



The Headjoint Specialist

Flutists Say...

SL, IL - I want to tell you how much I enjoy playing on your headjoint.

KH, OH - I appreciate the time and effort you gave in helping me make the decision on this major purchase.

HS, TX - After 3 years, I love my headjoint even more than ever.

YA, CA - Your headjoint has really opened up my sound and I'm able to do many more things with my tone and technique.

CB, NC - I want to tell you how pleased I am with my old flute and your new headjoint.

HS, NY - You have more than succeeded in supplying me with a headjoint that makes a dilettante play pleasingly.

NK, CA - I appreciate how perfectly suited my new headjoint is to me.

PJ, MN - My students are so grateful for the wonderful work you have done for them.

GR, IL - Your headjoint is an incentive to practice.

JR, MN - Your headjoint is not only easier to play, but the tone is much clearer.

BH, OH - I never knew a single hole in a silver tube could make a grown man so happy. Thanks for your ingenious craftsmanship.

YM, AR - The headjoint fits my mouth so well. It's much easier to pick up and play immediately.

JJ, MO. - I'm sitting here impatiently anticipating the arrival of the headjoint and can hardly wait for it to come...I know this will be a wonderful headjoint for my flute, and I can't thank you enough for all the help you gave me in choosing it.

HL, NY - Just wanted to let you know how much I love the headjoint I bought from you last December/January. I've had several comments how much better my playing sounds...Thanks again for being such an artist!

MJ, PA. - We received the headjoints in the mail Tuesday and have been enjoying them ever since!

WJ, MI. - I just acquired a slightly used Drelinger headjoint with a wing lip plate. I tried lots of different headjoints, and this one just seemed to fit me. I've got more piano in my ppp and more forte in my fff and I like the sound better across the range of the flute. So, the improved sound lead to me practicing more..I am terribly pleased. I love the sound, and the feel, and the engraving.

SR, PA. - Thank you very much for your friendly manner and fine service.

JT, PA. - I really enjoyed trying out your headjoints in Philly this weekend...I was surprised!..I'm really interested in the technology,..and you're the first maker I've ever heard of who takes a methodical approach to varying the characteristics...Thanks again for your help.

MR, NY. - I received my headjoint today and wanted to let you know how wonderful it is!.. I had a ball!..sounded like I was at Carnegie Hall...The headjoint fits perfectly(what's new?), looks beautiful, feels soft and smooth as a baby's ass, and has a rich musk/oil smell to it. I can jump octaves more easily/smoothly. The C-sharps, trill keys and third register notes are softer/less sharp. My vibrato is more dominant/controllable...I can play very, very quietly, yet crystal clear, and fade to zero. The note to note changes are smoother/less noticeable.

The more I play my Drelinger headjoint the more I like it. Since January, I have had a new teacher, WD, who has shown me many new and exciting facets of the "Drelinger sound". It is so versatile. It allows so many variations in tone and color with such clarity, depth and beauty. I love every minute of playing it.

NS, CA. - Thank you for all the advice and help you have given me. Thank you too for taking the time to produce such a fine product. You surely are a gifted and sensitive individual, an artist with metal, one who has obviously worked very hard to develop all the necessary skills and techniques for producing this wonderful gift to the world of music. You have made the world a more beautiful place in which to live. Not many can claim that.

HP, FL. - I've had physical problems...pain in my right shoulder...I gave it all up...and started playing a bass flute in our orchestra instead. At the last Florida Flute Fair, Nancy alerted me to the "Upright", a flute played vertically with a horizontal headpiece, made by Sandy Drelinger. I bought one and it's wonderful...[He] does excellent work.

SK, MA. - You may remember when I drove down and spent 5 hours choosing a headjoint at your home...I still love the headjoint.

MJ, NE. - I am very pleased with the secure position of the lip-plate...It speaks so easily that I am amazed at the volume and tone I can achieve with so little effort—especially in the low and middle registers; and the third octave comes easily (up to C sharp) without shrillness...My wife immediately noticed the improved tone. My teacher tried the MAX and remarked on the very strong low register and how easily it speaks...So, you have another very satisfied MAX user.

