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HAPPY HANUKKAH TO YOU AND YOUR FAMILY. I THOUGHT YOU MIGHT ENJOY SOME PAGES OUT OF HISTORY. WE ARE FLYING TO CHI-HAI AND THE 14TH TO SPEND THE HOLIDAYS WITH OUR (GROWN) CHILDREN AND GRAND CHILDREN - BACK IN SUNNY FLA. FOR NEW YEAR'S DAY. DROP A NOTE SOME TIME. LET ME KNOW IF YOU ARE IN TOUCH WITH ANY OF OUR OLD CLASSMATES - OR IF YOU KNOW THEIR WHEREABOUTS -

JOY TO YOU AND YOURS

P.S. Remember our Breakdown in the Fontaine on P.A. Turnpike?

GREETINGS OF THE SEASON
and best wishes for the New Year

Bill Patterson
THE CHIROPODY OUTLOOK

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WARNING! NEVER MIX AN OSCILLOMETER AND FLAKE ROGERS TOGETHER - THE RESULT IS INCOMPATABLE.

IN PARTING MAY I ASK FOR SOME NEWS OR A LITTLE "DIRT" TO BE TURNED OVER TO YOUR NEW CLASS REPORTER, BEGINNING THE NEXT ISSUE. CHARLES PIKE HAS ACCEPTED THE POSITION.

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SOPHOMORE NEWS

MORTY WALKER

THE SOPHOMORE CLASS IS THROWING SOME TERRIFIC AFFAII NOVEMBER 4TH AT ST. JUDES HALL. THE WHOLE SCHOOL IS INVITED INCLUDING ANY ALUMNI THAT HAPPEN TO BE IN TOWN. THE BEST OF EVERYTHING WILL BE SUPPLIED, BUT THE GIRLS YOU HAVE TO BRING YOURSELF. THIS DANCE, IN TRUE SCHOOL TRADITION, IS FOR THE PURPOSE OF WELCOMING THE NEW FRESHMAN CLASS INTO OUR FOLD.

THE CLASS OF 1953 HAS ALSO UNDERTAKEN TO CREATE A LARGE DISPLAY WHICH WILL BE SUITABLE TO REPRESENT THE CHICAGO COLLEGE OF CHIROPODY AND PEDIC SURGERY AT ANY STATE CHIROPODY EXHIBIT. THE IDEA WAS ORIGINALLY E. CREPEAU'S, AND BOB JACOBS IS WORKING IN CONJUCTION WITH HIM ON IT. THE WHOLE Class IS TAKING A HAND IN PUTTING THIS DISPLAY TOGETHER SO THAT IT WILL BE READY BY THE END OF OCTOBER FOR IT'S FIRST EXHIBITION.

SHORT NOTES

WE HEAR DR. LUKE OF MICHIGAN IS VERY SUCCESSFUL IN HIS NEW PRACTICE.

JOHN MEHARY HAS COMPLAINED THAT HE GOT SICK ON THE GREEN BEER SERVED AT THE LAST DANCE. NOW, YOU KNOW VERY WELL, JOHN, THAT IT WASN'T THE QUALITY BUT THE QUANTITY.

JUST CALL BOB JACOBS THE "SHUTTER BUG" SINCE HE WAS MADE
RUMOR HAS IT THAT THE ONLY 2 WORDS JOE DOLLAR IS ALLOWED TO SAY IN HIS HOUSEHOLD ARE "YES, DEAR".

SEEN ABOUT THE CAMPUS (RUSSELL HILL, CHARLES PIKE) AND IRENE SMULCYENSKI DIRECTING OPERATIONS "FORMALDEHYDE" IN THE DISSECTION LAB. DOING A GOOD JOB TOO, I UNDERSTAND.

MRS. WARREN HARGREAVES WAS CONFINED TO THE ST. FRANCIS HOSPITAL IN EVANSTON WITH VIRUS PNEUMONIA FOR TWO WEEKS. THE CLASS WISHES HER A SPEEDY RECOVERY.

MURRAY BROMBERG HAD TO SECURE FOR HIMSELF A PAIR OF A-I GLASSES RECENTLY - "DOING A BETTER JOB ON THESE QUESTIONS NOW", HE SAYS.

EVERETT RETCHLESS ("THE PHARMACIST") HAS BEEN OBSERVED FILLING A SALVE CAN. HIS TECHNIQUE WAS DESCRIBED BY A FELLOW CLASSMATE IN THE FOLLOWING MANNER: "YOU KNOW, RETCH ACTS LIKE A WOMAN PUTTING ICING ON A CAKE".

