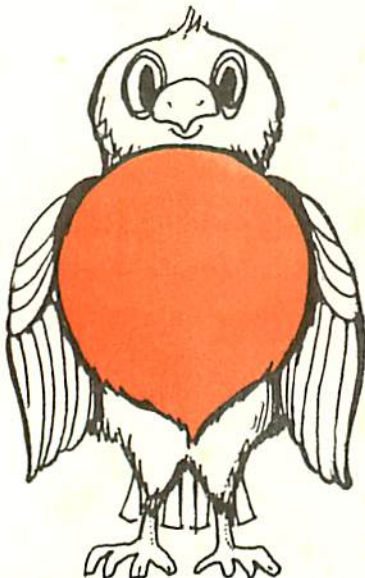
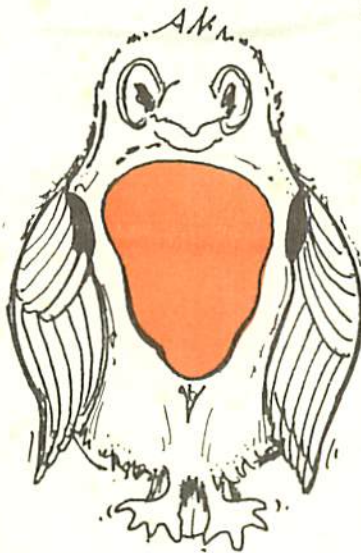
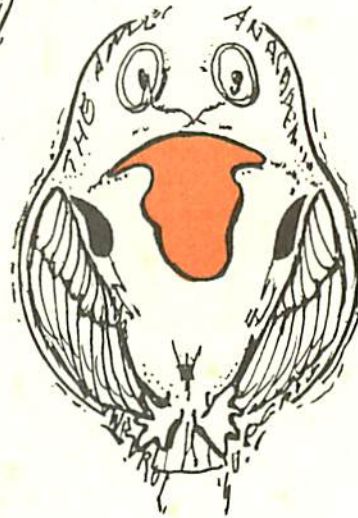


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Dear Academician:

As former editor of the ROUND ROBIN LETTER, I hasten to write you to add to the volume of the ROUND ROBIN LETTER without delay.

There has been much activity among our children. Phyllis, age 26, has just married a delightful young man named David Slye from Boston where they are living right in the middle of Boston. He is in real estate, and they are very happy.

Our son, Eben III, is just now completing his residency with Bob Wilkins at Duke and he has had an outstanding experience.

He is to join Peter McL. Black, who is taking over the directory of the neurosurgical program at Brigham and Williams Hospital and the Children's Hospital in Boston. This will be an exciting experience particularly since he and Peter are so accustomed to working together in the laboratory.

Our daughter, Betsy, is back from a couple of years in England where she took on the Cordon Bleu type of cooking and is looking around this country for similar opportunities. At this very moment, she is in the Camen Islands with friends.

Jean, our oldest, is still flying for United Airlines as a stewardess out of Newark, New Jersey, but all the children were here for Phyllis' wedding April 11, and it was a happy occasion for us. This year we should have a good picture to send to our friends for the Christmas greeting card which we failed to send out in the last couple of years.

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Betty has just gone to her 50th high school class reunion in Des Moines, Iowa, and reports a grand time there with all of her friends. She has been extremely busy this year, not only with the wedding, but as a campaign chairman for raising funds for Planned Parenthood in this county.

As for me, I am happily busy, and I know this litany of activities to some extent seems vulgar to some of my close friends of my age. Many of them want to relax on their laurels but, if I had any laurels I didn't want to rest on them, and I am loving the job as editor of SURGICAL NEUROLOGY reviewing so far this year 240 manuscripts since January 1 through the first five months of the year. We have a super group of editors who help a great deal and with whom I am in close contact all the time.

In addition to this, I am on a couple of Boards of Trustees such as a large Methodist retirement home and Planned Parenthood, and I am just starting my second 3 year term on the N. C. Board of Medical Examiners, appointed by the governor of North Carolina. This takes a minimum of 6 meetings a year for 3 to 5 days, plus a good many other activities. It is a thankless job but one which needs to be done by someone, and we have a fine group working together.

The program here under Dave Kelly is progressing well and, of course, all of our Academy members know him well and admire his many activities.

Sincerely yours,



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Dear Academician,

Carolyn and I hope all of you are well and look forward to the meeting in San Antonio.

First, news about our family. Our oldest daughter, Elizabeth, who is 23, will finish at the MIT Sloan School of Business in December. She was somewhat of an anomaly there being taken as a woman, without work experience, at a young age, with an art-history background, and now an interest in entertainment. More traditionally the school attracts males with a quantitative background interested in finance who have had previous work experience. She wants to work in some area of entertainment relating the new advances in technology to that community. Susan just turned 21 and is finishing at Ann Arbor and probably will go into graduate school in psychology or possibly law. She was elected President of the Panhellenic Council and was in a number of societies, and we are proud of both of their accomplishments.

Carolyn continues to be involved in many things from pursuing her business, designing, and tennis. Fortunately, we have been able to travel together to a number of meetings, both at home and abroad. This is a tremendous learning experience. We appreciate that there are many bright people around the world. More than anything, we are grateful to return to our beautiful country and its democratic way of life. There is nothing like it anywhere.

The changes in health care are making medicine look completely different than 30 and 40 years ago when I accompanied my father on his rounds in the hospital. It is obvious that the individual physician is disappearing as larger groups and the business of medicine encroaches on the practice of medicine. The government, insurance companies, hospitals, business, and corporations act as large groups. In order to respond to this and provide and care for our patients appropriately, we, too, can only do this by acting together. It is hard for physicians to think this way as we are individualistic, but from my point of view, I see no other alternative than a cooperative response to our environment. Our hospital, which is really a health care system, has now gone into a corporate structure with many divisions, one of which is the doctors and its group practice. Another division runs the HMO which now has over 200,000 members and hopes to have one in every six in our metropolitan area as a member in the future. The system has targeted special areas of medicine for emphasis and one of them is the neurosciences. The hospital got

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into the satellite business years ago and now has 25 satellites in the metropolitan area and even extending beyond.

In neurosurgery we are expanding also to provide quality care at a reasonable cost. In the response to the needs in our environment, we are providing neurosurgical services to other hospitals. After a fruitless two year search for a neurosurgeon, the Santa Fe Healthcare Systems, Inc. in Gainesville which also services other parts of Florida and has a large HMO, asked us to help them with their problem. After discussing this with Al Rhoton and the members of the neurosurgical community in Gainesville, it was apparent that local politics did not permit this need to be resolved in that area. Thus, after analyzing the opportunity, we accepted the offer to help this healthcare system with its needs. Al and I have pledged to find ways to have both of our groups work together. Thus, in view of this expansion, we are looking for additional academic neurosurgeons and neurosurgeons who would like to be primarily in clinical practice with an academic affiliation.

We enjoyed having a number of Academy members visit us this year: Henry Garretson, Steve Mahaley, and Thor and Lois Sundt.

Have a healthy and successful year!

Sincerely,



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Dear Academicians:

The Buchheit household has been good for the last year.

Lyn is enrolled as a full-time student at Temple University with a major in Linguistics and a minor in German. Although this is a full-time job, she is having a grand time doing it, and the German has come in very handy on a number of occasions. Although she spoke some German before she began this project, she is now fluent and does all the talking when we are around the Germans. During the last year, she has been on the Dean's List both semesters.

Little Megan is nine, and just about to go into fourth grade. Her new braces were put on last week, and she is looking quite distinctive.

We are about to leave Philadelphia on our second trip to Europe in 1987. The first trip was in March, when we were skiing in Ober-Gurgl. This was a wonderful trip, with warm cloudless days and spring skiing. Ernst Grote came and skied with us for the last three days, and then drove us to Tübingen, where we concluded our vacation. The town of Tübingen is a wonderful university city that I would encourage everyone to visit if they are in Europe.

We are ready to go to Europe in just a few days to the Salzburg Music Festival, and then a drive around Germany and Austria with a rented car. At the end of that trip, Lyn is coming home and I am going to Barcelona for the meeting.

Aside from these vacations, it has been a busy and productive year, and all is going well.

Looking forward to seeing you in San Antonio.

Sincerely,

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Dear Academician:

From Sea Island to San Antonio takes a full year. What are the highlights of the past year we can tell you? Well, we'll see.

First of all, we'll start by telling you about our trip last fall to New Zealand, Australia, Singapore, Kuala Lumpur, Hong Kong, Kunming and Shanghai in China. It was an interesting journey, involving academic obligations all along the way. We hand-carried hundreds of lecture slides, the same slides which have yet to be re-filed because it almost makes us sick to look at them again. It was also a physically demanding journey; academic and social activities were pre-scheduled from city to city. Like birds in a cage, we felt as if we were on show all the time. It was finally a rewarding journey as well because we met so many new friends, and talked to old ones, family members and old classmates, sharing once again the joys and sorrows of the past, and expectations for the future.

Back at the University, Shelley was appointed to membership of the Academic Planning Task Force, which was to recommend priorities for funding programs and collegiate units. The process was called Strategy, and later, Planning For Focus. We went from ecosystems through organisms to cells and molecules, and then back. We applied the same sequence for plants and animals, and then looked at basic and applied disciplines. It was an academic exercise, and a great deal of fun until the whole process had to be translated into money issues. All of a sudden, the dollar sign was on, and naturally politics hotly surfaced. At the moment, the process is still ongoing, but the three months that Shelley spent on the Task Force already seems far in the distance. The Task Force recommended, among other global issues, closure of the School of Dentistry, the School of Mortuary Science and the College of Veterinary Medicine, in order to reallocate resources to the basic arts and sciences and to improve graduate studies in research. Will there be certain compromises? We think so. The danger, of course, is that the University, as a land grant institution, may continue to serve everyone in the state, thus remaining forever "non-focused".

With regard to our family, number one son, Shelley, Jr., and his wife have a business in Indio, California. He just passed his thirtieth birthday, and they are expecting their first child. Dana, number two, and our only daughter, has a practice in family/marriage counseling in the Denver

area. She is not married. The number three son, Kerry, is getting his M.B.A. degree from the University. He was worried stiff about finding a job; then all of a sudden he comes up with three job offers, and is having a difficult time making a decision. He and his wife have two children, ages  $3\frac{1}{2}$  and  $1\frac{1}{2}$ . Our grandson is blue-eyed with blond hair, and our granddaughter is brown-eyed and auburn-haired. We do not understand how genes behave in our family.

With regard to Jolene, she has been for the past year, as previously, the principle flower-girl of the University of Minnesota Hospital Auxiliary, making flower arrangements out of silk material. She makes ten to fifteen arrangements per week for the Gallery Gift Shop at the hospital. Once in a great while, she makes one so extraordinarily beautiful that we decide to keep it. Perhaps we can open a flower shop to keep us going when Shelley retires.

