

June 15, 2007

Dear Friends:

Well, I made it! On June 8th, I celebrated my 71st birthday. I had two of my boys and Mike Lindley for the weekend here in the desert. Due to bad weather and airport complications, David was unable to make it. I played two rounds of golf ... 18 holes both days ... walking a total of 36 holes. We've been lucky ... the weather has been relatively cool. It's just now starting to get hotter (over 100°).

I didn't intend my birthday to be a fundraiser, but with all the love and support of all my friends, we accumulated \$36,000 for our Foundation. Along with the money came many cards, flowers and gifts. I thank you all for your support and for celebrating my birthday.

We seem to be the only ones left here at Eldorado. As soon as June 1st comes around, everyone leaves. On June 25th through July 25th, Toni and I will be spending time in Hailey. The first week, the family arrives along with the Lindley family. There will be a total of 18 of us when we're all together. Toni and I then go to Kohler, Wisconsin, for a Valmont Board Retreat for a few days, then onto our stay at the Montage Resort in Laguna Beach, CA. After our stay at Montage, we head to the Lodge at Pebble Beach.

My eyes and throat seem to be declining some; but most importantly, I'm still mobile. My mornings are still spent exercising, and my afternoons include listening to books-on-tape and napping. As you know from the last update, the bike group was here. This past Monday, I was depressed when I realized I wasn't going to get better. But I'm now back on track with my positive attitude. I don't know if I have ever mentioned that part of my exercise routine includes going to a fitness center on El Paseo called the Desert Longevity Institute to use the turbo machine for vibration therapy for 10 minutes. My next goal is to celebrate my 73rd birthday.

I appreciate all of your prayers, support and good thoughts and all of your e-mails and telephone calls.

All my best.

Chuck