ON THE "CALLED AND DEFERRED" LIST FOR THE ARMY RESERVES ARE JIM O'TOOLE, BOB PARKER AND EVERETT RETCHLESS. "EVERYONE PICKS ON ME WITTENBURG", IS AN EXPERT ON SPECIAL DIETS AND THE ART OF COMPUTING CALORIES. (ASK HIM) I'LL SAY NO MORE, YOU'VE SEEN HIM TOO! INCIDENTLY, IF YOU'LL LOOK IN THE X-RAY LOG UNDER "REASON FOR TAKING RADIOGRAPH" YOU'LL FIND AN ENTRY BY MORT WITTENBURG WHICH READS: "SABER SHINS" - THIS ENTRY WAS MADE ON THE SAME DATE WE DISCUSSED THAT CONDITION IN CLASS. ARE YOU JUST PLAIN OBSERVANT MORT, OR WAS THE PATIENT A MEMBER OF TEDDY ROOSEVELT'S "ROUGH RIDING CAVALRY"?

SEEN IN THE MAIL BOX: A LETTER ADDRESSED TO "MRS." LORETO OGNIBENA FROM THE NEW YORK OPERA CO. IS OUR BOY "OGGIE" SECRETLY MARRIED OR IS HE MAKING A BID FOR A SOPRANO ROLE IN MADAME BUTTERFLY? HMM!

Do you know where he is?
THE CHIROPODY OUTLOOK

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NOT OBSERVED AFTER TREATMENT WITH MICROWAVES.

7. THE RATIO OF THE INCREASE OF TEMPERATURE IN THE DEEP MUSCLES TO THAT IN SUBCUTANEOUS TISSUE WAS HIGHER AFTER MICROWAVE THAN AFTER SHORT WAVE DIATHERMY.

DISCUSSION BY DR. FREDRIC T. JUNG (CHICAGO)

THIS PAPER EXEMPLIFIES THE ADVANTAGES OF COMPARATIVE STUDIES, IN THE CONTACT BETWEEN THE TWO FORMS OF APPARATUS HAS A MORE EVIDENT SIGNIFICANCE THAN WOULD THE DATA FROM A SINGLE DEVICE.

THE TWO MYSTERIES UNCOVERED BY THIS WORK SHOULD ENCOURAGE FURTHER INVESTIGATION:

ONE IS THE APPARENT ADAPTATION OF THE ORGANISM TO THE CONTINUED INFLUENCE OF MICROWAVES DURING THE COURSE OF A TREATMENT, AS COMPARED WITH THE SUSTAINED NATURE OF THE TEMPERATURE RAISE PRODUCED BY THE SHORT WAVE DIATHERMY.

THE OTHER IS THE CONTINUATION OF THE TEMPERATURE RISE AFTER THE DISCONUATION OF THE SHORT WAVE DIATHERMY. IF THE EXPLANATION TURNS OUT TO BE A DIFFERENCE IN VASCULAR EFFECTS, THIS SHOULD BE STUDIED MORE CLOSELY IN ORDER TO SEE WHETHER THE DIFFERENCE CAN BE TURNED TO ACCOUNT.

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OS SACRUM, THE 'SACRED' BONE - CALLED 'LUZ' IN ANCIENT TIMES - WAS SUPPOSED TO BE ABLE TO RESIST DECAY AND TO BE THE SEED FROM WHICH THE BODY IS RESURRECTED.

FROM CUNNINGHAM'S TEXTBOOK OF ANATOMY.

* NOW IS THE TIME TO PICK OUT A PROSPECTIVE CHIROPODY STUDENT FOR THIS FALL **
THE CHIROPODY OUTLOOK

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ZETA DELTA ZETA NEWS

MORT WITTIENBERG

THE FRATERNITY WISHES GOOD LUCK TO OUR MEMBERS WHO BY THE TIME OF THIS PUBLICATION, WILL BE ON THEIR WAY TO A SUCCESSFUL CAREER IN THE PROFESSION OF CHIROPODY.

WE ALSO WISH TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO THANK OUR PAST OFFICERS FOR THE FINE WORK ACCOMPLISHED IN THE MANAGEMENT OF THE FRATERNITY DURING THEIR TERMS OF OFFICE.

WE ARE CERTAIN THAT A SWELL TIME WAS HAD BY BOTH MEMBERS AND PLEDGES DURING OUR INFORMAL INITIATION HELD FOR THE PLEDGES A SHORT TIME AGO. OUR SPECIAL THANKS TO PLEDGES DAVID MAGEN AND HERB SPEIZER FOR THE VERY ENTERTAINING SKIT THEY PRESENTED AT THAT TIME.

PREDICTIONS OF SOME SPECIAL HAPPENINGS

MURRAY- "THERE'S NOTHING LIKE MOM'S COOKING" -BROMBERG WILL BE AT LEAST TWENTY POUNDS HEAVIER COME FEBRUARY.

IF HE KEEPS FLEXING HIS MUSCLES, ART- "LOOK AT MY BUILD" -FIRESTONE WILL BE APPROVED BY BARNUM AND BAILEY AS A REPLACEMENT FOR THE LATE GARGANTUA.