AR,OR. - The headjoint is great!.

HD, FL. - The headjoint fits just fine. Sounds great!

HJ, HI. - Words cannot describe how happy I am with my new headjoint! It felt like it was Christmas in July when it came in the mail.

PI, NC. - I've fallen in love with the wooden headjoint...I love the sound of it, especially for improvising jazz and blues.

WJ, NY. - Once again thank you for your expert help in the selection and purchase of R's headpiece...She is very excited...I am always happy when my students are able to get one of your creations!

AM, TX. - I am writing to express my enthusiastic satisfaction with my new Free-Flo with Platinum insert headjoint. I played fourth reed on Gershwin's "Crazy For You" last week and the...musicians were complimentary about my "new" tone quality. I am pleased that your headjoint design allows me to switch from reeds to flute with an ease I have never before experienced.

SL, CA. - At last! At last! I wanted to drop you a note to let you know that the headjoint arrived safely at my office this morning. Do I have permission to take the rest of the day off of work so I can go home and play with it??? Thanks for you help.

KM, OK. - I love the new headjoint, the low register is a dream. Middle E flat much improved sound and pitch-wise...It's so wonderful to be able to play the runs to high B in Lt. Kijie so easily...Thanks again.

CP, IL. - Thank you for a terrific session tonight with MC...You are really great at hearing, diagnosing, and problem solving...It's a pleasure and a privilege to play on your headjoints.

GM, ME. - She is very happy with the new headjoint and we both thank you for your excellent work.

RS, AL. - RR's new headjoint arrived yesterday and she was so very excited to see it. She kept me up most of the night tooting it!!! She asked me to relay to you how much she appreciates the help that you were to her in finding the right headjoint for her needs... You have a very satisfied customer in Foley, Alabama.

LA, AZ. - This is to thank you for your excellent workmanship on my sterling headjoint. I have had so much more fun playing my flute with your new headjoint! It definitely is more efficient.

TA, PA. - Apparently, it doesn't matter what I think of the new headjoint—everyone else loves it!!...I really love playing on it—it's flexible, vibrant, "speaks many languages," comfy on the face. I've recital-ized, concert-ized, opera-ized...all with great pleasure.

KS, MD. - It's beautiful!

EJ, CA. - Just a note to let you know that my new headjoint made quite a positive stir at our first set of concerts. I think that I had approximately twenty-five complimentary comments from colleagues, friends, and audience members. Thank you again.

CB, OH. - I just received my new headjoint a little while ago...WOW!!!, what a difference!!!...Thanks.

ZS, NY. - I bought a flute headjoint from you a few years back and am loving it! It has really improved my playing! ...Thanks so much!

BL, TX. - I wish to let you know how impressed I was with your expertise in this unique field. It is apparent that you are heavily invested in your life's work...It was a true pleasure being exposed to your intensity.

BL, CH. - Can't wait for my new headjoint. I'm having Drelinger withdrawal!

MP, MN. - Still enjoying the headjoint I purchased from you years ago, It's aging better than I am. Thanx.

CJ, NE.- I am really eager to start playing on your headjoint, I know that it will do wonders for me.

SK, DC. - What a blessing to meet you in D.C.!.. I look forward to making beautiful music with [my new headjoint].

PI, PA. - I want you to know how much I value this headjoint. I can play pieces that I could not before...I would never perform the Handel Arrival of the Queen of Sheba...because the articulation wasn't adequate. I couldn't get it clear and light enough. Now, with the gold, and the platinum reed...I've put it in a program...along with the Bach Siciliano, Griegs' Morning, and Mozart's Adagio Religioso. I would never have played that Grieg in public before, either, because it has to sound effortless and flow like silk to be worth hearing. The gold tone added what I wanted to it; and the wooden headjoint is perfect for the moodiness of the Siciliano. I'm a very satisfied customer. Even when I know I've played poorly, people rave over my beautiful tone. I don't tell them it's the headjoint.

