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Letter From Judy Smiley to Eleanor Snell, April 22, 1970

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April 22, 1970

Dear Miss Snell,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for all you did for myself and my classmates while at Ypsinus. The most vivid reflection in my mind is Sports-Snell-Dance, but you were more than this. You were a teacher, a friend who enriched the lives of many while at Ypsinus.

In your classes you were first and foremost a teacher who loved your subject and conveyed this great love to those you taught.

Outside the classroom you were a friend. A good friend and a helping hand to all those who sought you out. You always had a willing ear and usually a helping suggestion. You were never too busy for your players or students. You truly cared about us, not only as players, but perhaps more importantly as people.

The void you leave at Ypsinus will be hard to fill and the loss can never

be tangibly measured. For in my mind
their will always be memories of four
years under your guidance, four
busy, productive and fun filled years.

We won a few laurels, medals and some
recognition and the satisfaction of knowing
that for a time we had been an important
part of your life and Ursinus College.

As I think of you a quote of Harold
Garnet holds fast in my mind. "The best
teacher is ... the one who kindles an inner
fire, arouses moral enthusiasm, inspires
the student with a vision of what he may
become and reveals the worth and permanency
of moral and spiritual values."

You have left a vestige of yourself
in all you taught.

With affection and respect,

Judy Smiley