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REMOVING FIXER STAINS FROM CLOTHING

PARTIALLY, OR IN FULL EXHAUSTED FIXER SOLUTION CONTAINS SILVER SULFIDE, A CHEMICAL THAT WHEN SPLASHED ON X-RAY TECHNICIANS UNIFORMS CAUSES UNSIGHTLY DARK STAINS. THESE STAINS ARE QUITE DIFFICULT TO REMOVE BY NORMAL LAUNDERING. TWO METHODS FOR REMOVING THESE SPOTS ARE IN WIDE USAGE. MISS FLORA PUCCI, X-RAY TECHNICIAN AT THE EUCLID CLINIC, CLEVELAND, OHIO, HAS DEVELOPED THIS USEFUL AND EASY WAY OF REMOVING SILVER SULFIDE SPOTS FROM WHITE COTTON, SHARKSKIN AND RAYON GARMENTS, AS WELL AS COLORED BROADCLOTH MATERIALS. THE UNIFORM IS FIRST SOAKED IN CLEAR
Dear Dr. Wittenberg:

Obviously if one has DEEP feelings they will last a long time. Yes, in this instance DEPTH is a synonym for LONGEVITY. Intensity applies to the strength of the emotion at the moment it occurs but it does NOT indicate longevity. Hope this clarifies things.

Your strong identification with Judaism, outside of the obvious reason of being born in it, may tie in with the ego-image discussed in your analysis: The underdog, oppressed, undermined, persecuted etc. For a deeper self-insight look into how you personally identified with these things (not as a Jew but as a Person). You yourself provided a clue by writing: "I was a fat kid and still think of myself as very fat...."

I value no religion as such being an ex-minister. The value in Judaism (or in other religions) has been the bond, the strength in identification and "belonging" especially if a minority. The sense of Brotherhood has more value than any of the dogma taught (which is seldom adhered to or practiced in full by its advocates...as you yourself admit).

I asked you about "brothers" in relation to the "boy that dies." This is STRICTLY specu-
operative, something for you to think about and if not valid, dismiss. As you know most children have repressed hate and death-wishes to their "sybling rivals"...brothers and sisters. A constant fight for attention, love, etc. All of them are competitors for this. Guilt about this is so strong that many adults cannot admit that these feelings had ever existed. I was just curious of perhaps the death of the 15 yr. old boy didn't in some way trigger off an emotional memory...the lack of deep feeling about it even though you were fond of boy....perhaps a death-wish vindicated towards a brother! As I said strictly speculative...NOT an analysis, just a supposition...a thought-provoker.

I'm working on a new book of DREAM ANALYSIS and many dreams indicate the above in subtle, disguised ways "My brothers all turned into birds and flew away!"

Do you remember any of your dreams? If you do send on. No charge for comments on same. May use in book without your name of course.

Your handwriting revealed you had some kind of health anxiety or apprehension which you confirmed, re "cough" smoking etc. I'm sending you a copy of my book HOW TO PREVENT PSYCHIC BLACKMAIL. Your check covers same and this.

Sincerely yours,

Leo Louis Martello
"SOUL" HANDWRITING ANALYSIS FOR DR. MORTON WITTENBERG

By

Dr. Leo Louis Martello

January 24, 1969

Dear Dr. Wittenberg:

Your handwriting reveals that you are a highly emotional, expressive and responsive person. Impulsive, at times inconsistent, moody, changeable. You can go to the top elated then to the bottom depressed. Though there is INTENSITY of emotion there is NOT DEPTH of feeling. Intensity does not necessarily mean longevity. And a lack of deep feeling per se is neither shameful nor wrong. It's you! Many people go through life feeling that they "should" feel more deeply. The point is they either do or they don't and they should accept themselves as they are (and if desirous of self-improvement work towards that end) and not try to be, "feel" that which they are not. "Should" implies a self-imposed obligation. It breeds resentment and rebellion.
You possess a combination of contradictory and conflicting traits: Altruism, the desire to be of service, to lend a "helping hand," to do for others. And then self-centeredness and "selfishness," doing things for gain, thinking of yourself first, etc. Basically, you're an outgoing, kindhearted, extraverted, person but the realities of life and living have taught you to curb spontaneity much of your innate spontaneity, your generosity and your quick-emotional responses. This is why you're inconsistent, but always sure you'll just how you will react to any given situation. And since you don't know others won't either.

Your strong pride makes you very sensitive to any criticisms of your personal conduct or habits. You desire to be, and you are in many ways, very independent, will come and go your own way. If this will cause problems you will try to minimize or eliminate them by deception "covering up" or acting one way in deference to another but still pursuing your own feelings and goals. However, independence of thought is coupled with an emotional dependency, i.e., you need others for love, sex, companionship etc. Sometimes your assertions of emotionalism, wilfulness and independence are DEFENSES against your own inner realization of your own needs: Dependency in emotional areas. This may sound complicated. Re-read it. You'll understand.

