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Sandra Jaffe 819 St. Ann Street New Orleans, LA 70116

Dear Sandra:

I never thanked you properly for your marvelous hospitality last November. It felt like the old days for me. Of course the loss of my John and your Allan has affected my feelings in New Orleans, which are now more sad and nostalgic than living and rich. But it was nice to come back and I enjoyed my time with you.

I am dropping in again this coming week-end to put on a little group for an American College of Cardiology luncheon. I decided not to ask for" special privileges" with the Preservation Hall Band, and the group doesn't have a budget to pay the full rate, so I am putting together a little pickup group on my own. With luck I will see you the evening of the 17th and catch up.

After a series of exchanges with my Japanese colleagues, I have arranged to arrive a day late in Japan next week and so expect to see you and the band here on the night of March 22nd. That will (incidentally) be my 65th birthday(!) and I look forward to spending it with you and old friends. I haven't talked to Charlie whether he plans to entertain the band, as it's his turn in our usual every two year rotation. I had the band for a Mexican dinner at my house two years ago. See you next week.

Cordially

Heary Blackburn, MD Professor and Director