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HAI-KEI,

Dear Yuichi – SHIN-YŪ soshite AKU-YŪ, FUN-KEI NO TOMO:

Your round TAN-JŌ-BI is approaching and John Daly is busy preparing a suitable JO-BUN for your highly deserved “FEST-BAND.”

What I regret is that I never had the honor to meet GO-SON-PU YOSHINARI-SAMA\* whose GO-SEI-KYO was in 1981. John Daly is still raving about the beauty of TOYAMA and its mountainous environment.

Your stay with me so many years ago left not only lasting memories but also an inheritance that endowed me with a linguistic prowess that enables me to speak YAMATO-GO SHIKARAZUMBA SŌ-RŌ-BUN, in your words MUYŌ NO CHŌ-BUTSU that leaves the listener GO-RI MU-CHŪ! SHŌ-SEI NO SEKEN-BANASHI WA AKIMA HEN DOSSE!

When Julius Axelrod\*\* celebrated his NINETIETH birthday, I quoted Shakespeare:

**KING HENRY V. V, 2**

A good leg will fall, a straight back will stoop,  
 a black beard will turn white, a curled pate will grow  
 bald, a fair face will wither, a full eye will wax hollow:  
 but a good heart, *Yuichi*, is the sun and moon, or,  
 rather the sun and not the moon, for it shines bright and  
 never change, but keeps his course truly.

May this KIN-GEN be comfort and solace for the accelerating passage of time.

With warmest regards, also to GO-REI-SHITSU-SAMA REIKO,

KEI-GU

*Bert + MARLENE*

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The Congratulatory Message from Dr. and Mrs. Bernhard Witkop, who is a respected mentor of Prof. Kanaoka, and their close relationship has lasted since his stay at NIH in 1959.

\* Drs. Witkop and Yoshinari Kanaoka, the father of Prof. Kanaoka, were both disciples of Prof. Heinrich Wieland (Nobel laureate, 1927). \*\* Nobel laureate, 1970.