GC, MN. - The headjoint has that other sound again. I can't really describe it, but I can feel the vibrations when I play. You really have found a wonderful invention. M...is developing so well on her new headjoint...Thanks!

FL, MD. - My new headjoint...It's marvelous!!! And I'm completely satisfied (for life) with the combination...The tone and flexibility are incredible.

FR, OR.- I have been playing on the Karitium head...To say that I am impressed is a gross understatement. It does everything that I dreamed a head should do...I really appreciate that you come to the flutists and give them the head that meets their needs. I don't understand how you do what you do, but I applaud the fact that you do it...Another thing that has bothered me is the fact that none of your heads have come through me for resale. I think I now understand. I certainly have had numerous requests for flutes without heads because the flutist wants to keep playing their Drelinger head...Keep up the good work. I am one satisfied customer.

PJ, CT. - I have switched back to my 9K...and find it so much more expressive.

GC, NC.- I am looking forward to CJ's headjoint and flute. Thank you so much for doing a hurry up job...R sounds so spectacular...T-perfect match for that flute-- It sounds so great!!!...You keep doing wonderful work! THANK YOU FOR INVENTING ALL THESE CUTS!!!

BE, WA. - ...The headjoint Silk, arrived. We instantly fell madly in love! She and I will be partners for a long, long, happy time! ... Thank you for introducing the two of us. We shall always be indebted! ...The tone and color are so much improved, and along with that, my confidence soars! So thank you, Mr. Expert Craftsman! Thank you for a lovely, beautifully designed, flawless headjoint!

SS, PA. - Thank you so much for working with me and for making such good headjoints! I'm so excited about this change! I've recommended you to several of my students as well.

KS, MO.- Thank you so much for your service and fine work. I am certain that the many compliments I receive on my playing, particularly with regard to tone, are in part due to your skill at creating this important part of my flute. It is a joy to play!

FT, NM. - This is just to let you know that I got the headjoint back and that it was, as expected, a perfect fit...It works well...My teacher...also was very impressed with the headjoint and I'm entirely satisfied.

RD, NY. - My piccolo plays awesome! Thanks!

OS, FL. - Many thanks for your time and effort in trying to find me an easier blowing headjoint. I appreciate your effort and... I will heartily recommend your product.

HD, GA. - Thank you for your note explaining the fitting process...I have the utmost faith in your methods and your workmanship.

FT, NM. - My new headjoint arrived in the mail today. I don't have the words to do it justice. Wow! What a difference. It is so easy to play now and to produce a nice rich tone. It makes practicing so much more easy and enjoyable. This is the only way to get the most from a flute...I'm so pleased that I decided to invest in a good headjoint. Thanks!

HS, CA. - I'm enjoying my gold headjoint! Thanks for working with me this summer.

GC, NY. - I really appreciate you making the time to work on my headjoint. It's so great to be back on a real headjoint.

KB, PA. - Wanted to take the opportunity to thank you for the beauty and pleasure my headjoint... bring[s] me everyday.

GC, ID. - I can't tell you just how pleased I am with the beautiful work you did on my new headjoint! It sounds very clear and colorful...and I am always amazed at your exceptional timeliness in the whole matter.

SJ, NJ. - I am still enjoying the flute head that you made for me and wish to tell you a little story. a year ago...I was given a hip replacement...I had to wait for my ability to blow to improve. It was my goal to be able to walk upright into church and play "In Thankfulness of the Lord's Care". In July I did so and was invited to play in the whole service. What a joy! At eighty-two, I still get excited about such happenings...[this is] not earth shattering...news, but just to let you know that your work makes a lovely difference in the life of a non-professional person who learned to play in the fourth quarter of her life.

SC, IA. - FI just wanted to tell you that the headjoint you repaired for me is wonderful! It plays beautifully I am so happy with it. Thank you so very much for everything.

GJ, KS. - I am using your headjoint and...I love it. In fact, it makes it possible for me to play, even when I'm bad and don't work the way I should...All my students who have your headjoints are loving them and so happy with them, but this is no surprise to me. Thank you for all your good work on our behalf.

