## PA Rare Bird Report

**Submission Date** 2016-02-19 14:20:33 **Observer's Name** Ann Pettigrew E-mail rook185@comcast.net **Phone** 717-880-8715 **Observer's Address** Street Address: 185 Tuscarora Drive City: York State / Province: PA Postal / Zip Code: 17403 Country: United States **Species (Common Name)** White-winged Dove Zenaida asiatica Species (Scientific Name) Number of individuals Age(s) and Plumage(s) and Adult Plumage Sex (if known) **Observation Date and Time** 02-13-2016 2:30 PM Did you submit this sighting Yes to eBird? County York Location (City, Borough, York Township Township) Exact Site (E.g. Name of park, 185 Tuscarora Drive lake, road) **Habitat** Backyard, lawn, woods Distance to bird 25 to 60 feet Viewing conditions Clear views Optical equipment used Swarovski 8x42, Nikon D610 with Nikkor 80 - 400 mm lens **Description** 

Similar in size to mourning doves (MD) with which it would loosely associate. Paler in color than MD but with horizontal white line along edge of closed wing. Shorter tail that was blunt compares to MD. After chasing a MD away from the feeder it bobbed up and down in a manner similar to a spotted sandpiper. Small black, sort of crescent shaped mark on lateral neck. Pinkish feet. Pale blue periorbital coloration. When it opened its wings there was a distinct white stripe across the wing.

## Behavior (be as detailed as possible about what the bird was doing)

Mostly resting in the leaf litter at the edge of the woods with MDs. Enjoyed being in the sun. Would perch on a rock in the waterfalls (without water on) after the rocks apparently warmed up. Drank from the edge of the ice on the koi pond with the other doves. Bobbed its tail up and down for about 10-15 seconds after getting into a scrap with a MD. Fed from the ground feeders and the ground. Perched low in a bush on the edge of the woods and higher up in the hemlock trees and an oak tree. After feeding more voraciously than usual on February 15th it apparently flew off and has not been seen since.

Separation from similar species (How you eliminated others)

The white wing stripes.

Are you positive of your identification? (Why or why not)

Photos match field guide drawings.

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that was trying to feed at the same feeder.

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Separation from similar species (How you eliminated others)

White wing patch and squared off tail plus the blue around the eyes.

Are you positive of your identification? (Why or why not)

Very positive! Had a few other birders come to see the dove who all agreed with the id.

**During** 

IBird pro and Peterson Field Guide

**After** 

Same

Supporting evidence (check all that apply)

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