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Dear Ogden:

Apparently, I am "the last to find out" about your recent brush with the cardiologists. I am happy to hear that things are moving along well with the heart part and I'm sure the infectious complication will be cleared.

You have "the great American disease". Maybe you remember the old saying in World War II that "the world was divided into sailors that had gonorrhoea and those who hadn't had it, yet". I guess the same is true now of heart attack.

If you have from your present vantage point, any philosophical feelings or other observations you'd like to share with the Board and with our steering group in Minneapolis on how we can further forward activities to prevent heart attacks, we'd be happy to hear about them. I'm sure that there is more that we can do in Mankato and elsewhere.

The best to you and your family and best wishes for a rapid recovery.

Cordially,

Henry Blackburn

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