since 2003 producing a total of 27 young (1.69/year).

GPS: 43 Degrees 17' 08 N, 091 Degrees 02' 58 W

Wyalusing: Wyalusing Quarry

From Amy Ries & Bill Smith: Dave Noble was on site for five hours before we arrived to band and did not see or hear adults or young. We spent another hour looking and listening for falcons and young, but saw and heard nothing. Why does this site remain unproductive even though we see falcons on site year after year? We are weighing a few options for remote monitoring. Bill reported a peregrine here as late as May 6th.

GPS: 42 Degrees 57' 05 N, 091 Degrees 08' 26 W

Grant County: Glen Haven Bluff

From Amy Ries: Rappelled down and found a scrape, some mutes and prey remains, but no signs of eggs or young. One adult female was on site when we arrived, but she flew away, did not defend her nest, and was not seen again while we were on territory.

This site has been active since 2015 producing a total of 2 young (0.5/year).

GPS: 42 degrees 50' 13 N, 091 Degrees 04' 23 W

Grant County: Platte River North

From Bill Smith: On March 15 Mark Blackburn and I had a pair of adults going in and out of a large crack in the middle of the cliff. They copulated once. Female seemed large and may have been hanging on to a prey item. Both birds aggressively attacked a migrating young Red-tailed Hawk. No activity on April 12th or May 6th. Occupied cliff was the same one occupied the past two years. Several nearby cliffs on both sides of the Mississippi River were searched after the April disappearance, with whitewash seen, but no other sign.

GPS: 42 Degrees 37' 31 N, 90 Degrees 40' 27 W

Pepin County: West Bluff

From Amy Ries: We were not able to get into West this year and I don't have production records for 2018. Falcons were seen here in April.

This site has been active since 2005 producing a total of 27 young (1.93/year).

GPS: 44 Degrees 31' 51 N, 92 Degrees 17' 42 W

Buffalo County - Alma: 12-Mile Bluff

From Amy Ries: During a follow-up survey in mid-July, I saw "**Power**" (b/g) R/63, a female produced in 2008 at the Alliant Cassville power plant in Cassville, WI perched just outside the cliff nest box. She was looking inside as though she had young in the box but is unknown if there was a nesting attempt.

This site has been active since 2007 producing a total of 32 young (2.66/year).

GPS: 44 Degrees 18' 30 N, 091 Degrees 54' 30 W

Pierce County: Bay City Cliff

From Bill Smith: – *New site.* Amy Ries recommended I check this area by boat. On April 23rd, with the help of a passing Red-tailed Hawk, I found an aggressive pair of adults on the west end of the bluff. Afterwards the female flew into an opening on a ledge and the male took a perch in a snag above her. On June 23rd Matt Berg reported Watched male fly in over bluff - disappear in previously discovered nest in crack on the sheer cliff outcropping.

GPS: 44 Degrees 35' 1 N, 92 Degrees 26' 2 W

Racine Quarry

I took a brief look here in mid-April but saw no falcons. On May 5th Helen Pugh observed a peregrine along Charles St. on the east side of the quarry. So, on May 25th, Eddie Feltes, Steve Furcich and I stopped back to have a look. Shortly after parking along near where Helen Pugh had reported seeing a peregrine in May, we heard one calling. Eddie then spotted it in the air before it disappeared back into the quarry. We saw it once again that afternoon from Douglas Ave. on the west side of the quarry.

On June 27th, Eddie and I returned hoping to perhaps find young and once again we heard a peregrine at the same location along Charles St. We then set up the spotting scope in a narrow patch of ground between the concrete Douglas Ave. wall and the chain link fence atop the west quarry wall. Before long Eddie found an adult peregrine perched on the east wall and we watched it for about 20 minutes before it took off, flew west across Douglas Ave. and disappeared into the adjacent quarry.

On two occasions this season I tried to obtain access to the floor of the quarry for a better look but was turned down. With the incredible amount of suitable cliff face, its very likely peregrines are and have been nesting at this site. But it'll take better access and a minor miracle to locate the eyrie and/or young to confirm it.

GPS: 42 Degrees 46' 18 N, 087 Degrees 47' 48 W

De Pere: De Pere Bridge

I didn't have an opportunity to visit this site but Tom Davis reports that peregrines were present during the nesting season.

GPS: 44 Degrees 26' 51 N, 88 Degrees 3' 48 N

WISCONSIN PRODUCED PEREGRINES NESTING IN OTHER STATES



Following is known information on WI-produced peregrines that nested or were identified in other states for 2018.

