Hi, Donna--

These are the photos that you've sent me so far. I've printed them out low-res (otherwise it would take all afternoon...), but I know you'll recognize them. Some of them are cropped to fit on the page, but at this point I just want to show you what you've sent me, for talking purposes, and to get you thinking about what might work where.

The printout of the list is handy because it shows how big the scan files are--anything under 400-500 k probably won't be at high enough resolution for us to use, so if you want to use an image that is, say, 56k, we'd either need to rescan it, or go back to the source and see if we can get it at 300 dpi (dots per inch = resolution), at least as large (in inches) as we plan to use it. You can make scans smaller, but you can't make them bigger without losing resolution.

Resolution 101
If you have a 100 dpi scan that is 9 inches wide, you can make it 300 dpi but only if it is 3 inches wide. Most non-professional digital cameras capture images at 72 dpi, but the image is larger than 4 x 6, say 20 inches wide. But to make that image 300 dpi (which you need to have it print well), you'd have to divide the size in inches by 4.17 (300 divided by 72), so this example could be 4.8 inches wide at 300 dpi.

In a few cases, where all I have is the low-res scan and it isn't physically large enough to run on a book cover, for instance, I've had a glossy print made, and then scanned that on a scanner. Not great, but better than nothing, if there isn't another way to get a critical image.

Best,

[Signature]