Finally, we would like to express our gratitude to all of you for whom Shelley has served as President this past year. It has been a distinct honor. We tried to organize a joint meeting with the Australasian Neurosurgical Society, which was to take place just prior to the World Congress in New Delhi in 1989. It appears, however, that this plan is not going to carry. For the moment, a joint meeting with the Eurasian Academy of Neurological Surgery appears to be a strong possibility instead. As we are approaching the next annual meeting of the Academy, we are indeed looking forward to seeing many of you in San Antonio, where Jim and Joanie Story are working hard to make our 1987 Annual Meeting a grand occasion.

Fondly,

*Shelley & Jolene*

Shelley and Jolene Chou

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Dear Professor Buchheit,

Thank you for your letter dated may 15th/. Last year I sent to our friend Phanor Perot a long letter about my life, and a copy of it for the Round Robin.

As I have had no reply from Phanor and the letter was not included in last year's publications I presume it was lost in the mail here or in the U.S.A. I shall, therefore, repeat the information.

Although I have retired as Professor and Chief Neurosurgeon from several hospitals I continue to have a fairly active private practice and act as Consultant to the British and French Hospitals here in Buenos Aires, and in August 1986 I was elected Dean of the Argentine College of Neurosurgeons. This institution supervises the training and moral standing of all those devoted to our specialty. To be accepted as members of the Argentine Association of Neurosurgeons the candidates, after 5 years of training, must first pass a theoretical and practical examination at the College of Neurosurgeons and be accepted as members of it. My own appointment of Dean of the College can be considered as an award to survival

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and fitness because the election is made between the five oldest practising neurosurgeons in Argentina.

I had planned to assist to the Academy meeting in Sea Island with my wife Diana, and Charlie Drake had explained to me how to get there. But we had to abandon those plans due to the birth of our son Axel, a happy and rather unexpected event. So now, being 73 years old, I have 8 children, ranging from 38 years to seven months, thirteen gran children and a step son, all of which make a welcome addition to an underpopulated country with only 30 million inhabitants.

This year, after the 29th Annual Congress of the Argentine Association of Neurosurgery which will take place in Tucuman, we shall travel to England and Scotland and visit my neurosurgical Alma Maters, Oxford and Edinburgh. Then we shall proceed to Barcelona where Fabian Isamat must be preparing a splendid European Congress of Neurosurgery. We shall go to the south of Spain and to Paris before returning for an Argentinian-Uruguayan Conference on Neurotraumatology. It will take place in Buenos Aires (October 20-24) fifteen years after the International Conference on the same subject which I had organized here with the participation of the Neurotraumatology Committee of the W.F.N.S. But this time I will act as honorary president, leaving the podium to younger people. Some neurosurgeons from Europe and the United States, apart from several from Latin-American, will participate.

We shall spend the summer (your winter) in Punta del Este as usual. We expect to assist next year either to the Academy meeting or to the American Association of Neurological Surgeons Congress, so as to maintain a closer contact with our North American friend and colleagues.

Meanwhile Diana and I send you our best regards.



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Dear Bill:

You are really working hard to get the Round Robin going aren't you.

A lot of things have been happening here, mostly generated by the Presidency of the World Federation. The meeting in 1989 in New Delhi promises to be an interesting one. India is a fascinating country. The tremendous mixture of cultures, races and religions, make it an extremely interesting place to visit. Despite what you read in the American newspaper, there really is no violence in New Delhi. The newspapers constantly confuse Delhi with New Delhi. Delhi is a typical far eastern city with very narrow streets, terribly overcrowded, every kind of livestock known to man roaming the streets, beggars, and mendicant all over the place.

New Delhi is a European city built in the 30's. It is a city with wide boulevards, lovely homes, and fine hotels. The violence is all in Delhi. Only once in the history of India has the violence come into New Delhi and that was when Indira Gandhi was assassinated.

The headquarters hotel will be the Taj Palace which is run by the Tata Group, a tremendously wealthy Indian family who founded Air India. They have a number of hotels. Interestingly enough the profits from the hotels are turned over to the All India Medical Institute. The Taj Palace is an absolutely beautiful, shiny, new, modern hotel. There are three other Five Star hotels, including the Sheraton within easy walking distance. I certainly hope that all my fellow academicians will come to India in '89.

All the Clarks are well and happy. We now have everyone out of school except my daughter Florine who is in her third year at SMU Law School.

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Unfortunately I will not be in San Antonio as I promised Lee Atkinson that I would come to the Australasian Association. It has been quite a while since the President of the World Federation has attended that regional meeting and I felt that I should do so.

I know that the Story's and the Brown's will put on a fine show and I regret missing it.

Best regards, to everyone,

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Dear Bill:

The academic year of 1986-87 has been rather a full one. During the past ten years, I have been acting chairman of the Department of Surgery, on multiple occasions have spent a considerable amount of effort not to end up as Chairman of Surgery because I felt strongly that it would mean the end of my ability to grow as a Neurosurgeon because of the amount of administration. On the other hand, I have had a commitment to Yale that goes back into my family and through most of my life, and the Department seemed to be getting into more and more trouble because my leadership as an acting chairman was certainly inadequate. I agreed with the Dean and the President of the Hospital to become Chairman of Surgery and Surgeon in Chief at Yale New Haven Hospital. This occurred in February 1986 and although I had resisted the job for a long time as I mentioned above, it has been fun. Dennis Spencer has taken over as Chief of Neurosurgery, and I have been able to re-establish the transplant program, to get General Surgery off the ground, and I think I have gotten the Department looking forward to the future instead of worried about what was going to be next. There is still a lot to do and the job still entails an awful lot of committees and conferences as well as talks with personnel in order to keep the thing going. One of the positive things is that none of the conferences lead to dominate hemisphere loss of function and resulting aphasias and hemiplegias and up until just recently I have been able to do neurosurgery so I could still feel like a neurosurgeon although any chance of doing work in the laboratory or having a significant part in resident teaching went when I became Chairman.

I have been very fortunate all of my life not to be sick, with my last serious illness being an appendicitis during the Korean War and during the recovery of which I continued to act as a neurosurgeon in the army because there was no one else there. This was the first few months of the Korean War. This fall I went over to Saudia Arabia and then as a side trip went to Egypt, and Gwen and I had a great time. It was one of the few times, when traveling abroad, that I did not get a GI upset and so I was rather surprised a few months later to start having some

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problems with my gastro-intestinal tract. Within four or five days of it, that is at the end of January, I became really quite ill and ended up requiring surgery. From February until just the last few weeks, I now have been side lined and found that I did not recover in a few weeks like I thought I might, but I have recovered to the point where I now can see that I will get my old energy back and can continue as the Chairman of Surgery.

I have instituted in the Department of Surgery an administrative policy that makes each one of the surgical specialties an academic and clinical unit. I have placed into the hands of the Chief of each Section the responsibility for their development, and I have spent considerable time over this past year trying to enlarge our endowment so that more hard money support can be available for our clinical sections. I have no illusions that I can suddenly change the Department of Surgery, but I have the firm belief that I am willing to try as hard as I can. Three or four of us have now been Chairman of Departments, Gene Stern, Byron Young, and myself being the most recent, and I think that the deans and hospital administrators have found that neurosurgeons are quite capable of running something more than neurosurgery. My original concept when I took the job of Acting Chairman this last time was to take advantage of the offer that the Dean made that if I would do this in an interim way, he would make Neurosurgery a department. I am not as certain now as Chairman of the Department that that would be as good a move as I thought when I was the Chief of the Section. If a chairman of the department can get the concept that the surgical specialties are equal and general surgery is not surgery in general, the impact of a group of surgeons on the medical school, university, and hospital is much more effective than having it broken up into small groups. Interestingly, the other Departments would just as soon have Surgery broken up because they feel that they use too many resources of the University and the Hospital. With a significant number of tenured people and therefore a significant number of votes on our Board of Permanent Officers and on the Medical Board of the Hospital, I can be quite certain that no actions are taken which would be detrimental to the academic or clinical development of the Department. I am not certain that would be true if the department was broken up into three, four, or five parts.

I am looking forward to meeting in San Antonio and should by that time be back on to full schedule. I look forward to being with the members of the Academy again.

Sincerely,



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Dear Bill:

I hope Ruth and I can make San Antonio in the Fall but already I have a conflict in committments. Even so we will try.

The four boys continue to thrive with their families. John has relinquished some of his practice of law for the business world which has always intrigued him. He now has partnership in several businesses and owns at least one very large one. He deals in sums that are difficult for me to comprehend but with apparent aequanimity. Jim is completing his neurosurgical training in Toronto and will be spending six months in France in paediatric neurosurgery. He seems slated to go on staff at the Hospital for Sick Children in Toronto. He is good with children and likes that institution and its surgeons. Stephen, after eight years in business, the automobile "after market", has just been accepted into the MBA program here. It means two years out of his earning life but he and a number of "consultants" feel it is wise for him to do so. Tom, the electrical engineer, is still with Syncrude in Northern Alberta extracting oil from the Athabasca tar sands. I have the feeling that after seven years in that wilderness he is ready for warmer climes.

While there is no place quite like Southern Ontario in the Spring, Summer and Fall, I am becoming much less tolerant of the winters. However, I doubt if I could persuade Ruth to spend any length of time in your South. She loves the winters, is a bit intolerant of very hot weather and could never be long away from her boys and the grandchildren, now 9 - soon to be 10 in number. Perhaps we will be able to work out some form of commuting with the aeroplane so that I can play a little golf hopefully with a place where the children can visit. The latter would get her down there.

We have just returned from the Sendai Symposium on Stroke where the Russian balloonists made quite an impression. They are far ahead of us in the technical aspects of obliterating aneurysms completely- and not just large easily entered sacs. Romodanov presented 450 cases, for in Kiev they are ballooning every case with technical success in 9 out of 10 including ordinary aneurysms at all sites and "custom -make" a balloon for each aneurysm from a model of it. They claim an 80% clinical success rate. They make balloons with a memory, some with waists and even stent balloons. The North American balloonists there really could not understand how they can obliterate the neck of aneurysms as well as the sac even though we had a private luncheon afterward at which to discuss it. In Moscow they balloon only those considered inoperable. Jiro Suzuki concluded the meeting saying that he "may be out of a job". Again I made a plea for some young North American and European surgeons to become involved with the arterial navigation techniques.

With warm regards,

Yours sincerely,



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Dear Doctor Buchheit:

It was a strange coincidence that your letter re: "Round Robin" arrived at about the time I was persuing the directory of The Society of Neurological Surgeons for a copy of your resume to send to a patient of yours (and friend of mine) - Susan Davenport, of Rosemont Pennsylvania.

I love "It's a small world" stories. Now I have added one more to my list.

Dr. Buchheit, my Eric died Oct. 13th last year. I sent copies of his obit to his schools and to his society affiliations, but I have not seen any publication announcing his death.