Your handwriting indicates an inconsistent will; Sometimes strong, at others weak. Also attempts at self-control, a desire to break yourself of certain
habits which you may feel aren't worthwhile or not in your best interests. Yet you are strongly affected by your moods and this is what leads to some "laziness." In combination with this you're the type who may start out saying "I'm only going to spend $10.00" and end up spending $20.00! You would like to save, or save more than you do, but find it very difficult. You give in to "impulse buying" and impulsive self-indulgence.

You're secretive, self-contained, prefer concealment to confidence, and though you can be talkative, even outspoken at times, you will not reveal anything that you don't want others to know. You're not an "easy believer" (though you can be emotionally influenced and swayed by your own subjectivity, feelings, interests and moods). You want facts, proof, evidence. "Seeing is believing." Because of your subjectivity though you do tend to believe those things that you want to believe. You still hold many of the concepts (perhaps religious, not sure) that you were taught as a child. Many of the things which you may say you believe are not necessarily compatible to your actions or daily conduct. There are signs in your handwriting of your attempts to "retrace your steps" or "cover your tracks." You will know how this applies in your own life.

You didn't state your age. I say the following qualifiedly: There are certain indications in your script which may be due to a faulty pen, the way you wrote or other natural causes. However, if
none of this applies then it indicates that 1) You may have certain anxieties about the future or you-
self and 2) possibly a medical problem. When was
the last time YOU had a complete medical check-up? How
is your heart? Sometimes certain formations you make
indicate the possibility of a heart "tic" or condition,
which in itself may not be too serious, but the writing
will indicate it. As I say this is said QUALIFIEDLY.
Please confirm or comment on this.

You can be generous in response to appeals
that touch your sympathies or your sentiments...and
when indulging yourself, however, you deeply resent
anyone trying to impose, exploit or "play you for a
sucker." There is a "chip on your shoulder," "a defen-
siveness preventing others from "coming in on you too
strong." You hate demands. You have to do things in
your own way in your own time and hate to feel obligated.
Latter breeds guilt which in turn breeds resentment,
thus tensions. Your ego-image...the inner picture that
you have of yourself in your subconscious...is not too
positive. You grew up passively accepting an idea or
image of yourself fostered on you by others...parents
or guardians...then proceeded to 1) act-out and live-
out this "self" concept and 2) doing things in defiance
of and as an over-compensation. This is especially ob-
vious in your personal life: Since you DON'T have
a truly positive image of yourself (self-indulgence
is an over-compensation) you don't fully RESPECT those
who become emotionally involved with you. The prin-
iple is as follows: Since I don't think too highly of myself
deepdown inside of me, and this person does, then just how important can SHE be? Your first reaction...emotional...may be to reject this. Think it over. In some ways there is a great deal of emotional-psychological ambivalence to your parents...love and hate...respect and resentment...and this consciously unfaced, un-resolved, conflict has been projected unto other relationships in your life. You have a great deal to think about. However FACTS ARE FRIENDS. For a more detailed analysis of the EGO-IMAGE, SELFISHNESS, ALTRUISM, PARASITICISM etc., and especially the accepting unconsciously of UNEARNED GUILTS I suggest that you read my book on HOW TO PREVENT PSYCHIC BLACKMAIL (circulars enclosed.)

This is speculative: Did you lose a brother through death? Do you now have a living brother? I'll tell you why I ask after you answer. I don't think it's so much the traits which you have that may cause problems as it it your attitudes towards yourself, others, and these traits. You don't have to change but you can rechannel certain traits in order to obtain the maximum SELFISH benefits without necessarily having to "use" others. This is by no means a complete character report...just major highlights. All comments and questions welcome.

Grapho-LOGICALLY Yours,
Leo Louis Martello
Dear Bill:

The most obvious clue to this man's hang-up is himself! By that I mean his small lowercase Capital "I".....If you didn't know another thing about him that would tell you plenty. He simply doesn't believe in himself....his inner ego-image is negative.....he feels small, inadequate, unable to cope or compete. Tie this in with a lack of a clear-cut, concrete, goal, a weak will, and an ungiving manner, plus being overcautious and you have the making of a person who looks for external"reasons" for failure, one who believes that perhaps others have a "magic formula" which he lacks!

Being in practice for himself serves as an ego-compensation but his entire make-up indicates that he'd probably work best in a steady secure
job for an institution, where his work and patients are laid out for him, where he doesn't have to worry about patients, bills, responsibilities and "making it." He has the intelligence and the ability to be a successful podiatrist. The problem lies in the fact that he is trying to fit himself into a "role" for which he is psychologically ill-equipped. He's not a "pusher" or aggressive in the competitive, "hustling" sense. Unless he is able to undergo a complete overhauling of his psyche he would function best in a salaried position... or if he still wants a private practice this should be kept as a sideline or part time thing...not something he is dependent upon or it will create a psychic havoc. He should do best with it if he didn't have to worry about it...

if a steady salaried institutional position gave him the dignity and security he craves without the worry.

