

to come to feeder who previously neglected the new food (sunflower seeds).

402 Yorkshire Dr., Lawrence, Kansas
~~in Lawrence, Kansas~~

Oct 23, 1982

Large flock of blackbirds, mainly grackles flew N over house from 7:30 - 7:40 A.M. This year birds alight in trees and feed on ground more than they have in previous years.

Lawrence City Airport, Kansas
~~in Lawrence, Kansas~~

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Oct. 23, 1982

Roughleg circled over runway and hovered several times. approx 120 ring-billed gulls circled airport and fed on fish in remnant pools of drainage N of airport.

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Oct 27, 1982

Cold front moving in from the west and winds up to 35 MPH from S. This morning ^{there} was an unusual number of grackles in the area. They wheeled and circled almost continuously, lighting in tree tops or on the ground. Their behavior was rapid flight, dodging and suddenly dropping in elevation. It suggested a bird who recognized a pending weather change and gathering for movement to S in migration. The large number of birds in immediate area this year is atypical. Usually large flocks leave roosting area in city trees and fly in long compact lines to rural areas (in our position) to the N, seldom stopping at our home area. This year the larger flocks seem to be stopping in our area, resting in tree tops and feeding on ground. There is an uncut mello field one tenth mile to N from home which might be encouraging the birds to tarry in the area.

Oct 30, 1982

There are fewer birds (grackles) in area since 27th but there are still small flocks that pass over head between 7:30 and 7:45 A.M.

Oct 31, 1982

went off daylight time to standard time