Illinois

“Squawker” (b/g) 48/M, a male produced in 2003 at We Energies Pleasant Prairie Power Plant in Pleasant Prairie, WI paired with an unbanded female at the Evanston Library site in Evanston, IL. The pair produced 4 young.

“Lisa” (b/g) R/39, a female produced in 2009 at the WPS Pulliam Power Plant in Green Bay, WI paired again with “Ben” (b/r) H/34, a male produced in 2013 at Chicago’s Wrigleyville site. The pair nested at Chicago’s Wacker Drive site producing 3 young.

“Peyton” (b/r) 86/A, a male produced in 2009 at the Busch Agricultural Complex (now Briess Malt) in Manitowoc, paired with a female banded (b/g) V/S produced in 2003 in St. Louis, MO. The pair produced 2 young.

“Acheron” (b/r) 87/V, a female produced in 2013 at the UW-Oshkosh site in Oshkosh, WI paired with an unbanded male at Chicago’s South Loop site producing 3 young.

“Owena” (b/r) 53/V, a female produced in 2013 at the Racine County Courthouse in Racine, WI paired with “Neal” (b/r) *U/*W, a male produced in 2008 at the Evanston Library site in Evanston, IL. The pair produced 3 young.

“Bob” (b/g) R/98, a female produced in 2008 at the Thilmany Mill site in Kaukauna, WI paired with an unidentified male nesting not far from Chicago’s South Loop site. “Bob” previously nested at Chicago’s South Loop site in 2016 and at Chicago’s Pilsen site from 2013-2015 and 2017. She was injured in a territorial battle that rendered her unreleasable and is now serving as an education bird.

“Nitz” (b/g) 2/*Y, a female produced in 2001 at the Malteurop site (*formerly Froedtert Malt*) in West Milwaukee, WI paired with “Mouse” (b/g) W/72, a male produced in 2008 at the North Broadway site in Chicago. The pair was present at the Univ. of IL Chicago site during the nesting season but no eggs were laid.

Michigan

“Majestic” (b/blu) 29/M, a female produced in 2015 at Madison Gas & Electric Blount Generating Station in Madison, WI paired with an unidentified male. The pair nested at the L.V. Eberhard Center, GVSU, in Grand Rapids, Kent, Michigan producing 2 young.

Indiana

“Maltese” (b/r) 47/V, a female produced in 2013 at the Malteurop site (*formerly Froedtert Malt*) in West Milwaukee, WI paired with **“Peace” (b/r) P/23**, a male produced in 2015 at the Macomb County Building in Mt. Clements, Macomb County, MI. The pair nested at the South Bend, City-County Tower Building site in South Bend, IN. The pair produced 2 young.

“Jeffery” (b/blu) 52/E, a male produced in 2016 at We Energies Pleasant Prairie Power Plant, displaced the resident male and took over the Market Tower nest site in Indianapolis, IN. He paired with the resident unbanded female producing 2 young.

“Shadow” (b/r C/96), produced in 2014 at We Energies Pleasant Prairie Power Plant Pleasant Prairie was captured by hand to read her band at a nest site at Burns Harbor (Arcelor-Mittal Steel), Indiana. She may also have unsuccessfully nested there last year. She paired with an unidentified male this year and raised 3 young.

Minnesota

“Michelle” (b/g) P/87, a female produced in 2005 at Maassens’ Bluff in Buffalo County, WI, paired with an unbanded male at Great Spirit Bluff at Dresbach, MN producing 2 young.

“Jerry” (b/g) 88/C, a female produced in 2006 at Lee’s Bluff in Lynxville, WI paired with an unidentified male at the Bay State Milling site in Winona, MN producing 3 young.

“Seapro” (b/g) R/97, a female produced in 2009 at We Energies Port Washington Generating Station in Port Washington, WI is believed to have paired with **“Frisco” (b/g) K/13**, a male produced in 2006 at the Lock and Dam 1 site in Minneapolis, MN. The pair nested at the UMN Mayo Building site producing 1 young that died due to frounce.

“Sam” (b/g) B/82, a male produced in 2008 at the US Bank site in La Crosse, WI paired with **“Jaime” (b/g) P/94**, a female produced in 2006 at the Prairie Island Nuclear Plant in Goodhue County, MN. The pair nested at Delta Hangar 5, Minneapolis/St. Paul International Airport in Minneapolis, MN. They produced an unknown number of young that were gone at banding time.