He is an introvert. As to those extra curlicues on his lower loops: First time I ever saw that but analytically it IS an appendage...something added on for show or effect....and NOT part of the innate or natural stroke: It indicates one who is trying to "put his best foot forward." It means that he is self-conscious and aware about something that should merely be a reflex action.

Many of the lower loops clash with
the lines below: This indicates confusion of 
interests, one apt to have "too many irons in
the fire." Though deliberate and premeditative
and in many ways slow, cautious, careful, hesi-
tant, controlled, these traits are not used
constructively because he doesn't know where he
is going, doesn't know where he wants to go, and
may be pursuing a "role" or "image" (the one of
the pediatrician in private practice, building it
up etc) which may simply NOT be HIM! His depres-
sion is a logical extension of this: Comparing-
competing with others (whether he knows it or
not, admits it or not) when deep down he just doesn't
feel that he can compete, it simply isn't his "bag."
He should stop trying to be like anyone else, com-
paring what others have which only increases his
own sense of lack or "loss," and learn to be
himself: He is not the aggressive pushing goal-
oriented self-driven salesman-promoter pediatric
that he's been aspiring to based on someone
else's "image." He should stop trying to be a
second somebody else and learn to be himself
first. And if he doesn't know himself (and that
is obvious) it's about time he found out. He will
never be happy in trying to live up to other
people's standards or values. The more he tries
the more depressed he'll become simply because
he's not doing what he really wants to do but
that which he feels he "should" do. Crap!
I'm quite sure that Dr. Leinberger was happiest when he worked for someone else. And though his desire for independence is strong he has to undergo self-analysis: Who says that he has to make a great deal of money? Whose standards is he trying to live up to? In trying to be independent he is dependent on the patients who come to him and this in turn can create a self-defeating attitude, resentment towards those needed etc. A vicious circle.

His entire problem has to do with 1) His own self-concept. In many ways he's treating himself like he was once treated by an undermining parent...possibly father...but regardless he is going through life acting-out, living-out this sense of inferiority, undermining, self-put-down initiated by parents. Substitutionally he may project this on older colleagues in pediatrics, seeking advice, playing the role of "incompetent son" turning to a "reassuring father." Since it is substitutionality it will have no value either to him or to the person he turns to (in this case you Bill). It's a form of unconscious psychic parasiticism. Obviously you can't have more confidence in him then he does in himself! And since his unconscious drives and "role" is not for success, rather the reverse, no one can help him psychologically until he sees, knows
and understands this. He should also learn that the best way to constructively channel any repressed angers, hurts and hostilities towards those who undermined him is by way of ACHIEVEMENT. Success on his own terms, can be his revenge. Right now he is losing out by being that which he was made to feel as a child. This recognition could put the fire under his ass that'll make him jump!

2) He needs to completely re-evaluate his position, his attitudes, his standards and his values..... making sure that they are "his."
Not to put himself into positions and situations which trigger off unconscious hostilities, emotional memories, with the result of his "punishing himself" by playing the role of punitive parent on HIMSELF.

Bill, I think you should show him this report and have him plenty to think about. You and I are more honest with him than he is willing to be with himself. And if he isn't willing to be honest with himself then he's not worth the time or thought. That's up to him. I've refrained from the usual trait listings as this is much more important. If he wants to write to me and follow up he may and I'll charge him for any work accordingly.

Sincerely yours,

Leo Louis Martello
November 18, 1974

Dr. Morton Wittenberg
1515 Gwinnett Street
Augusta, Georgia

Dear Dr. Wittenberg:

With reference to our telephone conversation of last week regarding your mother-in-law's status, please be advised that she currently is the seventh person on our waiting list. As her name advances on the list, I will keep you informed of such changes.

With best wishes, I remain

Sincerely,

Eugene R. Glowny
Eugene R. Glowny, MSW, NHA
Social Worker
May 8, 1984

Dear Robyn:

I've been meaning to write you to tell you how much I enjoyed going with you to Washington D.C. and the special effort you made to get me to Williamsburg for my birthday, even though you had been there so many times before.

Somehow, verbal expression of love escapes some of us - the touching, the velvet tongue, the written word, the nuances or radar exuding, but for me, the greatest show of love is when one being exerts the physical effort to please another. This you have exhibited in it's highest form and I want you to know how much I love you for it.

I thought the pictures you took at Williamsburg were super - thanks for them - also for the Mother's Day gift. Daddy will do his own thank you for the Father's Day gift when he opens it. He still has not, and I don't know how he has the will power not to. But you said not to open it till Father's Day and he says he will wait.