BA, KY. - Thanks so much for getting my headjoint back to me so quickly! What a surprise I had when the mailman delivered it.

JP, NV. - I wanted to take a moment and thank you for your time and patience...It was a pleasure to meet you and be introduced to your product line. You are producing a fine product...Again, thank you for your help both in selection and purchase.

LL, IL. - I thought I'd drop a note to say that the piccolo headjoint is working out very well...having just completed a run of four performances of Purcell's "Fairy Queen", I can say I'm really pleased with it. I am getting the improved response in the high register I've been looking for. I'm also getting clearer sound, stronger attacks, and an overall sense of better projection in the low and middle registers as well...So, thanks a million and keep up the great work!

YA, CA. - This headjoint is quite a noticeable improvement...especially in vibrance and projection...I am greatly anticipating using it for the show work coming up this season.

TJ, TX. - The headjoint sounds wonderful. I'm enjoying it immensely. Thank you for the beautiful craftsmanship.

KB, NV. - Now I play all the woodwinds again, thanks!

BA, CA. - I want you to know how much pleasure I am getting from my new headjoint. The tone is really good, and the high and low notes are easier to blow, and with much less effort.

LB, Austria - Headjoint number 90S keeps plugging away brilliantly! Many thanks!

YK, CO. - The 9K head is fabulous! A week or two after I got it from you, I played the Foss concerto...I had a blast! ... I felt my sound projecting over the orchestra quite well... I've never sent out tapes of myself unless it's for an audition of some kind. But I'm making an exception; thought you might enjoy hearing the fruits of your labor! ... I played the 9K the last two months of our orchestra season to many compliments...So I'm having a blast playing again these days...what a wonderful sound, flexibility and response! I just love it! It was definitely the right choice for me at the right time... Off to the [master] class...when I played for [the teacher] last summer, he loved my karritium head. Wait

until he tries this one! Thanks for everything! You're the Best!

AV, WY. - I wanted to tell you that I can really appreciate the difference TOOTS has made in my headjoint. The upper register is not only easier to tune, but the sound is fuller and richer too. There is virtually no compromise in the low register- it is as solid as before, which I'm pleased about...I like my engraved daisy. Thanks again for your excellent work!

MV, NM. - Thanks for working my headjoint into your hectic schedule...I'll survive somehow, but will be glad to have my gem home again...I tried all of M's headjoints and I really like the response on the ones he bought from you. He was like a child in a candy shop (at the convention), trying and testing each headjoint he bought from you and liking them all! His ultimate choice for himself is terrific! ... Thanks again for working this in for me!

SC, PA. - I've been wanting to drop you a note for sometime to let you know how well I'm getting along with the new headjoint that I bought from you last fall...After working with it for a month I gave a recital...I could play with a fullness of sound...that was new to me. I kept having to ask my accompanist to play louder in the fiery variations without danger of being covered, which was a new feeling for me. I have found it to be very diverse in its range of dynamics, from very soft to very loud, low or high, and the pitch at all extremes seems to stay right where I want it. I then did a...run that was much less taxing than in previous years, followed by a stint in the orchestra for a week, where again I felt the ease of the pitch in both soft playing and the loud. And through it all I very much enjoy the singing quality that I can produce with it. So I am very much appreciating your craft, and feel a freshness in all of the old excerpts and pieces that I play on it.

CJ, TX. - I just wanted to take a moment and thank you for spending time with me to help me select a headjoint to meet my needs...never in a million years could I have dreamed of the magnitude of change I would hear in your headjoints compared to what I have been playing on. I have been playing flute for twenty years and not until Sunday did I really feel that I had ever really played! It is like a spiritual rebirth of my tone! And the response!!! Wow! I am so impressed! Thank you for investing your time in perfecting the science of headjoint making to provide the flute world with the ultimate "tool of the trade"... I will definitely recommend your product to those students who are serious about their art...After playing a Drelinger Headjoint, I don't know that I can play anything else! ... Thanks again for your time and for making a superb product!

HL, CO. - I really appreciated the time you spent with me on the phone giving me advice. I respect your opinions! You've helped me out a lot in my decision concerning which flutes to consider.