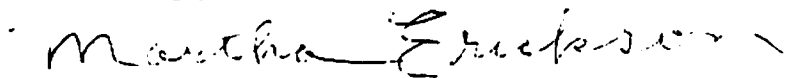
I enclose a copy of the obit and one of the last pictures taken of us together on our beloved lakeside porch after gardening which we both loved so much.

Of my Eric, I can only say that he endured his suffering like a soldier and despite 8 surgery procedures lived just beyond his 80th B-day. To the end he stayed so well read in the field of medicine that he astounded his M.D. brother and his good friend Dr. C. N. Woolsey.

For 25 years we were almost constantly together and could happily have wished for many more. I think the enclosed picture speaks for us. It was taken by E's son, Charles, head photographer at Yale.

Please do send me a copy of "The Robin", I always enjoyed it.

Cordially,



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**NOTICE** — Theodore C. Erickson, M.D., age 86, of 485 North Livingston Street, died on Monday, October 13, 1986. He was the son of Theodore Augustus and Abel Anderson Erickson. He was born on September 23, 1904, in Alexandria, Minnesota. He spent his early life in St. Anthony Park, St. Paul, Minnesota and received his Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Minnesota, and a Masters degree prior to graduating from the medical school in 1931. He was a member of Alpha Omega Alpha, Sigma Xi and Incus. While attending the University of Minnesota, he did research in the surgical laboratory of Dr. O.H. Wangensteen and served as a teaching fellow in the department of anatomy. He spent a brief period in the Surgical Pathology Laboratory at the Mayo Clinic. In 1931, he commenced his internship at the hospital of the University of Pennsylvania. In July of 1932, he won a fellowship at McGill University and the Royal Victoria Hospital in Montreal, Canada under Drs. Wilder Penfield and William Cone. In 1934, Dr. Erickson received a Master of Science degree in neurosurgery and a minor in physiology. In 1939 he completed his Ph.D. in the same fields. When the Montreal Neurological Institute opened in 1934, he became the first Chief Resident in Neurosurgery. Except for a short interlude at the National Hospital, Queen's Square, London, England, where he served as a Clerk, and another interlude at Saranac Lake, New York, he remained at the Montreal Neurological Institute and McGill University as a staff surgeon and lecturer in neurosurgery until 1942. For the most part, his studies focused on various considerations related to epilepsy. With Dr. Wilder Penfield he was co-author of a book, **EPILEPSY AND CEREBRAL LOCALIZATION**, published in 1941. At this time an offer came to Dr. Erickson for the creation of a department of neurosurgery at the Wisconsin General Hospital, University of Wisconsin Medical School in Madison. In the years that followed, he organized a neurosurgical service and instituted a residency program. From 1949 until his retirement, Dr. Erickson engaged in various research projects with Dr. Clinton Woolsey in the laboratory of neurophysiology and in the neurosurgical operating room. A recent account of their work was published in the "Journal of Neurosurgery," 1979. He was a member of the Society of Neurological Surgeons, the American Neurological Association, the Academy of Neurological Surgeons for which he served as secretary for two terms, the Harvey Cushing Society and the International Society of Neurological Surgeons. Dr. Erickson lists in his bibliography 47 publications. He was a member of Bethel Lutheran Church. He found great pleasure in gardening and in sailing. Surviving are his wife, Martha; six children, Victoria Erickson of Philadelphia, Elizabeth Robinson (Rick) of Newport, Washington, T. Charles Erickson of New Haven, Connecticut, Alexandra Erickson of New York City, Dr. J. Mark Roberts (Jane) of Madison, Steven Roberts (Curt) of Sedona, Arizona; and seven grandchildren. Funeral services will be held at **BETHEL LUTHERAN CHURCH**, 312 Wisconsin Avenue, at 1:30 p.m. on Friday, October 17. Dr. Robert G. Borswardt will officiate. Burial will be in Forest Hill Cemetery. There is no visitation. The family suggests that

visitation may be made at the Wisconsin Clinical Cancer Center, McArdle Laboratory, or the Bethel Radio Fund.

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June 1, 1987

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Dear Bill,

This past year or so has, indeed, been a very busy one for Gene and me. We have done a great deal of automobile travelling, an activity we seemed never to do before retirement. We've now seen most of the major and some of the minor parks and recreational areas west of the Mississippi and I must say "America is beautiful".

As you know, we have three children - two boys and a girl. each child now has a child of their own so we now have three grandchildren. It makes me feel older !

Gene and I have been spending most of the time out here in Pauma Valley, Ca. although we return to Minneapolis about every two months for a week or so and spend about three months there during the summer. We play a lot of golf, swim, fish, etc. but also spend much time reading (Gene sews) etc. We keep busy. The second year of retirement is easier to 'tolerate' than the first year. I still maintain an office at the University of Minnesota. When we're back in Minneapolis I spend time in my office doing some consulting and advising.

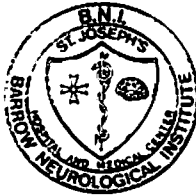
We intend to go to Barcelona in September - hope to see many of our friends there.

In any event, we're surviving, having fun and occasionally doing some good.

Best regards to the academicians,

Lyle and Gene French

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June 12, 1987

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Dear Bill:

Re: The Neurosurgeon

On June 1st I completed forty years of neurosurgical practice and retired from this aspect of my endeavors. I'll continue in my office with Dr. Spetzler and our seven associates as a base for a second career of Development, mainly in seeking funds for our academic programs. I have even taken a 5-day seminar on Grantsmanship and believe that I can help our staff in the Barrow Neurological Institute more by being an effective fund-raiser than I can by seeing patients. I am very pleased about the clinical and research organization that has been established here during the past 25 years. Robert Spetzler has proven himself to be a fine leader and has been in full charge during the past year. He is an outstanding candidate to succeed me as an Active member of the American Academy of Neurological Surgery. I hope that this will take place at the 1987 meeting.

Georgia and I plan to spend some time at our condominium in Pinetop, Arizona, and to drive to Tamarron, Colorado and to Sun Valley this summer, to be with old friends, to fish and to golf a bit. We'll look forward to seeing our Academy friends this fall.

With best personal regards,

John R. Green, M.D.  
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Dear Bill,

We are rather junior in this august academy, and it is hard to imagine many of you who would be fascinated to know how our children are and where we vacation, but I loved reading the newsletter last year, and screaming, "Bob, those people bought a vacation home in Jamaica plus took everybody to Europe for spring break. Why can't we do nice things like that?", or "Robert, Dr X's son got in Harvard. You'd better study vocabulary words for your SAT's." So maybe someone will enjoy reading this and saying, "Poor Julia Grubb. Bob works all the time, saves most of his money to send children to college and spends his only vacation reading Journal articles at a run-down little island in South Carolina. We are really lucky". Indeed, Bob does work all the time. He has a full clinical schedule including fighting with general surgeons, who, as Dr. Murphy said in his letter last year "know nothing about the brain", for vascular cases. He squeezes in lab time for work on PET and spends weekends (spare time) editing stacks and stacks of articles for the Journal of Neurosurgery and flitting around to endless airport meetings making plans for the program for the AANS. Thus I am not allowed the luxury of opening a boutique or going to law school, the big craze among women of my age and station. Someone has to raise our children. Harvard psychologist Robert Coles says, "teenagers, more so than little ones, need parental guidance. They want to know what to do with their lives. How to be with people sexually and morally. What kind of college to go to? For what purpose? How to live a life?" So much to my children's chagrin, I "guide their lives", and am a militant homemaker. "Yes, I clean house, cook, arrange flowers, play tennis, read books and raise children and I think its damned creative, so shut up!" Children? Robert III age 17 rising senior in high school, tennis player, sailor, good student, looking at colleges, (Davidson, UNC, Dartmouth, Princeton, and Northwestern), on the sailing staff at Camp Sea Gull in Arapahoe, N.C. for the summer. Mary Connell age 12, rising 7th grader, the ultimate eclectic--a little piano, a little ballet, pretty much tennis, pretty much school and lots of social life, slumber parties and note writing, "Will you go with me"? Yes  No  (check one). Which boy do you think has the best bod? Billy , Cam , Cary , (check one). At 12? What about

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none of the above ? Our summer vacation is spent at an old South Carolina island(Pawleys)and perhaps some more exotic spot,if it can be combined with a meeting.

We look forward to seeing you in San Antonio in October.

Sincerely,

*Julia Grubb*  
Julia Grubb.



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June 19, 1987

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Dear Bill:

I have your note of May 15, 1987 concerning the Round Robin.

The last year at Stanford has been a full one. The clinical load is progressively grown and this summer we are adding two new junior full-time faculty members to our staff. Dr. Gary Steinberg who obtained his MD and Ph.D degrees from Stanford and currently is completing his seventh year residency training in our program will join us and will be devoting about 50% of his time to laboratory research and 50% to clinical problems. Dr. John Adler who currently is completing his residency training under Keasley Welch at the Brigham and Childrens Hospital in Boston will also join our staff and will be working both at the Palo Alto Veterans Administration Hospital and the Stanford Medical Center. They have also recruited from Keasley Welch's program in Boston Dr. Luis Zavala who completed his training two years ago and he will serve as our second full-time faculty member at the Santa Clara Valley Medical Center in San Jose which is an integral part of our training program.

Drs. Silverberg, Shuer, and Conley remain extremely active in their clinical responsibilities as well as continuing with research activities. Last winter Dr. Silverberg spent four months working in the neurophysiology laboratory at the University of Melbourne in Australia.

This past year we also obtained funding to renovate our research laboratories in the Stanford University Medical Center and to establish in that our a neurosurgery library.

In addition to attending the various national and regional neurosurgical meetings during the past year I also participated in the annual Stanford post-graduate course in surgery for a week early in May. A week after returning home Shirley and I left for a five week vacation in Great Britan and just returned home yesterday. Our oldest daughter Carol who teaches Victorian literature at the University of Texas and our son John were able to

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accompany us making it a wonderful family affair. The first two weeks we traveled with the Stanford library associates in Ireland, Scotland and England and then had three weeks on our own driving throughout the southwestern part of England and Wales. I am back in the office now trying to clear my desk and be ready to begin a new academic year with new residents and interns.

With best personal regards.

Yours sincerely,



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Dear Bill:

The year has been busy for the Hoff family. We have a love affair with Ann Arbor and consider ourselves "dyed-in-the-wool" Michiganders after only six years here.

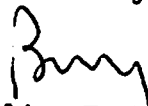
Our son Paul, 23, is about to embark upon a graduate school effort in Pharmacology at the University of Michigan. He currently is working as a research assistant in that Department, having graduated from St. Olaf. College two years ago. Allison, our 20 year old daughter has just returned from a year studying abroad in Athens, Greece. She has returned now to start her fourth year at St. Olaf. She and Rhia Zervas (Nick and Thalia's daughter) were among fifty students from around the country who elected to take their junior year abroad in the College in Athens program. Julie, our 17 year old is about to start her senior year at Pioneer High School here in Ann Arbor. Once again we start looking at Barron's Encyclopedia of Colleges around the country!

