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Mr. Chet Estes  
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Dear Chet:

I am so glad you liked the blade article and am enclosing herewith two copies. It is, indeed, gratifying that you found the article of interest, but I am sure you appreciated it no more than I do the blade. You may be surprised to learn that the blade you sent is different than most for the platform part is not prepared in the normal aboriginal manner - that is either by grinding or removing the overhang. This one has the technique of the gun flint made by the Brandon flintknappers. The blade has been resharpened on both margins by pressure retouch - a fine example of a blade knife. Thank you so very much.

It was so nice to hear from you and we have not forgotten our very pleasant visit with you and your wife. I am only sorry that we do not have the opportunity to get out and do a little hunting ourselves. We would certainly like to get down to Battle Mountain again but am too involved with ISU making educational movies and writing.

Thanks again for the specimen and do give our very best to the Hannamans and the Simms - very dear friends.

Best regards,

Don and Evelyn

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