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Ms. Laura Gilpin
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Dear Laura:

I wonder if I might be so bold as to call you Laura since I feel we have gotten to know each other reasonably well this past year.

We were most pleased to have you lecture at the University and to provide you with an opportunity to see the Center firsthand. As you know, I take a great deal of personal pride in the Center and want very much for it to become the strongest institution of its kind. I believe that we have made a wonderful start but there is so much more work to be done in the years ahead to make the Center a living archive rather than merely the ultimate resting place of fine photographic works.

I do hope that you will give serious thought to the possibility of having much or all of your work come to us at the Center some day. If you should ever want to discuss this possibility seriously, I would be most pleased to visit with you either in Santa Fe or in Tucson.

I enjoyed meeting Mary Peck and would be pleased to have an opportunity to see some of her own photographs some time. I appreciated her note and was pleased to receive a letter from Andrew Smith regarding the work of Ernest Knee. I hope to follow up on his letter to me in the near future.

My best wishes go to you.

Yours sincerely,

John P. Schaefer
President

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