SS, PA. - Thank you for the excellent work you do with headjoints. Her tone improved immediately and, more importantly, her motivation and practice habits changed for the better. Since you heard her last summer her playing has become so beautiful I can hardly believe it! Thank you again for your help on the phone and with the headjoint. We have never regretted the decision to invest in your product!

CN, KS. - I received my headjoint last Friday, and it is just like new! It seems much better...Thank you!

RR, AL. - I wanted to thank you personally for the lovely new headjoint you crafted for me. I've been very happy with the clarity of sound and especially the ease of the low register. Thank you so much for helping to make my orchestral debut something I'll never forget!

WM, KY. - Thanks for helping me choose a headjoint! Mine has improved my tone 100%!

CK, IN. - Thank you very much for your work on the piccolo. The new headjoint is working out beautifully, it has made a big difference. Thank you also for fixing my case and tenon.

CM, ME. - We thank you for your generosity in repairing the chips and scratches that have occurred on the mouthpiece. We appreciate doing business with you.

BH, MA. - Thank you again for your help. I have been asked often how I get such a quick response on my low notes, and I remember when I tried this one out, that's what I liked most about it. Thanks for the nice fit!

FN, IL. - Since having my wonderful headjoint, I have made first chair in my high school band...and eighth chair in [the] regional band. So many, many, thanks!

BD, Canada - Take note that I appreciate highly your work. Thank you for all your collaboration.

HV, MD. - I thought it would be a good time to have you fit the headjoint. Thanks for squeezing it in your tight schedule. I know you're a busy man! ... I'm so happy with my flute and headjoint. Thank you for your valuable advice.

It's a great combination.

MA, OR - Sandy, Thanks for keeping your door open a little later than usual. The extra time I got to spend with both you and your headjoints made me very comfortable with my decision.

RJ, MN. - Dear Sandy, What fun it was to come to your studio and do my headjoint search... I knew my flute would sound better and be easier to play once I have worked with you.

KP, WA. - Sandy, ...the new headjoint arrived the other day. It sounded as wonderful as I remembered it. A beautiful vibrant tone in all registers, and producing each note feels easier. I feel like I also have greater dynamic control, it's just wonderful. Thank you.

KS, IL. - Dear Sandy, Rebecca and I thank you for your help, humor and patience in helping her select a new headjoint. It was obvious that she wasn't getting the best sound or response from her current setup, but as you demonstrated, there was simply no comparison. Though we really couldn't afford the new headjoint, at her level of playing we couldn't afford not to buy it.

JA, OR. - Sandy, I am loving my new flute headjoint. The flute almost plays itself. I recently played for an outdoor wedding and the sound carried so beautifully.

CJ, TX. - Hi Sandy, I love your piccolo (now mine) headjoint.

SM, NJ. - Sandy, My headjoint is an absolute masterpiece - I love it!

SM, CO. - Dear Sandy, ...The crown change we did is great and I am really happy with the end results.

MM, MI. - Dear Sandy, ...Just wanted to thank you again for the session on Saturday. Did you ever consider teaching? I think you'd be great at it. I was happy to have your guidance during our session...

KF, TX. - Dear Sandy, In addition to myself, six of my students here now are playing your headjoints.

HR, GA. - Sandy, Just to close the "Loop" and tell you that Jenni's headjoint arrived Saturday. She has played it and judging from the expression and sound, loves it! Thanks for your craftsmanship and Knowledge!

HJ, OR. - Dear Mr. Drelinger, Thank you for assisting my daughter in selecting a new headjoint. She felt a strong connection to #2268-A and its resultant improvement to her tone.

MN, CA. - The new headjoint arrived two weeks ago... I truly appreciate the ease in which I can play ff or pp - even in the same phrase, can project my tone much farther than before, and can even get a compliment from my husband about how much better I now sound when practicing.

PM, CO. - I just wanted to thank you for your patience and flexibility while I have chosen my headjoint. I absolutely love my new one - it has much more depth and resonance than anything else I've played.