“Ava” (b/r) *B/*W, a female produced at the Racine County Courthouse nest site in 2014 paired with **“Davis” (b/g) D/57**, a male produced in 2007 at the US Bank site in La Crosse, WI. In May another female was ID’d on site as **“Karen” (b/blu) 44/P**, produced in 2016 at the Boswell Energy Center site in Cohasset, MN. The falcons nested at Precipice Bluff, Whitewater State Park in Winona County, MN producing 1 young however it is not known which female produced it.

Ohio

The OH DNR is no longer banding peregrines so there is no information available the 2018 nesting season.

PEREGRINES PRODUCED IN OTHER STATES NESTING IN WI

Although nesting details for the individual falcons listed below are provided in their respective nest site reports, I have also compiled them below for a more comprehensive overview.

Illinois Peregrines Nesting in Wisconsin

“Olympia” (b/r) 31/W, a female produced in 2012 at the South Loop site in Chicago, IL paired again with **“Livingston” (b/r) 55/D** - produced in 2010 at the MG&E site in Madison, WI. The pair nested at the Kenosha Hospital in Kenosha, WI producing 2 young. This was Olympia’s 4th year at this site.

“Agatha” (b/r) C/44, a female produced in 2015 and the Millennium Park site Chicago, IL paired with an unbanded adult male nesting at the St. Joseph’s Hospital site in Milwaukee, WI producing 4 young. This was Agatha’s 2nd year at this site.

“Valcor” (b/g) N/22, a female produced in 2013 at Chicago’s Wrigley nest site in Chicago, IL paired with **“Bartell” (b/blu) 41/A**, a male produced in 2015 at the MG&E site in Madison, WI. The pair nested at the Briess Malt & Ingredient Company site in Manitowoc, WI producing 4 young. This was Valcor’s 3rd year at this site.

“Julia” (b/r) 19/W, a female produced in 2011 at Chicago’s Lakeview nest site in Chicago, IL paired with **“Gaylord” (b/blu) 58/A**, a male produced in 2016 at the UW-Oshkosh site in Oshkosh, WI producing 2 young. This was Julia’s 3rd season at this site and her 2nd successful nest.

Minnesota Peregrines Nesting in Wisconsin

“Jill” (b/r) 44/U, a female produced in 2013 at the Mayo Bldg. at the University of MN paired with an unbanded adult male that was subsequently replaced on April 23rd by **“Schuhter” (b/r) 98/R**, a male produced in 2012 at the Thilmany Mill site in Kaukauna, WI. The original pair nested at the Pulliam Power Plant in Green Bay, WI producing 3 young. This was Jill’s 2nd year at this site.

“Brinn” (b/r) 84/X, a female produced in 2012 at Gold Hoist cliff, Split Rock State Park, Lake, Co., MN paired once again with **“Beasley” (b/r) P/07**, a male produced in 2014 at We Energies Milwaukee County Power Plant in Wauwatosa, WI. The pair nested at We Energies Port Washington Generating Station in Port Washington, WI producing 5 young – one of which died in the nest box. This was Brinn’s 5th year at this site.

Unnamed (b/r) C/78, a female produced in 2014 at the Hibbard Plant in St. Louis Co., MN paired with a banded but unidentified male at the US Bank site in La Crosse, WI producing 3 young.

Iowa Peregrines Nesting in Wisconsin

(b/r) 02/H, a female produced in 2009 at the MEC Louisa site in Louisa Co., IA paired with "Horos" (b/r) P/01, a male produced in 2014 at the Georgia Pacific Mill in Green Bay, WI. The pair nested at the Alliant Energy Columbia Generating Station in Pardeeville, WI producing 2 young. This was 02/H's 8th year at this site.

Indiana Peregrines nesting in Wisconsin

(b/g) R/13, a female produced in 2007 at the Tower Building in South Bend, IN paired once again with "Beaster" (b/g) 67/M, a male produced in 2005 at We Energies Pleasant Prairie Power Plant in Pleasant Prairie, WI. The pair nested at the Racine County Courthouse site in Racine, WI producing 3 young. This was R/13's 10th year at this site.

"Amylase" (b/g) *E/*S, a female produced in 2008 at the US Steel old coke plant in Gary, IN paired with "Witt" (b/blu) 48/E, a male produced in 2016 at the MG&E site in Madison, WI. The pair nested at the Malteurop NA site in West Milwaukee, WI producing 2 young. This was Amylase's 9th year at this site.

