April 20th, 2015

Dear Kim,

Here is hoping that this note finds you and your family doing well.

I have enclosed the lesson plans I got so long ago from Prof. Markhausen when I was his student. They have taken on the elephant breath smell as so many sheets of paper packed in cabinets have taken on before them. Sorry about that, but let's just say it makes them more authentic. These are the actual sheets I was given in 1977.

I am finally letting go of the many accumulations from teaching school. My kids, most likely be shaking their heads at what I chose to keep or don't get around to tossing. It was that same thing I did when my parents left the farm. It was a lot of work, yet cathartic as well. My kids should have that same opportunity.

I thought I would actually write out a letter to you, as I remember your father-in-law saying how letter writing would be a thing mostly of the past and any that remained would be elevated to an art.

Love to you,

Jane