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Dear Deb:

Thank you for the recent copy of PROGRESS. Surprise, surprise, the critters are becoming resistant. I wonder where FDA gets off in proposing Lindane treatments as treatment of last resort. Physical removal is always a choice, preferred choice, and thus should be first and last choice.

Education, as NPA has long recognized, is the only lasting solution. Education will eliminate the hysteria, if not the lice. While I do not expect others to appreciate them as do I, we must put lice in proper perspective. Their control is not worth risking the health of the child or care-giver.

Education on campus is going high tech and it occurs to me that NPA probably can improve its reach by establishing a presence on the Internet.

I'll be happy to help get you started, establish a NPA home page where you could have current and past editions of PROGRESS, Frequently Asked Questions, nifty nit notices, guidelines and e-mail linkage to NPA. Since many school districts are already on the Web, this would reach a target audience, which is sure to grow in the future. I can do all the development on the "server" at IUSB, however, you would eventually need to get an account with a local Internet provider (not American On Line, or Compuserve - too expensive) and we can then move the home pages to that server and NPA can interact through the Web or e-mail. It probably would cost \$20 - \$25 per month for unlimited use. I presume you now have a computer, you would need a modem, faster the better (\$120+).

Sincerely yours,

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