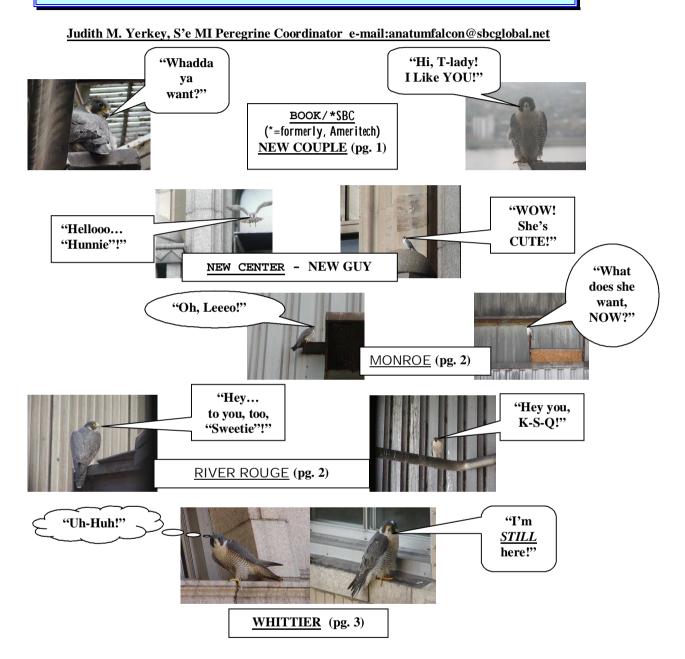






<u>2003</u>

PEREGRINE PRATTLE



"DIET DEE-LITES" & "HOLIDAY - YUMMIES" (pg. 4)





BOOK/*SBC: (*NOTE – SBC was formerly, AMERITECH).

NEW GAL AND GUY IN TOWN! (MARICAL & GREGORY ARE "BYE-BYE!

The new lady is an un-named wild-produced peregrine ('99) from Toledo, OH.

This is *NOT* her 1st visit to the Motor City!

In the fall of the year 2000, she "stopped-by" the Whittier site to "flirt" with Allegro! Sunrise, <u>wasted *no* time</u> in showing this "other-woman" the way back to Toledo!

Just where this gal has been since, is a mystery!

She "hung-out", for a few weeks with Gregory, then, the new fella showed-up (October).

This adult-marked male <u>is</u> banded, however, as you can see by his photo, he refuses to "reveal" the info printed on them. The USFW band is purple (I could see lower edge) indicating that he is "wild-produced" (gold colour is used for "released" birds). The day the photo was taken was the ONLY day he sat close enough to get a photo and determine bands. Since then, he hangs out, with the Toledo falcon, on inaccessible ledges atop the Book and SBC (which is "out-of-range" to read the characters on bands).

The pair is seen hunting and sitting-close together with constant "vocal-contact".

"Bonding-behaviour" is in-progress!

NEW CENTER:

NEW GUY – AT **THIS** SITE – **TOO**!

Sammy F is, now, being courted by an <u>unbanded</u> adult-marked male she calls "Hunnie"! ("name" are used to denote the bird is not banded)

He replaced PF.com in October.

The pair is "a-hangin'-tight"...

a'talkin', an' a-circlin', an' a-perchin' an' a-huntin'...

an'...

a'BONDIN'!!!

As we have witnessed with the S'e MI peregrines – situations change...

AT THE DROP OF A FEATHER!





MONROE: The loving pair,

Monroe and Leopold

still "grace" the area with their presence!

One (or both) perch at (or close-to) the nest area at all times.

Their feeding is done on the top roof edges of the building.

Bonding behaviour

has been **observed** by the people at the plant and the observer (me)!

River Rouge:

Kil-So-Quah and her unbanded mate, "Sweetie"

Take turns,
hunting, feeding and night-roosting
at the Edison site...
all the while...
keeping-an-eye-on their nest-site!

(Neither Kenny nor his sister has sent a post card to let mom and dad know where they are, yet).





WHITTIER:

Can you believe this, folks?

Sunrise considers Allegro to be..."The *Love* of her life"!

"Mr. Right"!

"Head-honcho"!

"Numero-uno" (actually "numero-seventeeno")!

Lately, he has been seen presenting her "lunch-on-theledge" as he "sings" to her from another ledge.

HE HAS BEEN HER "SWEETIE" SINCE THE AUTUMN OF 2000!

They had sustained failed nestings (weather conditions) in 2001 <u>and</u> 2002.

Can they stay-together another year?
OR...

Will there be a ...

"Sweetie" # 18???

ALL THE SITES...

STAY TUNED!







DIET DELIGHTS! (birds)

TOP 5 PREY

(MOST AVAILABLE)

(out of 60 species of birds)

2002:

(in numerical order)

- 1. Rock Dove
- 2. European Starling
- 3. Yellow-shafted Flicker
 - 4. Mourning Dove
- 5. Blue Jay (Jan.-Sept.) replaced by Common Grackle (Dec.)



HOLIDAY - YUMMIES:

- Ø Pigeon Paté on Starling Squares
 - Ø Fried Flicker Flats
 - **Ø** Mourning Dove
 - Ø Grilled Grackle "Grubbies"