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Dear Bill:

Thank you so much for your recent letter and for understanding about my busy schedule. This is really a frantic Summer and Earl has promised us a month off this Winter to go to Mexico - so we will be looking forward to a short stop in Tucson at that time.

Evelyn's sister has now decided to visit Idaho for three weeks instead of two and is arriving this Saturday. She will stay part of the time with their other sister, Virginia, who also lives in Twin Falls and this is the reason we could not bring her to Grasshopper - for she wants to visit both sisters. Evelyn's brother from California just left - so this has taken up most of the month of June with visitors.

Then the flintknapping school starts on July 5th to August 5th, so I guess this means that we will not make it to Grasshopper this year. We are really disappointed about this, for each year we look forward to visiting with your fine staff and students; living among the beautiful trees and eating all that good food. Please don't forget us - and ask us again next year, for this is my favorite archaeological experience. Will be looking forward to Bian's thesis on the site.

Today, Gould sent some fine drawings and pictures of the points made with wooden flakers and we hope to have the article published before too long. Gould is a fine young man and I am sure this next year in Australia will be most profitable for archaeology.

We will have fond memories for many years about our visit to Tucson with you, the staff and Bordes and Tixier. I am sure you do not realize what a rare opportunity this was for us three rock-knockers to get together. We resolved many problems. We do hope Francois will be here in September to do some experimenting and to work on the Glossary of Flintknapping terminology.

Thank you again for the fine dinner in Tucson, the visit to your lovely home and for the invitation to Grasshopper which it breaks my heart to turn down.

Please give my regards to all the fine people at Tucson.

Sincerely,

Don E. Crabtree

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