PT, GA. - Just a quick note. My daughter continues to love her headjoint. Thanks.

CT, NM. - Just a short note to say my headjoint arrived yesterday and it is close to the "wildest dream" end of my expectations. It took me only a few minutes of playing to make the subtle embouchure adjustments to produce a rich, full sound throughout the range, unlike anything I've done on my original head. I am thrilled with it and will write more about it at length after I've played it for a few weeks.

SR, DE. - I currently played 3 jobs on the UpRite head, and it has done well. Am using it for all teaching, and will probably use it for many services Easter week. I will not have to go home, encase myself in ice, cry and bum a Tylenol with Codeine from my husband.

SY, Singapore - I am . . . from Singapore. I bought a Max Headjoint from you last December. It gives me great pleasure to play on it. My friends were very impressed with your product.

CJ, Germany - I just wanted to say how much fun I have playing your all gold headjoint. My teacher now hears great improvement in my sound. I also appreciate the fitting of the headjoint to my flute.

GM, PA. - Since my daughter received your headjoint she and her teacher are beaming. Thank you.

MJ, CO. - The Drelinger arrived - and Oh my God - what a difference your headjoint makes! The notes just leap out of the flute, and the dynamic range allows me to articulate and express like I never could. My wife now loves to listen to me play. I can't thank you enough, and I'm convinced you're a genius.

ML, WA. - Thank you very much, Mr. Drelinger, for assisting me in finding the perfect headjoint for my needs.

GD, OR. - I was surprised by the ease with which I could achieved such a solid tone at the lower end of the instrument but still get such a richness at the top end without excessive "adjustments" in my embouchure. Thanks again for providing such a quality product and offering the service to back it up.

EJ, CA. - Within a week after that I have replaced my old headjoint, don't want to see it again, and am having a fabulous time with your new headjoint! My adult student who was with me on the repair trip looked stunned when she heard me play. She has heard me for about 12 years and I thought her eyes were going to pop out of her head. Everyone just raved about the sound and the total effect it has on my playing.

VM, MI. - Hello Mr. Drelinger, Sorry for the additional message, I know how busy you are. My flute is absolutely singing. I have never heard it sound this good. The difference with the flute is nothing short of miraculous. The high notes are a revelation. Thank you!

BJ, CA. - The UpRite arrived safely! Thank you so much for creating this wonderful adaptation for all of us with "injured wings" and enabling us to fly once more.

CS, WA. - Just wanted to drop you a note to tell you how much I'm enjoying my new headjoint. Fits perfectly and sounds great. Thanks so much.

SK, PA. - I appreciated your patience. I had heard such fine testimonials regarding your expertise that I knew you would help me find the best possible headjoint for me. Once again, thanks for all of the time you spent finding a match for me.

WD, NV. - Thanks Sandy, my piccolo got here just fine. The headjoint is a delight. I never thought that a piccolo could play so easily.

GM, OH. - I received my headjoint today. What a joy! I cannot believe how hard I have had to work with such little results! It works great. Thanks for the fine job you did on my headjoint. It was worth the wait!

HN, CA. - Sandy, The headjoint is great!

CB, CA. - ... your headjoint plays superbly, thank you for doing an excellent job!

SL, OH. - Dear Sandy, Hello! It was nice working with you today, while searching for a better picc headjoint. I always appreciate your help, as well as your fantastic headjoints! Ever since I started playing on my first Drelinger (now on my second), my music career has changed dramatically. You truly are a blessing to the flute making industry.

BW, NJ. - The Drelinger headjoint is amazing! Many thanks.

HM, MO. - I am thrilled with the change. I am realizing how much tension I was holding in my jaw . . . I feel like I can make my flute sound like I want it to sound.

EM, NY. - I just wanted to thank you so very much! I've been playing the headjoint for a week and I'm so thrilled!

SC, VA. - Just wanted to drop you a note and tell you that I absolutely love my new 9k headjoint!! As soon as I got it in the mail and put it to my lips I knew without a doubt that it was the one. It is so responsive and easy to play and definitely worth every cent I paid for it. Thank you so much for your time and patience in helping an amateur like me find such a perfect fit! I was a little worried about the trial process and wondered if I was out of my league embarking on this process of changing my old headjoint of 20 years, but you have opened a whole new world of flute-playing for me! Thank you so much!