Diane is, of course, heavily involved in civic affairs and loves her life here. We have traveled a fair amount this past year including The Event on April 8, in Washington D.C. in honor of Dr. Cushing. The trip to Sea Island last fall was another memorable event.

I have just embarked upon a four year period as Secretary of the American Board of Neurological Surgery. It is a great honor for me and I am sincerely grateful for this opportunity to work for the Board. Following in the footsteps of Steve Mahaley, Dave Kline, Kemp Clark and Bob King is a challenge indeed!

Diane and I will see you all in San Antonio.

Yours truly,

  
Julian T. Hoff, M.D.  
Professor of Surgery  
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June 1, 1987.

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Dear Bill:

The past year has truly been eventful. Our daughter Katie is recovering very nicely from a serious illness. She has managed to continue her university studies and is entering her second year at McGill University. Our son Richard has just received his M.B.A. from Wharton Business School in Philadelphia and will be joining the firm of Wood Gundy in their Investment Banking Division in Toronto. We are celebrating his marriage to Rhonda Page on August 23rd, 1987. Our son Andrew has completed his legal studies and has joined the law firm of Goodman and Goodman in Toronto.

The past year has seen a good deal of travel. I was a guest of the Argentine Neurosurgical Society in Santa Fe, Argentina in August, 1986. Jo Ann and I were guests of the Beijing Neurosurgical Institute in Beijing, China in October, 1986. In March, 1987 I was the guest of the Japanese Society for Pediatric Neurosurgery in Toyko. In May I was part of the faculty of the International Pediatric Neurosurgery Course in Assissi, Italy.

Bruce Hendrick stepped down as Chief of our Division of Neurosurgery in June, 1986 and I assumed the Chairmanship of our Division. Bruce continues to be an active member of our division. Jim Drake, who is the son of Charles Drake, will be joining our division following completion of his studies in Paris in July, 1988.

With best wishes.

Yours sincerely,

Harold J. Hoffman, M.D.

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3 July, 1987

Dear Bill:

Ed has passed along your letter to me for the domestic highlights of the past year.

We took a week's cruise to Bermuda last October and felt we were half way across the world - it was a great escape from daily routines and telephones and a delightful treat. In February we took another week and went to visit my family in California's Bay area. The weather was perfect and we enjoyed a short trip up the coast as well as a couple of days in Napa Valley where Ed went ballooning over the valley. We visited the home where I lived and the chapel where we were married nearly 33 years ago! It was our first time back there in all these years and proved wonderfully nostalgic. In May we had a house guest with us for awhile which gave us a great opportunity to visit many of the New York sights which we so easily take for granted and do not often see.

We plan to spend a couple of weeks in Switzerland and France in September and look forward to that eagerly.

Our children are all grown, but will always be "the kids" to us. They are all living in New York City at the moment and we do get to see them often. We know it won't be this way always so we really cherish their proximity now. Our oldest son, David, just completed a transitional internship at Overlook Hospital (a Columbia affiliate) and has started his 4 years of residency in Radiology at the Presbyterian Hospital. His wife Adrienne is head of the test kitchen for Chocolatier Magazine.

Number 2 son, Steve, still works for the Dean of International Affairs at Columbia U. and has his own 4 man band in which he plays guitar and composes. That's his real love. He has received several grants for his work and his musical scores have been choreographed and played on the air. Our daughter, Jean, is now a full fledged R.N. and works at Presbyterian, which she loves, though her shift is a 12½ hour one.


The past year saw an expansion of our basic and clinical research programs in Neurooncology. The Department of Neurological Surgery has undertaken a joint venture with Neurology through the auspices of our Institute of Cancer Research and has three ongoing clinical trials and one basic research investigation of the efficacy of the biological modifier Interferon (Recombinant Human - Interferon) in the treatment of malignant gliomas.

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Under Ben Stein's guidance, our training program continues to shine with an outstanding group of residents - all of whom speak well for the future of our speciality.

We look forward to seeing everyone in San Antonio.

Sincerely,

  
Marion and Ed Housepian

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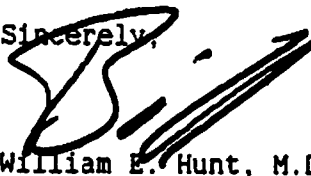
*re. The Neurosurgeon*

Dear Bill:

As you know, Charlotte died after a prolonged illness on April 16th of this year. I am quite disorganized at the present time but I plan to continue working for another four or five years.

My descendants are all doing well, including a growing 4 1/2 year old grandchild. That is about all I can say at this time.

Sincerely,



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July 20, 1987

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Dear Bill:

Our eldest, Jean, is in the wilds of northern British Columbia gaining experience as a family practitioner. She will obtain her M.D. next Spring. Katherine obtained her B.A. this Spring and is preparing herself for a career in business. Erin, despite a very full social life, passed all her first year subjects at Queen's University and will resume her B.A. studies this Fall. Roy completed his high school as an Ontario Scholar and will start his Engineering studies at Queen's in September.

Susan and I have just celebrated our twenty-fifth wedding anniversary and this Fall will have all four children away at university. Susan currently has submarines working successfully in the Caymans, Barbados and Virgin Islands and is planning a franchise operation with the Japanese. She is preparing a major bash to celebrate her parents' fiftieth wedding anniversary so that this year has been a busy time for the Hudsons' with a variety of personal historical events!

Skip Peerless and I went to New Delhi in December with regard to the preparations for the next World Federation meeting. Subsequently Harold Hoffman and I met with colleagues and Dr. Ramamurthi in Dallas. Harold, Skip and I will go to Barcelona in a few weeks time to attend a World Federation Meeting at which the budget for the New Delhi meeting will be presented.

Sue and I are looking forward to greeting you all on the occasion of the A.A.N.S. meeting in Toronto next Spring. Henry and Marianna Garretson have been up to Toronto and they will be coming back in August for the final policy decisions. Toronto has become a most interesting cosmopolitan city. The city is both clean and safe and our alleged Canadian Dollar makes a visit by Americans a most economical trip. Henry Garretson trained in Montreal so it is particularly pleasant to have him as the President of a meeting in a Canadian setting.

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On previous occasions, I have sent business news when I was supposed to have sent personal news and vice versa, so I hope, at last, I have got this one straight. Unfortunately, I will be out of the country on the occasion of the next Academy meeting but I know it will be a first class occasion. Susan and I look forward to seeing you in Toronto next year, if not before.

Best personal regards.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Alan", with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

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August 7, 1987

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Dear Bill and Fellow Academy Members:

The Keeners are enjoying their life in Gainesville, Georgia.

I have been very busy this past year serving on the Board of Directors and as Secretary of the Georgia Chapter of the American College of Surgeons. I also serve as Editor of our twice yearly news Bulletin. I recently placed over twelve hundred members of the College in Georgia on my IBM PC so that I can print mailing labels and print reports of various categories of membership.

I am a Delegate to the Medical Association of Georgia and also serve as an Alternate Delegate to the Medical Association of Georgia. I have recently been appointed to the Underwriting Committee of our state physicians liability insurance company.

This last year I was elected as a Governor-at-Large from Georgia to the American College of Surgeons.

Ann has also been working on all of our personal records and putting them into our computer and has done a remarkable job. Ann has become totally grandmother oriented this year with two grandchildren, Lyle Keener Mackenzie, age 2½ and Ann Tindall Keener, age 1½.

Jane Ann is living in Savannah. Her husband Malcom Mackenzie is a trial attorney. Jane is working part time instructing and setting up computer programs for medical offices. Barr Keener married Jessica Brilliant from Boston. They are living in Coral Gables, Florida, where Barr is working as a corporate attorney for Southern Bell. Jessica is teaching English at the University of Miami and writing short stories and a novel on the side. John Keener continues to manage three seafood restaurants in Charleston and is now working on a fourth seafood restaurant in downtown Charleston. He manages to stay fairly busy. Jere Keener is leaving for Germany soon. He plans to sell BMW'S to US servicemen in Europe. Bill Keener has been working at Erlanger Hospital in Chattanooga this Summer

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on an Ethics Committee Internship. He will return to Yale this Fall to continue his work in the graduate school on Ethics. Jim Keener is living in Louisville, Kentucky and is a sales representative for US Amada selling computerized machinery to cut sheet metal.

Our closest friends are all in the American Academy of Neurological Surgery and we look forward to seeing you at the annual meeting in San Antonio.

With best personal regards to you all,



Ellis B. Keener, M.D.

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June 30, 1987

Dear Academy Members:

It's been an unusual year here to say the least. The highs and lows have set a new record. Herb's death was devastating to his many friends, patients and colleagues, and to many civic organizations in the community. Betty and the family have been wonderful. It was a new low for everyone.

The clinical program has expanded into new (for us) areas with increasing emphasis on cortical localization, interventional (including intraoperative) angiography, brachytherapy, spine surgery and joint procedures with neuro-otology. The research laboratories are expanding in a new burst of ventures reflecting new pursuits in somatosensory physiology with Joel Greenspan; in higher brain function with Brad Motter, Peter Strick and Dick Dum; and neuro-oncology with Jeff Winfield. We hope to add a fifth neurosurgeon to the faculty this year to further develop other areas in the clinical and basic neurosciences.

The family thrives. Nancy, Ramon and Robert in Houston seem to be tolerating the heat, floods and tornados in good spirits - they seem more amused than amazed when the copperheads emerge at flood time. Sue and Mark and their two young men we see often. To those of you too young to be grandfathers I can only say "the best is yet to come"! Kimberly plans to be married in July. Phil is a fine young man and obviously the delight of Kim's life. We're very fortunate and pleased to be able to enjoy and admire three outstanding sons-in-law.

Molly's new position as Assistant to the Dean of Student Life at Syracuse University opens new worlds of challenge and experiences! We both plan to be at Academy meetings in spite of the fun she's having in her new role.

This spring we drove through Portugal and Spain with two other couples, staying at Pisodos and Paradors, getting lost after dark (and in broad daylight), seeking out oddities and unexpected curiosities in a loosely scheduled ramble (the white Toyota nine passenger van was hardly inconspicuous), mostly over byways and back roads. The Portugese were uncommonly friendly and gracious. The mix of Roman, Moorish and Gothic architecture was extraordinary, i.e. the largest gothic cathedral in Europe stands inside an Islamic mosque! Working Roman aqueducts and bridges, and renovated forums and arenas were remarkable. But, the current way of life in cities, towns, villages and farmlands was, in many ways, even more fascinating. Try it, it's great without a guide or tour.

