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Dear Oleg & Roman,

This letter and the enclosed material is a little bit of the past, present and future. For the purpose of this letter, the past began on August 29 of 2005 when the eye wall of Hurricane Katrina made landfall in the twin communities of Bay St. Louis and Waveland, Mississippi. Those two Hancock County Communities were struck by a 35' wall of water that carried over 5 miles inland. Half of the homes in southern Hancock County were destroyed outright by the water and 130 mph winds. Almost all of the remaining houses were severely damaged.

Within a week of the landfall, Doylestown Lawyer Bill Eastburn, Bucks County Businessman Bob Byers and Newspaper Man Mike Scobey created the Bucks-Mont Katrina Relief Project. A week later, Bill asked me to chair the Construction Committee. While initially I didn't know where this position would take me, I would soon find out.

In late October of 2005, along with half a dozen other Bucks-Mont residents, I flew in Fred Beans' private jet to the Stennis NASA Base. That day I learned where this new position of Chairman of the Construction Committee would take me, the county supervisors asked us to build a day care center so young families could come back to Hancock County and go to work.

The enclosed newsletter tells the story of the Hancock County Child Development Center, which was made possible by your help and that of others. Seven local companies provided design, fifty companies and individuals made cash gifts and another fifty companies made gifts in kind sending materials and over 120 men and women to Mississippi to construct the \$1.2 million project. It has been an unqualified success. You are one of the people who either came forward to help or responded when asked. I want to thank you again for your help in making a difference to the people of Hancock County.

While the "present" is represented by that thriving Child Development Center, the future is filled with need. Housing remains a priority with 5,000 families or 30% of the population still living in FEMA trailers. In addition we have taken on another project, which represents a compelling need. That project is the Hancock County Food Pantry.

The "Food Pantry" was founded in 1986 and has been serving Hancock County residents ever since. The only interruption occurred when their building was destroyed on August 29 of 2005. Our mission is to build them a new home. Enclosed you will find some information about the food pantry and the new 3,000 s.f. building we plan to start constructing early next year.

The design has already been donated and we have raised nearly \$100,000. We need another \$250,000 to complete the project. As with the Day Care Center, in addition to my personal financial contribution, Penn Valley Constructors will provide all of the project management and supervision.

I have been a little reluctant to reach out to you all again. However, I feel encouraged by the few people to whom I have spoken who have basically said, "Just let me know what you need." I am asking you now, please join me in helping our fellow countrymen and women in Mississippi.

With sincere thanks and appreciation, I remain your friend,



Jonathan E. Otto  
President

Enclosures

Oleg, Roman and family,  
Your generosity is one of the great  
stories within the party.  
You are great Americans!  
Thanks Jon