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Dear Deane,

I was very touched by your Birthday present and wish to thank you for being so generous to me with your time.

I think that I have made and am making some really good changes as a result of working with you, and I am especially happy about them because they feel like part of my basic personality, rather than attempts to make myself into something else. Thank you for your help and encouragement - and for an occasional, gentle push now and then!

Sincerely,

DEAR DR. SHAPIRO,

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Dear Dr Shapiro, I can't express in words my gratitude. You have been extremely helpful in assisting me in understanding a lot of my dilemma. You caring is something not found in many human beings. I will never forget your immeasurable kindness.

Dear Dean,  
4/21/90  
Your wisdom & knowledge  
has been a great inspiration to me.  
Thank you,

From a teen age daughter...learning to go up to and talk to new people

How are you? First of all I want to thank you for all you did in that class. I did not realize at first how much progress I had made until I came down here. I had to go up to people I did not know and talk to them and try to make friends with them. Whenever I had to do this I would first think it out the way you showed me and then try it. It worked and I was really surprised at how people talked back to me. I now have a few friends and I think if I had not attended that class I would not have any. Thanks again very much for all you did.

From a father who was in Family Therapy with his wife and daughter; wrote;

I liked the way the sessions were conducted. Starting with the first name basis and the informal and relaxed approach. The concern and consideration for each person's feelings and statements. How what we had said was not held against us but used for us so we could understand ourselves. We sincerely profited from your help.

...things are much improved with us ...on our new scale of improvement we are at 62% which is good, because it was 45% when we terminated. As you said and we both know that life is not 100%. I had 75% as our goal which would make things ideal-- we can handle the other 25%.

We feel your session work had a good and lasting effect on our family . We had reached a spot with our daughter when we were threatening juvenile hall and other drastic measures. Meeting with you was made easy and simple. We sincerely believe the changes in our attitudes can effect the usual flare ups and the other 25%.

We want to congratulate and thank you for a successful a job well done.

MOTHER You always made us feel we were what was happening at the moment. You always had the right answers for our problems, at least what you suggested helped us a great deal....

DAUGHTER You always had two ways of looking at it. To make sure you understood. We were treated really good.