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Hello Fellow Arch-hunter,

I want to thank everyone who answered my first letter inquiring about interest in an association of arch enthusiasts. My apologies for not writing before this, but I wanted to give everyone ample time to respond. A few of you still haven't. Perhaps you would like to answer this letter.

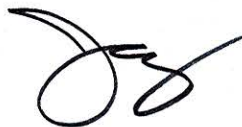
The response was enthusiastically supportive of forming such an organization. Furthermore, I'm still getting new names and addresses. When all is said and done, I'm estimating we'll have an initial membership of around 40 people spread all across the country. As you might expect, the specific details of everyone's interests vary greatly.

Because of the response, I'm going to go ahead and publish a newsletter, at least the first issue of one. If the response to that is favorable, I'll continue.

Obviously, I'll need material. Anyone who is interested can submit information and/or articles to be included in the newsletter. Topics might include: new arches discovered; how to get to the more obscure arches; your personal arch-hunting experiences; planned arch-hunting trips on which you would like others of us to accompany you; and insights and opinions on the geology, origin, history, morphology, and/or classification of arches. I reserve the right to not use or edit any and all material submitted. You will of course get full credit for authoring the material. I will also include a list of names, addresses, and main interests of all the arch enthusiasts who have given me permission to do so.

The first issue of the newsletter will be based on material I've received by July 1. It should be distributed about August 1. If you want me to return submitted material, please include a self-addressed, stamped envelope. I disclaim any responsibility for submitted material.

Happy Arch Hunting!



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