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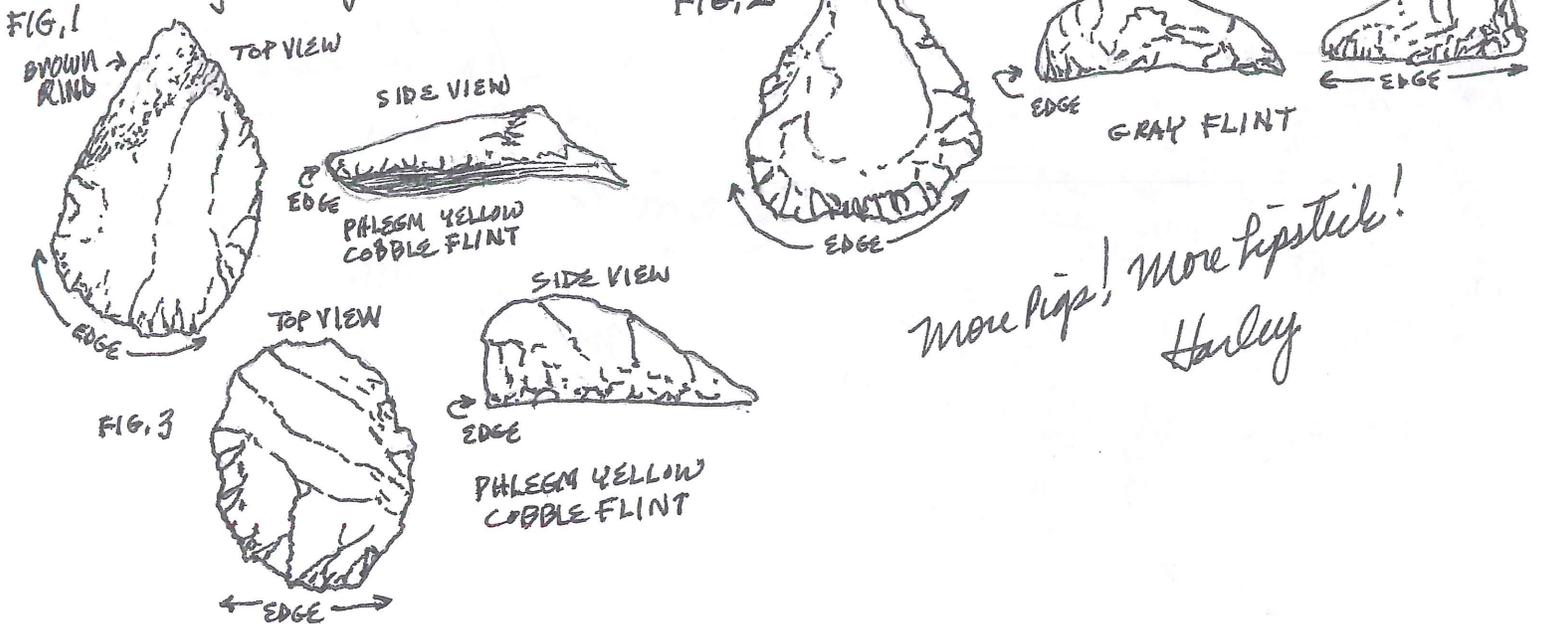
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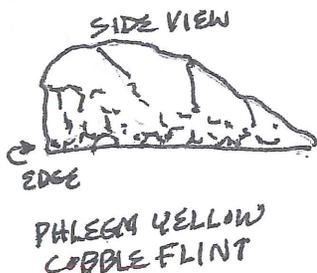
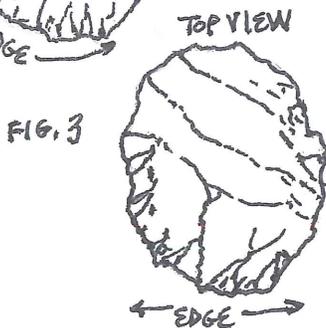
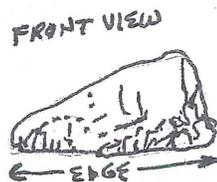
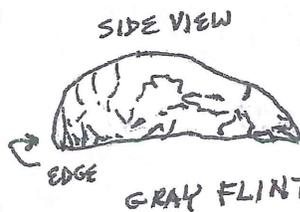
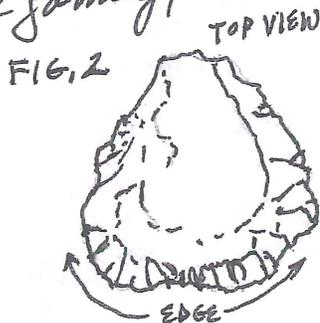
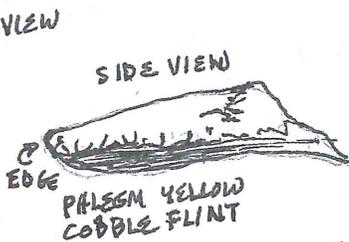
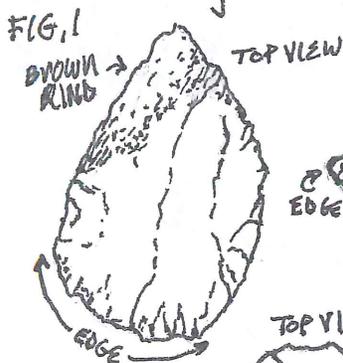
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September 29/08

