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Dear Don + Evelyn,

Everybody here was disappointed that you'll couldn't come to chip. If you have free time in the future and would like to come to ISH to chip, please let us know.

How's things in general there at Kimberly? How's your chipping, Don?

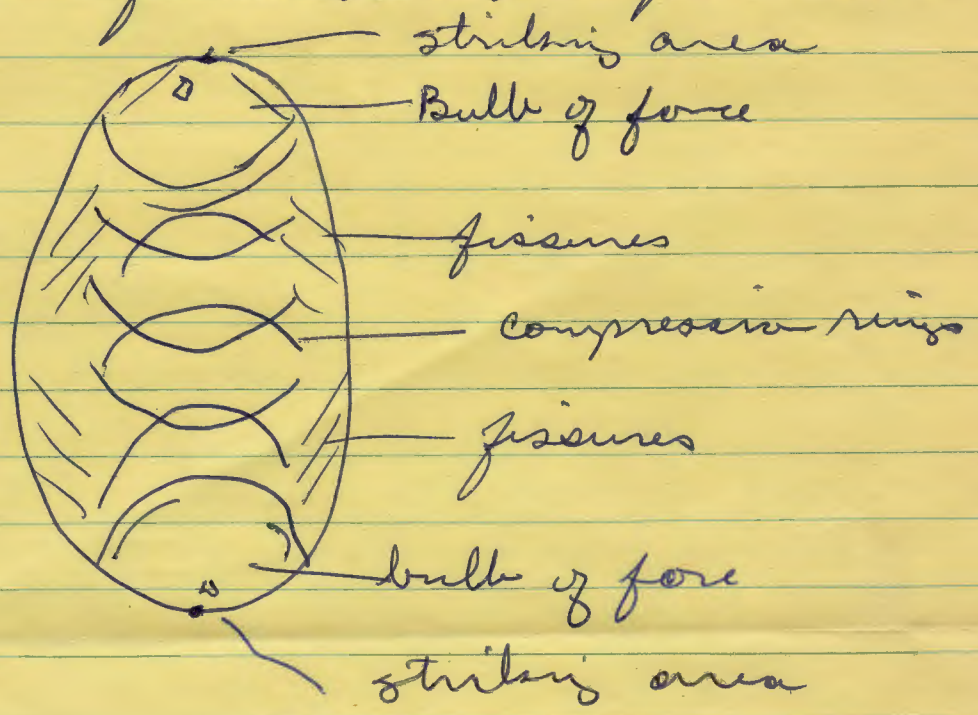
Things here are fine. I chip about 3 hrs. a day, and can now parallel pressure flake all the way across the face of the point. The flakes are still not as even as yours, but that will come in practice. I've also been making polyhedral cores and blades with some degree of luck — but need a lot more practice.

Another flintknapper is on the way — Cooby and I are expecting our first baby the 1st of May.

Don, this article by Binford and Quimby in an archaeological perspective ⁽¹⁹⁷²⁾ edited by Binford bothers me. Could you read the article, if you haven't already, and let me know your expert opinion on the bi-polar techniques. I don't think he knows what he is talking about — he means Binford Based up my experience and your books an introduction to flintworking he makes gross errors — some

of which I have underlined. This is not for publication, but for a class. We would appreciate your professional comments.

Is it possible to have such a flake from the bi-polar technique?



Enclosed is a copy of the article and my critical analysis - feel free to comment on both. I hope you'll have time to do this. If you don't please let me know.

Your student,

JFF

P.S. If you think Binford's paper warrants debate, I will ~~print~~ publish our findings, Only on your pay-ee.