Dear Dr. Lucas,

I have been meaning to drop you a note since attending your workshop on heart sounds in June at the Topics and Advances in Pediatrics.

In your remarks you mentioned the sloppy thinking and repeating of misinformation that takes place in the scientific community, using examples from the history of prolapsing mitral valve. I wholeheartedly agree that there are a lot of weirdos (not necessarily your wording) on the loose out there. It becomes apparent to the person who looks below the surface into an issue, as you did with that one.

I have been struck by the application to this principle to the issue of Evolution. Having gone through "higher education" with the conviction that science had settled the matter, I was astounded to find the evidence to be precisely contrary. I was then appalled to discover that many of my friends and colleagues were not in the least interested in hearing about it.

Perhaps it is presumptuous but I try not to be shy when matters of great importance are involved, but I have enclosed a couple of short papers for your consideration. If you are interested, I would be honored to discuss things further or send more material.