Dear Bill,

Thanks for your letter, and I appreciate your comments on the love poem to an owl. Lately it's been time to get on the visual process; I started a graphite work, lots of unselfconscious scribbles to begin with - let's hear it for mindless fun.

Congratulations on the scraper. I think the river is working up to dropping something big in your path. You heard it here first.

Well, those 3 El Cudo scrapers I found on the Rocky Deer - if you could see them, you might take back the "Inmanza" part. But we had a healthy rain so, even though I'd been there earlier, I thought I'd better re-visit the RD to see if anything new turned up.

What turned up is it got a heck of a lot more rain than my place in town. The ground was hammered and even had some runoff gullies. It was a well-sculped field. If it had been plowed & rained on like this, I'd have gone home with heavy pockets, but... Since it was in such good shape, I gave the Scallow section a thorough look - the length, over 3 steps, the length, over 3 steps. Also tried the older area back in the orkow, but found nothing there. In the part closest to the road, I found 2 basal scraper fragments - not worth drawing - a drill with a missing tip,  $\frac{1}{2}$  of a Pilecán Lake point with missing tip, and an oval point. Oval, triangular, side-notched, and corner-notched have all come off this place - corner-notched scallows predominant. Drawings on back - no masterpieces, but always nice to find something.

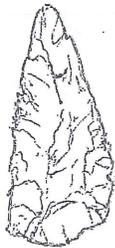
Hey, always up for a river walk. Want to try before the jig down there? My schedule is more flexible than yours, so use a couple dates by me and I'll dig out the old tennies.

Best Regards to the family.

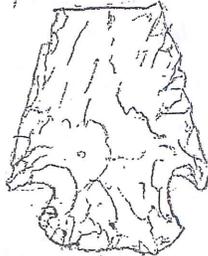
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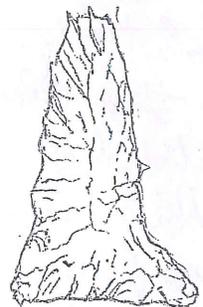
MOTTLED GRAY  
FLINT



LIGHT GRAYISH -  
YELLOW SILICEOUS  
SHALE



DARK GRAY  
FLINT



August 22/09

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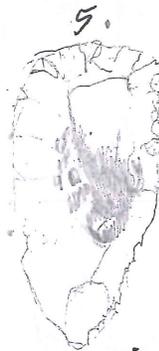
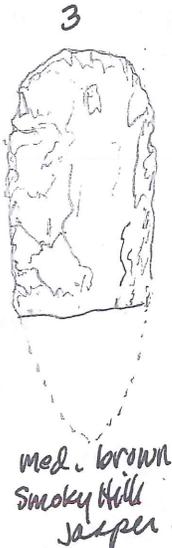
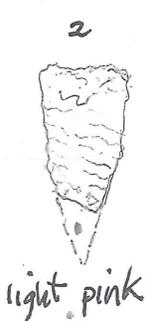
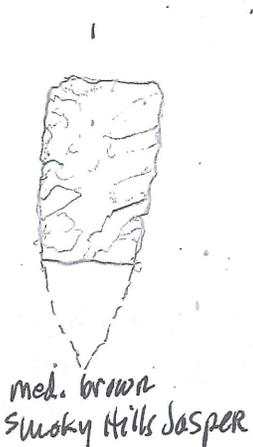
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pale pink with black markings. This black + pitlid fractures (which made me think it was "crude" before washing) look like this was in a fire.

Ba Dee Ba Dee Ba Dee That's It folks,

Haley

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