In closing, I feel we have so much to be thankful for, that we are here and together, if not on a daily basis but for the good times, when we are. Our love for each other is very strong - the bonds binding mother and daughter seem to be strengthened as time rushes by, at least in our cast. May it always continue.

All my love,

Mom
Foot Notes

Ms. Colleen Dudley
3433 Jackson Dr.
Memphis, TN
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May 9, 1984

Dr. Morton Wittenberg
1515 Laney Walker Blvd.
Augusta GA 30904

Dear Dr. Wittenberg:

A note to express appreciation to you and your associates for Consultant Podiatry Services at Georgia War Veterans Nursing Home since June 1975. I recall how pleased we were to have our first inhouse podiatry clinic for the patients. We have treasured this service as much needed and certainly very beneficial to the health care of the patients.

Best wishes for personal happiness in your professional and private life. Again, thank you for being a part of our organization.

Sincerely yours,

Panonia Cecil
Director of Nursing
May 9, 1984

Dr. Morton Wittenberg  
1515 Laney Walker Blvd.  
Augusta GA 30904

Dear Dr. Wittenberg:

On behalf of our patients and nursing staff, Mrs. Durham and I want to thank you for your many years of dedicated service at the Georgia War Veterans Nursing Home. Your understanding and compassion in dealing with our physically and mentally impaired patients made our job much easier. It goes without saying that you rendered an invaluable service in keeping our patients mobile and in touch with reality. We also appreciate your willingness in teaching the staff so much we needed to know about foot care.

The quality of care given by you and your associates is superb. As Head Nurse on the third floor, I looked forward to your biweekly visits. Mrs. Durham, Head Nurse on the fourth floor, is equally appreciative of the services of Dr. Kinney. Taking care of approximately fifty patients a month wasn't easy, especially when the elevators were cantankerous, or we managed to misplace the podiatry instruments. Somehow you and Dr. Kinney just happened to have clippers in your pockets.

Your cooperation in adjusting the clinic schedule to meet our staffing pattern on holidays was most considerate. Your office staff is great. Their courtesy and friendliness is an important part of your service. There never was a problem in getting in touch with you when the need arose.

Words can't express our gratitude for a job well done; but, as those who worked mostly closely with you, we want you to know we are grateful.

Respectfully,

Marion Duncan, RN
Ollie Durham, RN

Marion Duncan, RN, Head Nurse
Ollie Durham, RN, Head Nurse
April 4, 1988

Dr. Wittenberg,

"Smile and the whole world smiles with you", and thank you very very much indeed for your wonderful letter of March 28! All of us here at Nicholson Yacht Charters are so glad that you enjoyed your recent cruise aboard the yacht LOST HORIZON, and you have said so many nice things about the yacht, her captain and his mate, and the cruising ground, that I am making a copy and am sending it down to James and Nicola, so that they will have it in a few days time.

And! As I believe that credit should be given where credit is due, I am enclosing a copy of your letter for your wife, for I agree with you, that probably 90% of the reason why you had such a good time was, to quote you: "A trip taken with someone that I really care about" - for probably 90% of the success of your cruise was because that young lady was with you as your sailing companion!

We receive a great many what we call "good-time letters" in this office, but not many credit the other members of the cruising party . . . indeed, you probably were not even aware that you were giving your wife such a very nice compliment by mentioning her in your letter . . . but I spotted it, and I would like to pass that compliment on to her, if you don't mind. You say you married young? Even more remarkable, for a lot of young people aren't mature to know how to be good wives. At any rate, your wife is certainly doing something right to get such a nice compliment after all these years - and I think she should know about it!

So yes! We would very much like to hear from you again in another six months time when we would be delighted to arrange another cruise for you, and thank you very much indeed once again for your wonderful letter. It is correspondence such as yours that makes us all here is this office stand tall, feeling good about our jobs!

Yours sincerely,
Julie P. Nicholson

Nicholson's, Antigua

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March 28, 1988

Ms. Shelby Nicholson
Nickolson Yacht Charters
9 Chauncy Street
Cambridge, Mass. 02138

Dear Ms. Nicholson:

I received a note today from, I believe, Julie (It's not quite clear from the signature) asking my opinion of our recent charter.

I'm sorry that I had to receive this note before I wrote the below because I intended to do this within a few days of returning.

Boots and I have taken many vacations through the years and I don't remember when we had a better time. I can very highly recommend the Lost Horizon, its Captain, James Dobbs and especially its mate, Nickola Pear. We made a good choice in flying into Martinique and returning from St. Lucia. We couldn't control the wind and for a couple of days we had practically none, but this was during the time we were simply taking very short sails on the eastern side of Martinique. When we decided to really do some sailing, the trades returned with a vengeance and we had a few days of steady 30 knot winds and gust higher which is not exactly my wife's cup of tea but is the kind of sailing I really love.