Bob and Molly King

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May 30, 1987

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Dear Dr. Buchheit:

Thank you for your letter of May 15, 1987. Changes did occur on me last year. I officially retired from the professorship at the Neurological Institute, Kyushu University on March 31, 1986. On this occasion, commemoration lectures were delivered on March 16 by guest speakers such as Drs. Theodore Rasmussen and Lucas Yamamoto both from Montreal, Dr. Phanor Perot from Charleston, Dr. A. L. Rhoton from Gainesville, and Dr. Jan Gybels from Leuven. Japanese speakers included Dr. J. Suzuki from Sendai, Dr. A. Nishimoto from Okayama, Dr. K. Mori from Nagasaki and Dr. Y. Matsukado from Kumamoto. Those lectures by my teachers and friends were all so impressive. I personally presented a paper summarizing clinical experiences with all cases of meningiomas encountered during the 20 years of my professorship at Kyushu University hospital. For the rest of the year I fully enjoyed writing, reading and speaking as well. The trip to Montreal-Georgia-Florida in October and November was the biggest of all we have had since we came back from Montreal in 1958. Yoshiko and I arrived at Rasmussen's in Montreal toward the end of October. The first snow welcomed us next morning. Ted and Catherine, and Yoshiko and I then flew down to Georgia to attend the Sea Island meeting of the Academy, the really unforgettable meeting in every aspect. After Sea Island Yoshiko and I further went down to Gainesville, Florida to visit with all those friends and colleagues working there. We also said hello to Micky Mouse, had funny experiences at EPCOT and found a stone from the moon at Cape Canaveral. We extended our trip a little bit more to New Smyrna Beach, where we joined Ellis and Ann Keener in enjoying swimming in the Ocean.



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Since the beginning of 1987 I have been working at Shinkokura hospital first as an attending consultant and then as the director of the hospital. It is a general hospital belonging to the Federation of National Public Service and Affiliated Personnel Mutual Aid Associations. It is located in Kitakyushu City which is about 60 kilometers apart from Fukuoka City. We are going to start neurosurgical service at this hospital. Running a general hospital is, however, another job. I am a freshman as ever!

With very best wishes to all Academicians,

Sincerely,

*Katsutoshi Kitamura*

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Dear Dr. Buchheit.

This is one of the spare hours in a retired neurosurgical couple's busy life. We have had three pleasant days in Helsinki and Turku, Finland, attending the biannual congress of the Scandinavian Society of the History of Medicine. One of the topics was "The beginning of experimental medicine in Scandinavia". We used this opportunity to present some data on Dr. Vilhelm Magnus (1871 - 1923), Norway's first neurosurgeon, particularly his experimental proof in 1901 of the presence in the corpus luteum of the substance which later was named progesterone. His work went unnoticed because the results were published in a Norwegian medical journal. Thus the German Dr. Ludwig Fraenkel has got the credit for the discovery.

Dr. Magnus' neurosurgical experiences were also published in Norwegian. His remarkable results, equalling Dr. Cushing's at that time, did not attract international attention.

Last December we spent two weeks with our neurosurgical friends in New Delhi and Lucknow during the annual congress of the Neurological Society of India. Otherwise the editing of the centenary volume of Ullevål Hospital in Oslo has required considerable work, as has the preparation of an exhibition in one of the old hospital pavilions from 1887. Our children and grandchildren are all well, and we send our kind regards to friends in the Academy, with regrets that we will not be able to join the next meeting.

Yours sincerely

*Brit and Kristian Kristiansen*  
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July 28, 1987

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Dear Bill:

In my last letter I indicated that I was thinking about turning in my suit and becoming a fulltime academician at Oxford University. I looked at property in Scotland and made all sorts of tentative plans. However out of the blue I received an offer from the New York H.I.P. Plan to join them to establish a tertiary care neurosurgical program at Beth Israel Hospital. As you may know, the H.I.P. which means the Health Insurance Plan of New York has approximately 2 million subscribers and is the second largest HMO in the United States and the largest one which is concentrated only in one city. There is a large amount of clinical opportunity. Beth Israel has been very liberal in their allocation of capital improvements for the operating room and this old war horse is very excited once again.

I am planning to leave Southern California on or about the first of September and begin the move to New York. This summer I will have been here forty years and the idea of moving to an apartment in New York is absolutely terrifying, however, we all learn best from change and I am really excited and look forward to renewing closer acquaintances with old friends. With the move I probably will not be able to make it to this years academy meeting unless I get a break at the last minute.

Best personal regards, I remain

Sincerely yours,

  
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Dear Dr. Buchheit,

As I scan our membership the number of those I know well decreases which isn't surprising since we seldom travel from our lovely island. Katy and I are in good health and continue to enjoy our gardening and home upkeep activities. I volunteer my services with Hospice and lifeline and we do work at our church.

The threat of condemnation of our home to enlarge an adjacent park caused me to join our local Chamber of Commerce just to find out what was going on and to try and influence what is going on. We live half way between the Mauna Kea Beach and Mauna Lani Bay Hotels. This is the fastest growing area in our State.

Our elder son in Denver continues to do well in real estate. He is married with two young boys. Our younger boy lives across the island with his wife and one son. He is doing well in hauling, building and welding and is great to have available when practical advice is needed.

We send our regards to friends and would be happy to see any members who visit this area. The volcano continues to put on a show across the island.

Aloha,

*John*  
Katy and John Lowrey

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June 2, 1987

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Dear Bill and Academy Members:

First I think I should call for applause for Frank Mayfield who really made the arrangements for the great get together of the senior portion of the Society during the meeting at Sea Island. While others helped in the arrangement and the planning the final touch was Mayfields and it was extraordinarily good, as usual. I am sure we all enjoyed it greatly and we are hoping and have under discussion the possibility of arranging a similar get together during the meeting at Cincinnati next year. I thought the meeting was exceptionally good and of course the arrangements at Sea Island in general were splendid and very comfortable.

The University of Nevada graduate society very kindly honored me this past year at commencement with an award for professional achievement, which I gratefully received. It was given to me on the occasion of my fiftieth year since my graduation from the University, so it was a memorable occasion and an opportunity to get together with some old friends and remember some very pleasant episodes of the past. As regards our family our granddaughters continue to thrive and to make us very proud of them, not only scholastically, but in an extracurricular fashion. Bobbi is recovering from her stress fracture very nicely and we are hoping that she will be ready to travel in time for the Academy meeting this year in San Antonio. We are looking forward to this.

The fishing club had a great outing this year in New Brunswick. The fishing was great with many very nice salmon up to the 14 and 15 pound range, being taken on flies. Not to be forgotten was the careful study of certain selected French wines which had been planned and arranged by that very great authority Dr. Phanor Perot.

I continue to find happiness in the practice by attending teaching rounds participating in review committees which study difficult problem cases, and in the writing of second opinions.

I am looking forward to seeing all of you in San Antonio this year. Our best to all.

*Bobbie & Ernie*

Bobbie and Ernie Mack.

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My dear Bill:

I have had nothing recently worthy of reporting in THE NEUROSURGEON; this year is different!

Enclosed is a photograph of Belle Clay Mayfield and her new husband taken on December 29, 1986 in her daughter's home just after our wedding. The Atkins and Mayfields had known and liked each other for many years; our children grew up together and liked each other.

Belle and I began to consider merging these two families last summer. I suggested that perhaps she should meet some of the characters that I considered close friends and fellow-workers before deciding, for there would be no way to avoid them in the future.

She accompanied me to Sea Island last fall with Ernie Mack and Francis & Marge Murphey as chaperones. We shared a home during the meeting. We also joined with the Murpheys and Macks in hosting a party for the "Seniors" who came in great numbers and which was delightful. We, "the Mayfields, Murpheys and Macks," are grateful to Phanor Perot, the President, to Eben Alexander, Chairman, and to Ellis & Ann Keener for expediting the Senior party.

But more important, Belle liked all the neurosurgeons and their lovely wives whom she met. I see no other signs of confusion in her behavior. She is lovely and delightful. It is wonderful to "be back on the world again." Just last week she joined with my daughter, Vicky, to win the "Leblond Cup" in golf at the Camargo Club.

William A. Buchheit, M. D.  
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John Tew and Stewart Dunsker can tell you about neurosurgical matters in Cincinnati; I really haven't paid much attention to them lately.

We will see you in San Antonio.

Faternally,

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Dear Bill:

I received your reminder for a note to the "Round Robin" letter about a month ago. This was about the time I had my fifth M.I.

John Kirklin sent his jet down to pick me up which is a coronary care unit in the air. Pretty fabulous!

The coronary arteriogram showed an ulcer in one of the old bypasses. John thought that a clot had formed in the ulcer and a piece of which had broken off and stopped up a small distal artery, but had not done much damage to the myocardium. This particular graft supplied such a small part of the ventricle that even if stopped up completely it would not amount to much so that it did not have to be replaced. I agreed.

This is about the only thing that has happened to us in the last year, but it was enough because we had to give up our annual trip to Big Sky, Montana where the altitude (6600 feet) is too high for me. Instead, I am going to take my two granddaughters to the Ozarks on a fishing trip in July.

Regards to everyone

Sincerely,

  
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Dear Academician:

Nick Zervas' recent inquiry into the world of aging and seniority draws attention to the conflict between inevitability and attitude. The allotted three score and ten has, for some years, been pushing four score and ten. The official age of recognition and resignation has been deferred. Though the industrial worker (especially if he has had a neurosurgical operation) still yearns for those idle years in his cottage, on the desert, by the gulf, anytime after fifty, the professional and the successful business entrepreneur refuse to recognize the clock. The term "senior" has become a euphemism, to be avoided, not transformed. Certainly, we should take in new members in numbers proportionate to that of active members who have passed certain chronological milestones which need not further be discussed.

We were delighted, in June, to have Nick back at the University of Chicago, from which he graduated but a few years ago, to receive honors which we store up in the hope that at least some of our graduates will make it to the "big time". We were especially delighted that his wife and daughter accompanied him.

Our oldest son graduated that same week and Shelley Chou and his colleagues have been kind enough, and intrepid enough, to undertake to make a neurosurgeon out of him. Our daughter abandoned her career in speech therapy for one in medicine, and she and our younger son enter medical school this fall. With a potential of four M.D.s in the family, she has wisely married a lawyer (also in June) who might protect us from all that might befall. The laws of environmental impact and of toxic waste are his specialty. I don't see how those can be turned around for the protection of

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medicine, but we will try. Apart from looking forward to the Academy meeting each year, Vivian and I spend our time enjoying Chicago, now that we have a little more time to see it, visiting a few medical centers abroad, and watching our black walnut plantation continue to reach for the sky. Much of it is mature enough now to require less intense labor, and we are debating whether to add a few more acres and therefore, a few more years of diligent care.

One of the benefits of approaching those years formerly called, and which Nick apparently still calls, senior, is the serenity and equanimity which, probably rightly so, were denied us in our immaturity. Hospital politics, hospital intrigue, the latest incursion of HMO or PPO, quality assurance, the vissectitudes of Chicago politics, and even the labyrinthine ways of the city on the Potomac, all pass us by. We have seen them all before, some time or other, in different form and guise. They are the tribulations of life, the things that gave Job his strength, the martyrs their spiritual ecstasy, and Buda the intellect of renunciation. Our staff are excellent, the sun still shines, we still enjoy the privilege of using our skills to help our fellow man (fellow person in the current vernacular), the world of science prospers, and at least the non-scientific world is mostly, if not entirely, at peace. That is a lot to be thankful for.

