

# The Wilderness Society

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Dear Eliot:

Are our two extended and very pleasant lunches together sufficient basis for getting on a first-name basis? I trust so.

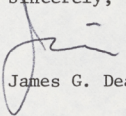
Let me express appreciation for your most generous proposal with respect to our payment for the use of your Smokies images. In this connection, an added note: when I returned yesterday I found a letter from John Macrae, a copy of which is enclosed, which offers to reduce to \$250 the \$350 permissions charge of which we were notified earlier. Mr. Cetta was indeed helpful to us, and in recognition of this and in the interest of continued good relations all around I am quite happy to pay the \$250 charge. If, in the light of your offer with respect to our payment to you, it seems appropriate for us to pay the full \$350, I would also be glad to do that. I really was not complaining in my recent letter to Mr. Cetta--simply inquiring about the purpose of the charge. Please let me know how you feel about the matter in the context of Mr. Macrae's letter.

We will be looking forward to receiving your antarctic manuscript and will also be in touch in due course with regard to our plans for the Iceland portfolio. Thank you for taking the initiative and dropping in on us--I trust you will make it a habit. I know that Celia Hunter, George Davis, Wendy Hayden and Clif Merritt all much enjoyed the chance to meet you and chat. *And Christopher Casler.*

In a list of penned comments of my own on the Smokies reproductions I note that I wrote "pretty close-slightly darker" on the one on page 27. We'll try to be closer to the progs next time, in every case. If you would like any additional copies of that issue, let us know.

The Harvey Broome book on the Smokies is being sent book mail--let me know if it doesn't arrive.

Sincerely,

  
James G. Deane

Enclosure

*Can you imagine our organization making this error? (The person who did it isn't here any more.)*  
"IN WILDERNESS IS THE PRESERVATION OF THE WORLD." — Thoreau