The Captain, James, is probably as good a sailor as I've ever met. I hardly ever, (I don't think once), looked at the sails when they weren't in perfect trim. Your statement that he loves to race is reflected by the fact that he races every time he raises the main which suits me to a tee.

We got down as far as Sandy Island in the Grenadines and it's hard to say which area was nicer.
Dear Dr. & Mrs. Wittenberg,

We were sitting on the porch this past Friday afternoon reminiscing upon the night we appeared at your door soaked from rain and at wits end. Annihilized by a shared pin on our boat; our primary source of warmth had been, on that cold, dreary drift down the river, a flake of scotch. Therefore, your kind offer of a ride to our car probably saved us from dire consequences our subsequent would have been a long cold walk.

Our purpose for being on the river that afternoon was to sketch and gather information for a painting that has since been selected to appear
in the Augusta-Dakarazuka Sister City Art Exhibit and it is our hope that it will be selected as Augusta’s gift to the people of Dakarazuka, Japan.

We felt we should take this opportunity to thank you again for your assistance that night.

Sincerely,

Randy Lambeth

[Signature]

[Date]
November 20, 1991

Dear Patient and Friend:

It is with a great deal of sadness that I write this letter to you. On the advice of my physicians, I have been told to retire from practice on medical disability. I have had for several years a slowly advancing problem with degenerative arthritis in my hip and back. Most recently these symptoms have gotten quite severe and I was told that if I continue to work as I have in the past, that the quality of my life will be diminished.

It is always difficult to leave something that for so many years you have loved, nurtured, directed and watched grow. I feel certain that Drs. Kinney, Kronowski and Ottinger will continue with the same high level of expertise and ethics that you are accustomed to in this office.

Some of you who are receiving this letter have recently come into the practice; some of you have been with me for almost 40 years that I have been in practice. I feel badly for myself and for you for having to write this note.

I hope that you will have the confidence that you have expressed in me in the past by continuing to be a patient at the Medical Center Podiatry Group.

I wish you all nothing but health and happiness for the coming holiday season and for the New Year.

Very sincerely yours,

Morton Wittenberg, D.P.M.

MW/jdt
My dear brother and father,

I am very glad to hear from you and to know that you have come to live in the country. I hope you are well and that you will write to me soon.

I am very much interested in your decision to go to Spain and to study law. I am happy to hear that you have decided to follow this path.

Your love and affection are always present in my heart. I hope to see you soon.

A kiss to you and your family.

Yours affectionately,
I dearly blessings and Father
and love and peace and love and peace
hope that all the love and peace
Can bring happiness you need more.
Keep up the old age (elegitimate)
and those dear Sir or Miss
I write this in the reason now
the future and your school also
to education that as seen and heard
more than enough. Just to kidding
do this to you. But if I feel
I love you all and best of
Dear Alumni, dear children.
Dear Mort and Boots,

First, let me say that I apologize for not responding sooner to your letter. I have been working my tail off here in Korea. The Jewish side of the house is not so hard; it’s the other part, being the resource manager for the Seoul area chaplain programs (all religions). Let me wish you folks a Shana Tovah.

Mort, hard to believe you are not playing tennis anymore. Who else will I get to yell at me, “Gimme the line, rabbi!” I’m still chugging along. I still play tennis and run quite a bit, usually about 30 to 35 miles a week, but I’m no longer the speedy Gonzales in races any more. A good wife and home life takes away the motivation to run hard, that and age. I’ll just concentrate on being a dirty old man. Fear me, it’s hard to believe I’m 52, but I’m growing old gracefully (sure beats not growing old, if you know what I mean). I still don’t know where we are going when we leave Korea. I have expressed my wish for Fort Monmouth, NJ or Fort Benning or Fort Stewart in good old GA, but we will see. A good friend of mine, Howard Schwartz is a Fort Gordon. He’s a super guy. Barbara is doing great. She’s making money teaching English to Koreans. Debbie married a super Frum Baal Teshuvah, but it turns out that he was also a Baal Meshuga. She is divorced now and engaged to another guy in Phila (studied in a Yeshivah in Israel, sold insurance for his father’s company and now wants to be a school teacher). We’ll see. Rena is also divorced and living in Dallas (she has a MA degree) and sells high tech medical equipment and is a charming, gorgeous girl. Naomi lives with us, which is a mixed blessing. She has a stormy temper (like her mother) and produces very little in school and problems at home. The probability for her is technical school of some type. She can be cute and sweet, but other times..... The little girl, Rachel and Miriam are thriving and are completely adapted to Korea. We vacationed in China last summer (Shandong province, where the Chinese go, not the Western tourists). It was fantastic. The people were prosperous, well fed and very friendly. Their standard of living is light years ahead of the Russians. There is no political freedom but much capitalism, and the people work hard (the Russians don’t). Miriam, with her blond, curly hair was a prime attraction. I can’t begin to tell you how many times she had her picture taken. The food was incredible and nothing at all similar to Chinese restaurants in the US. I climbed all the way to the top of the sacred Mt. Tai (Tai An) -over 5000 ft along 8000 steps, almost like a marathon. It was a vacation to remember.