We look forward to seeing all of you in San Antonio!

Sincerely,



John F. Mullan, M.D.

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August 26, 1987

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Dear Bill:

First of all, congratulations on carrying on with the resuscitation of the Round Robin which Eben started. Julie and I thoroughly enjoy reading the letters, and we greatly appreciate your efforts.

The Neurosurgical Service at Cornell continues to grow and increase the volume of surgery. I am not sure why, but I suppose that an increasing number of complex cases are being referred in from community hospitals. Large centers are more apt to have the expensive hardware that is needed to deal with some of them. It is nice to have the cases, but it does lead to complications. At least in New York, operating room nurses are a scarce commodity. The main factor seems to be wages. A one room apartment in Manhattan can easily cost \$800.00 - \$1100.00/month. This is a lot of money for a nurse that might make \$25,000.00/year. And yet nurses would like to be in Manhattan, partly for social reasons, but also because they need to be on call from time to time. The shortage of nurses leads to great pressures for them to work overtime, and after a while this becomes a heavy burden. The consequence is that all of us spend a lot of time trying to find operating room space for the patients. It means surgery in the evenings and surgery on the weekends. In the past we had a nursing school that provided us with some nurses, but now that is closed. The hospital has not done as much with operating room technicians as they might, but I think that this will be one way to help close the gap. Even so, I am sure that the nursing shortage is going to be an increasing problem for us.

The principal problem that Julie and I are coping with on the home front is the move to what I hope will be our last apartment for the next 25 years. It is on the 65th floor of a building on 57th Street with a striking view North to the Park and also to the East and West. It is a small apartment, and we are in the process of trying to relocate 25 years of accumulation in our present, larger apartment. Since our children seem not to be disposed towards marriage, the furniture doesn't seem to have too many takers. Even the thrift shops seem uninterested in 25 years of the New Yorker Magazine.



Julie and I both look forward with enthusiasm to San Antonio. Margaret and Bob Snow will be our guests. Bob is a recent M.D./Ph.D graduate of our Program who has a project at Rockefeller University on the biology of brain tumors. He is carrying more than his share of the clinical load.

Best regards.

Russell  
+  
Julie  
Pallerson

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June 1st, 1987

Dear Bill,

In response to your letter re the Round Robin I can only say that my good wife is better than ever, if that is possible, and thoroughly relished the very fine gathering of the clan at Sea Island. The three boys are busy and happy, especially the middle lad, Eugene, who is a school teacher, writer, and --- par for many a course these days --- very happily re-married.

The highlight of the year for dear ole dad is the publication of my book on the brain for laymen and wee tots entitled NATURE'S MASTERPIECE: The Brain and How It Works, Walker & Co., NYC. So far it's selling well largely because of profuse illustrations.

Looking forward very much to our salmon fishing in July with you, Ernie, Phanot, et al (can't remember 'al's' real name),

Yours aye,

Larry

July 23rd, 1987

FISHING FUN AND FRENZY.

Thanks to our distinguished leader, E.W.M., the E.W.Mack Angling, Chowder, and Wine-tasting Association, Limited, convened on Sunday, July 12th, 1987 at Al King's lodge on the Tobique River, Piaster Rock, New Brunswick, ostensibly for a week of prime time salmon fishing.

The group: EWM., Bill Buchheit, Phanor Ferot, Giles Bertrand, Dave Barbieri ( a friend of EWM and not a neurosurgeon), and the writer. A preliminary lobster dinner, planned by Bill Buchheit, opened the gala week at Oak Point, Mt.Desert Island, Maine. Peggy and Ben Whitcomb, who live close by, were our guests --- fresh from King Salmon fishing in Alaska. EWM and Dave R., however, were missing because of fog over Logan Airport and had to spend the night at Bangor. The rest of us stayed at an inn, the Moorings, inches from Hinckley's famous boatyard, at Southwest Harbor, Maine.

Next a.m. Bill flew Phanor and me to Presque Isle, Maine where we were joined by Mack and Dave for the two hour drive to the river. Giles motored down from Montreal in his Mazda, with a choice and generous selection of fine wines.

To our dismay the river was low and the water too warm to make the salmon active. At water temperature of 74, as someone said, the fish were practically poached where they lay. We could see plenty of salmon, and some which jumped, but no one got so much as a bite for four days. This was true of all other anglers on the river, despite trials of every possible kind of fly.

Finally the maestro, true to form and true to his record on every such venture, caught a small salmon, and one more --- a grilse, on the final evening. On that last day Dave B. also caught a grilse. So the maestro, EWM., as usual put the rest of us to shame.

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The frenzy, and the Limited catch, were more than compensated for by the camaraderie, wine-tasting, neurosurgical profundities, and the vast repertoire of on- and off-color jokes.

July 23rd, 1987

While most of the latter were of a high order of wit and sophistication, a few, it must be admitted, savored of cub scout days such as this one:

A man at an auction was bidding for a parrot. The price went up and up until finally the gentleman got his parrot. He thereupon turned to the auctioneer, asking "But ~~can~~ the parrot talk?" --- "Talk?" replied the auctioneer, "it was the parrot who was bidding against you."

Despite the frenzy of the week, the fun was such, and the prospects of better Duck next year were such, that most of us signed up for a repeat gathering of the association in 1988.

Respectfully submitted by Larry Pool, per order  
of William Buchheit, Round Robineer.

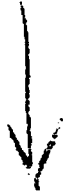
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July 23<sup>rd</sup> 87

B:U - This PS. should be added to  
my Fishing Fun & FRENZY for  
the Round Robin.



- And thanks again for those  
great air lifts !!!

- Larry  
A handwritten flourish or signature mark consisting of a curved line that loops back to the right.

Postscript: This account would be incomplete without noting that  
guest Dave Barbieri was a masterful fly fisherman as well  
as a talented raconteur. --- JLP.

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FOR:- Fishing Fun & Frenzy  
(Round Robin)

Dear Bill- Please tack this PPS on to the Mack report: also

:At  
2nd Postscript ~~A~~ glance at my angling belt, adorned by a silver steelhead, I note that it was awarded in 1963 by EWMack and John Raaf, certifying me as a member of the Rogue River Neurosurgical Society. I have fished with Ernie every year ~~since~~ since then; i.e., for almost a quarter of a century --- this century, let me add --- on the following rivers; lakes; or countries:---  
Rogue, Oregon; Klamath, Cal.; Dean R., B.Columbia; Mirimichi and Tobique, New Brunswick; Vididalsa(?) and Vastdalsa and Thor-Thor's River, Iceland; Norvvelgellfussjvykogg(?), Norway; and Lake Michigan; as well as the George and the Whale rivers of Labrador. We have fished several of these rivers two or three times, thus accounting for the total number of years devoted to thrashing laughing waters.

To John Raaf go my profound thanks for starting this happy association. For it was he whose hospitality, at his lodge on the Rogue, gave rise to the Rogue River Neurosurgical Society --- a society devoted to neurosurgery, steel head fishing (flies only), gin fizzes, and gin rummy.

--- JLP.

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August 11, 1987

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Dear Bill:

I hope this note is not too late for the Round Robin letter. I am just about to leave on my two-week summer vacation. Lori and I plan to cruise "down East" on our new 41 Hatteras. I am really looking forward to getting away as we have both had a very, very busy year. Lori has completed her second year of dental school with flying colors and I must say I am a very proud husband, indeed. She has completed sufficient operative procedures to fulfill the requirements for her third year and is beginning to do some interesting research, utilizing CT scans and MRI scans in evaluating the new bonding techniques.

Things in the department are going extremely well. With the help of Dr. Max Koslow and one of my chief residents, Tom Freeman, we have carried out three adrenal implants in Parkinson's patients. The results are yet to be proven but certainly this is an area for expansion in terms of neurosurgical horizons. Our Mexican colleagues were with us at the time of the first implant which I carried out exactly as they had directed. Although a lot of people are discussing modifications of their method, we plan to continue to mimic their technique as closely as possible, at least until we have had a chance to evaluate these patients over the next six to nine months.

We are initiating a program of LAK cells-IL2 in recurrent gliomas. We will have also in the next several months the capacity for focused radiation therapy with modification of the linear accelerator, basically the USA modification of the Swedish gamma knife.

Finally, it is with very great pride and with a heavy heart indeed that I received the news that Gene Flamm has been offered the Chair at the University of Pennsylvania.



This is undoubtedly a great opportunity and I am certain if Gene accepts the position he will do a magnificent job. By the time the Round Robin letter is printed the dye will be cast. We all sincerely hope and pray that he stays at NYU, but if he opts for this very important position, we wish him the very best of luck!

As always,

  
Joseph Ranschoff, M.D.

JR:er

Dictated, but not read.



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Dear Bill:

Valeria and I have had a very active summer and year. As you know, she has moved in earnest into the building and development business and has a subdivision of some 17 lots and three houses in progress at the present time. She is determined to be an outstanding real estate broker and developer. Hopefully, we will make some money, but meanwhile she is very busy in this endeavor.

We have been very busy here in Memphis facing various new challenges in practice and trying to improve our residency training program. Unfortunately, young people keep changing their minds and, for the second time, I have had an individual finish a good year of residency and then come in and say that he does not want to be a neurosurgeon and, of all things, go into neuroradiology. I still feel that it is shame that the draft ended, because when young people went in as general medical officers for two years or more, when they made up their mind to be a neurosurgeon, there was no backing out. I am sure that all of the training program directors will continue to have the occasional individual who will disrupt the service.

Jon and I went to Mexico to watch Dr. Madrazo do one of the adrenal medullay implants into the caudate nucleus and to review his cases. We were very impressed with his activity. He subsequently visited with us here. We also went to the transplantation conference in Rochester, New York, and have decided to do, with institutional review board approval, ten cases of endstage Parkinsonism. The first case will be done or about the 6th of August.

All of our children, ages 24 to 34, are doing well. Catherine is due to deliver a child in the near future. Daniel is finishing his last year of medical school, and we are proud to report that he made Alpha Omega Alpha this spring in his junior year. In addition, much to everyone's delight, he has decided to be a neurosurgeon.

In summary, the Robertsons send their very best to all of the members of the Academy.

Sincerely,

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Dear Bill:

Hopefully to make your life easier, I will provide the following information for the "Round Robin", which you are publishing. I am sorry for the delay, but as you know these things are easy to put off.

