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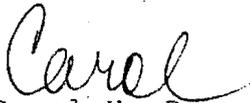
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Dear Max:

Thank you for sending me a copy of your latest documentary, "Max & The Magic Pill." I found it quite enlightening, and am happy to hear that it has been successful in showing the public a realistic perspective of people with disabilities.

I look forward to hearing about the future successes of Parquad's 25th Anniversary events, and hope to see you again soon.

Best wishes,



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Dear Carol,

I hope this letter finds you well, and that you had an enjoyable and restful holiday. Thank you very much for your thoughtful note. Both Colleen and I appreciate you thinking of us during the holiday season.

We have been quite busy here working on Paraquad's 25th anniversary, which began July 24th, 1995 and will run throughout the entire year. One of the events that has thus far occurred in our anniversary is the production of the enclosed documentary. The documentary was produced by our CBS affiliate, KMOV-TV here in St. Louis for prime time showing from 7:00 to 8:00 PM, on December 18th. It was a major success and we have received many very favorable responses. From the comments we have heard it is a piece that has enlightened many people about the disability movement and disability in general. It is giving the public a different and more realistic perspective on disability. The major thing it has achieved is to help people understand that people with disabilities want to pursue the same opportunities as all people. To accomplish this we need to eliminate discrimination and the paternalistic attitudes that pervade our lives.

I'm sending a copy of this tape to ask if you would take an hour one evening to watch it. I think it sends a good message to the public that we need to change our attitudes about disability, and we certainly need to change our systems before we can fully include disabled people in all aspects of our society. I'm anxious to hear what you think. We're not sure yet what we'll do to market the show, but we are looking at a variety of ideas.

I hope to see you soon either in Washington or St. Louis, and hope that you and your family have a healthy 1996.

Cordially,

Max J. Starkloff