Barbara’s parents came with us. I have eight years, probably two more assignments before I retire (and go back to the civilian rabbinate). By that time, I may be in the Conservative group. The military congregations are small, but a very international,
interesting group here. I miss the Bar Mitzvahs, weddings, etc, but not the aggravation. Old Rabbi Goldburg was certainly right about that. Barbara is a heck of a rebbitzen, a great help and asset. That also helps. As far as I can see from the bulletin, the Temple seems to be doing just great, humming with good activity. I'm glad. My heart will always be with the Temple, and Augusta is still my adopted hometown. What's new with Robin and Jon? They are super kids (well not kids anymore). I'm sure thankful that Lou and Seth Silver came back okay from the war. Odd, my old reserve unit goes; my last unit at Fort Hood goes, and I don't go (yes, I have some regrets). Anyway, I will probably get to Augusta when I return next summer. If I do, I will be certain to call you and hope we can get together.

and love,

Dick
December 15, 1993

Dr. and Mrs. Morton Wittenberg  
1445 Waters Edge Drive  
Augusta, Georgia 30901

Dear Mort and Boots:

It is my pleasure to welcome you as a Charter Member of the new Augusta Richmond County Museum. 1994 is going to be an exciting year, for we will spend it building the exhibits in the new building. We will be inviting you to a very special opening night reception about a year from now, and the plaque naming our charter members will be in place by that time. All of you have an important role in making this new museum a reality.

In the meantime, use your free admission privileges to visit the present museum.

Kindest Regards,

Richard Wescott  
Executive Director

RW: jlk  
Enclosure: Charter Membership Card
September 1, 1994

Mort Wittenberg, D.P.M.
1445 Waters Edge Dr.
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Dear Mort:

Greetings. I hope this finds you and your family well and happy. I’m continuing to write the history of the Colleges in Illinois and am at the year 1951. Will you give me your memoirs? Enclosed is a format you can follow if you like. Or maybe just putting it on a tape will do. What was the Chicago College like at the time? Dannison, Nitchie, etc.? I spent time with Nitchie last fall. Also, I see Roy Diamond often—son of Louis Diamond. Ann Rotrammel and Joe Thul have been a help in putting together some history for me.

You had a great career, Mort, both in state, and national, and I think Council on Education. Your memoirs are valuable to me. Also any memorabilia of the Chicago College, please send to me.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Warm regards,

George B. Geppner, D.P.M.
President Emeritus

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Dear [Name],

I hope this letter finds you well. It's been a while since our last conversation, and I wanted to check in and see how you are doing.

Life has been quite busy for me as well. I've been working on a new project that I'm really excited about. It's been challenging, but also very rewarding. I've learned so much from this experience and feel that I've grown as a person.

I hope you've had a chance to take some time for yourself and enjoy some leisure activities. It's important to take care of your well-being.

Let me know when you have a chance to chat and we can catch up.

Best, [Your Name]

8/08/11
We disembarked at Marigot Bay because of customs and were not dropped off at the hotel as originally planned. This too turned out just fine because the rather long overland cab ride gave us a chance to see a part of the island that we would not have seen otherwise.

In summation, great boat (fast as hell), a really good sailor in its captain, a most charming, and a good sailor in her own right, mate, a beautiful part of the world, a trip taken with someone that I really care about (I'm glad to say this after 40 years; we married very, very young), all add up to a superb vacation. If nothing changes, and I certainly hope it doesn't, we will be contacting you probably in 6 months to see where else we can sail.

Congratulations on having the Lost Horizon and your group of yachts.

Very sincerely yours,

Morton Wittenberg, D.P.M.
For Mr. Wittenberg
kindness of her husband!
Perhaps you sent a lovely card,
Or sat quietly in a chair.
Perhaps you sent beautiful flowers,
If so we saw them there.
Perhaps you spoke the kindest words,
As any friend could say.
Perhaps you were not there at all,
Just thought of us that day.
Whatever you did to console our hearts,
We thank you so much, whatever the part.
By the family of
Cecil M. Eubanks
Mort Baby:

This kid is flunking out in practice in Allentown Penna. He wrote to me for "Help" and you can see how I handled the situation. If you are looking for an assistant in the literal sense of the word you might consider this kid. I still have his letter if you would want a more detailed character analyses from Leo. But obviously for success in his life he will always have to be someone's "son." So take it for what it is worth, Daddy. Have fun over there.

Bill

CHILDREN'S FEET SHOULD BE EXAMINED ANNUALLY