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Dear Dean Stauffer:

The program for Man and His Community appears interesting and innovative.

I think the idea of a patient being shown to illustrate the relation between man and his environment is good. I don't know the method or purview of "hazard appraisal" but I like the idea.

There is a remarkable omission of nutrition and eating habits and energy balance, important risk factors in the mode of life.

In clinical epidemiology we could consider appraisal of risk in normal and ill patients based on simple clinical assessments and using new useful prognostic indexes.

Regards,

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