Michigan Peregrines Nesting in Wisconsin

(b/g) P/63, a female produced in 2005 at the Grand Haven L. and P., Sims Plant in Grand Haven, MI paired with a banded but unidentified adult male at the Edgewater generating Station in Sheboygan, WI producing 2 young. This was P/63's 11th year at this site.

PEREGRINE FALCONS ID'D/FOUND DEAD/INJURED IN WI

The following provides information regarding Peregrine Falcons that (to the best of my knowledge) were identified and/or reported injured or dead outside WI as of September 30, 2018. [Falcon IDs are in Blue.](#)

UW-Green Bay, Green Bay, Brown County, WI

Name	Sex	Project Band(L)	USFWS Band(R)	Banded
Peter	M	(b/blu) 67/E	1126-16202	5/27/2017

This falcon was photographed and ID'd by Nancy Nabak on January 1, 2018 near the corner of Section Line Road and Hwy S in Freedom, WI near the town of Oneida.

Dominion Nuclear Power Plant, Carlton, Kewaunee County, WI

Name	Sex	Project Band(L)	USFWS Band(R)	Banded
Jerry	M	(b/blu) 63/E	1126-16215	5/26/2017

This falcon was photographed by Trudey Peterson on January 25, 2018 near the corner of Vanden Bosch Rd. and Golden Glow in Freedom, WI.

Origins Unknown

Name	Sex	Project Band(L)	USFWS Band(R)	Banded
No name	M	(b/blu) 92/E	1156—3670	3/15/2018

This unbanded adult falcon was found injured on January 20, 2018 on Jackson St. in Green Bay, WI. It was treated for its injured wing, banded on March 15, 2018 and released along the shores of Green Bay on April 11, 2018. It is believed this was the resident male at the nearby Proctor & Gamble nest site in Green Bay.

East Lake Power Plant, East Lake, OH

Name	Sex	Project Band(L)	USFWS Band(R)	Banded
Tahoe	F	(b/r) 33/U	1687-30398	5/17/2012

Tahoe was found dead on March 4, 2018 near Children's Hospital in Wauwatosa, WI. Tahoe had previously nested at the adjacent Milwaukee County Power Plant between 2014 – 2017 producing a total of 14 young.

Kenosha Medical Center, Kenosha, Kenosha County, WI

Name	Sex	Project Band(L)	USFWS Band(R)	Banded
Wyatt	M	(b/r) 74/Y	1156-17326	6/18/2013

Wyatt was found dead in his nest box at the Miller Coors nest site in Milwaukee on March 22, 2018. Cause of death was a territorial battle.

Milwaukee County Power Plant, Wauwatosa, WI

<u>Name</u>	<u>Sex</u>	<u>Project Band(L)</u>	<u>USFWS Band(R)</u>	<u>Banded</u>
Woomera	F	(b/blu) 72/N	1687-34578	5/27/2016

Tom Davis found the carcass of this falcon on April 22, 2018 along the sidewalk on the west side of Riverside Drive in Allouez, WI. The location is very near the Hwy 172 bridge just upriver (Fox River) from the Georgia Pacific Mill. Cause of death could be vehicle collision? Although it is not know if peregrines have attempted nesting under the Hwy 172 bridge, from their perspective it is an attractive site for nesting and or hunting and would be worth watching.

Origins Unknown

<u>Name</u>	<u>Sex</u>	<u>Project Band(L)</u>	<u>USFWS Band(R)</u>	<u>Banded</u>
No name	M	Unbanded		

This unbanded, adult male peregrine was found dead on April 23, 2018 at the WPS Pulliam Power Plant in Green Bay, WI. It is believed he was killed in a territorial battle with the new, banded male that arrived on site around the same time.

Queen's Bluff, Winona, MN

<u>Name</u>	<u>Sex</u>	<u>Project Band(L)</u>	<u>USFWS Band(R)</u>	<u>Banded</u>
Adah	F	(b/r) 01/S	1687-30319	5/20/2010

This falcon was found dead on May 27, 2018 at the Veolia Water nest site in Milwaukee, WI. Cause of death was trauma. She nested at this site in 2017 and at the US Bank site also in Milwaukee between 2015-2106.

Veolia Water/MMSD/Hoan Bridge, Milwaukee, Milwaukee County, WI

<u>Name</u>	<u>Sex</u>	<u>Project Band(L)</u>	<u>USFWS Band(R)</u>	<u>Banded</u>
Snowball	F	(b/blu) 49/W	1947-01174	5/12/2018

This falcon was found grounded shortly after fledging on June 1, 2018. She was transferred to the WI Humane Society in Milwaukee for observation and treatment & released back at the Veolia site on June 4, 2018.