Since 90% of my time is devoted to the Department of Neurosurgery at the Neurological Institute and its related affairs it is probably best to discuss events in the department over the past year as a first order of business. We were delighted in our match of neurosurgical candidates and now members of the staff. We have an excellent crew on board already. Individuals who are not only developing a fine style clinically, but also developing interesting projects in the laboratory related to cerebral vascular disease. I had the distinct pleasure of adding the first young man to my staff since I came here in 1980 and that is Dr. Robert Solomon, who is in charge of the vascular section in our department. He has developed a fine laboratory and also an excellent series of early surgeries on cerebral aneurysms over the past year. You will be seeing more of this young man at various meetings and I hope to invite him to the Academy some day.

Dr. Peter Carmel has taken over the Division of Pediatric Neurosurgery and now with the new building program at our hospital, we expect to move into a fully functional and free standing Babies Hospital which has had an addition of operating rooms, ICU's, etc. Already Peter has increased the volume of pediatrics and this July is adding another staff individual to the pediatric section. This is Dr. Emily Friedman who has been active in transplant research and other activities during her residency and this past year as chief resident. I am sure we will also here more from her in the future.

Dr. Kalmon D. Post, is my vice-chairman and has been of great assistance in developing our residency teaching program and other activities related to teaching. Dr. Peter Carmel has instituted a program in the third year which involves a week of every student's time in which they rotate on the neurosurgical service. This has resulted in an overwhelming riches of candidates for the neurosurgical program. In fact, this summer there are 11 fourth year students culled from this third year student group who are going to take a one-month elective on neurosurgery.

Of course, we are all proud of Dr. Donald Quest, a member of my group who is President of the Congress of Neurological Surgeons this year and a recent inductee into the American Academy of Neurosurgery.

This year's activities included the usual travelogue with some spectacular trips - one to Russia last October. A colleague and I spent 15 days in one of the most fascinating tours that I have had. We went to Moscow, Leningrad and near the Caspian Sea. At the present time, we are attempting to work out some type of intellectual exchange, perhaps residents or staffs with the Burdyenko Institute in Moscow and The Neurological Institute here in New York. This spring I took a trip to Japan and other parts of the Orient which gave me a chance to renew some friendships of individuals that I had trained while at Tufts. First in Manila and subsequently a sad visit to Taipei, Taiwan where I visited the family of a renowned young man, Albert Shen, whom I had trained and unfortunately died from myelogenous leukemia then on to Japan and the delightful hospitality of the Japanese in Sapporo.

Skiing combined with neurosurgery gave an exceptional fine year with the usual Lende Conference in Utah, but a most spectacular Heli ski neurosurgical meeting in the Canadian Bugaboos, the first week in March organized by Bob Spetzler. Unfortunately, one of my closest friends who was always a strong ally in these ski trips, David L. Kasdon, died this spring from a scuba diving foul-up. He, as many of you know, contributed to these ski meetings.

As to social life the activities of work leave little spare time. I am developing my hobby of working on sports cars and restoring them to health. I have four now, all red, lined up in my basement. Unfortunately, only one runs and as you know, Bill, I had a chance to drive that down to Philadelphia to a meeting that you kindly invited me to and had the real privilege of visiting a real collection of sports cars of Fred Simeone. I don't believe that my sideline will ever develop to that extent, but in any event it keeps me busy in my spare time.

This spring is three years since my wife's death and we still miss her. Marriage has not re-entered the scene, but probably will within the next year. At this advanced age, it is difficult to carry on alone and with all the obligations and lifestyle that I have lead in the past, I am not one of the individuals to frequent the swinger's circle. My two daughters, Susan and Marjorie, have been great sources of inspiration during all of these years and I visit with them frequently. Margie lives in Alabama and Susan occupies the house we lived in in the Boston area, which gives me an excuse to visit Boston from time to time. They have travelled with me to various ski meetings and Margie and Susan to the Academy so I am sure the readers of this newsletter will remember them.

We are looking forward to the meeting in San Antonio and thank you again for your patience and fortitude in publishing this "Round Robin".

With best personal regards,

Sincerely,



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July 27, 1987

Dear Academicians:

We are looking forward to hosting the Annual Academy Meeting in San Antonio this October.

The past year has been an exciting and rewarding one for us here at The University of Texas Health Science Center, San Antonio. After several years of working with an MPTP Parkinson Model in the monkey, we finally had the opportunity to institute an adrenal medullary transplant program in the human being in early July. We plan to perform the procedure in six patients. Hopefully, our experience along with those of you who are involved with the procedure will give us some indication as to the selection process and indeed some assessment of its validity. While we are optimistic and hopeful, to this date, we have not seen any significant neurological improvement in our patient. This is in contrast to our monkey experience in which we saw a definite improvement within a week of grafting and eventually showed viability of the adrenal medullary cells in the caudate nucleus.

For the past two years, we have been deeply involved in developing a PET Center here at the University. This has been no small task, but it appears our efforts will come to fruition in the next 18 months or so.

Our Residency Training Program is flourishing. We have been pleased with the applicant pool with the advent of the Matching Program. We are looking forward to developing an affiliation with the major military centers here in San Antonio.

Our vascular work continues, and I am happy to report that we are beginning to see more referrals for extracranial intracranial bypass from our Neurology colleagues. These are patients primarily with multiple large vessel occlusions and, of course, flow related symptoms. Despite the ECIC report, our experience has been encouraging, and we feel that there is a definite place for this procedure in properly selected patients.

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On the homefront, Joanne and I are truly enjoying our freedom with our youngest son finally a senior in college. We usually spend our leisure weekends at either the ranch or the lake house and find there are hardly enough days in the week to get everything done.

In closing, we are pleased to say that all of our family is well, and we are eagerly awaiting the arrival of three major events in San Antonio this fall--The Academy, The Pope, and Our First Grandchild!

Sincerely,

  
Joanne and Jim Story

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Dear Bill,

This has been a busy and productive year for Thor and all of us. He continues with his chemotherapy always looking forward with great self-discipline and determination. We have shared wonderful visits with many friends everywhere and treasure them all. We now own a second home in Tucson so have a warm spot for wintering. All Thor's and all my family live in Tucson so it's Home also. Our daughter, Laura, now lives in Tucson, working for Merrill Lynch and loving being near family.

Thor III leaves Mass. General on July 1st - going to N.I.H. for two years where he will work under David Sachs in rejection of pigs hearts in transplantation. He will marry Kathleen McDonald on September 19 so happy family events ahead. He still aims for cardiac surgery.

John graduated in May from S.M.U. Law school amidst great celebration and looks toward international work - possibly with the Japanese. He spent an interesting year in Japan in 1982. His other area of interest is with the "Moquiladora" projects with Mexico and has found Japanese businessmen investing in these projects - perhaps a combination Mexican - Japanese - American business and law future.

I still work part time at JR Hudson when not busy with family functions. Thor said "tell about the children - not us"! So I'll close - only saying once again how blessed we feel we have been and how grateful we are for all our dear friends everywhere.

Lois and Thor Sundt

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July 21, 1987

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Dear Dr. Buchheit:

Ron has asked me to respond to your "Round Robin" letter. His medical practice and professional writing dilute his energies for the niceties of life.

Ron's great escape is to our wilderness log house on the Lake Huron shore of Manitoulin Island. We have no telephone, no hydro, and until he fixes the pump, no water. We bail our water from the lake. Just recently, we have purchased a battery operated tape and radio to listen to the great music of world and now and then the weather reports. We try to avoid any news of the world.

For the past five years, Ron and I have been "Bird Atlasing" the western end of Manitoulin and outlying islands. With the aid of our Zodiac, we have explored remote areas, places we would not normally visit, with the purpose of establishing the breeding bird population. This has been a great educational process for us -- Ron now identifies all birds by their call, and I can identify a lot by sight.

Our travels of the last few years have taken us to remote corners of the world. After Ron's attendance at and contribution to international meetings, we have "birded" in Australia, Japan, Argentina, South Africa and the Scandinavian Arctic. Ron will be back in Europe several times this Summer and Fall, and in November, we are going on a holiday with a group of ornithological and artist friends to "bird" in Costa Rica.

Our children are all thriving. They are involved and enjoying life. We consider ourselves lucky when we can get together with one or more of them for more than a few minutes at a time.

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I continue this letter from the smooth limestone shores of Lake Huron. The lake is as calm as a millpond, and we have actually had a swim. The wonderful heat of this Spring and Summer has warmed Lake Huron to a bearable degree, and until the next storm stirs it up again, we may have some swimming.

Our number two daughter and number two son are here with us (with their respective friends). Alison has taken a long weekend from her summer job at Harbourfront, where she is crew on a "party boat" at night and sells nautical equipment in the daytime. She is heading into her fourth and final year at the University of Toronto, with an uncertain future. The world is her oyster, but we don't know where she will bite.

This Spring, son Ron graduated in Engineering Physics from Queen's University in Kingston. He has a very interesting summer job with the Mining Department there, but would rather be going up in space than down a mine shaft. He will quite obviously go on to graduate work when he can get his act together. He sails in his spare time.

Son James has a Master's Degree in Biochemical Engineering from Western University. There don't seem to be any biochemical engineering jobs in Canada. He has a temporary job -- getting experience managing the "big vat" at Waterloo University, but not a great future there. To give his life challenge at this time, he is training as a triathlete. He has always been very fit, and with only one year's serious training is doing well in competition.

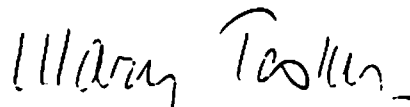
Our beautiful Moira surprised us all last year. After living for five years on a horse farm and then going to the Ontario College of Art and becoming a superb artist (fantastic horse paintings), she decided to become a stock broker and is now with Dominion Securities. If the market hangs in, she will be alright. She loves it.

When we return from Manitoulin, Ron is off to Hamburg for a meeting. I will go to Algonquin Park to stay with an artist friend and do some painting. I hope that I will be able to get time off from my teaching to attend the meeting with Ron in San Antonio (and do some birding afterwards).

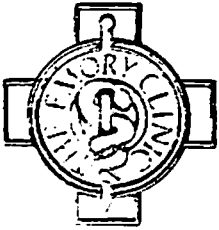
We look forward to seeing our old friends in the Academy and meeting new ones.

Ron joins me in sending our best wishes.

Yours sincerely,



Mary Tasker



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July 20, 1987

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Dear Bill:

George has requested that I contribute our contribution for the Round Robin this year. We both look forward to the upcoming meeting of the Academy in San Antonio.

Both of our lives continue to be dominated by neurosurgery in one way or another. In addition to continuing his work with the pituitary surgery, George is in the process of learning how to be President of the AANS after his victory in the first contested election for President-elect of this organization last spring. I must say that "all that politicking" had him a little nervous. I continue to work hard as a junior member of the academic faculty and find my subspecialty in peripheral nerve surgery steadily growing.

Having decided that our big home was demanding more in time and money for upkeep than we liked, we have purchased a much smaller home next door and are in the process of remodeling it for our needs. Once it is finished, we will keep our same telephone number and change our address by only one digit, move next door and sell the big house.