PM, CO. - I just wanted to thank you for taking so much care when you helped me choose my headjoint. I love it!! I played a recital last week and it was absolutely fantastic to play on your headjoint. Thank you so much.

OS, NH. - Thanks for the heavier crown. The headjoint now plays at 120%! It also is a good match with my new flute body.

TD, WY. - I received the headjoint yesterday. It is wonderful, just as I remembered.

TS, MS. - I just wanted to let you know that my headjoint is working fabulously. I have had many comments on its sound. My teacher also likes it very much, she gave us a thumbs up on it. Thank you for a job well done.

GA, NJ. - Dear Mr. Drelinger, Your headjoint is truly a work of art, I love it more and more every time I play on it. Thank you.

KB, FL. - Dear Mr. Drelinger, I would also like to take the opportunity to thank you for making this headjoint for me. It has truly helped turn my audition experiences around. I have won three jobs on it. . . It has made everything so much easier for me, musically, tonally, and technically.

NR, VA. - Mr. Drelinger, My new headjoint is terrific! For the first time I'm not fighting my flute - what freedom!

MS, MN. - I just wanted to drop a note to say thank you for my beautiful headjoint. For the last 12 years or so I've spent countless hours doing tone exercises in front of a mirror and going absolutely nowhere. My teacher suggested that I see you - I'm glad that I took her advice. I feel like finally I can get down to the business of playing the flute.

DA, TX. - Dear Sandy, Thank you for spending so much time with my student. She loves her headjoint and sounds great on it!

TD, CA. - Dear Sandy, Thanks for all your help. My students got just what they needed. You have honed your mind into a lens that can really see and hear what other people need. Thank you.

JD, CO. - Dear Sandy, I am very pleased with the work. You are a valuable asset to our flute playing community.

CR, Brazil - Dear Mr. Drelinger, Hope you are doing well. I just would like to tell you how much I've liked your headjoint! It's fantastic. It seems I have a new flute, a different instrument, with a better sound. During the last month I had the opportunity to practice and to get acquainted with the headjoint. Also I've worked on playing more relaxed, based on your friendly advice. I'm improving a lot. Thanks for everything.

SM, OR. - Dear Sandy, My flute teacher immediately noticed the tone improvement. My woodwind quintet asked not the flute had changed. My flute technician had to see the new headjoint. I now really enjoy my studies and etudes, and the concerto on which I'm laboring sounds much better. Thank you again and again for your special skills in matching headjoint to individual player. I love the result.

AR, The Netherlands - Four days ago I received my new headjoint. Today I play the headjoint I must say that most of my wishes already came true. I can play more in tune, louder if I wish to, and more evenly. The headjoint reacts wonderfully to breath/tongue attacks. Thumbs up to your Air-reed technology! It seems to have many possibilities in coloring the sound. Because it takes long to master an instrument in this aspect it is difficult to be more specific in this stage. Another proud and satisfied owner of a Drelinger headjoint!

PS, NJ The headjoint fits perfectly

NJ, NY. - Sandy, I got the headjoint yesterday. It's great and the fit is perfect too. Thanks again for all your help.

SB, NJ. - ... you were extremely helpful in knowing what to listen for and even in guiding me to produce a larger tone quality ... of which I'm sure was also due to your headjoint.

SS, PA. - ... I meant to mention that 2 weeks after I got my flute headjoint, I did a recording session for ESPN. The studio people were very impressed with my sound and particularly noted my "clean, crisp articulation" (something I struggled with on the previous headjoint). So thank you for that!

CJ, OH. - Thank you for making great headjoints. I had a wonderful time working with you. ... Please keep me on your list. I am going to save up for a piccolo headjoint on your next round of visits.

TD, CA. - Dear Sandy, I am truly enjoying the new piccolo headjoint. It really makes piccolo playing fun.

