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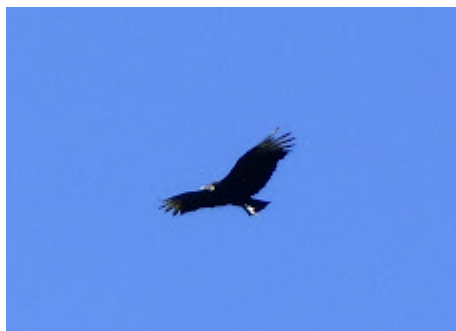
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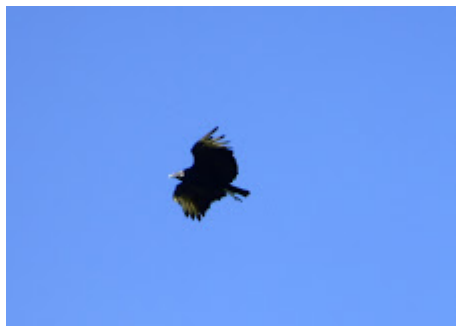
1) This form submitted as supporting documentation of (check all that apply):	Unusual species Unusual date
If other, please describe:	Hawk Watch
2) Species:	Black Vulture (<i>Coragyps atratus</i>)
3) Number of birds:	1
4) Age/Sex/Plumage:	Unknown
5) Date:	2017-10-17
6) Location (include county):	Fort Sheridan Parade Grounds, Lake County
7) Observers:	Karen Lund, Jerry Rosenband, Jeff Sanders, Sandy Kroll
8) Your name:	Karen Lund
Street Address	[REDACTED]
Street Address Line 2	
City	[REDACTED]
State / Province / Region	[REDACTED]
Postal / Zip Code	[REDACTED]
Country	[REDACTED]
10) Your e-mail address:	[REDACTED]
11) Others agreeing with the identification:	Jerry Rosenband, Jeff Sanders, Sandy Kroll
12) Observers NOT agreeing with the identification:	N/A
13) Description of bird (size, shape, proportions, details of both color and pattern on head, back, chin, throat, breast, flanks, wings, undertail, and tail, etc.; coloration of soft parts: bill, legs, and feet) include only details actually seen in the field :	The large black bird with broad wings with white near the wing tips (see photos). Short wide tail, gray featherless head & feet.
14) Description of behavior:	Gliding with very little wing flapping. Flew right over us.
15) Description of vocalizations:	none
16) Description of immediate and surrounding habitat(s):	Open field (parade grounds) surrounded by trees. Lakefront nearby.
17) Optical equipment used for observation (type, power):	Zeiss 10 X 42 binoculars
18) Distance/how measured?	Distance varied as it flew toward and away from us, but closest point was approx. 500 feet.
19) Time of observation:	11:10 am
20) Total time of observation:	2.5 to 3 minutes

21) Weather conditions:	5% cloud cover, wind SW at 13 to 18 mph, no precipitation, 10 mile visibility, temp 16 celcius, humidity 47%, pressure 30.16. This is weather data collected for the hawk watch about 15 minutes after the sighting.
22) Previous experience with this species and similar species:	Seen and photographed them many times in southern Illinois.
23) Please eliminate other similar species and/or hybrids:	Had solid black wings (except for white patches), not two-toned as a turkey vulture. Was close enough to see it had a gray head, not red or brown. Legs were gray, not pink. flew with wings flat, not in a dihedral and it did not rock while flying.
24) Were photos obtained?	Yes
25) If so, by whom?	Karen Lund
26) Books and illustrations consulted and advice received. How did these influence this description?:	No guides, etc. were consulted. We all knew what it was.
27) How long after the observation were field notes recorded?	6 hours
28) How long after the observation was this form completed?	13 days
29) Additional remarks (URLs can be entered here):	None

2 attachments



black vulture 1.jpg
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black vulture 2.jpg
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