

ARKANSAS ARCHEOLOGICAL SURVEY

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Dear Don and Evelyn:

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Many of us feel that Don has a great deal to offer the young (and old!) students in archeology, particularly in the southeastern United States which is only now beginning to realize its true true potential as a research center. For some time we have wished we could expose more students to your accomplishments in lithic technology and at the same time allow you to look at some of our ideas and lithic problems.

We would like to invite you on a tour of the Southeast this coming fall. You could fly to the joint meeting of the Plains Anthropological Conference and the Midwestern Archaeological Conference on October 20-22 at Minneapolis, Minnesota, where I understand there will be a special session on lithic technology. Alice Benfer can meet you there and drive you to Columbia, Missouri, for a two-day stay involving visiting with University of Missouri personnel and perhaps an informal session with students. If you wish, I can drive to Columbia and take you to Fayetteville (University of Arkansas) for a day and then drive you to Jonesboro to rest and look over some of our lithics. From there you could go to Knoxville (University of Tennessee) where Jeff Chapman is teaching and on to Columbia, South Carolina, where Al Goodyear would be your host. The Southeast Archeological Conference is in Tuscaloosa (University of Alabama) on November 4-6 and you could attend it, then go with Barbara Purdy to the University of Florida. From there, you two may fly back to Idaho or extend your trip as a vacation or whatever.

Let me know your reaction to this invitation. In particular, we would like to know about your wishes on travel, number of days per stop, special medical or dietary needs, etc. Wherever possible, we invite you to stay with the host rather than in a motel because we want you to be comfortable. However, you may rather stay in a motel. We will be able to pay a modest honorarium and would like to know if you have a standard fee.

Please accept our invitation. We all look forward to seeing and visiting with both of you and each of us will consider it a privilege to host part of your trip and to show you our work and ask for your advice.

Dan F. Morse Al Goodyear Barbara Purdy Jeff Chapman

Alice Benfer Mike Hoffman

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