George's Mid Georgia Nursery continues to have its ups and downs. George tells me that it may turn a profit this year-we'll see! It serves to keep him well occupied and provides him something to worry about when nothing else is available. Right now George is most enthusiastic about growing trees.

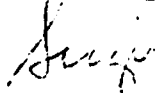
I bought a new sailboat-a 28 foot Tartan of which I am quite proud. I am enjoying sailing it on an occasional weekend.



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Our vacation this summer will include 7 days of fishing for salmon near Iliamna, Alaska. A few side trips out of Anchorage are planned as well. We'll have details on how it all turns out in San Antonio in the fall.

Sincerely,



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August 17, 1987

Dear Bill,

Peggie and I want to thank you all for the privilege of joining you for the lovely dinner and all too brief visit on your way to fight Atlantic Salmon. We hope Ernie caught up with you and that Isaac Walton was looking over your shoulders and guiding every cast.

Last year's academy meeting at Sea Island will be remembered as one of the best - particularly for the old timers. The party the night before the meeting brought together some faces and bodies not seen by many in recent years. The physical changes in some of us made recognition difficult but otherwise all were the same and their activities in retirement were all interesting and showed some amazing talents, restricted for years by their profession. The presidential address with Phanor's Itinerary from the Neurological Institutes to skinny dipping with the McCullochs in New Haven was delightful. The Whitcombs try to stay in Maine all year except for Colorado skiing in March and a fun fishing trip at our daughter's in Alaska over the 4th of July.

The Hyatt Regency in San Antonio looks like a great meeting although it's doubtful we will make it. Telephone consultations in retirement are cheap and can be abused - but help keep one on their toes.

Best regards to all,

Ben and Peggie Whitcomb

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June 29, 1987

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Dear Bill:

This will be my first letter to the Academy since Pam and I were married last November 1st. Many members of the Academy met Pam because we came from San Francisco to Sea Island before going on our honeymoon to Paris and Venice. We had a thrilling experience on the Orient Express.

Our marriage was the single big event for both of us in the past year. Pam is a clinical psychologist who has worked for the school district for a number of years. She is now in practice, and will be taking her license examination this Fall.

I made my one political "move" as a wild card candidate for the Board of Directors of the AANS. I lost soundly, and I readily understood why; my opponent, Phil Lippe, is extremely well informed in those matters of concern to the membership.

We are preparing to leave again for a short trip to Paris and the Loire Valley. We will miss seeing everyone at the meeting in October because we will be on our way to Japan for the Congress where I will be giving a couple of talks.

Best wishes to all from the Wilsons,

Sincerely,

  
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June 25, 1987

It has been such a pleasure to read about each of you in the previous versions of the Round Robin.

The past year has been a curious one for us. The addition of another associate in July, 1986 considerably shrank my work load of clinical affairs. However, I managed to remain busy. The remnants of my Cushing Society assignments in the area of Emergency Medical Services took some time. Neurosurgeons seem to have difficulty in understanding how aggressive and well organized the emergency physicians and trauma surgeons have become. They are dedicated to the Trauma Center concepts. They many times feel that they drag the neurosurgeon reluctantly along. There is no question but that trauma to the nervous system creates a group of extremely important issues and we must remain in leadership positions and as fervid advocates for excellence in neurosurgical care.

On a more personal note, Betty has continued to deal with several health problems as some of you know. For several months now, she has been stable with minimum respiratory distress. Our progeny are adults doing their adult things: The older son is here as a banker with two children. The second son with no children plans a move from St. Louis to Providence, RI, and a new lab somewhere in the Brown School of Medicine arrangements. Our daughter remains in Kentucky with horses.

I experienced something new for me in undergoing a major prostate removal. I found it an interesting experience being a patient as I had never before had a significant illness. We greatly appreciated the calls and other expressions of concern from many of you. I am now about two months post surgery and doing well, I believe. A twenty pound weight loss has not hurt either. Keeping it off will prove to be a challenge.

Betty and I send our best wishes to you all and look forward to San Antonio this fall.

Sincerely, .

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August 18th, 1987

Dear Academician:

It has been a busy and altogether enjoyable year for the Peerless family. Since I last wrote, the results of our seven year effort to evaluate the extracranial-intracranial bypass procedure have been made public. The resulting storm of protest from a few disbelievers and a continuing effort on the part of myself and my associates to find some evidence to support a reasonable indication for the operation in the prevention of stroke has been a major distraction. Gradually, opposition to the negative results has diminished. There is strong support for the veracity of the trial and the applicability of the results to the majority of our neurosurgical patients with occlusive cerebral vascular disease which has resulted in a marked decrease in the number of procedures being done around the world. It has been reassuring to note that neurologists and neurosurgeons respond appropriately to solid scientific evidence even when reported in the rather unfamiliar form of a clinical trial.

We have also been reassured by the NINCDS awarding us a major grant to evaluate carotid endarterectomy by a randomized clinical trial. We have assembled 53 collaborating centres, almost equally representing vascular surgery and neurosurgery, with proven expertise in the evaluation of patients for and the performance of the operation in an attempt to clarify the indications and the value of carotid endarterectomy. We anticipate that in five years, after the careful scrutiny of 3000 patients, we will be able to answer the questions - "Does the addition of carotid endarterectomy to optimum medical care for patients with TIA or partial stroke and an appropriate carotid stenosis reduce the risk of subsequent stroke and stroke-related death?" and "Are there major subgroups of patients, specifically those with severe as opposed to moderate stenosis, and those with and without ulceration, particularly able to benefit from carotid endarterectomy?".

Last year, we had four remarkable travel adventures. Ann and I spent three weeks in China, travelling with a small group of medical scientists representing Australia, the United States and Europe, as guests of the Chinese Medical Association. The trip was memorable for the opportunity to work for a few days in several Chinese neurosurgical units, as well as the warm, friendly hospitality of our Chinese hosts.

In December, Alan and Susan Hudson, Stanley Schatz and myself travelled to Bangkok, Sri Lanka and India on behalf of the World Federation, teaching and giving assistance to our Indian colleagues in their preparations for the World Federation Meeting in 1989. We can assure you that the 9th Congress in Delhi will be an unforgettable experience!

In May, Ann and I, along with Charlie and Ruth Drake, and Henry and Kay Barnett travelled to Japan. We first visited old friends in Kagoshima, Tokushima and Tokyo and then met with some 800 participants from around the world at the Sendai Festival of Cerebral Vascular Disease hosted by Professor Jiro Suzuki. Besides being again overwhelmed with the generosity and hospitality of our Japanese hosts, both Charlie and I came away quite impressed and, at times, astounded by the degree of development of intravascular methods in the management of intracranial aneurysms by our Russian colleagues. It would seem certain that some of our traditional methods of handling aneurysms will be seriously challenged by these elegant new techniques.

Finally, in June, and without a bag of slides under my arm, and with my three sons as crew members, I skippered a 44 foot sloop in the bi-annual race from Marion, Massachusetts to Bermuda. Despite a new boat, a number of mechanical breakdowns and a stormy passage, we finished for us in record time. Not fast enough, however, to win any 'gold'. This was our third race across the Gulf Stream to Bermuda and I suspect there are few of life's experiences as magical for a father and his sons.

Michael, number one son, is completing a degree in Anthropology with Law and Business as his ultimate goal. He owns a large painting and decorating business, employing 48 students, while attending university. Drew finished university last year and then sailed from Vancouver to Australia via Hawaii, Tahiti, Fiji and the Cook Islands. After being at sea for eight months, he returned to London, his wanderlust temporarily sated, and is selling steel and other metals for a local firm. Thomas, age 16, is entering his penultimate grade in high school and, with a shiny new driver's licence, a 10 cm. growth spurt and a surge of unfamiliar hormones, has embarked on an exciting new phase of his life.

Our unit is very active, with a remarkable volume of unique patients with cerebrovascular disease. Charley remains busy in the operating room and collecting honours, awards and other recognitions for his years of service.

We look forward to seeing our many friends in San Antonio.

With kind regards,



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August 31, 1987



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Dear Bill,

Faith and I missed your last Round Robin so here is a late update on the Feindel clan. Christopher, our eldest son, is a cardiac surgeon at the Western Hospital, University of Toronto, in a unit that is responsible for the transplant program in that region. He also runs the cardiac research laboratory where his background as an electrical engineer comes in handy. He had some exposure to neurosurgery in the rotation at the University Hospital, London, Ontario, with Charlie Drake and Skip Peerless but chose the heart over the brain for his career. He and his wife Susan, an art historian, have two small boys who exemplify that secret source of boundless metabolic energy that defies parents, and especially grandparents.

Of our next two daughters, Pat enjoys the ambience of one of the gulf islands off Vancouver and is an Editor to Legal Aid Society as well as an ardent and effective feminist teaching the native north-western Indian women how to use modern media to communicate. Janet has fulfilled her long time desire to be an actress and with Bob Haley her husband has just had a successful run in summer theatre in a Neil Simon play and now is off to Buffalo to act in her one woman show that she has written, produced and musicked. Michael, between his masters and doctorate degrees, assists as an editor on a team publishing the works of Bertrand Russell. Anna, our youngest, after nursing for several years in Vancouver has enthusiastically taken up pre-medical studies at McGill University.

Faith, who went back to nursing after our brood had left the nest, has now retired from that and having fun looking over options, many of us hoping she will return to her painting. As for Young Bill, as one of my high school friends so generously referred to me recently, I am relishing the time decanted from the endless committees and programs that were tied into directing the hospital and institute, with the luxury of occasional free afternoons, the great satisfaction of working with the residents to extend my surgical epileptic series, and with the research fellows on our brain tumor imaging project that has received an exciting flip last year with the acquisition of our almost unique combined MR imaging and Spectroscopy Unit for patients. Dr. Rasmussen and I, as

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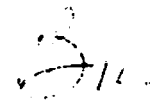
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literary executors and owners of Dr. Penfield's private papers and books, have agreed with the curators to deposit that material known now as the Penfield Archive, in the Osler Library where it comes under the watchful eye of the scholarly librarian. In addition, I have been fortunate enough to garner two outside foundation grants to launch officially the project on the scientific biography of the MNI with a hand-picked research and editorial team who will ensure that I keep the action under way.

The sessions at The Cloisters were delightful. It was most satisfying, of course, to have a former partner of Gilles Bertrand and myself, Phanor Perot, in the presidency and presenting his fine oration. And gratifying to have as well Henry Garretson, another splendid partner for some years, with his own up and coming unit in Louisville, presiding over the AANS at the meeting in Toronto this coming spring. My attendance at annual meetings these past few years has been cut back by my membership on the NINCDS projects Review Committee, the Foundation for the Study of the Nervous System in Geneva and, during this past year, our organizing in Montreal of the International Society of Cerebral Blood Flow and Metabolism that took advantage of our new Palais de Congr s facilities as well as some of Montreal's resources in Music and the Arts.

With all best wishes and admiration for your editorship.

Sincerely,



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