WPS Weston Power Plant, Rothschild, Marathon, WI

<u>Name</u>	<u>Sex</u>	<u>Project Band(L)</u>	<u>USFWS Band(R)</u>	<u>Banded</u>
Phoenix	F	(b/blu) 55/Y	1947-01196	5/29/2018

This young falcon was found grounded with a wing injury on site on June 17, 2018. It was rehabbed by the Raptor Education Group and released back on site on June 26, 2018.

Veolia Water/MMSD/Hoan Bridge, Milwaukee, Milwaukee County, WI

<u>Name</u>	<u>Sex</u>	<u>Project Band(L)</u>	<u>USFWS Band(R)</u>	<u>Banded</u>
Flappy	F	(b/blu) 51/W	1947-01176	5/12/2018

This falcon was photographed by Sue Ascher on July 18, 2018 along Hwy 49 at the north end of Horicon National Wildlife Refuge in Dodge County, WI.

We-Energies Valley Power Plant, Milwaukee, Milwaukee County, WI

<u>Name</u>	<u>Sex</u>	<u>Project Band(L)</u>	<u>USFWS Band(R)</u>	<u>Banded</u>
Chris	M	(b/blu) 98/E	1156-03676	5/24/2018

This falcon was found dead on August 21, 2018 inside fencing at the FBI facility at 3600 S. Lake Dr., St. Francis, Milwaukee County, WI). A necropsy is pending.

WP&L Eggedwater Power Plant, Sheboygan, Sheboygan County, WI

<u>Name</u>	<u>Sex</u>	<u>Project Band(L)</u>	<u>USFWS Band(R)</u>	<u>Date Banded</u>
Chloe	F	(b/r) 53/E	1687-30364	5/20/10

This falcon was found injured on September 10, 2018 in Green Bay, WI. She has been successfully nesting at the Georgia Pacific Mill nest site in Green Bay since 2012 and so far has produced a total of 23 young. She is currently at the Bay Beach Wildlife Sanctuary in Green Bay for treatment & rehab.

We-Energies Pleasant Prairie Power Plant, Pleasant Prairie, Kenosha Co. WI

<u>Name</u>	<u>Sex</u>	<u>Project Band(L)</u>	<u>USFWS Band(R)</u>	<u>Banded</u>
Rimfire	M	(b/blu) 94/E	1156-03672	5/21/2018

The skeletal remains of the leg (with band attached) of this falcon were found on September 19, 2018, 3.1 mi. east of Weedens in Sheboygan County, WI.

Miller Coors Brewery, Milwaukee, Milwaukee County, WI

<u>Name</u>	<u>Sex</u>	<u>Project Band(L)</u>	<u>USFWS Band(R)</u>	<u>Banded</u>
Horus	M	(b/blu) 51/Y	1947-41523	6/6/2018

This extremely emaciated falcon was found on October 31, 2016 in Keil, WI.

WI PEREGRINE FALCONS ID'D/FOUND DEAD/INJURED OUTSIDE WI

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Miller Coors Brewery, Milwaukee, Milwaukee County, WI

<u>Name</u>	<u>Sex</u>	<u>Project Band(L)</u>	<u>USFWS Band(R)</u>	<u>Banded</u>
Shandy	F	(b/blu) 45/W	1947-01169	6/6/2017

This falcon (along with a dead pigeon) was found dead at the base of a power pole .2 miles ESE from St. Joseph, Berrien County, MI on June 6, 2018. A likely scenario could be that both the pigeon and peregrine were killed by striking a wire.

WP&L Edgewater Power Plant, Sheboygan, Sheboygan County, WI

<u>Name</u>	<u>Sex</u>	<u>Project Band(L)</u>	<u>USFWS Band(R)</u>	<u>Banded</u>
Haddie	F	(b/blu) 45/M	1947-18211	5/20/2016

This falcon was found dead on June 14, 2018 .4 mile ESE from North Escanaba (Historical), Delta County, MI. She was present at the Mackinac Bridge in Emmet, MI in 2017 with "Frank" (b/r) 56/C, a male produced in 2015 at the International Bridge, Sault Ste. Marie, MI.