WL, SC. - ... I bought a Drelinger headjoint - 14K gold with silver lip plate and a platinum air reed. It is absolutely fabulous on my flute. I have tried dozens of headjoints and flutes and never liked anything better than what I have ... until I tried yours. It is so easy to play, and the low register is very rich and big. I am astonished at the difference it

has made in my playing - I can do things I could never do before. It is a fantastic piece of craftsmanship and I am extremely fortunate to have a run across it when I did.

DD, PA. - I never realized a person of your caliber and talent ever existed, in your chosen field. Its a shame, there are people in other chosen fields and crafts that do not possess this talent. I know it will help me to really enjoy playing the flute again.

RK, OH. - I'm very excited to see what my old instrument will do with your headjoint!

KE, TX. - Thank you so much for agreeing to fix the headjoint and doing such a great job on it. I am really enjoying playing it and it was great to get it back so soon.

JM, SC. - Dear Sandy, The headjoint arrived just in time and I am enjoying it immensely. Thanks.

FB, OR. - ... I tried your head on my old flute body and I don't believe I have played a better flute, ever! Now, I can't sell the damn thing, I'm going to have to keep it and play until I drop, because it is so enjoyable.

EJ, IL. - I am elated with my new Max headjoint. I do not have enough superlatives to describe it. It's clarity, flexibility and suppleness, intonation, playability, and clear articulation is far beyond anything I had imagined. It should help me go far in terms of my musical progress and has already brought instant refinement to my playing. You do amazing work and I can't thank you enough.

AP, TX. - Dear Sandy, I wanted to tell you how absolutely terrific this new headjoint is. It's most recent gift to me is these effortless high E's (above high C). What a thrill!

BS, IL. - Just wanted to thank you for my new headjoint. I love it and it really makes a difference in my playing.

DA, TX. - I wanted to let you know that I love the piccolo head. I used it for the concerto premier. I love the sound of the piccolo on the recording of the concert. The performance was also taped to TV and broadcast live on local TV. I'll send you a tape or video tape of it.

DT, CA. - Dear Sandy, Mary loves her new headjoint! She played the Prokofiev at school and the high D's came out effortlessly! Hats off to you again. Thanks for your efforts and honed skills.

KF, TX. - I've been playing the new head since I got it, just 2 weeks before the enclosed recital. The response, clarity and flexibility are phenomenal!

BF, FL. - It arrived Saturday morning. I put it on the flute and played and immediately ascended to heaven. Or so it seemed. It was all I had been dreaming of. The tone was so much richer and fuller. The dynamics have improved markedly and the projection is astounding. The lower notes are big and full. And the articulation is superb. The old headjoint pales in comparison. There is no longer any comparison. At the risk of being repetitive I wanted to let you know that the headjoint fit perfectly. I had a lot of attention on this because my last one tended to be a little loose and I don't like that at all. I recall you did some careful looking and made notes. Well it fit perfectly. Thanks again.

FB, France - Bravo for your beautiful work!

AB, IA. - The high point so far of 1999 has been finding your headjoints! The low point was walking out of your room without mine. Looking forward to receiving it soon ...

AE, TX. - Sorry it has taken me so long to write. I love my new headjoint. I received it two weeks ago. That weekend, I played three long gigs, about 10 hours total. I was amazed at how little I had to work to produce a clear, resonant, rich sound. The response is immediate and the color is nice and dark like I like it. The fast passages sort of fly out of the flute - it kind of plays itself. I was going to work on opening up my sound a bit, but now I feel like I can relax and let it open itself instead of me putting so much effort into it - that's probably how it had gotten tight in the first place! I can now do things that I've wanted to do but couldn't quite do them. Thanks! Send me dates before your next trip down. I may have people to send to you.

BK, LA. - Dear Mr. Drelinger, I just wanted to drop you a line to let you know how happy I am with my new headjoint. It's a work of art, and it sounds great. My teacher and band director were both very pleased with the improvement in sound. Thank you again - your headjoint will be invaluable in my musical training.

SO, Finland - I have been playing your headjoint now for one month in the radio orchestra and it is truly superb.