WPS Pulliam Power Plant, Green Bay, Brown County, WI

<u>Name</u>	<u>Sex</u>	<u>Project Band(L)</u>	<u>USFWS Band(R)</u>	<u>Banded</u>
Lono	F	(b/blu) 55/W	1947-01180	5/21/2018

The remains of this falcon were found on December 6, 2018, .2 mi. WNW of Palatine in Marion County, WV

Veolia Water/MMSD/Hoan Bridge, Milwaukee, Milwaukee County, WI

<u>Name</u>	<u>Sex</u>	<u>Project Band(L)</u>	<u>USFWS Band(R)</u>	<u>Banded</u>
Perrie	F	(b/blu) 52/W	1947-01177	5/12/2018

The falcon was struck and killed by a plane on September 7, 2018 at Chicago's Midway Airport in Cook County, IL.

BANDED PEREGRINE FALCONS IDENTIFIED BY BIRDERS IN WI

The following images showing band numbers were taken by birders in Wisconsin in 2018.



***“Peter” (b/blu) 67/E**, a male produced at the UW-Green Bay nest site in 2017 was photographed by Nancy Nabak in Oneida, WI on January 1, 2018.*



***“Jerry” (b/blu) 63/E**, a male produced at the decommissioned Dominion Nuclear Power Plant nest site in Kewaunee, WI in 2017 was photographed by Trudey Peterson near the corner of Vanden Bosch Road and Golden Glow in Freedom, WI on January 25, 2018.*



***“Flappy” (b/blu) 51/W**, a female produced at the Veolia Water nest site in Milwaukee, WI in 2018 was photographed by Ed Means on August 3, 2018 along Hwy 49 at Horicon National Wildlife Refuge in Fond du Lac County, WI. This same falcon was photographed by Tom Wright along Hwy 49 on July 18, 2018. Nearly every year both adult and immature peregrines are reported along this stretch of highway.*

WISCONSIN NEST SITE TYPES & PRODUCTION 2018



Site Type	N	%Total
Power Plants	13	36%
Buildings	15	42%
Elevators/Silos	3	8%
Paper Mills	3	8%
Banks	1	3%
Courthouses	1	3%
Breweries	1	3%
Universities	3	8%
Hospitals	2	6%
Office Towers	0	0%
Sewage Treatment	1	3%
Natural Cliffs	6	17%
Bridges	1	3%
Ore Docks	1	3%
Total Nest Sites	36	

Site Type	Young	%Total
Power Plants	45	41%
Buildings	42	38%
Elevators/Silos	8	7%
Paper Mills	9	8%
Banks	3	3%
Courthouses	3	3%
Breweries	1	1%
Universities	8	7%
Hospitals	6	5%
Office Towers	0	0%
Sewage Treatment	4	4%
Natural Cliffs	18	16%
Bridges	3	3%
Ore Docks	3	3%
Total Young	111	

NOTE: Numbers of young represent known production. Percentages are rounded.



WEB SITE & WEB CAM LINKS

Note: Not all webcams are active year-round.

We Energies Nest Sites

http://www.we-energies.com/environmental/protect_wildlife.htm

Nesting Season Updates, Blog, and Annual Reports

<https://www.youtube.com/user/WeEnergiesVideos>

Nest Box Web Cams

US Bank - Milwaukee Nest Site

http://www.usbankcentermilwaukee.com/USBank_Environmental.aspx

Nesting Season Updates and Special Reports

Malteurop - West Milwaukee Nest Site

Updated information will be forthcoming

Racine County Courthouse Nest Site

http://falconcam.goracine.org/view/viewer_index.shtml?id=262

WPS Green Bay - Pulliam & Rothschild - Weston Nest Sites

<http://www.wisconsinpublicservice.com/environment/falcons.aspx>

Nesting Season Updates, Photo Galleries & Reports

<https://www.youtube.com/user/WIPublicService>

Nest Box Web Cams

Madison Gas & Electric Nest Site

<http://www.mge.com/about/falcon/index.htm>

Nesting Season Updates, Video Clips and Special Reports

UW Milwaukee Nest Site

<http://falcon-info.uwm.edu/>

Nest Box Web Cam, Nesting Season Updates, Video Clips and Special Reports

UW Oshkosh Nest Site

<https://portal.housing.uwosh.edu/falcon>

Veolia Water/MMSD Hoan Bridge Nest Site

<http://www.veoliawatermilwaukee.com/sustainability/falcon-cam.asp>

Briess Malt & Ingredients, Manitowoc

<http://blog.brewingwithbriess.com/new-live-falcon-cam-atop-the-briess-manitowoc-grain-elevator/>

Nest Box Web Cam & Blog

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